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Sunset over Old Main
by Matthew Allen Cooper '18

MESSAGE *from the* PRESIDENT



The Terriers continue to make their mark in the world, assisted by your support and encouragement.

After an amazing season, Wofford's men's basketball team finished the year with a valiant performance against the University of Arkansas in the NCAA Tournament. A win in the Southern Conference Tournament gave the Terriers outright titles to both the regular season and

tournament championships, and we could not be prouder of our young men, who even now are back in the classroom and working just as hard on their studies as they did during the big dance.

Our Terriers make their mark off the court, too.

- Wofford seniors are finalizing their postgraduate plans. Palmer Cantler '15 has been offered a full scholarship to attend Duke Divinity School in the fall—a scholarship that includes three paid internship experiences.
- Rachel Woodlee '13, Wofford's current Rhodes Scholar, is now in the Ph.D. program at Oxford University in England and was named one of the top 25 under 25 in U.S.-China relations by China Star magazine.
- Donovan Hicks '16 was one of 10 people recently admitted as a 2015 Public Policy and International Affairs Law Fellow at the University of California Berkeley this summer. He is currently in the running for a Harry S. Truman Scholarship as well.
- Three students—Alexandria Arsi '17, Richard Fields '17 and Cole McCarty '17—recently completed training to join the University Innovation Fellows of the National Center for Engineering Pathways to Innovation (Epicenter), a national program that empowers student leaders to increase campus engagement with entrepreneurship, innovation, creativity, design thinking and venture creation.
- The talented students who produce the Old Gold and Black student newspaper won seven awards, including three first-place recognitions, in the 2015 South Carolina Press Association Collegiate Competition.

The work of these exceptional students—and the stories highlighted on the following pages—is made possible through your encouragement, time and financial contributions. Thank you for supporting our students and the extraordinary power of the Wofford College experience.

Go, Terriers!

Nayef

WOFFORD: IT'S YOUR WORLD

During Interim a group of Wofford students learned wilderness camping skills. Before their first excursion the group practiced setting up their campsite at the top of the steps of Main Building below the college's new banners. The new "Wofford: It's your world" tagline on these and other banners throughout campus acknowledges Wofford's emphasis on global learning and addresses Wofford's ability to personalize educational opportunities. It's your world... explore it. It's your world... engage it. It's your world... transform it. These are just a few of the ways that students, faculty, staff and alumni can shape their world through the Wofford experience.



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THE WORLD @ WOFFORD

A. HARMON TEACHES ART THERAPY CLASSES TO INMATES

Katie Harmon '15, an art history major and studio art minor from St. Louis, Mo., is using her final year as a Bonner Scholar at Wofford to teach in and build support for a therapeutic art program at the Spartanburg County Detention Center. Harmon and the inmates will exhibit works on campus in May. **For a story on Harmon's project written by Kelsey Aylor '18, visit wofford.edu/woffordtoday** »

B. WOFFORD RANKS #4 FOR STUDY ABROAD

Again this year the Open Doors Report of International Education Exchange has recognized Wofford College as a national leader in study abroad participation. Wofford moved up to the fourth spot on the list. The college has been in the top 10 baccalaureate institutions for the percentage of students studying abroad for credit for more than 15 years. **Read more at wofford.edu/woffordtoday** »

C. FOUR FACULTY MEMBERS TO RETIRE IN MAY

Four members of the Wofford faculty will retire in May. Mike Curtis (professor of English), Dr. Angela Shiflet (Larry Hearn McCalla Professor of Mathematics and Computer Science), Dr. George Shiflet (chair and Dr. and Mrs. Larry Hearn McCalla Professor of Biology) and Dr. Cynthia A. Suarez (chair and professor of education) leave the college after a combined 87 years of service. **Read more about their plans after Commencement at wofford.edu/woffordtoday** »

D. HORWITZ BRINGS SHOLOM ALEICHEM TO WOFFORD

Murray Horwitz brought "An Evening of Sholom Aleichem" to Wofford and the Spartanburg community in February. While on campus Horwitz also talked with theatre majors about careers in the field and with other members of the Wofford community on the value of a broad-based, inclusive education. **Read a story about Horwitz at wofford.edu/woffordtoday** »

E. McCANE SHARES EXPERTISE WITH CNN AUDIENCE

Dr. Byron McCane helped guide viewers through "Finding Jesus: Faith. Fact. Forgery," a CNN documentary series, which began airing on Sunday, March 1. McCane, the Albert C. Outler Professor of Religion at the college, regularly takes Wofford students to experience archaeological digs in the Middle East and Italy. This six-part series examines six objects purported to be from the time of Jesus. **Read more at wofford.edu/woffordtoday** »

F. MASSEY ESSAY FEATURED IN WILDLIFE PUBLICATION

Lee Massey '17 recently published an essay in South Carolina Wildlife magazine. She wrote the piece as part of a first-year humanities assignment for Cobb Professor of Humanities George Singleton. He was so impressed that he suggested that she submit the story. Massey's essay is a humorous apology to the ducks. It's in the new issue, now on shelves. **Read Massey's essay at wofford.edu/woffordtoday** »

G. WOFFORD TEAM WINS CFA COMPETITION

A team of Wofford students won the CFA Institute Research Challenge Southern Classic. Team members are Victoria DaSilva '15 of East Greenwich, R.I.; Katherine Donzella '15 of Greenville, S.C.; John Estes '15 of Carlisle, Pa.; Al Kelly '16 of Akron, N.Y.; and Whit McLeod '15 of Summerville, S.C. Their adviser is Dr. Michael Merriman, assistant professor of accounting and finance. **To read more about student successes, visit wofford.edu/woffordtoday** »

H. RADACK SHARES INSIDER VIEW OF WHISTLEBLOWING

National security whistleblower Jesselyn Radack, who also is the attorney for NSA whistleblower Edward Snowden, spent a week on campus in February as the Woodrow Wilson Visiting Fellow. Radack, director of national security and human rights at the Government Accountability Project, conducted classes, met with students and faculty and held two public speaking events. **Read more at wofford.edu/woffordtoday** »

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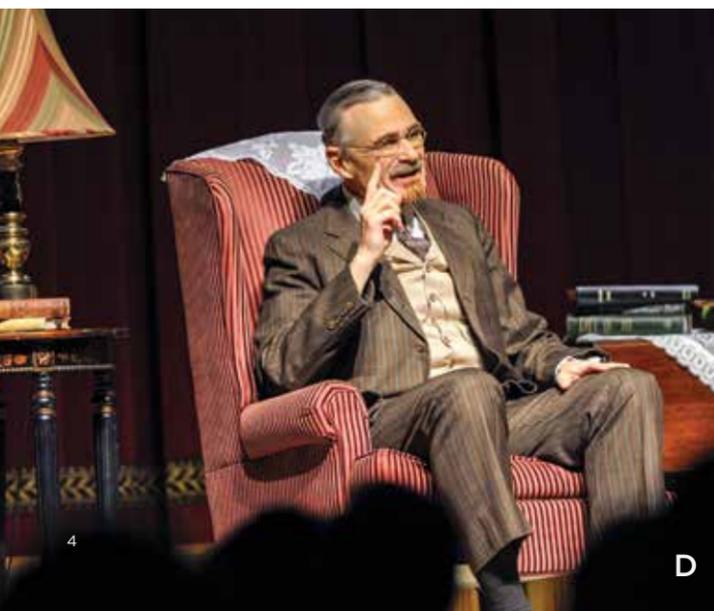
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UNLEASHED

AS OF MARCH 21, THE 2015 TERRIERS BECAME THE FOURTH TEAM IN THE NATION TO REACH 20 WINS ON THE SEASON. FOR A SCHEDULE OF REMAINING GAMES, LOG ON TO WOFFORDTERRIERS.COM »

Building the NEW GREEK VILLAGE



Leadership • TRADITION • Philanthropy

BY RYANN KROSKE McCALL '13

In 1955 construction began on Fraternity Row. The college built seven fraternity lodges in a project costing a total of \$77,500.

For 60 years those houses have been used by students and visited by alumni. Bands, shaving cream fights, first dates... if only the walls could talk.

Now it's 2015, and the college has come full circle with plans to build a new Greek Village.

Mike Lackey '81, a Kappa Sigma brother, first met his wife, Susan Morrison Lackey '81, a charter member of Kappa Delta, at Fraternity Row. Despite this sentimental connection to the old fraternity houses, Lackey acknowledges that it is time for a change. "You can't help but notice how sad the old chapter houses look these days. They are obsolete, no longer seem to fit in with the rest of the campus, and it's clear that they need to be replaced," he says.

Demolition of Fraternity Row will begin in the summer of 2015, but the new Greek Village will not be built on its current site between Black Science Annex and Greene Hall. The new Greek Village will enjoy prime real estate on campus, across Evins Street from Main Building and across Cumming Street from Gibbs Stadium. Moving the location to the social center of campus will make the Greek Village easily accessible from The Village apartments, occupied mainly by seniors and juniors, and the ideal spot for pre- and postgame celebrations throughout the year.

Unlike the current Fraternity Row, the new Greek Village will serve as the home for both Greek women and men, with sororities as well as fraternities having dedicated houses. Instead of meeting in tiny offices and maneuvering around overstuffed closets in Andrews Field House, Wofford women in sororities will enjoy ample space in the Greek Village. Additionally, the new Greek Village will feature an NPHC/Multicultural House that will include offices for National Pan-Hellenic Council organizations on campus and a black alumni hall of fame. The inclusion of this home in the Greek Village provides a space for diversity initiatives and programming focused on enhancing the campus experience for the growing number of Wofford students of color.

"Students of color will have the unprecedented occasion in the Greek Village to expand and sustain their involvement in Greek life at Wofford by promoting and sharing their histories, cultures, traditions and ideas with the community," says Ellis Colvin '83. "The new Greek Village will become the major crucible for Wofford minority students to build personal relationships and to partner with alumni in professions that will value their liberal arts education, diversity, talents and abilities in a highly competitive world. As a Wofford alumnus, I am personally supporting and contributing to the 1854 Heritage Campaign for an NPHC/Multicultural House because of its legacy potential for minority students, the black alumni and their families to have an enduring presence on Wofford's campus."

The total cost of the new Greek Village project is approximately \$7.7 million, and with the college's investment of \$2 million and a private gift of \$600,000 to fund the multi-purpose pavilion located at the entrance, the remaining approximately \$5.1 million has been divided by the 11 houses for fundraising purposes.





The 60-Day Blitz

On Jan. 24, 2015, the college embarked on a “60-day blitz” fundraising campaign for the Greek Village. Approximately 75 individuals, including current students and alumni representing each Greek organization and the Black Alumni Steering Committee, attended the Greek Village campaign kickoff held on Wofford’s campus. Staff representatives from the offices of Student Affairs, Development, and Marketing and Communications were present, as well as representatives from McMillan Pazdan Smith Architecture.

During his welcome President Nayef Samhat emphasized the importance of Greek life to the vision of Wofford College. A hush fell across the crowded room as the designs for the new Greek Village were unveiled in an animated flyover video of renderings, which included narration explaining the project’s features and architectural details.

After review of the site plan and layouts of houses in the Greek Village, discussion turned to fundraising. In order to begin construction on the Greek Village as soon as possible, each organization was charged with the mission of raising \$400,000 in outright gifts and pledges by April 1. Attendees then split into their individual groups to plan fundraising geared toward their specific organizations.

Fueled by their passion for the Wofford Greek-life experience and the realization of the transformative nature of the Greek Village, dedicated fundraising leaders from each fraternity and sorority spearheaded these efforts. With the help of the Office of Development, organizations used direct mail, email campaigns, marketing videos, phone trees and other means of communication to get the word out and raise support for the Greek Village campaign.

Design of the Greek Village

The vision for the Greek Village was designed with the help of Wofford administration and Greek-life students through on-campus workshops with McMillan Pazdan Smith Architecture. As organizations acquire the necessary funds, they will continue to work with the architects to design a space that is uniquely

their own. Organization leaders and their respective alumni advisers will have the opportunity to choose from six architectural styles and a variety of exterior materials, as well as an interior layout that suits their particular needs.

The focal point of the Greek Village will be a multipurpose pavilion, generously funded by an anonymous donor. The pavilion was designed to mirror the style of Main Building and will serve as a common gathering place in the Greek Village, suitable for campuswide functions.

The 11 houses of the Greek Village are arranged in a formal pattern to complement the Greek Revival architectural style. The colonnade at the back of the houses defines a grassy courtyard area that is available for formal and informal gatherings. Taking into consideration the patios and colonnade area of each house, organizations will have plenty of outdoor space for band parties and other events.

An initial question from both alumni and student populations involved how each house would maintain privacy. Each house of the Greek Village will have appropriate fencing and landscaping on the back patios in order to provide fraternities with proper security and control measures as required by their national organizations.

The architecture of the Greek Village will offer opportunities for students who participate in Greek life to gather seven days a week—not just on the weekends. The houses of the Greek Village will be significantly larger than the current Fraternity Row houses, providing ample space and modern amenities suitable for hosting chapter meetings, guest speakers, study sessions, social events and other programming.

The Greek Village and the Wofford Community

“The Greek Village will be something for all our constituents to be proud of,” says Calhoun Kennedy ’89, associate vice president and executive director of Development. “Wofford is one of the few institutions, if any, that is making an investment in Greek life. From a brick-and-mortar standpoint to programming, Wofford recognizes the history and importance of Greek life to our students and alumni.”

According to Kennedy, the new Greek Village will position Wofford as an example to similar institutions for excellence not only in architecture of community space, but also in standards of Greek life as a whole.

Bob Cantey ’91 of Sigma Alpha Epsilon sees the potential the Greek Village will provide in strengthening the already tight-knit Wofford community.

“The Greek Village will essentially be the center of campus. It will give the college a place where Greek and non-Greek students can attend social events and other activities,” he says. “Its open design and inclusion of sororities and the NPHC/Multicultural House will encourage a more diverse environment, allowing for friendships to form that might not otherwise have happened.”

Mike Lackey agrees: “Ultimately, [the Greek Village] will be more useful to more students.”

The Greek Village also will play a role in helping alumni feel more connected to the college.

