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« Living and learning in Tanzania

Working in the shadow of Mount Kilimanjaro, these Wofford students spent the summer as interns with various nonprofit organizations in Tanzania as part of a program through The Space in the Mungo Center. From left are: Lydia Estes '20, Kiara Williams '18, Chris-Marie Mensah '19, Madison Guyton '18, Zainab Bhagat '20, Helen Seddelmeyer '20 and Elizabeth Beecy '18. Tom Stack '20 also participated in the internship program.

MESSAGE *from the* PRESIDENT



In the Class of 2021 are future teachers, attorneys, physicians, entrepreneurs, accountants, scientists, clergy, musicians, interior designers, historians, architects ...

the list goes on and on. I don't know where the Class of 2021 will end up in four years, but I'm positive that they will be prepared!

That's what Wofford College does. It offers students opportunities to prepare for their first (or fifth) job. In the pages of this Wofford Today, you'll find the stories of graduates who have taken their Wofford foundation and upon it built — or are building — careers in the military. They all say that Wofford's liberal arts education helped them prepare to serve and lead under often unexpected and demanding circumstances, and for that we are all grateful ... but not surprised.

Other features in this issue include stories of how students spent the summer preparing for their futures through internship, research or job experiences. There's also a section in which you'll meet a vital team of Wofford staff who maintain and prepare the college's buildings and grounds so the campus is a rich environment for student success.

Students have come to Wofford for years to prepare for lives of leadership, service and lifelong learning. Thanks to your help, that tradition will continue for generations to come.

Go, Terriers!

Nayef



» In the first public event in the Rosalind Sallenger Richardson Center for the Arts, President Samhat and other Herald-Journal panelists, including Erica Brown '00 (far right), discussed the job market for recent college graduates in Spartanburg.



IT'S YOUR WORLD. VIEW IT.

On Aug. 21 at 1:10 p.m., the Wofford campus turned its eyes (covered by ISO-certified safety glasses, of course) toward the skies for the beginning of the solar eclipse. Terriers gathered in teams, departments and with families to watch an event that had been 99 years in the making. The Wofford soccer teams, on campus for workouts, bought eclipse doughnuts and gathered between Gibbs Stadium and the statue of Jerry Richardson to commemorate the event.

Although not in the band for a total eclipse, the college saw a 99.93 percent obscuration on campus at 2:29:52 p.m.



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THE WORLD @ WOFFORD

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A. STUDENTS RECEIVE GILMAN INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

A group of Wofford students were among the undergraduates selected for the prestigious Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship, sponsored by the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs to study or intern abroad this year. Wofford has produced six Gilman Scholars during the 2017 award cycle.

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B. STARTALK HAS LOCAL STUDENTS TALKING

Now in its fifth year, STARTALK at Wofford offers local middle and high school students the opportunity to learn Chinese language and culture. The two-week intensive immersion experience is free of charge and designed to increase the number of Americans learning, speaking and teaching critical-need foreign languages.

Continued online.

C. WATTS TO LEAD OFFICE OF DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION

Demario Watts has accepted the position of assistant dean of students for diversity and leadership development. He had been serving the college as assistant director of residence life for the past two years. In addition, Watts has served as one of the college's Title IX deputy coordinators and is a member of the college National Coalition Building Institute (NCBI) team.

Continued online.

D. SUSTAINABILITY STORYBOARD HAS WOFFORD SEEING GREEN

Thanks to the \$4.25 million grant from the Romill Foundation, the Milliken Sustainability Initiative at Wofford College is under way and already making a difference. The college has installed new metering technology on campus, including an online storyboard that displays sustainability initiatives and real-time energy usage.

Continued online.

E. FOWLER COMPLETES NEH INSTITUTE

Dr. Cynthia Fowler recently spent four weeks at the East-West Center in Honolulu, Hawaii, as one of 25 professors from institutions across the country to learn about Islam in South and Southeast Asia. The Islam in Asia Institute was hosted by the National Endowment for the Humanities. Fowler has conducted ethnography fieldwork in Indonesia since 1996.

Continued online.

F. EXPLORING AND APPLYING DESIGN THINKING

This summer five Wofford students participated in a rigorous three-week Entrepreneurial Thinking Certificate Program through The Space in the Mungo Center. The program was designed to help students build a highly sought-after skill set that today's employers and graduate programs want. The program included attending Startup Fest in Montreal, Canada.

Continued online.

G. AVI UPGRADES CAMPUS DINING

Students, faculty and staff returning to Wofford this fall found campus dining upgrades. AVI Foodsystems Inc. began providing services in July. They are renovating Zach's this semester in the Campus Life Building by expanding Chick-fil-A and Boar's Head deli, and plans also are under way to renovate the Burwell dining hall in the coming year.

Continued online.

H. DISCOVERING NEW HORIZONS

Woody Middleton '18 will spend his fall semester sailing aboard the 57-foot sailboat Noyal through the islands of Indonesia, Malaysia and Thailand. In what he describes as the opportunity of a lifetime, he will help crew the ship, scuba dive through breathtaking coral reefs and reconnect with family. He still plans to graduate from Wofford on time in the spring.

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UNLEASHED

Carolina Panthers tight end Greg Olsen takes a selfie with a Navy petty officer at Military Day at training camp this summer. The Panthers and the USO-NC work with military bases in the Carolinas to show gratitude to military personnel for their services with an exclusive experience each summer at Wofford. Invited troops watch practice from a special viewing area, receive Panthers memorabilia, get a behind-the-scenes tour and dine with players and coaches.





Erin Fitzpatrick '18

Majors in economics and religion; Chapin, S.C.

Alex Lefebvre '19

Major in accounting; Spartanburg, S.C.

Lefebvre (left) and Fitzpatrick (second from right) interned this summer with IES Abroad in Cape Town, South Africa. Lefebvre worked with Breadline Africa, an NGO that retrofits containers to provide infrastructure in rural areas. The job involved international accounting and working with governing boards. Fitzpatrick worked with City Mission, a Christian nonprofit that coordinates citywide outreach programs. She helped prepare meals to take to the public hospital where patients often have to wait days to be seen by a doctor, played soccer with youth who are trying to escape gang violence and attended meetings and Bible studies designed to help ex-offenders transition back into society. In a country with 11 official languages, Fitzpatrick says she has learned how to interact with different people. "Although we come from very different backgrounds, in the end we are all human, and that lesson has made me more empathetic and open-minded," she says.



PREPARE.

Wofford students spend their summer in internship, research and work experiences

by Kelsey Aylor '18 and Jo Ann Brasington '89

ANNIE GENTRY '19

Majors in biology and Spanish, minor in studio art; St. George, S.C.

Gentry interned at Edisto Beach State Park this summer in the sea turtle preservation and education program. Working with sea turtle specialists, Gentry was responsible for patrolling the beaches every morning to locate nests and install protective netting. She led weekly night walks and presentations on sea turtles and worked with the Edisto Island Environmental Learning Center to rehabilitate animals, help conduct DNA research and assist with other public programs.

"I have learned what it means to be dedicated to a single cause, which, in this case, is wildlife conservation. It takes a lot of effort to preserve the natural landscape, but there is such a rewarding outcome for that dedication."



AUSTIN JONES '18

Major in Spanish, minor in religion, concentration in Latin American and Caribbean Studies; Chesnee, S.C.

Jones spent his summer in Arecibo, Puerto Rico, as a community service coordinator with Youthworks, an organization that takes students on service and immersion trips throughout the U.S., Canada and Puerto Rico. He coordinated service projects for the students and worked at the service sites as a translator and project director. Off-site he taught Spanish lessons and salsa classes for the students. Jones found the internship through Terrier Black Book, one of Wofford's career development tools.