“I think it will be great for alumnae to also have a central gathering place when they come back to campus,” says Sharyn Beard Pittman ’92, a Zeta Tau Alpha sister and alumnae adviser. Pittman believes that the new Greek Village will serve as the ideal gathering spot for everything from Homecoming to reunion weekends to tailgates and more. The Greek Village will be a place for Wofford students and alumni alike to call their own.

Andrew Strasburger ’13, a brother of Pi Kappa Phi, sees the Greek Village as an important steppingstone for Greek-life students and the college as a whole.

“Greek life shaped the way that I interact with the world through lessons in character and leadership,” he says. “A Wofford degree is a lot more than a piece of paper; it is a guarantee of the quality of the holder’s education and integrity. To ensure that this guarantee continues in the future, the students need a place to learn these beyond-the-classroom qualities. The Greek Village will provide a community of learning that will continue to guarantee the utmost value of a Wofford graduate’s true worth, both academically and personally.”

For more information about the Greek Village, please visit wofford.edu/greekvillage.

There you can:

- Make a gift or pledge
- Learn about available naming levels
- Track the progress of each organization
- Find answers to frequently asked questions
 - Take a virtual tour
- View architectural renderings

QUESTIONS?

Contact the Wofford Office of Development at 864-597-4200

MAKE A GIFT TO THE GREEK VILLAGE

It’s easy to make a gift or pledge to the Greek Village. There are three ways to give:

1. DONATE ONLINE

Access the online giving form at wofford.edu/supportwofford/onlinegiving and select your method of payment.

In step 2, designate your gift to the “Greek Village” and then indicate which organization you would like your donation to support.

2. MAIL YOUR DONATION

Mail your gift to the Wofford College Office of Development at 429 N. Church Street, Spartanburg, S.C. 29303.

Make all checks payable to Wofford College and please specify which organization you would like to support.

3. CALL TO MAKE YOUR DONATION

Call the Wofford College Office of Development at 864.597.4200 to make your gift and specify which organization you would like to support.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE 2014 DEVELOPMENT YEAR

\$9,992,444 IN GIFTS

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FROM GENEROUS DONORS
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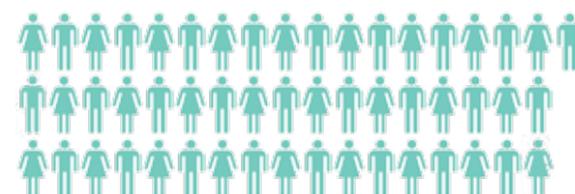
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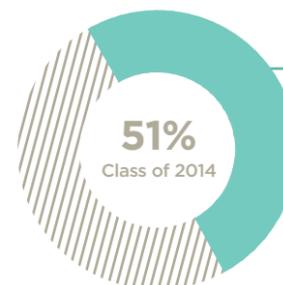


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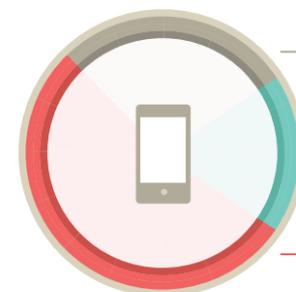
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171 MEMBERS
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The
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\$105,000 gift will create “best of its kind”
internship program at Wofford.

Mike Brown '76 funds travel and living
expenses for students pursuing
work experiences.

by Lisa Mincey Ware



» Mike Brown summer intern Caroline Winn '15



THE MIKE BROWN INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

Guidelines for eligibility for an internship scholarship:

- Students must find their own internships. The Space staff will help students understand how to conduct a search, and Brown's funding allows them to dream big without being limited by financial constraints.
- Students must present their internship plans to an internship board for approval. Not all internships are created equal, and the board will ensure that the experiences are appropriately structured and that students are accountable for the work they promise to do.
- Students must complete professional development training to prepare them to be successful and productive from day one.
- Students must produce a post-internship writing assignment to digest the lessons learned during the experience and to share them with future interns.
- Students must become mentors to the next summer's group of interns. "I talk often to Wofford students about the value of giving back," Brown notes. "And these students look forward to giving back."

When Caroline Winn '15 received an email about internship scholarships from the Career Services Office last spring, she was thrilled. Winn, a Spanish and economics double major, had just learned she'd been awarded a highly competitive summer marketing internship with the National Building Museum in Washington, D.C.

"It was my dream internship, but living expenses in D.C. are insane," she says. "I'm from Pennsylvania, and I wasn't sure I could afford to go to Washington for three months."

Winn applied for and was awarded a \$1,500 internship scholarship funded by Mike Brown '76, a former member of the Board of Trustees. The money allowed her to pay rent on a shared apartment for the summer. "It was the best summer of my life," she says. "The internship was the perfect bridge between what I've studied at Wofford and my future career as an architect."

This spring Brown made a \$105,000 gift to the college to fund 40 scholarships similar to Winn's, enabling more students to participate in a variety of significant work experiences that will help determine or secure future career and graduate school opportunities.

The goal, says Brown, is to allow students to connect their liberal arts classroom experiences to practical, real-world career opportunities without being hindered by a lack of funds.

"College has always been a time to mature and experience independence, but more emphasis is now placed on the value of a degree," says Brown. "The type of job received upon graduation determines that value for some. Employers now use internships as a way to evaluate future employees, and it allows the interns to determine whether the company or job fits their goals."

Scott Cochran '88, dean of The Space in The Mungo Center, which oversees Career Services, agrees with Brown. "A recent Wall Street Journal article (citing a Chronicle of Higher Education study) reports that when making hiring decisions, employers give nearly twice as much weight to graduates' work experience as they do their academic credentials," says Cochran. "Without an internship, Wofford students will be at a disadvantage in two areas: they will not have the practical experience employers demand, and they will not understand which career paths will be a good fit."

Over the past decade, Brown, a successful entrepreneur, steadily has increased his financial support of internships, beginning with sending three Wofford students to intern at the Aspen Institute in Colorado each year.

"Back then the emphasis was on having an experience, making contacts, growing as people," he recalls. "Now we understand the importance of internships in our students' future career plans."

"Thanks to Mike Brown, Wofford will significantly expand its internship program," Cochran says. "In 2015, 40 students will receive funding to complete robust internships in the United States, Brazil, India, China and the United Kingdom."

But first, Cochran says, Brown has asked that they complete an extensive professional development training program in The Space. (See sidebar for program details.)

Brown believes students will be more successful interns if they take advantage of skills training and mentoring opportunities offered by The Space. "We've got an outstanding resource at Wofford, one that no other college has," he says. "If you combine the financial support to pursue their interests with the professional training in The Space—things like public speaking, communication, etiquette, project management—you've got an internship program that's the best of its kind, anywhere."



WHY WOFFORD? ACCOUNTING, BUSINESS AND FINANCE AND THEIR PLACE WITHIN THE LIBERAL ARTS

by Lillian Gonzalez '91
*chair and associate professor of
accounting, business and finance*

As a private, residential liberal arts college, Wofford College is unique in that it offers programs in accounting, business and finance. Students considering studies in these fields may wonder, "Why would I attend a liberal arts institution to study accounting, business or finance? Why Wofford?"

While the list of benefits is long, I offer three here:

At Wofford we recognize that students are multitalented.

We encourage them to look beyond traditional paths and approaches to combine areas of personal and professional interest in the development of their own goals, whatever they may be. While the college offers the business courses and technical skills that students need to prepare for jobs in the field, our accounting and finance majors also pursue studies in areas such as philosophy, art, economics, law, biology, environmental studies, languages and cultures. The accounting, business and finance faculty encourages students to incorporate study-abroad and internship experiences into their education, and we celebrate the creativity and spirit of exploration that students employ as they bring together different areas of study.

Our students consistently excel in graduate school and the workplace after leaving Wofford. They have the ability to think on their feet, solve problems

and communicate effectively. For example, in February five of our students competed against MBA students in the CFA Institute Research Challenge Southern Classic, an investment analysis competition. The competition required a written report, two oral presentations and two Q&A sessions with panels of five Chartered Financial Analysts. Our students were ready to deliver and finished in first place.

At Wofford we teach that compassion makes sense, even in business.

Wofford students live and work with admirable people (students, faculty and staff), and we all learn from each other. You do not have to look far to find individuals interested in becoming a part of a student's support system, helping them feel connected to their communities (both on and off campus) and helping them know that they can make a difference in the world.

On our campus we promote an ethic of compassion and try to improve the quality of life of the communities we serve every day:

- Our students learn to support and communicate with others—through teamwork, volunteer work, tutoring and mentoring.
- Our students learn to empathize with diverse cultures. Each year a group of our students works with the United Way's VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) program to prepare individual income tax returns for families in our community.

The service is free of charge, and our students receive hugs and gratitude in return.

- Our students learn to do well and to do good. A team of Wofford students works diligently to manage the Michael R. James Investment Fund so that they can use a portion of their investment income to make loans to small business owners in Haiti. These loans change the lives and futures of entire families.

At Wofford students are supported by a committed faculty, staff and alumni network.

In addition to the commitment Wofford faculty and staff have to work with students one on one, alumni play a critical role in helping our students explore areas of interest and gain access to a wide range of resources. Students regularly receive generous offers of support from our network of alumni that include internship opportunities, availability for resume review and professional guidance.

So, why Wofford? Success rarely ever happens by accident. Sometimes you will fail, and when you do, you have to try again. Our students leave Wofford well prepared to handle what lies ahead, knowing that to achieve success you have to be open to new ways of thinking and adapting; you have to show compassion for those whose paths you will cross; and you have to have the wisdom to accept the support and guidance of those willing to give them.

WHAT WOFFORD STUDENTS *did during their* JANUARY INTERIM



BY JO ANN MITCHELL BRASINGTON '89



USING PROBABILITY THEORY TO BEAT GAME SHOWS, TEACHING RATS TO PLAY BASKETBALL, STUDYING AND TRAVELING THE WORLD, MAYBE EVEN WORKING IN THE DENTAL CLINIC NEXT DOOR

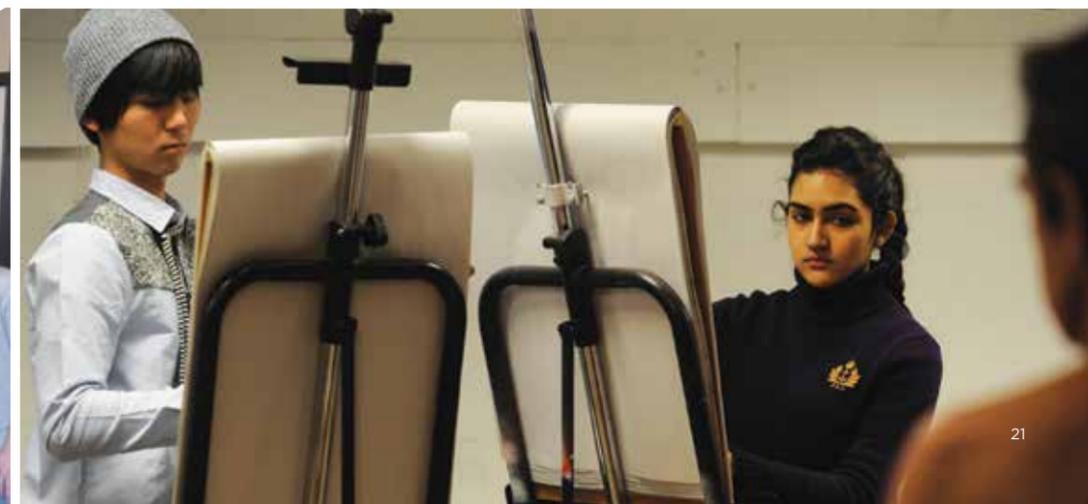
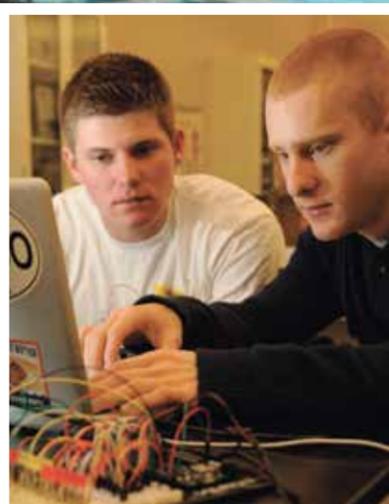
Wofford students, COME ON DOWN!!! And learn how to win on "The Price Is Right!" Sounds like an easy A and an even easier way to spend the month of January, but think again.

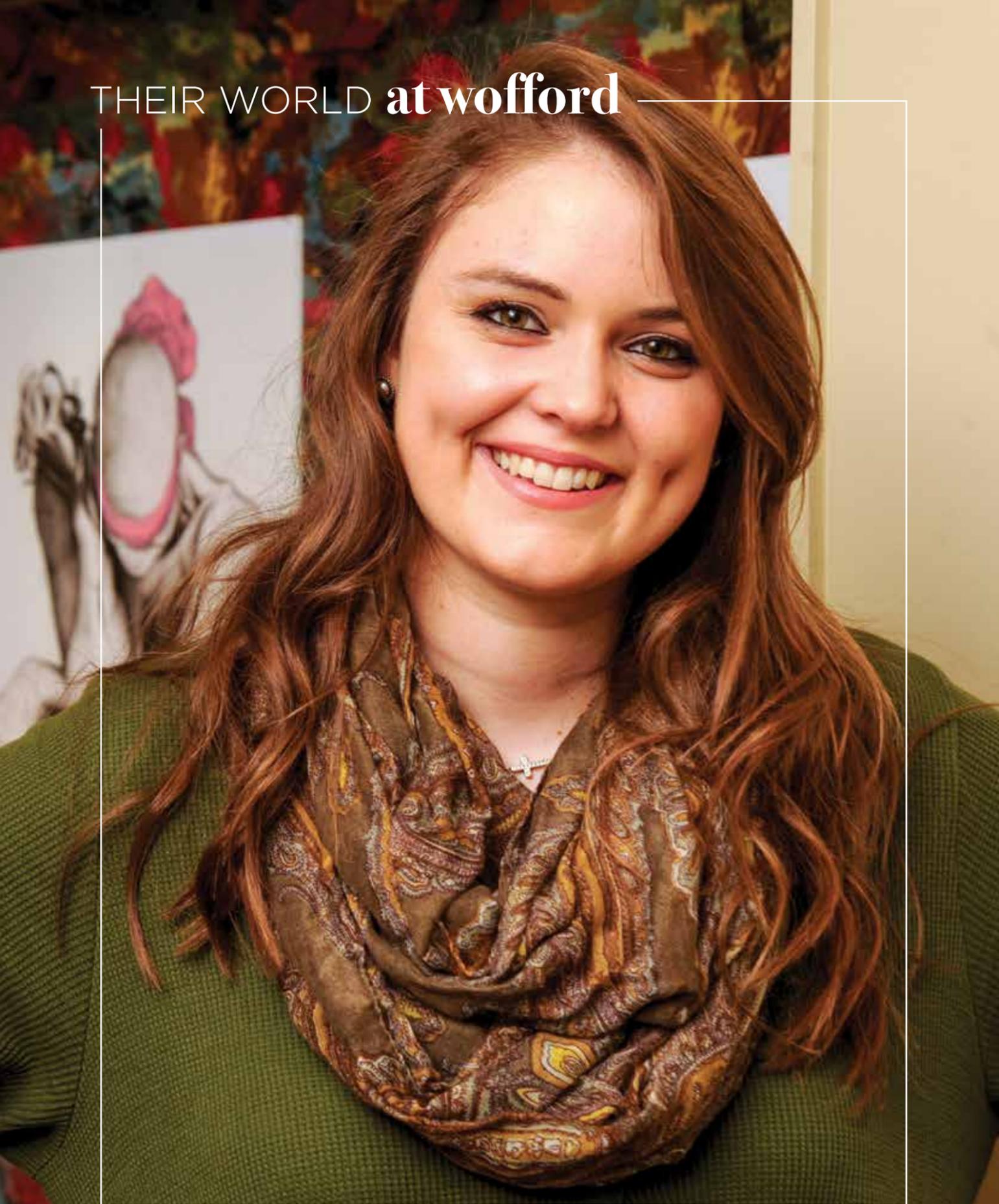
According to a description of the course taught by Dr. Matthew Cathey, associate professor of mathematics, and Dr. Dan Mathewson, associate professor of religion, "after examining the place and history of game shows in American culture, students will learn and use mathematical techniques in probability theory, combinatorics and game theory to learn the best strategies to beat the various 'The Price Is Right' games."

The 25 students in the Interim met Ben Ingram '05, who just won the Jeopardy Tournament of Champions, and wrapped up the month by creating a Wofford-focused game show—performed before a live studio audience, of course.

Come on Down! How to Win on "The Price Is Right" offers an ideal example of what Wofford's Interim is all about—putting theory into practice, expanding the walls of the traditional classroom and remembering that a commitment to lifelong learning is part of what makes a Wofford education so transformative.

To read more about some of the inventive, on-campus, internship and study-abroad courses during January, visit wofford.edu/woffordtoday or wofford.edu/interim.





Michelle MERRITT

Michelle Merritt '15 shares her family's journey through breast cancer during her medical humanities capstone project

by Jo Ann Mitchell Brasington '89

Michelle Merritt '15 remembers walking into her parents' room as a 10-year-old and hearing them in the adjoining bathroom. Although she couldn't see her parents, she could tell that her mother was crying. It was during Lilianna Merritt's second bout with breast cancer; the first was when Merritt was just three.

Although Merritt turned around and never spoke with her parents about the tearful moment she overheard, the memory remained so vivid that years later she put herself into her mother's shoes and turned it into a poem, "Liliana," part of her senior medical humanities capstone project at Wofford.

"Because I was so young when my mom was diagnosed with cancer, I didn't really ask her a lot of questions," says Merritt. "I made up for it this fall." Merritt, a biology major with a concentration in medical humanities, wants to become a pediatric oncology nurse practitioner. Although she's fascinated by the medicine, she's been just as intrigued by the feelings generated by a cancer diagnosis.

In addition to gathering facts regarding the disease—diagnosis, procedure and chemicals used to treat the cancer—Merritt delved into emotional responses. Each chapter in her medical humanities thesis represents a different perspective: the doctors, her mom, dad and older brother.

"Each chapter assumes a distinct voice in my mother's journey," says Merritt. "They contributed to her successful progression and ultimately influenced mine."

Dr. G. R. Davis, Wofford professor of biology and Merritt's medical humanities adviser, knew that in addition to studying biology she has written poetry since high school. As they met weekly to talk through the planning and progress of the project, he noted that her voice was absent and encouraged her to put her memories, thoughts and feelings into poetry.

"Could you write as if you were the cancer inside your mother?" Davis leaned across the desk and asked during one of those meetings.

Merritt's poem, "Cancer," from the perspective of the disease, was so powerful that Davis now has both poems and a sketch drawn by Josh Holt '14 on display in the Roger Milliken Science Center (glass case gallery on the first floor).

"Here we have two student-athletes—Michelle, who plays basketball, and Josh, who played football—working together and pursuing interests outside of their regular course work," says Davis. "It's nice to be able to do medical humanities here at Wofford where a student like Michelle can combine her love of language and poetry with science."

Merritt gives Davis lots of credit for the passion she put into her capstone. She also is quick to thank Dr. Ellen Goldey (biology), Dr. Charlie Bass (chemistry) and Dr. Carol Wilson (English) with helping her craft, review and present her project.

"Articulating my family's journey has been rewarding, and I appreciate everyone who helped make that possible," says Merritt, who showed her parents the poems and drawing when they were on campus for a

home basketball game (although they live in Miami, Fla., the Merritts come to almost every home game).

"We were all in tears," says Merritt. "My mom said, 'Michelle, I'm so proud of you. I only hope this journey is mine and never yours.'"

According to Merritt, however, they both know that the odds say otherwise.

"Every woman in my family has had breast cancer," says Merritt. "Ironically enough my mom had the genetic test, and it came back negative."

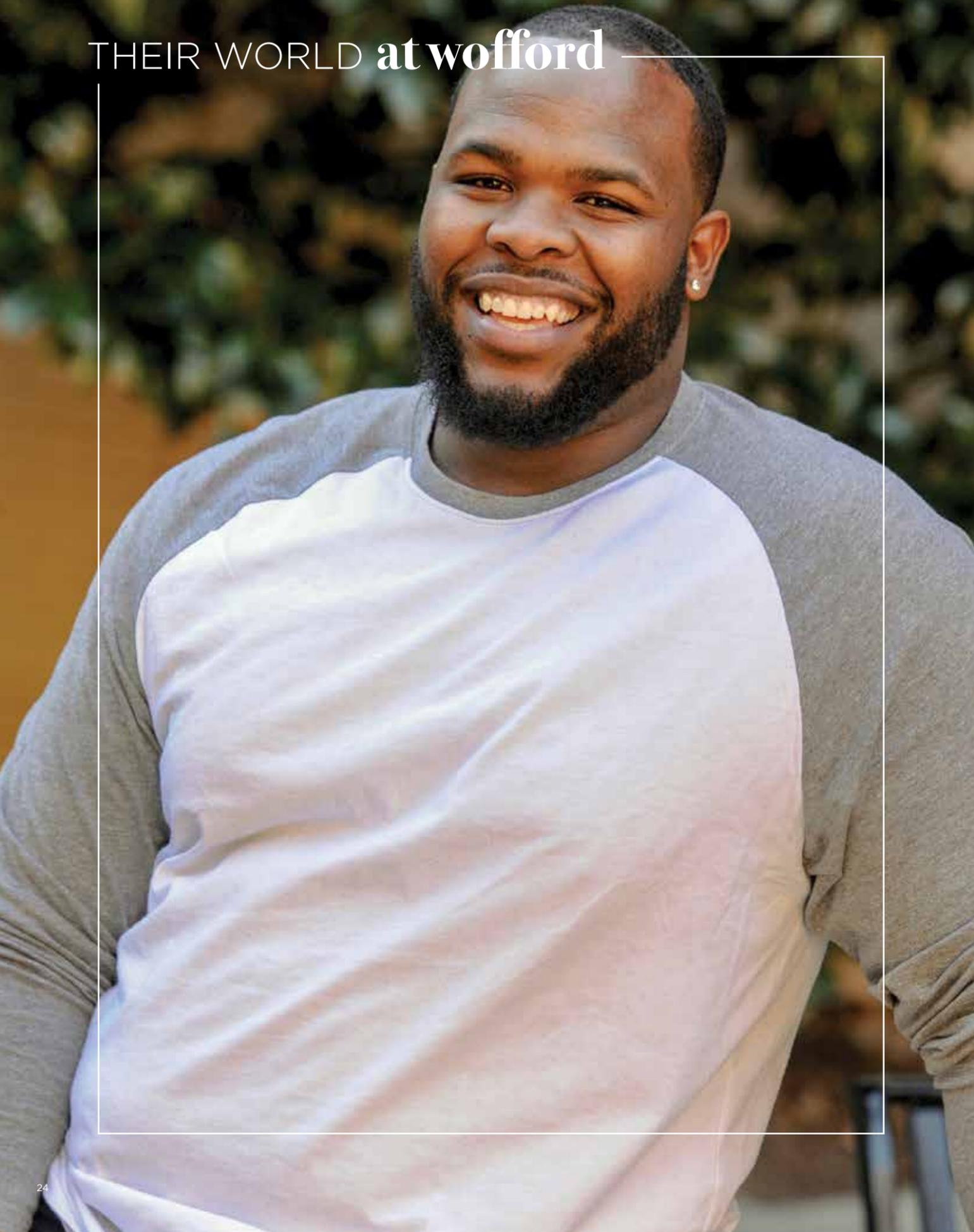
Merritt, who has raised funds for breast cancer research since she was in middle school, now advocates for early detection as well. She believes sharing her capstone will help her do that.

"Sharing our story isn't about pity, but about empowering women and men who have breast cancer to stay positive and hopeful. If they do that, they can get through it. My mom is a testament to that," says Merritt.

To read Merritt's poems and see a photo of Holt's art, visit wofford.edu/woffordtoday »



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Merritt (top right) was a team leader as a senior on the women's basketball team. Below she poses with her parents and coach Edgar Farmer on Senior Day.



marcus ISOM

WHERE I WAS, WHERE I AM, WHERE I'M GOING

Excerpts from a law school admission essay

by Marcus Isom '15

I am my grandmother's son. Born to a teenage mother and an absent father, my grandmother—who was one of 11 and had six children of her own—supported my mother and took me in as her son. Thanks to my grandmother's generosity and to a hardworking mother, I became the first member of my family to attend college. I've changed the dynamic of my family, and though I never knew it, my path to becoming a soon-to-be college graduate was an unusual one.

This past November I finished my last career football game at Wofford College and sat with my family afterward, reminiscing about how I progressed from an immature high school athlete to a member of Wofford's championship team and chairman of the college's Judicial Commission. My grandmother was always adamant that we were well cared for despite having many heads under one roof. My mother and grandmother worked tirelessly to ensure that we had everything we needed for school, even though the prospects for completing an education in my neighborhood were statistically very bleak. Their sacrifices for our well-being and education proved to be useful to me as a lineman on my high school football team and continue to lift me up after four years as a Wofford Terrier.

I am grateful for the challenges I faced because they made me a better athlete, a more grateful student and a more serious person. I was not the first in my high school to receive a Division I scholarship for football, but there was no one I knew who chose a college like Wofford. At Wofford a student-athlete is a student first, and there are no easy majors for football players. I chose to pursue a degree in government, and I often found myself writing research papers on the bus returning from away games. I really enjoyed the majority of my courses, and I devoted twice as many hours to my studies as I did to physical training and football practice.

Even though it's been exhausting, my academic career at Wofford has been nothing short of amazing. This semester I had the opportunity to serve as the counsel for our commander in chief on a moot court emulating the *Rumsfeld v. Padilla* trial. Serving as justices during the mock trial were the Hon. Henry Floyd '70 from the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals; attorney Jesselyn Radack, the Woodrow Wilson Visiting Fellow who has served as legal counsel for Edward Snowden and a number of national whistleblowers; and my pre-law adviser. I also served the Wofford community by mentoring a number of students and by upholding our Code of Student Rights and Responsibilities as a member of the Judicial Commission.

I've come to appreciate the ways that my studies have given me a better grasp of our political world. My professors always seek critical explanation and expansive thought, which has strengthened me as a whole. I cannot recall taking more than one or two

standardized exams since I've been here. I value this because it elevated my thinking and honed my ability to share diverse thoughts and opinions. In the end, I think I have lived up to the expectations of my mother and grandmother. I'm still a big kid at heart, but I have earned a great liberal arts education that will equip me with the tools to give back to my family and community.

During my time at Wofford, I have come to value a rich learning environment and a working relationship with my professors. As a student-athlete and leader on campus, I value collaborating with my peers in the classroom and in areas outside of the classroom that make Wofford the best place that it can be. As I consider law school acceptances, I use my Wofford experience as a standard. Years from now I envision myself as a servant leader, a legal advocate and a counselor. My mother and grandmother have been my rock and my foundation. Wofford College has helped me use that foundation to grow, change and determine a path for my future. I'm grateful to both my family and my alma mater!



Isom, with his mother, LaQuanda Carter, and grandmother, Patricia Brown, before his final home football game



natalie HAHN

CANCER-FREE AND CARRYING A WOFFORD DEGREE

Natalie Hahn '15 on surviving ovarian cancer, the Wofford community and her journey of faith, not fear

by Jo Ann Mitchell Brasington '89

"I knew from the start that the hardest part was not going to be the chemo or losing my hair, it was knowing that I wouldn't be at Wofford for all of the things that seemed like such a big deal at the time." —Natalie Hahn '15

On Sunday, May 17, Wofford College will confer diplomas on 394 members of the Class of 2015. Among those will be Natalie Hahn '15, who has extra cause to celebrate. Hahn walks across the stage not only as a graduate of Wofford, but also as a survivor of ovarian cancer.

"I had a regular checkup scheduled for July 18, 2012," says Hahn. "I remember that I was busy and tried to reschedule, but my mom was insistent, so I went. ... Within the week I was diagnosed with dysgerminoma, a particularly aggressive tumor."

After doctors removed the tumor, Hahn missed the fall of her sophomore year to undergo a regimen of inpatient chemotherapy at the Medical University of South Carolina in Charleston. Hahn says that her mom helped her shave her head following the first treatment and served as a source of strength throughout the entire process.