"I was able to improve my Spanish skills and learn about the history and current and past political situation of Puerto Rico. I also learned what it is like to work for a nonprofit in a place that is very different from my home."



KIARA WILLIAMS '18

Major in government, minors in history and business, concentrations in American politics and gender studies; Blythewood, S.C.

Through The Space to Explore internship program, Williams, along with eight other students, spent 10 weeks in Moshi, Tanzania, a small city nestled at the base of Mount Kilimanjaro.

"I worked as a marketing and sales intern for Totohealth Tanzania, which is a social enterprise that strives to contribute toward reaching Tanzania's national vision of ending preventable maternal and child deaths by 2035. I have worked on various social media platforms to raise awareness about the high infant and maternal mortality rates in Tanzania as well as the life-saving products offered by Totohealth. I also have gone out into the field to witness community health workers receive training and give medical advice to expectant mothers. Working in a field that empowers women and improves their livelihood has always been a dream of mine, and I have learned the importance of connecting with people on a personal level."



CHIE MUSHAYAMUNDA '18

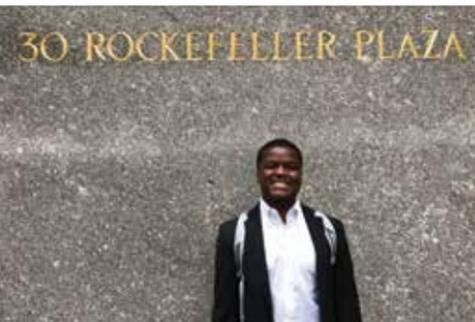
Major in English; Winston-Salem, N.C.

Mushayamunda spent her summer interning with Greater Gift, an organization based in Wake Forest University's Innovation Quarter in downtown Winston-Salem, N.C.

EMILY CARTER '19

Major in business economics; Greenville, S.C.

As the event services intern at the Bon Secours Wellness Arena in Greenville, S.C., Carter learned how to think on her feet when dealing with different concert situations. She assisted the production manager with planning and preparing for events and learned that "your attitude and how you make people feel is what they are going to remember. Being kind to everyone that comes through the doors is just as important as how the show turns out in the end."



OMAR ELMORE '19

Major in English, concentration in film and digital media; Greenwood, S.C.

Elmore worked as a media intern with MSNBC Longform in New York. He put together documentary-style pieces such as "O.J. Simpson: 20 Years Later." He learned about scheduling, archiving, rights clearances and other topics on the business side of news production. He also shadowed anchors and producers. Wofford trustee Craig Melvin '01 (co-anchor of "Weekend TODAY," national correspondent for "TODAY" and MSNBC anchor) helped him secure the internship.

"I enjoyed working in 30 Rock and being in the city the entire summer. One thing I learned is that news moves very fast, so it is a fast-paced work environment!"

BRECK PETERSON '18

Major in French, programs in Middle Eastern and North African Studies and pre-veterinary science; Jacksonville, Fla.

Peterson spent the summer in Las Vegas, N.M., interning with a veterinary hospital. Not only did she work with typical cases involving cats and dogs, she also was able to go on ranch calls to tend larger animals. Peterson has begun the process of applying to veterinary school and is thankful for her internship and the experience and insight into the realities of life as a veterinarian.



ELEANOR WADE '18

Major in English, minor in art history; Charleston, S.C.

Wade's internship with local station ABC News 4 WCIV in Charleston, S.C., had her out in the field daily from 9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. She worked with other reporters and learned about multimedia journalism, which required her to write, shoot and edit each story.



Using research experience to prepare for the future

Wofford students join global efforts to address coral bleaching

The Great Barrier Reef is dying, and a group from Wofford College has joined global efforts to address the problem.