"Wofford was unbelievable. It felt like home from the time I walked on the campus, but I really knew it after this happened. When I needed family and friends the most, Wofford was there," says Hahn.

Hahn says that Wofford people were always visiting, sending flowers, preparing meals for the family and volunteering to sit with her during treatments. Her boyfriend, Rags Coxie '15, coined the term "Nattitude" to describe Hahn's spirit of determination, and the college's Greek life organizations, led by Hahn's Zeta Tau Alpha sisters, took the phrase and ran with it—showing solidarity by wearing the Nattitude "Headbands of Hope" created by Katie Wiebusch '13 and holding support rallies for Hahn.

"I was set to go to a big university, but changed my mind at the last minute. This is why I chose a private, liberal arts college," says Hahn. "Nothing can compare to the Wofford community."

When Hahn returned to campus for Interim after missing the semester, her hair was starting to grow back and she was 24 pounds lighter. To ease back into the routine of college, she took an independent Interim with Dr. Carol Wilson '81, professor of English and coordinator of academic advising. Wilson guided Hahn as she spent the month of January writing a book about her experience.

"When I first met Natalie, I was so impressed with her approach to her project. She knew that her very-individual voice would make a positive difference for others fighting ovarian cancer. She also knew that revisiting her experiences would be difficult," says Wilson. "Natalie faced that challenge—and the responsibility of organizing her thoughts and writing—with the same determination and hope that she drew upon while undergoing treatment. She inspired me as she has hundreds of others."

According to Hahn, the current literature does not cover what it's like to be diagnosed and treated for ovarian cancer at the age of 19.

"I had to write my own playbook," says Hahn, who has turned the book into a road map for other young women facing a similar diagnosis. She

spent the past Interim working in Washington, D.C., with the director of field engagement for the Ovarian Cancer National Alliance, helping the organization develop a guidebook for women between the ages of 15 and 34 who are diagnosed with the disease.

"I loved what I did in D.C.," says Hahn. "I've learned that my passion for giving back is greater than I thought, and I'm definitely keeping my options open in this field."

Along those lines Hahn and her brother, Baxter, one of her greatest supporters during her battle with cancer, have their own foundation called the Rainbow Fund, which provides seed money for individuals in times of need. Hahn also shares her experiences with civic groups, schools and those currently facing cancer treatments. She's open about the toll that cancer has taken on her both physically and emotionally, as well as about her spiritual growth during the journey from diagnosis to cure.

"The speaking engagements started as therapy," says Hahn. "As my dad says, it's about faith, not fear. I was given these terrible cards, but I never worried. I always believed that something good would come out of this."

Although Hahn celebrates her life and health each day, she knows that she is not out of the woods yet.

"For the first year I had to go back to my oncologist every three months. The next year it was every four months. I now see the doctor every five months and will continue that until I'm cancer-free for five years. After that the survival rate really goes up," says Hahn.

Hahn also says she received lots of love and support from people in her hometown of Florence, S.C. The Wofford alumni network in Florence is one of the reasons she chose Wofford, and Hahn feels a special connection to both the alumni and the high school students considering Wofford.

"Students I know in Florence are starting to get their Wofford acceptance letters," says Hahn. "I'm giddy when I see some of the photos they've posted. It's as if I just got my letter. My Wofford journey here has been remarkable. I wouldn't change it for the world."



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The Greek life community at Wofford rallied around Hahn while she was undergoing treatments.

Four of Wofford's best and brightest choose to Teach For America

by Jo Ann Mitchell Brasington '89

Kirsten Frost '15 was working with an AmeriCorps program designed to help prevent a loss in educational gains or "summer slide" in school-aged children when she learned that some states decide how many prison cells to build based on the number of third-grade students behind in reading.

She was so appalled that she applied to Teach For America, a program that works toward educational equity by putting committed teachers into schools within low-income communities.

She's not alone. This year three other Wofford students have joined the effort: Margaret Carraway '15 (a history major with an art history minor from Tampa, Fla.) will teach secondary social studies in Alabama. Anna Henson '15 (a psychology major from Darlington, S.C.) has been assigned to an elementary school in Mississippi. Maggie Stroud '15 (a biology major with a business minor from Chapin, S.C.) will be placed in a secondary science classroom in South Carolina, and Frost (a government and Spanish major with a concentration in Latin American and Caribbean Studies from Sumter, S.C.) will teach special education, also in South Carolina.

"We all care about the cause—bridging the achievement gap and fighting for equality of opportunity," says Stroud. "I believe that the best way to do that is through achieving educational equity."

According to Sam Clowney '01, director of teacher leadership development for Teach For America in Charlotte, N.C., Wofford students are ideally suited for Teach For America.

"Each year we have tens of thousands of applications, and we only accept three or four thousand," says Clowney. "We get the cream of the crop, and Wofford students definitely hold their own against anyone from any college or university in the country."

Clowney says that's because Wofford builds civic engagement into its mission—from the Bonner Scholars, to Arcadia Volunteer Corps, to classes with a service-learning component, to fraternities and sororities that support national and local philanthropies.

"Wofford creates an environment that helps students understand the importance of civic engagement and develop a deep commitment to it," he says. "Service is a big part of life at Wofford, and because of that, Wofford students make ideal Teach For America leaders."

Henson says that nothing makes her heart beat faster than the possibility of educational equity. She came to Wofford convinced that she would never teach. Then Dr. Tim Schmitz, associate professor of history, asked the question—To whom do you owe your success?—in her Western Civilization class.

"I'm from a loving, comfortable, middle-class home," says

Henson. "I benefited from good parents and motivated teachers. Not everyone has that type of support. Dr. Schmitz's class changed my perspective. Teach For America is an opportunity to serve and give back in a community like my hometown."

Upon graduation these Wofford women, all with resumes filled with study-abroad, internship, leadership and service experiences, will spend five weeks completing an intensive training program and working in a summer school alongside certified teachers. They will begin their two-year commitments in high-need classrooms in the fall.

"I expect to see anything and everything," says Stroud. "I expect to have my heart broken, my blood boiling and ultimately, my world rocked."

"I expect to be surprised at what my students are capable of," says Frost.

"I've been told not to smile until Christmas," says Carraway, who plans to use her two years in the program to earn a master's degree in education. She's particularly excited about her assignment to rural Alabama because her grandmother was a teacher in a low-income area of the state. "It's a family legacy," she says.

"My goal is to be effective, and if I'm not an effective teacher, then I will find another way to help this cause," adds Stroud.

Sitting in a group in a classroom in Main Building, they all nod their heads in agreement. Whether in the classroom or eventually shaping public policy, these women believe in Teach For America.

"Crime, poverty, the government, the economy... we complain about these problems that could be solved if we root the solution in education," says Frost.

Wofford's Teach For America students have felt supported by the Wofford community—professors who have passed along applications, written letters of recommendation and shared personal experiences—but most also have received concern from someone in their lives, people who mean well but are concerned that these newly minted graduates are going into tough situations blinded by idealism.

In addition to having Wofford graduate Kalle Davis '14, currently a Teach For America Spanish teacher in North Carolina, as a resource, Henson has been sharing her insights with the group after her internship with Teach For America this past summer as the operations coordinator in Atlanta.

"We know it's going to be hard, but I believe we're all going into this with an open mind," says Henson. "We have degrees from Wofford College. We can do anything, and we're choosing to do this. If not us, then who?"

teach FOR AMERICA



Left to right, Maggie Stroud '15, Kirsten Frost '15, Anna Henson '15 and Margaret Carraway '15



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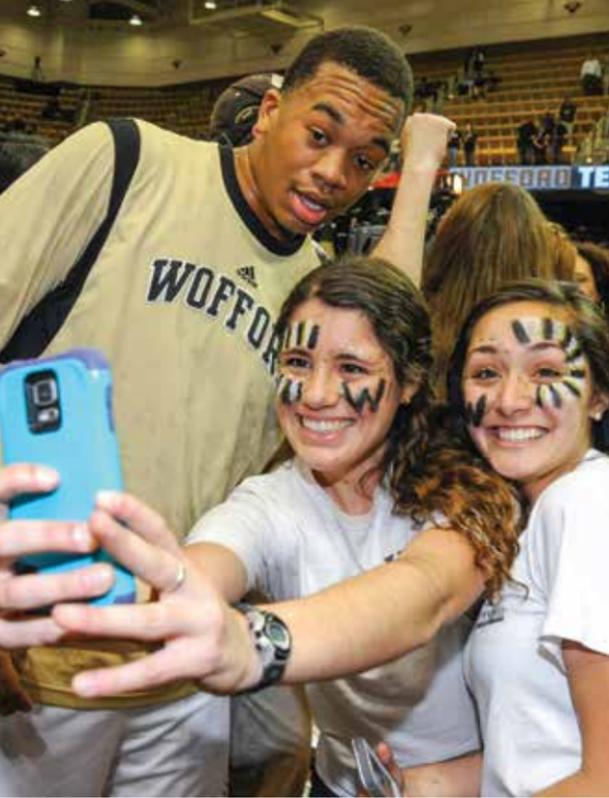
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BACK FOR THE DANCE!

The Terriers win the SoCon Championship to advance to the NCAA "March Madness" Tournament for the fourth time in six years.





ALUMNI EXCITED ABOUT CAROLINA PANTHERS' EXTENSION OF TRAINING CAMP COMMITMENT



NFL team to practice in Spartanburg at Wofford through 2019

by Laura Hendrix Corbin

Barry Phillips '95 had been a fan of the NFL since he was 4 years old, so when Wofford College began hosting the Carolina Panthers for training camp the year he graduated, he was excited. Twenty years later his love for both the Terriers and the Panthers has extended to his own children.

"Wofford hosting the Panthers gave me a huge sense of pride, both as a recent Wofford graduate and also as a Spartanburg resident," says Phillips, sales manager for Tindall Corp. in Spartanburg. "It's cool to have a connection between your alma mater and an NFL franchise."

Earlier this year the Spartanburg Area

Chamber of Commerce, the Panthers and Wofford College announced that the team has extended its contract with Wofford, so summer training camp will continue on campus through at least 2019.

Phillips has raised his two daughters, ages 9 and 12, to be Panthers fans: "My daughters knew 'Terriers' and 'Panthers' before they knew their ABCs. It's important to me for my girls to have a sense of pride for their community, and hosting summer training camp does that."

Anna Habisreutinger Converse '95 and her husband, Justin '96, share the enthusiasm of their alma mater

hosting the Panthers. "Our children, Marianna (12) and Hugh (10), have come to love sports and football in general—especially Wofford and Carolina Panthers football," says Anna. "The excitement for them begins the second the Panthers players' cars start rolling into town. The children are on the lookout for them around every turn and really look forward to seeing the players around campus. The players are very good at saying 'hey' to the children. It really makes for a huge hit."

In 2014, Wofford hosted 49,000 visitors to training camp, and the Spartanburg community enjoyed a \$5.2 million economic impact. "This

is exciting news for the Spartanburg community and for tourism in our region," said Chamber of Commerce CEO Allen Smith to an overflow crowd when he made the contract extension announcement on Feb. 9. During the announcement Smith was flanked by Wofford President Nayef Samhat and Carolina Panthers President Danny Morrison '75.

"Spartanburg is proud to be among the handful of communities hosting an NFL training camp," Smith added. "Most teams are moving to hold their camps on their home turf—only 11 of 32 teams hold training camp away from their home cities. I

want to thank Jerry Richardson '59, owner of the Panthers, and Wofford College for creating this partnership for the community in which we all can share and enjoy."

According to Smith, based on last year's figures, Wofford College and the Spartanburg community will welcome 245,000 Panthers fans for a total economic impact of more than \$26 million over the next five years.

Panthers summer training camp is held each summer from late July to mid-August. Practices are free and open to the public, and Wofford hosts a community party during the opening weekend to celebrate camp.

Top: Local news media interview Danny Morrison '75, president of the Carolina Panthers, after the announcement.

Bottom: Left to right, President Nayef Samhat, Morrison and Allen Smith, Spartanburg Chamber of Commerce CEO.



CLASS NOTES

1950

The South Carolina North-South Football All-Star Game was dedicated to longtime Gaffney High School coach and athletics director **Bob Prevatte**. Prevatte, who in North Carolina coached **Jerry Richardson '59** during his high school football career, led the Gaffney Indians to five state championships. He also coached the North squad in the 1960 all-star game.

1960

Bill Belk and his wife, Edna, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Nov. 21, 2014. They live in Rock Hill, S.C.

The Rev. Zach Farmer and his wife, Lee, have moved to The Oaks (formerly known as Methodist Oaks) in Orangeburg, S.C.

1961

John Lawrence Sharpe III has written a book about James "Willie" York called "Growing Up With Raleigh." The book is a memoir that takes readers through the basketball courts of the ACC during the late 1950s to the mayor's office in the 1970s and beyond. Sharpe served as a curator of rare books at Duke University for 40 years.

1963

Henry M. Smith wrote that he spent a delightful time in France: Paris in June, then Tours in October while housesitting. He enjoyed old and new friends, frequenting open-air markets and biking. Smith continues to live in Durham, N.H.

1966

J. Hayne Culler Sr., class chair

Greater Columbia Business Monthly selected **Weldon R. Johnson** as one of the Midlands Legal Elite. The magazine selected the top Columbia-area attorneys in 20 practice areas. Johnson is the senior partner for Barnes Alford.

1969

Richard L. Myers, class chair

Living in Honolulu, Hawaii, **Chris Hanson** works as a solar consultant for Haleakala Solar Inc. in Aiea.

Harvey McLeod Williamson Jr. and his wife, Julie, recently joined Cruise Planners, an American Express travel representative, as an independently owned and operated franchise. They live in Orangeburg, S.C.

1973

Dr. Robert Powers, the program director for bioscience and clinical research at Gwinnett Technical College, has been recognized with the Georgia Bio Community Award. The award recognizes Powers' work in championing life sciences in both educational and economic development circles.

1976

John W. Gandy, class chair

After 36 years in mortgage banking, **Al Floyd** has retired but now has joined Coldwell Banker United. He lives in Columbia, S.C.

1977

Alan Whitney Doty has retired and is living in Spring Hill, Fla.

1980

Paul D. Kountz Jr., class chair

In December the South Carolina Chapter of the American College of Physicians presented **Dr. R. Mac Chapman** with the chapter's highest honor, the 2014 Laureate Award. Chapman, a physician in The Medical Group on the campus of Carolina Pines Regional Medical Center in Hartsville, S.C., was recognized for his commitment to the community in which he practices as well as for his interest in the quality of medical care, education and research.

1981

Patrick Watson, class chair

Matt Bolton is president of Enhanced Systems Consulting, a direct and support software development company for client/server-web and mobile applications in Johnson City, Tenn.

1983

W. Scott Gantt, class chair

Russell Cook has been named a managing director of Comporium Ventures in Rock Hill, S.C. Comporium focuses on managing investments and identifying and recommending new opportunities to acquire or invest in innovative new businesses.

Living in Charlotte, N.C., **John M. Fortson** continues to sing bass opera roles on a national level. Recently he sang the role of Nourabad in Opera

Southwest's production of "The Pearl Fishers" and is planning a return to Opera Southwest in the role of the king in "Aida."

Retired **Col. Pratya "Lek" Siriawat** lives in San Antonio, Texas. He is the chief of the mission integration division with the U.S. Army and is in charge of personnel services and operations support staff.

1984

Ken Kirkpatrick, class chair

Kim Adams Nelson, owner of Daisy Cakes, has written a cookbook that includes family stories. "Daisy Cakes: Share a Slice of Love" retails for \$29.95 and is available for purchase at the Hub City Bookshop in downtown Spartanburg. Nelson developed the cookbook at the recommendation of Barbara Corcoran, one of the "sharks" from "The Shark Tank" television series that invested in Daisy Cakes. Corcoran says that Daisy Cakes has been her most successful investment since the show's debut.

1986

Brand Stille, class chair

Just before Christmas, **Dwayne Harris** and his wife, Priscilla, adopted four children who were in Department of Social Services custody. Their story has been on Facebook, and the Spartanburg Herald-Journal wrote a story on the growing Harris family on Dec. 24. Harris serves as the assistant director of public safety at Wofford.

The ACMG Foundation for Genetic and Genomic Medicine has announced a new award for the highest-rated genetic counselor-authored abstract submission for the scientific program during the 2015 ACMG Annual Clinical Genetics Meeting. The new ACMG Foundation Carolyn Mills Lovell Award is being given in honor of genetic counselor **Carolyn Mills Lovell** for her service to patients and their families as well as her work with medical students, residents and master of genetic counseling students at Medical College of Georgia.

1987

Cathy Click Wisham writes that she enjoyed being back on campus in May for her son Jon's graduation. She especially enjoyed visiting former roommates **Jeanne Azzara Woolever** and **Beth Cordray Capps**. Wisham lives in Colorado Springs, Colo.

1989

Michael R. Sullivan, class chair

Richelle Allen is an instructor at Spartanburg Community College. She lives with her family in Pauline, S.C.

Elizabeth DeMars Graham graduated from the University of South Carolina with a master of library science in 2014. She is a media specialist with Spartanburg School District 6. She and her husband, Pepper Graham, have three children: Henry (16), Jack (13) and Julia (10).

1990

Scott Cashion, class chair

Mikell Leland Jr. is a financial adviser and vice president of investments for Raymond James in Mobile, Ala. He and his wife, Ashleigh, have three children, Thomas, Cooper and Sadie.

As co-owner of Turner Sports Management, **Joel E. Turner**, along with his brother and partner, Justin D. Turner, represented 41 clients on NFL contracts for the 2014 season. According to Turner, that's the eighth most in the nation among all sports agencies. One of the players represented is **Brenton Bersin '12** of the Carolina Panthers.

1992

Nikki Palmieri Chunn, class chair

Living in Columbia, S.C., **Erica Carter** is a web developer/programmer for Seibels.

Matt Grayson is the vice president for business development for Palmetto Construction Co. in Charleston, S.C. He and his wife, Adrienne, live in Mount Pleasant with their three children.

Aimee Pearson Heard lives in Winston-Salem, N.C., with her husband, Jonathan David Heard, and their two children, Pearson (9) and Charlotte (6).

Beth Houck has been named the South Carolina Council of Exceptional Children (CEC) Principal of the Year in recognition of her contributions to the advancement of exceptional children and youth. She serves as the principal of Saxe Gotha Elementary School in Lexington, S.C.

Tammy Horne Mosier is a special education teacher at Buford Middle School in Lancaster, S.C., where she lives with her husband and two children.

An attorney with Clawson & Staubes in Charleston, S.C., **Chris Staubes** was elected to the Charleston County School Board on Nov. 4, 2014. He lives in Mount Pleasant.

1993

Sarah Sawicki, class chair

Adams and Reese partner in charge of the firm's Columbia, S.C., office, **Rob Bethea**, has been appointed to the South Carolina Venture Capital Authority. He will serve through July 2017.

Lakelands Parent magazine featured **Dr. Amy Forrest** in an article titled "Dr. Mom: Ob-Gyn strikes balance between being a mom and making moms." She practices with Greenwood (S.C.) Ob-Gyn.

1994

Alicia Nunamaker Truesdail, class chair

Steve Leclerc is the executive director of Hope for North Port CDC in North Port, Fla., where he lives with his wife, Amy, and their son, James.



Tanya Green Greenlee '94 sips her coffee from a Terrier tumbler and proudly wears her gold and black to work. She and her husband, Jon Greenlee '95, a commercial relationship manager with TD Bank, met and were engaged at Wofford. Her brother-in-law, Avery Greenlee, is a member of the Wofford class of 2002, and her father-in-law, Joe Greenlee '76, served as the Wofford director of Campus Safety for years. "We love Wofford and would one day love for our children [Sarah, age 12, and Lane, age 10] to graduate as well," says Tanya Greenlee. "Who wouldn't?"

MINI GOLF, HURRICANES AND BUDGET SHEETS

Just another day at the office for Tanya Green Greenlee '94

by Jo Ann Mitchell Brasington '89

Tanya Green Greenlee's world as the senior vice president of finance for Burroughs & Chapin in Myrtle Beach, S.C., isn't all spreadsheets and calculators. The majority of her workday involves people—coworkers, shareholders, auditors and property managers. That's what she loves about accounting, working with people to tell the financial side of the story.

Greenlee '94 does it well, so well that she has been sought after professionally and currently sits on the South Carolina Board of Accountancy*.

"For me accounting makes sense—the debits and credits, the bottom line," says Greenlee, "but I'm a people person as well. I think that's a huge benefit in this line of work."

Greenlee went to work right after graduation for Coopers & Lybrand (now PricewaterhouseCoopers) with sorority sister Margaret Young '92, who remained with the firm and is a partner. A few years later Greenlee was offered a job as controller of Beaufort Memorial Hospital, where she worked for seven years before taking her current position with Burroughs & Chapin, one of the largest private landholders in the state.

"It's a very old company, established in the 1890s, and rooted deep within Myrtle Beach. They once owned most of the Grand Strand. Many, many churches, parks and charitable organizations currently sit on land donated by the company," says Greenlee. She also points out that virtually every oceanfront beach access area along the Grand Strand was made possible because of a Burroughs & Chapin land donation.

According to Greenlee, the company owns Broadway at the Beach, Barefoot Landing, Coastal Grand Mall in a joint venture and several other retail shopping centers as well as golf courses (also a joint venture), mini-golf courses and other land up and down the coast. Broadway at the Beach alone gets more than 14 million visitors a year. The work is fun, interesting and packed with considerations, systems and planning that shore up the South Carolina tourism industry. For instance, Greenlee is on the Burroughs & Chapin hurricane team.

"How do we get employees away from danger? How do we ensure that they're paid? How do we conduct business if we don't have a physical office? What do we do if there is no electricity? Those are the type of questions we have to be able to answer," says Greenlee. "I work in a world of numbers, but there's so much more to being an accountant. I love it."

*Greenlee sat on the Board of Accountancy with Trey Kannaday '93, who died on Jan. 15, 2015 (see page 45). "He was such a wonderful guy," says Greenlee. "I enjoyed so much catching up with him, and then he was gone. His death was heartbreaking and a reminder to live each day to its fullest."

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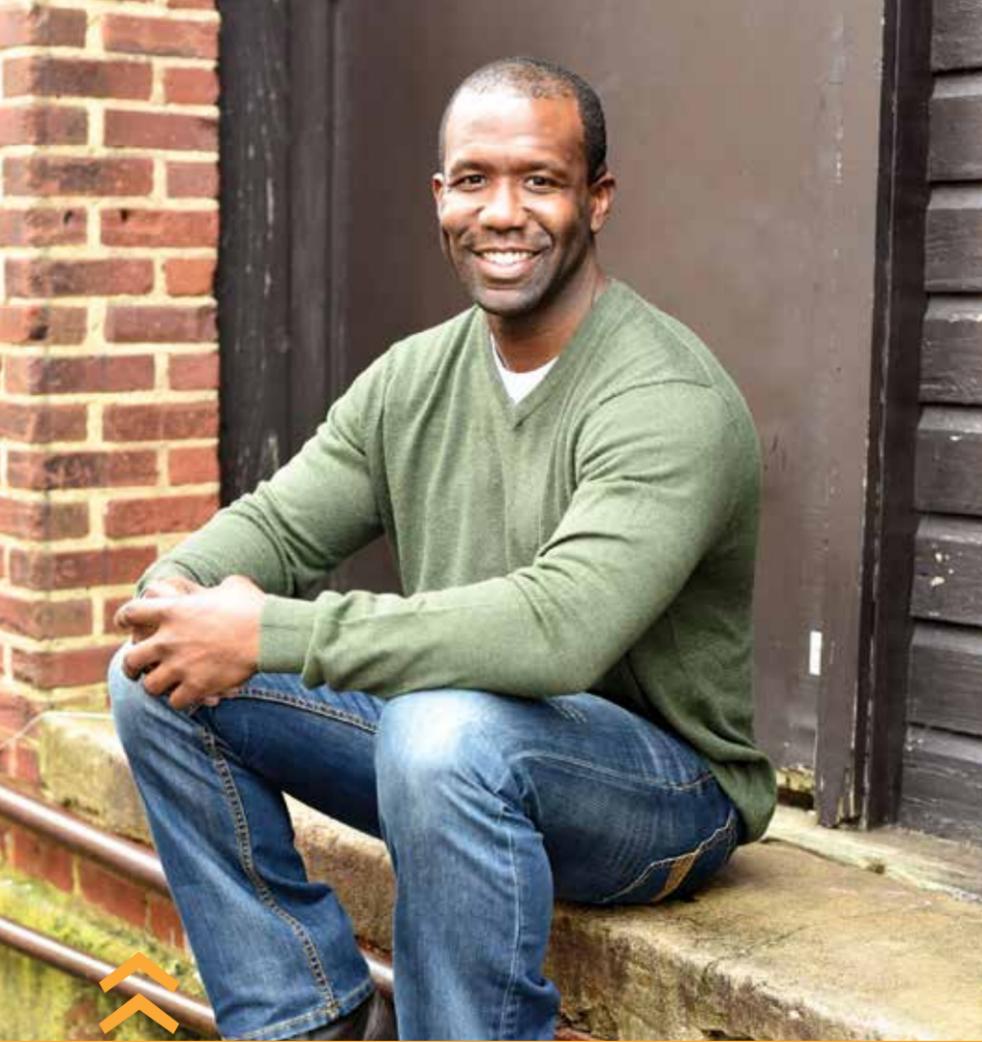
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70 DEGREES AND SUNNY

Actor and model Bradford Haynes '05 on waking up to the good life

by Jo Ann Mitchell Brasington '89

Today he's an attorney, tomorrow a CIA agent, the day after that a firefighter, and next week he's a video game action hero. Actor Bradford Haynes '05 has played the offensive coordinator on "Necessary Roughness" and a Virginia homicide detective on "The Following." He's been in dozens of commercials and several short films and has been a face of brands such as Glock, Dixie, Home Depot and Graco while working with Wilhelmina Models in New York.

"I love being in front of the camera, love entertaining, love giving joy to people," says Haynes. "Sometimes I can't believe I get to wake up to this life every day."

Haynes came to Wofford in 2001 on a baseball scholarship and enjoyed his first experience on camera during a January Interim. After he left Wofford he signed with a Dodgers minor league team, then played with a team in Seattle. Haynes was playing winter baseball in Australia when he got his first endorsements and started doing commercials. The Nike and Pepsi commercials gave him a taste for acting, so Haynes started taking acting classes in the offseason. Life as a professional baseball player who dabbled in acting seemed ideal until 2010. Haynes was in Japan playing with the Ishikawa Million Stars when he tore his quadriceps.

"I came home not knowing what I was going to do," he says. "I was 29 at the time—getting old in baseball years—and I knew I was done playing minor league ball."

The "Necessary Roughness" job came at a pivotal time and opened doors for other opportunities—roles on "Teen Wolf," "Charlie's Angels," "House of Payne," "Cupid's Requiem" and "Psychology of Secrets."

This spring Haynes has been in Los Angeles for pilot season, reading for several promising roles. The rest of the year he lives in Atlanta with his wife, Kyrsten, and infant daughter, Addison.

"Atlanta is the new Hollywood," says Haynes, referring to Georgia's growing role in the television and film industry—think Tyler Perry Studios, Pinewood Atlanta Studios, Eagle Rock Studios Atlanta, Atlanta Metro Studios and the new Atlanta Media Campus Studios.

"This is not what I studied for, but Wofford is a place that will take young men or young women and help them become well rounded enough to be anything," says Haynes. "It's February, and I woke up to 70 degrees and sunny.... After a run and a workout, I've got an 9:30 a.m. call at the studio. I love my life."

Rodrick V. Stover, an area vice president with Waffle House, is responsible for the company's operations in upstate South Carolina. He and his wife, Chantel, live in Boiling Springs, S.C.

1995

Brandy Yancey Lorenz, class chair

Maj. W. Sterling Anderson II and his wife, Anne, live in Panama City, Fla., where he works as a legal adviser to the combat operations division of the 601st Air and Space Operations Center at Tyndall Air Force Base.

Gainesville, Ga., attorney **John G. Breakfield** of Breakfield & Associates has been appointed by Gov. Nathan Deal to serve as a member of the Judicial Nominating Commission. The commission reviews applications and interviews candidates for open judge positions in Georgia's trial and appellate courts.

1996

Curt L. Nichols, class chair

James Sease Jr. is a team leader with Michelin Tire Corp. He lives in Lexington, S.C.

1997

Beth Mangham Guerrero, class chair

Andy Clark lives in Woodruff, S.C. He is vice president of finance for Spectrum Interiors of South Carolina Inc., located in Greenville.

Mike Goodwin is a senior professional health care representative with Pfizer. He and his family live in Savannah, Ga.

1998

Casey Moore, class chair

Terence Crouch is the bilingual staff assistant, supporting the ambassador and deputy chief in various projects, press releases, communications, event planning and budgets, in the embassy of the Principality of Monaco.

Tim Rayborn is a regional cost manager with NVR-Ryan Homes in Charlotte, N.C. He lives in Fort Mill, S.C., with his wife, **Michelle Ballard Rayborn**, and their five children, Taylor (18), Tucker (14), Tanner (13), Trevor (9) and Turner (born July 11, 2014).

1999

Zach Atkinson, class chair

Karla Otroszko Daniel and her husband, Judson, announce the birth of Lila Jane Daniel, born on Dec. 11, 2014. The family lives in Atlanta, Ga.

Rex Maynard Jr. is the vice president of Maynard's Home Furnishings in Belton, S.C. He and his wife, Kathleen, have two children, Boyd (7) and Brice (6).

A special education and advanced placement psychology teacher, **Elizabeth Wilson Ireton** was named Union County High School 2014-15 Teacher of the Year. She holds a master's degree in special education from Converse College and national board certification.

Dr. Allyson Varn Monferdini is the owner of Wateree Family Dentistry in Lugoff, S.C. She and her husband have a 3-year-old son, Josh.

A scientist with Argos Therapeutics in Durham, N.C., **Elizabeth Wansley** married Kevin Grogan on Nov. 15, 2014. They live in Raleigh.

Brenda Wichmann is the new Haw River Trail coordinator in Alamance County, N.C. She most recently worked with the Carolina Vegetation Survey, cataloging the plants and natural communities along the Appalachian Trail.

2000

Anthony D. Hoefler Jr., class chair

The Rev. Thomas C. Byrd is serving as the youth minister for Davidsonville United Methodist Church in the Baltimore Washington Conference. He lives in Davidsonville, Md.

After joining Spartanburg Water in 2012 as a senior procurement specialist, **Remsen Parrish** has been promoted to purchasing manager.

2001

Jenna Sheheen Bridgers, class chair

Dana Bruce is the market president of Beam & Hinge, a website design and development firm in Columbia, S.C. She and her husband, Scott Fulmer, have a daughter, Lela Gwinn Fulmer (18 months).

Katharine Robinson Corona is the human resources manager of PeopleMatter in Charleston, S.C. She and her husband, Marco, have one child, Grace.

An assistant public defender for the Beaufort County Public Defender's Office, **Helen Rose Roper Dovell** was named a South Carolina Bar Foundation Ambassador. In this new role Dovell will work with other statewide ambassadors to promote awareness for the Bar Foundation's mission and programs.

Mac Leaphart's new album, "Low in the Saddle, Long in the Tooth," was released on Feb. 17. He invites Wofford friends to pick up a copy at any of his shows or on iTunes. Macleaphart.com also has a few songs available for free download.

Maurice G. Nassar joined the Siegfried Group's Houston Market as a director. He remains involved as a member of the board of the Houston chapter of Financial Executives International.

Rosemary DeAntonio Yarwood and her husband, Craig Marsh Yarwood, celebrated their first wedding anniversary on March 1, 2015. They live in Atlanta, Ga.

2002

Yorke Gerrald, class chair

Dottie's Toffee, **Nick Belmont's** sweet business, now has a presence in downtown Spartanburg. Belmont renovated a vacant building at 155 W. Main St. that now includes demonstration space as well as a larger retail area.

Blake Derrick lives in Cary, N.C., with his wife, Amanda, and their daughter, Harper Mercy Derrick, born July 20, 2013. Derrick works with Novartis Vaccines and Diagnostics.

Bennett Gore Jr. is an attorney with Bluestein, Nichols, Thompson & Delgado LLC in Columbia, S.C.

An associate with Lawrence & Russell PLC, **Keating Lowery** was named the 2015 president of the Association for Women Attorneys (AWA) Memphis Chapter. Her platform theme for her presidency is "leveraging our voice: fostering communication to promote networking and mentoring opportunities for women in the Shelby County legal community and beyond."

Virginia Amanda Clark McJunkin and her husband, Ernest, welcomed twins—Weldon Henry and Etta Margaret—born May 13, 2014.

Rick Reames '97 is in good company at the South Carolina Department of Revenue with fellow Wofford graduates (pictured below L to R) Billy Rawl '91, office auditor; Milton Kimpson '83, general counsel; Reames; Ashley Shaw Thomas '97, communications director; Ruby Singh '10, project coordinator; and Will Starnes '12, law clerk.



RICK REAMES '97 NAMED NEW SOUTH CAROLINA REVENUE DIRECTOR

by Ashley Shaw Thomas '97

When Gov. Nikki Haley called Rick Reames '97 and asked him to lead the South Carolina Department of Revenue, he was honored, yet also unsure. A partner with a large, regional law firm, Reames had spent the past 15 years building a successful tax law practice. He enjoyed his work and was invested in his team and the needs of his clients.

Reames ultimately was swayed by the prospect of helping transition the department out of what had been a tumultuous past few years and into a new era. His professional experience equipped him with a clear understanding of the department's impact on the state's fiscal stability. It also made Reames keenly aware of significant opportunities for improvement and the critical importance of moving the department forward.

"I appreciate the trust Gov. Haley and the South Carolina Senate have placed in me," says Reames. "I am honored for the opportunity to advance the department in service to South Carolina."

Reames credits Wofford for providing a strong academic foundation and unique learning experience as well as fostering meaningful relationships that remain today. As director, Reames is committed to strengthening security while also advancing functionality, service and accountability. He already has instituted a system to better track internal processes and performance and has begun implementation of a new tax processing system to enhance customer service and bolster fraud detection and prevention.

"Rick Reames has proven to be a tremendous asset at the Department of Revenue since taking over the job last year, and we're excited to see where his leadership will continue to take the agency," Haley says. "He has done a wonderful job improving security and communications at DOR, and we're confident that, under his leadership, the agency will serve South Carolinians as efficiently and effectively as possible."



2003

Tracy A. Howard, class chair

Travis McDowell has been named the director of admissions at Limestone College in Gaffney, S.C. McDowell has worked in Limestone's admissions office in various roles for the past 11 years, most recently as associate director.

Sowell Gray Stepp & Lafitte attorney **Michael Montgomery** has become the firm's newest member. Montgomery's practice focuses on premises liability, products liability, automobile accident defense and appellate law. He serves on the safety, health and security committee of the South Carolina Chamber of Commerce.

Dr. Faith Stewart married Steven Jay Richardson on Sept. 21, 2014. Faith is a dermatologist in Dallas, Texas.

2004

Fred Byers, class chair

Maj. Jonathan Cheek is attending the master of public administration program at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. He is a strategic plans and policy officer with the U.S. Army.

Jarvis Jones and his wife, Sarah, announce the birth of Magnolia Gale "Maggie" Jones, born Sept. 13, 2014. The family lives in Spartanburg, S.C.

Living in Columbia, S.C., **Emma Louise Manning** and John Brett Campolung were married on Jan. 10, 2015. She is employed by Crosslink Medical.

2005

Ryan Waller, class chair

Bobby Strickland is an attorney with the Lam Law Firm in Myrtle Beach, S.C., where he lives with his wife, Christine Nicole Strickland, and their 2-year-old son, Robert B. Strickland V.

Josh Whitley has been sworn in as the new District 2 representative on Berkeley County Council. Administering Whitley's oath of office was friend, mentor and fellow Wofford graduate, **the Hon. Dennis Shedd '75**, U.S. Court of Appeals Fourth Circuit judge. Whitley is an attorney and the former Berkeley County Republican Party chairman. On Jan. 11, Whitley, his wife, **Cowles Gilchrist Whitley '05**, and daughter, Sara Cannon, welcomed twins, Evans and Paul.

2006

Hadley Green Inabinet, class chair

Jesse Cole is the new owner of the Gastonia Grizzlies, a collegiate summer baseball team located in Gastonia, N.C. Cole went to work with the Grizzlies right out of college, working his way up to managing partner before becoming owner in October. Cole was named the league's 2014 Executive of the Year.

William Anderson Burris and **Elizabeth Kathleen Gunn '07** were married Aug. 23, 2014. They live in Charleston, S.C., where she is employed with K&L Gates law firm, and he works with PURE Insurance.

Living in Raleigh, N.C., **Hallie Moore Sessoms** and Griffin Kennedy were married on Oct. 25, 2014.

Julius Roy Richardson II married Sairy Sanchez on Nov. 1, 2014.

Living in Lexington, S.C., **Mallori McAllister VanSyckel** is a QA/QC constituency services and media relations liaison with the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC). She and her husband, Judan Nathanael VanSyckel, celebrated their first wedding anniversary on April 5.

Dr. Caroline Turnage-Butterbaugh received her Ph.D. in mathematics from the University of Mississippi in 2014. She holds a postdoctoral fellowship at North Dakota State University.

Suzanne Webb is a women's health nurse practitioner for Weight Loss MD in Atlanta, Ga. She supervises patient weight loss through medical interventions and monitors hormone replacement therapy programs.

2007

Hunter Miller, class chair

As associate athletics director for compliance at Rice University, **Bryan Blair** serves as the administrator for seven of the department's 16 sports. He also directs all aspects of compliance. Blair lives in Missouri City, Texas.

Brian Fast was named vice president and market executive for First Citizens Bank and Trust Co. in and around Florence, S.C.

A 2013 Ph.D. graduate in microbiology from Clemson University, **Dr. Mary Melissa Hayes** married Brian Lee Gaines on Oct. 4, 2014.

Living in Alexandria, Va., **Lianne Moore Parr** is a senior consultant with Booz Allen Hamilton in Washington, D.C. She supports program management of federal government assistance awards and contracts research and development through on-site support.

Paige Matthews Wolfe is serving as the young adult minister for Mauldin United Methodist Church. Her work involves reaching out to college students and young adults in the greater Greenville, S.C., area. She also is working with Wofford's Wesley Fellowship.

2008

Nathan Madigan, class chair

Illinois Gov. Bruce Rauner named **Laine Evans** as his director of advance. Evans previously served as director of advance to the lieutenant governor. In 2012 she served as lead press advance on Mitt Romney's presidential campaign.

Evans received her master's degree in public relations and corporate communications from Georgetown University.

A registered nurse in the intensive care unit at the Medical University of South Carolina, **Natalie Stevens Ferrara** married Ryan Patrick Hurley on Nov. 1, 2014. They live in Charleston, S.C.

Living in Rock Hill, S.C., **Creighton Hayes** is an assistant public defender with the York County Public Defender's Office (16th Judicial Circuit). He and Meghan Leslie Keogh were married on Jan. 3, 2015. She is pursuing a master's degree in speech language pathology.

Phillip Mullinnix has joined the Charleston, S.C., office of Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough as an associate attorney. He practices in the area of health care in regulatory, operational and licensing matters.

Kelsi Koenig Pack and her husband, William, announce the birth of Nathanael Tyler Pack, born Sept. 4, 2014. The family lives in Inman, S.C.

An attorney with the Parise Law Firm, **Kristina Teresa Parise** married Zachary Thomas Noë on Oct. 18, 2014. They live in Columbia, S.C.

After meeting at Charleston School of Law, **McKenzie Perry** and Wesley Cornelius Sullivan were married on Oct. 12, 2014. McKenzie is a project manager at Bennington Design Management, and Wesley is a music educator. They live in Massachusetts.

2009

Peyton Hray, class chair

A 2014 graduate of the University of South Carolina Law School, **John Lanford** is an associate with Haynsworth Sinkler Boyd in Columbia, S.C. He focuses in the areas of corporate law, commercial real estate, real estate financing, commercial transactions and economic development.

Meagan Amanda Lankford and **Hampton Wade Collins IV '10** were married on Sept. 6, 2014. They live in Columbia, S.C.

Emily Margaret O'Hanlan and Christopher Andrew Lee Jr. were married Oct. 4, 2014. They live in Charleston, S.C.

2010

Kari Harris, class chair

Ashton Jordan earned her J.D. from Florida State University in 2014. She and Charlie Rogers were married on Nov. 8, 2014. They live in Matthews, N.C.

In May 2014 **Morgan Neuhoff** received her J.D. from Ohio Northern University, where she and her husband, Jared Underberg, met. They were married on Nov. 1, 2014. They live in Bethesda, Md.

2011

Nam Pham, class chair

Robert J. Donaldson IV has joined the Donaldson Law Firm in Mount Pleasant, S.C., as an associate attorney. He received his J.D. from the Charleston School of Law.

On assignment in Berlin, Germany, **Onyx Henry** is a Fulbright scholar. She will be in Berlin until at least June.

Bob Streisel has joined the Charleston, S.C., office of Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough as an associate attorney. He practices in the area of general litigation.

Kensey Wheeler and **Joshua Edwards** were married on Sept. 27, 2014. They live in Norfolk, Va.

2012

Hallie Willm, class chair

After two years in state government, **Cameron Stowe Rhyne** was offered a position with Nuray Digital in Bluffton, S.C. The company preserves and restores vintage film and video content.

Jennifer Lane Coggins is a records services archivist for the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She received her master of library science from UNC in 2014.

Living in Boston, Mass., **Stuart Robertson** and **Lara Cottrell '13** were married Dec. 20, 2014.

Kirby Stone has joined Allen Tate Realtors in the Woodruff Road office in Greenville, S.C. Prior to getting her real estate license, she was in the management training program for First Citizens Bank.

2013

Morgan Amick, class chair

Steven Christian Bearden works in sales for R. S. Hughes in Raleigh, N.C.

Living in Charleston, S.C., **Thomas Brehmer** is a master in health administration student at the Medical University of South Carolina. He anticipates completion of his degree in May 2016.

Second Lt. Jessica Harner was recognized as the distinguished honor graduate in her class after completing the 30-day Law Enforcement Training Seminar and Air Assault School at the 101st Airborne Division, Ft. Campbell, Ky., in July. Harner has served as a platoon leader in the 516th MP Battalion for the past nine months.

Sarah Guinn Garcia and **Derek Alexander Boyce** were married on April 26, 2014, surrounded by Wofford friends, coaches and professors. The Boyces now live in Knoxville, Tenn., where Guinn is the director of sales for Bari Life Bariatric Supplements.

Living on Johns Island, S.C., **Kristyn Schwartz** is employed with Kiawah Partners.

2014

Shri Selvakumar, class chair

Greg Lautner is a commercial real estate underwriter with BBVA Compass in Denver, Colo.

Elizabeth Margaret Miller lives in Atlanta, Ga., and works as an account executive in direct sales with Birch Communications. She sells Internet, phone and cloud-based services to small and mid-size businesses.

Living in Atlanta, Ga., **Chris Novak** is a business analyst with Deloitte Consulting.



DR. DENDY ENGELMAN '98 DERMATOLOGIST TO THE STARS

Dr. Dendy Engelman '98, director of dermatological surgery at New York Medical College and a partner of Manhattan Dermatology and Cosmetic Surgery, is becoming as famous as her clients.

She recently was interviewed by W magazine and Fashion magazine and was listed as one of the top five skin doctors in New York by Manhattan magazine. She also has shared her expert opinion in The New York Times, Bloomberg TV, The LA Times, Washington Examiner, The Huffington Post, Fox News, Health, Prevention Magazine, Real Simple, New Beauty, Teen Vogue, Us Weekly, InTouch, AOL.com, Self, Yahoo.com, Today.com, Essence, Fitness, Cosmopolitan, Shape, Women's Health and Nylon. In addition, Engelman offers skin care secrets on YouTube.

In March, NuGene International Inc., maker of age-defying aesthetic products for skin and hair rejuvenation, named Engelman to its board of advisers. They selected Engelman because of her humanitarian efforts, awards and experience.



WILLIAM MCGIRT '01 VISITS SHRINERS HOSPITAL

In December, PGA professional William McGirt '01 visited patients at Greenville Shriners Hospital. McGirt has started the 2015 season with several impressive finishes, including one top 10 finish and four top 25 finishes. McGirt is married to Sarah Bagwell McGirt '03, who also has been featured on PGATour.com. She was asked to provide 18 things that most people don't know about her husband. Read her insights at pgatour.com/players/player.31202.html. The McGirts live in Spartanburg and have a toddler named Mac.



MCABEE RECEIVES GATES CAMBRIDGE SCHOLARSHIP

Joseph McAbee '12 is among 40 of the most academically brilliant and socially committed young people in the United States who will take up a Gates Cambridge Scholarship to study at the University of Cambridge in England.

While studying for his bachelor's degree in biology with a concentration in neuroscience at Wofford, McAbee developed a passion for studying the brain and diseases that plague it. This passion grew during his three years as a medical student at Wake Forest School of Medicine. He participated in the Pediatric Oncology Education program at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, which led to a strong interest in neuro-oncology research. As a Gates Cambridge Scholar, McAbee will work toward a Ph.D. in clinical neuroscience, focusing on the genomics of glioblastoma and characteristics of the tumor microenvironment. His aim is to develop better treatment strategies for this most malignant form of brain cancer.



MCMILLIN HONORED WITH FOREVERGREEN ANNUAL AWARD

Joseph McMillin '13 (left, with Wofford President Emeritus Joe Lesesne) was honored by the conservation group Upstate Forever as its Three R's (Reuse, Reduction and Recycling) Champion. He received the award for his success in multiple initiatives that concentrate on residential composting, commercial composting and recycling.

During his sophomore year at Wofford, McMillin started Junk Matters LLC, which has grown to offer services to individuals and businesses that help eliminate food waste in landfills, save future landfill space, reduce methane emissions and produce a rich soil amendment that re-establishes the relationship between food and farmland.

IN MEMORIAM

1933

The Rev. Dr. Robert Wright Spears, Feb. 10, 2015, Canton, N.C. At the time of his death, Spears was Wofford's oldest living graduate at the age of 102. Spears was a United Methodist minister and served as president of Columbia College. He retired to Lake Junaluska in 1977 and was a well-loved pillar of the community, raising money for Alzheimer's research, the United Way and other charitable organizations. His most recent contribution to society was the Annual Lake Junaluska Peace Conference, which brings national and international scholars and activist together. Visit honoringdrspears.com for more information.

1942

Henry Grady Culbertson Jr., Dec. 17, 2014, Florence, S.C. Culbertson died on the morning of his 94th birthday. He served in the Army during World War II, eventually as a pilot with the 15th Air Force operating out of southern Italy. After the war Culbertson flew with the National Guard and enjoyed a career in textile management.

1944

Reed C. Patrick, Feb. 5, 2015, Virginia Beach, Va. A WWII C-47 pilot, Patrick retired from the Air Force as a lieutenant colonel. Afterward he ran several businesses including an Arby's and a drive-in theater.

1945

The Rev. Edward Laney Davidson, Feb. 26, 2015, Cheraw, S.C. Ordained in the South Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church, Davidson served nine churches in the state before his retirement. He was an annual conference trustee and a member of the boards of missions, evangelism and health and welfare ministries. He was a renowned marksman, sportsman and outdoorsman.

1947

Theron Earle Montgomery, Feb. 10, 2015, Jacksonville, Ala. Montgomery retired as president of Jacksonville State University in 1986. He was known for the special interest he took in students, and the student's commons facility at the university is named in his honor. Montgomery was a World War II veteran.

1948

Wilmer A. Sims Jr., July 17, 2014, Greensboro, N.C.

1949

Guy Franklin Fain Jr., Jan. 24, 2015, Spartanburg, S.C. Fain played the cornet in the Wofford College band and served in the Army Air Corps during World War II. He retired as department manager at Belk in Lenoir, N.C., after a long career in retail.

1950

The Rev. Carl Douglas Clary, Feb. 14, 2015, Chapin, S.C. A beloved pastor who served 10 churches, Clary served on the board of trustees of Columbia College and was a U.S. Air Force Reserve chaplain for 20 years.

1951

Philip Francis Foster, Jan. 14, 2015, Spartanburg, S.C. A member of Kappa Alpha fraternity at Wofford, Foster served in the South Carolina National Guard. He was in the paper and plastics business when he joined his wife in Sally Foster Gift Wrap. Foster was a founding member of the Spartanburg Sertoma Club and well known for his sense of humor and well-told jokes.

Charles W. Webb Jr., Oct. 30, 2014, Knoxville, Tenn. Webb played for the 1947, 1948 and 1949 Terriers under coach Phil Dickens. He worked for 35 years at Bell South.

1952

Benjamin Ernest "Ernie" Branch, Feb. 10, 2015, Greenville, S.C. A Korean War veteran, Branch was an active member of First Presbyterian Church of Greenville, where he taught Sunday school.

1955

Samuel "Sam" Rufus Glenn Jr., Jan. 8, 2015, Connestee Falls, N.C. Glenn was a senior class president at Wofford and a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity. He served in the Navy before beginning a career that included banking, health care administration and real estate.

1957

Thomas Marion Godbold Jr., Jan. 10, 2015, Chico, Calif. Godbold was a retired educator.

1958

Thomas N. Arledge, Nov. 19, 2014, Spartanburg, S.C. A U.S. Army veteran, Arledge retired from Hoechst Celanese. An all-around athlete, he played football at Wofford.

James Richard "Dickie" Corbin Sr., Jan. 21, 2015, Spartanburg, S.C. Corbin served in the U.S. Navy and retired from Kohler Co. after 41 years.

Lt. Col. John M. Hammett, Jan. 14, 2015, Chesnee, S.C. Hammett served in the Korean War and was stationed in Panama and Puerto Rico. He was commander of the Spartanburg chapter of the Korean War Veterans Association and retired from the 1st Army, 108th division. Hammett also was a retired educator, having served as a teacher, principal and transportation director. He also served as governor of Ruritan National.

John R. Roddy, Nov. 5, 2014, Cross Hill, S.C. Roddy was a U.S. Army veteran. He retired as secretary-treasurer for Jackson Mills after 40 years of service then went back to work with Sandy Springs Electrical for another 15 years.

1959

Thomas Harold DeWitt, Feb. 11, 2015, Simpsonville, S.C. A U.S. Navy Korean War veteran, DeWitt was actively involved in ministry, including Operation Christmas Child, Samaritan's Purse and various prison ministries. He retired as a purchasing agent from Greenwood Mills in Orangeburg, S.C., after 25 years of service.

1961

Donald Ted Wilson Sr., Nov. 21, 2014, Easley, S.C. Wilson retired from Perrigo Pharmaceutical Co. As a student he played on the Wofford football team.

1963

James Rufus Pruitt Jr., Feb. 10, 2015, Spartanburg, S.C. Pruitt retired from Greer Memorial Hospital and Spartanburg Regional Restorative Care.

1964

Samuel P. Bigger Jr., Feb. 14, 2015, Anderson, S.C. After retirement from Blue Cross Blue Shield of Georgia, Bigger enjoyed fishing and delivering auto parts for Ralph Hayes Motors.

Nicholas Harry Kekas, Jan. 6, 2015, Spartanburg, S.C. Kekas was a member of Pi Kappa Phi fraternity at Wofford before transferring to Clemson University. He was the first chairman of the Spartanburg Greek Festival and the former president of Corinthian Mills Inc.

1965

Edward Mark Brown, Jan. 1, 2015, Atlanta, Ga. A 20-year veteran of the U.S. Marines, Brown retired from The Coca-Cola Co. in 1999. He volunteered with Meals on Wheels, Transition House, Hospice Care and the Georgia Aquarium.

1968

Harold W. Aitken, Nov. 4, 2014, Rock Hill, S.C. Aitken retired from Atotech with more than 30 years of service. He loved playing golf.

Ralph B. Ferguson, Jan. 14, 2015, Round Rock, Texas. Ferguson worked with DuPont before starting his own company.

1969

Ronald Allen Siltzer, Dec. 4, 2014, Boiling Springs, S.C. Siltzer retired from Spartanburg Technical College, where he was a faculty member for 34 years.

1970

James Carmen Davis, Dec. 22, 2014, Conway, S.C. During his career he served as a science teacher, worked at Waccamaw Frame Gallery and owned and operated Baxter Forks Landscaping and Jim's Tree Service. He retired from the Army National Guard as a lieutenant colonel.

C. Insley Owings II, Dec. 12, 2014, Daytona Beach, Fla. Owings piloted rotary and fixed-wing aircraft in the U.S. Army before working for Central Piedmont Community College, Eastern Airlines and finally the Daytona Raceway at his retirement.

1972

Michael Wayne Meredith, Dec. 7, 2014, York, S.C.

1973

Peter Scott Sperka, Jan. 3, 2015, Tryon, N.C. Sperka spent two years in the U.S. Army before graduating from Wofford. He formerly worked at Wofford College.

1974

Lawrence Glenn Hardin, Nov. 4, 2014, Columbia, S.C. Hardin volunteered for service during the Vietnam War. His military service was followed by a career as a computer programmer.

Jerry Kenney Wood, Jan. 27, 2015, Boiling Springs, S.C. Wood was a U.S. Navy veteran.

1982

Timothy Lee Cantrell, Nov. 14, 2014, Spartanburg, S.C. Cantrell was the founder of C.T.M.I. of Spartanburg.

Stephen Millus Howell, Jan. 15, 2015, Georgetown, S.C. Howell was the owner of the former Shabby's of Pawley's Island and was a general manager of Land's End Restaurant.

1983

Timothy Leo Brady, Feb. 15, 2015, Charlotte, N.C. Brady was a manufacturing representative and the owner of Brady Sales.

Dr. Karen Sonja Jenks Brewer, Oct. 24, 2014, Blacksburg, Va. A professor of organic chemistry in the Department of Chemistry in the College of Science at Virginia Tech, Brewer earned the 2010 Popular Mechanics Breakthrough Innovator Award because of her work on light-activated cancer therapy. She was a strong advocate for women and minorities in chemistry and served as a role model and mentor for many.

1986

Pamela Plotkin Ponder, Oct. 15, 2014, Acworth, Ga. Ponder enjoyed a career in kitchen design, working for Lehman Architectural Woodworks then starting a family business with her husband specializing in custom millwork and cabinetry. Her kitchen designs twice won first place in Atlanta Remodeling Magazine.

The Rev. Dr. Mickey Shealy, Oct. 30, 2014, Dalton, Ga. Shealy was serving as the pastor of Christ Church Presbyterian Church in Dalton at the time of his death. He played football for the Terriers and after graduation attended Columbia Theological Seminary, graduating with a M.Div. in 1999. He earned his doctorate of ministry from the University of Dubuque Theological Seminary in 2008.

1992

Tracey Lyn Stephenson, Oct. 17, 2014, St. Petersburg, Fla.

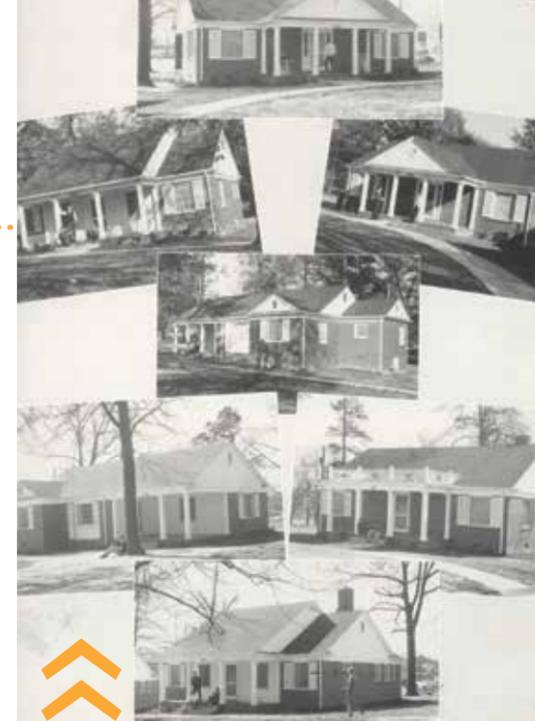
1993

Walter Carlisle "Trey" Kannaday III, Jan. 15, 2015, Columbia, S.C. Kannaday was an attorney, certified public accountant, certified internal auditor, certified treasury professional and was employed by the state of South Carolina for many years. He was a member of Kappa Alpha Order as a Wofford student and served on Campus Union and the Interfraternity Council.

Christie Weston "Chris" Winkler Jr., Feb. 15, 2015, Anderson, S.C. A member of Sigma Nu fraternity, an avid adventurer and an outdoorsman, Winkler hiked the entire Appalachian Trail from Georgia to Maine.

FRIENDS

Bobby Ivey, Dec. 15, 2014, Spartanburg, S.C. Ivey was a longtime friend of Wofford Athletics and the college's basketball program. The proprietor of Bobby Ivey Construction and Realty, Ivey served on the board of trustees at Spartanburg Regional Medical Center for more than 14 years. He also served his country in the U.S. Air Force. "Bobby was one of our most faithful and devoted fans," wrote Wofford Athletics Director Richard Johnson after Ivey's death. "He adopted Wofford, and he and his lovely wife, Jean, attended every athletic event that they could and opened their home to generations of Wofford students.... Bobby was one of a kind."



FROM THE ARCHIVES

Building the fraternity lodges

by Phillip Stone '94

Those houses have been there, like, forever, right?

Forever is a long time, obviously, though on a college campus, 59 years might as well be forever. And that's how long the current Fraternity Row has been standing on its current site.

In the spring of 1955, then Dean of Students Robert Brent proposed to the Board of Trustees the construction of seven fraternity lodges at some place on campus. Each house would have a chapter room, a living room, a kitchen, a bedroom for a fraternity member who was acting as the caretaker of the house, two bathrooms and some closets.

One site, on Cleveland Street near Snyder Field, was rejected because it was too far from the main part of the campus and also was not an especially attractive site. The other was along Memorial Drive down the hill from Main Building, though the college recognized that this site might eventually be needed for another academic building.

The trustees approved the project, and in the spring of 1956, the houses were all built simultaneously. That way no one fraternity would be able to occupy its house before the others. Originally only the chapter rooms in each house were to have pine paneling, but the college got a good deal on paneling and was able to use it in the living rooms and chapter rooms.

Construction began in December 1956 with foundation work. As the weather improved the pace of the work increased in April and May. The fraternities took possession of their houses on May 17, 1956.

The Old Gold and Black student newspaper noted that houses for fraternities had been a 60-year dream, as in fact, the college had not provided Greek houses before. After fraternities were reinstated in 1915, they mostly met wherever they could find space—including above stores on Spartanburg's Morgan Square. But since May 1956, Fraternity Row has been the home to Wofford's Greek organizations.



RETURNING TO WOFFORD WITH A NOVEL AND N.Y. TIMES RAVE REVIEWS

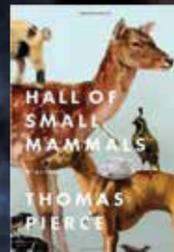
Thomas Pierce '06 shares insights with students during Wofford Writer's Series

The New York Times recently called author Thomas Pierce's short story collection "Hall of Small Mammals" "beautifully built" and said Pierce "has an especially deft way of finding just the right final flourish."

The 2006 Wofford College graduate's "originality, inventiveness, questing spiritual intelligence and animal fixation aren't easy to do justice to in the limited space here," wrote Books of the Times reviewer Janet Maslin in the review published in January. "But they're irrefutably good reasons to discover him for yourself."

Pierce returned to Wofford's campus in February as part of the Wofford Writer's Series.

"When I was here I think I took every creative writing class that the college offered—Deno Trakas's novella class, John Lane's poetry class, Mark Ferguson's playwriting class. My last year at Wofford was Mike Curtis's first. He's the metric I still use. Mike Curtis is the voice in my



head when I read my work and ask myself if it's good enough," says Pierce. "We meet still. It's hard to imagine me being where I am without him."

Curtis, who continues to work as the fiction editor for The Atlantic, although he's retiring from the college this spring, chose one of Pierce's stories for the magazine. Pierce's stories also have found readers in The New Yorker, The Oxford American and Subtropics, among others. "Hall of Small Mammals" is part of a two-book contract with Riverhead Books. Pierce is working on the second book now and teases: "Without giving too much away, it's about a family and sound art and messages to space."

Now a full-time writer, Pierce has reported for National Geographic and for NPR programs, including "Morning Edition" and "All Things Considered." He earned his M.F.A. from the University of Virginia as a Poe/Faulkner Fellow.

Pierce lives in Charlottesville, Va., with his wife, Catherine, and daughter, Eleanor (18 mos.).

VAN HIPPI '82 MAKES STOP AT WOFFORD DURING NATIONAL BOOK TOUR

Van Hipp '82 (right), chairman of American Defense International Inc. in Washington, D.C., visited Wofford in March as part of the South Carolina book tour for his latest book, "The New Terrorism: How to Fight It and Defeat It." Hipp also met with students, spoke to a crowd in Leonard Auditorium and signed books.

Hipp has been immersed in defense and security matters since 1990 when he was appointed deputy assistant secretary of the Army for reserve forces and mobilization. He was named by then-Secretary of Defense Dick Cheney to be the principal deputy general counsel of the Navy. A veteran of the U.S. Army, Hipp served on active duty in both Operation Desert Storm and Operation Restore Democracy. He is a frequent writer and speaker on defense and international policy issues.

Hipp also sponsors the Hipp Lecture Series on International Affairs and National Security at Wofford, the first installation of which was the 2011 Republican Presidential Candidates Debate held at the college. The series also has brought former New York governor George Pataki and astronaut Buzz Aldrin to campus in the past year.

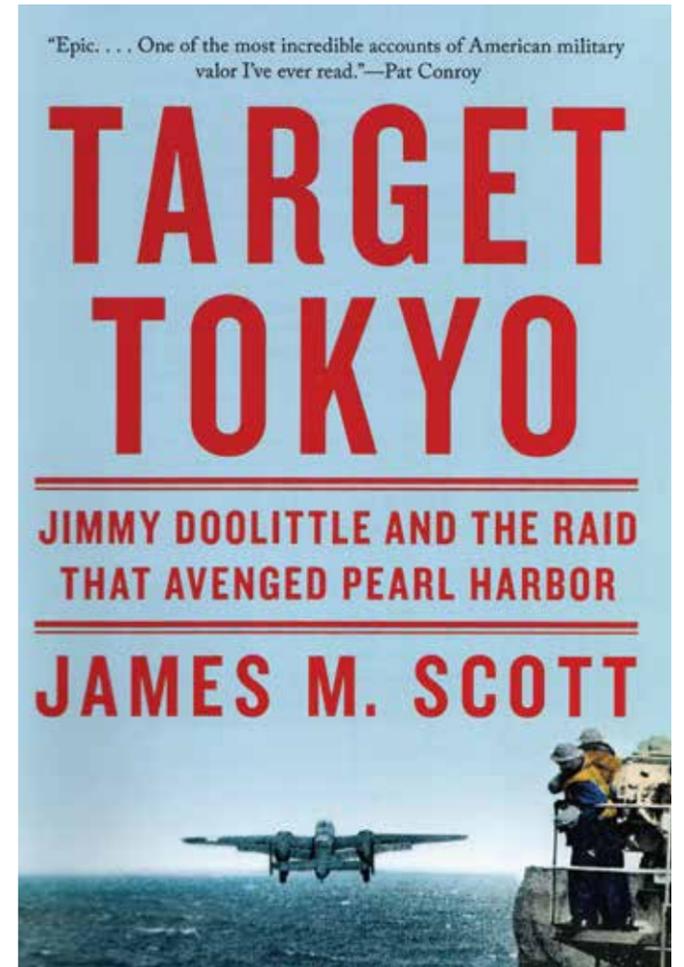


JAMES SCOTT'S LATEST NOVEL, "TARGET TOKYO," JUST RELEASED BY W.W. NORTON & CO.

In December 1941, as American forces rallied the dead at Pearl Harbor, President Franklin Roosevelt gathered with his senior military counselors to plan an ambitious counterstrike against the heart of the Japanese Empire: Tokyo. Four months later, on April 18, 1942, 16 U.S. Army bombers, under the command of daredevil pilot Jimmy Doolittle, lifted off from the deck of the USS Hornet on a one-way mission to pummel the enemy's factories, refineries and dockyards and then escape to free China. Most of the bombers ran out of fuel and crashed. Others were captured and tortured in Japanese POW camps. Others faced a harrowing escape across China.

Not since Laura Hillenbrand's "Unbroken" has there been such a riveting and powerful story of American airmen overcoming the impossible. Impeccably researched, "Target Tokyo," the newest novel by James M. Scott '97, gives a gripping narrative of combat and survival from the multiple perspectives of the American, Japanese and Chinese people whose lives were irrevocably changed by the raid and its aftermath. The result is a tale of bravery and sacrifice that forces readers to confront the human costs of heroism.

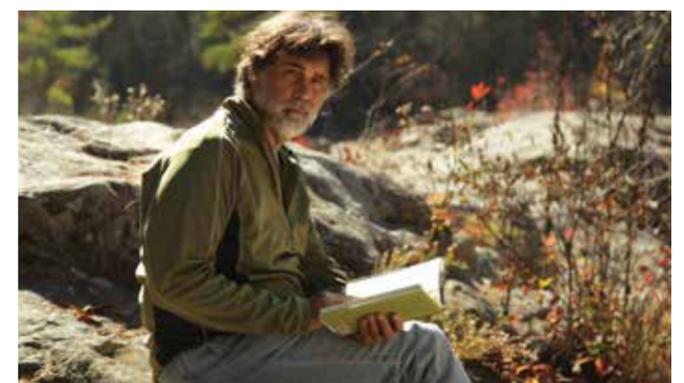
A former Neiman Fellow at Harvard, Scott is the author of "The War Below" and "The Attack on the Liberty," which won the Rear Admiral Samuel Eliot Morison Award. He lives in Mount Pleasant, S.C., with his wife and two children.



JOHN LANE '77 PENS CRITICALLY ACCLAIMED FIRST NOVEL

"Fate Moreland's Widow," the haunting first novel from award-winning poet, environmentalist and storyteller John Lane '77 (right), delves into historically inspired events of life, livelihood, death and destiny against a rural Southern backdrop on the cusp of modernity. As Lane's nuanced characters contend with overarching questions of loyalty and responsibility, he leaves little doubt that these vexing dilemmas of the past resonate still today.

Lane, professor of Environmental Studies and director of the Goodall Environmental Studies Center at Wofford, is a 2014 inductee into the South Carolina Academy of Authors.





THE WOFFORD NETWORK

The Citadel hasn't beaten Wofford in football since Nov. 12, 1998 (cue laughter). Unfortunately, The Citadel routinely beats Wofford, and just about every other college or university, in the realm of alumni networking.

To address this baffling disparity, the Alumni Executive Council (AEC) plans for the Wofford Alumni Association to tap into the loyalty of our graduates by concentrating on alumni networking for career and business development purposes. We want our section of the college's website eventually

to include a place for our fellow Terriers to post information about their businesses and services, allowing alumni to support each other and thereby strengthen "The Wofford Network." We also want to include a more user-friendly alumni directory database and information about how to offer internships for Wofford students.

Strengthening the value of our Wofford diplomas through networking will help alumni grow professionally and in business, but it all depends on your active engagement. Please stay tuned for more information on "The Wofford Network." Let's set a new standard in alumni participation.

THE SPACE TO BECOME A BETTER ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Wofford students form a lifetime bond with the college, and the alumni association aspires to keep this connection vibrant. Success in achieving this goal requires that the AEC periodically reconsider and update its vision and mission, just as the college recently did in creating its new long-term strategic vision.

During its winter meeting, the AEC participated in a vision-planning workshop facilitated by Scott Cochran '88, dean of The Space in the Mungo Center. Wofford's groundbreaking program designed to help students use the communication, research, problem-solving and critical thinking skills learned through studying the liberal arts to prepare for a career or graduate school, launch their own businesses or consult with existing organizations. The workshop employed The Space's innovative approach to chart a path for the Wofford Alumni Association to reach its potential for serving the college and each other.

Complementing Cochran's workshop was a marketing and communications session led by Annie Mitchell, Wofford's dynamic new vice president for marketing and communications. In this workshop we identified the best approach to fulfil our mission of serving as your voice to the college and acting as a conduit of information from the college back to alumni.

It's your alumni association, and we greatly value your input. We especially appreciate your thoughts about what you want the alumni association to offer and how Wofford alumni can better support each other and the college. To share your thoughts, please contact me at andybeeson@aol.com or contact the Office of Alumni and Parents Programs at alumni@wofford.edu.

WOFFORD ALUMNI OFFICE CHANGES

Wofford alumni of my generation remember Charlie Gray '72 as the director of admission who penned our letters of acceptance, in the process earning our eternal gratitude. Gray left the Admission Office several years ago to serve as the college's director of alumni and parents associations, which includes the AEC. While AEC members came and went, Gray was a constant presence and dedicated leader of the group.

The AEC experienced a bittersweet moment in January when Gray moved into a new role as director of continuing education. Although sorry to lose him as a regular part of our group, we were delighted to have Debbi Thompson '88 add oversight of the alumni association to her existing duties as director of alumni and parents programs. With Thompson guiding us, we know we are in excellent hands and that the future of the alumni association is bright.

Go Terriers!

Andy Beeson '90

President, Wofford College National Alumni Association

UPCOMING WOFFORD COLLEGE ALUMNI EVENTS:

Visit Wofford.edu/alumni for more information.

APRIL 28	Knoxville Alumni / Admission Event	MAY 16-17	Class of 1965 50th Reunion
APRIL 30	NYC Alumni Event	JUNE 11	Spartanburg Young Alumni Event
MAY 1	Spartanburg Bike Race	JUNE 13	Wofford Family Day at Riverbanks Zoo
MAY 2	Wofford Family Day at Carowinds	JULY 18	Washington Nationals Game / Pregame
MAY 6	Wofford vs. USC Baseball / Pregame	JULY 18-26	Passage of Lewis and Clark Expedition
MAY 7	Atlanta Young Alumni Event		



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