"Coral bleaching is a big threat," says Dr. Geoffrey Mitchell, assistant professor of biology at Wofford. "Coral reefs are the rainforests of the ocean. They're among the most biodiverse places on the planet and are important to the world's food supply, not to mention the multibillion-dollar tourist industry that the reefs support."

Bleaching occurs when coral expel the algae that live inside them; their relationship is symbiotic. Without the nutrients provided by the algae, the coral lose their color and soon die. A heat wave in 2016 left 90 percent of the Great Barrier Reef with evidence of bleaching.

During the past summer each student worked on a different piece of the puzzle, but Mitchell says the bulk of the work involved trying to determine how coral and algae maintain their connection. Because coral is difficult to grow in the lab, the students used anemones and their own endosymbiotic algae. "For example," says Mitchell, "Kajal Patel '18 (a psychology

major from Philadelphia, Pa.) and Madalyn Snoddy '18 (a biology and Spanish major from Columbia, S.C.) isolated anemone cells and subjected them to higher temperatures to see how cells change. One hypothesis is that high temperatures cause the algae to divide too much, and they take over so the coral are no longer able to control the growth. When this happens they spit out the algae."

Lacey Tallent '18 of Spartanburg would love to be among the first to demonstrate the hypothesis in the lab. The biology major with an emphasis in computer science plans a career in research. "Research can be both rewarding and frustrating, but I enjoy it because you never know what's going to happen."

This summer's research was a continuation of similar research directed by Mitchell during 2016. The goal is to share the findings with the scientific community in the form of papers and presentations. For the Wofford students, the goal also is to prepare for careers in medicine, bioinformatics or scientific research.

Summer researchers (from left): Keshia Patel, Kajal Patel, Lacey Tallent, Madalyn Snoddy and Dr. Geoffrey Mitchell.



Assessing sustainability at Wofford College

Student-faculty research team explores the campus as a living lab

How much energy does Wofford College use? What's the water consumption? What about management of buildings, transportation and waste? By the end of the summer, a Wofford student and professor had a pretty good idea.

Dr. Amy Telligman, assistant professor of environmental studies, and J.J. Smith '20, an environmental studies major from Spartanburg, were awarded a Summer Collaborative Research Grant from the college to assess the sustainability of Wofford's campus systems and culture of sustainability. They spent the summer collecting data to get a baseline that the college can use to evaluate future improvements.

"J.J. was in my class in the spring, and we talked about the campus as a living lab that we can use to learn and also to improve the overall sustainability of the campus," says Telligman. "Now he has paired that classroom knowledge with real experience in collecting data. What he's done this summer will be applicable to work in lots of fields."

Smith worked with the college's new energy manager, Rob Richards, and others on campus to gather the data that will eventually be sent to the Association for Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education (AASHE), a national organization

that collects and reports compounded data from across the country. Smith also learned how to develop professional relationships, communicate effectively, be persistent and apply the research methods that until now have been purely theoretical.

"I'm interested in a future career in the field of sustainability," says Smith, who has learned that the work is not glamorous and can be tedious.

According to Telligman, that's just part of the experience. "Research is a messy process. It's slow going, especially at first, and there are lots of ups and downs," she says. "It's important for our students to understand that, and these summer undergraduate research experiences are ideal for that type of learning."

The assessment that Telligman and Smith have been working on was motivated by the Milliken Sustainability Initiative at Wofford College, a \$4.25 million multifaceted sustainability program funded by a grant from the Romill Foundation. The initiative also includes a new residence hall, a living learning community focused on sustainability, partnerships with the Northside and Glendale communities, student entrepreneurial opportunities and new faculty and staff in the field of sustainability.

MAYA WARD '18

Majors in philosophy and psychology, concentration in gender studies; Greer, S.C.

Through the Bard Globalization and International Affairs Program, Ward spent the summer in New York City studying international affairs issues while completing an internship with MADRE, an international women's human rights organization.



ELIZABETH LINDSEY '20

Major undeclared; Birmingham, Ala.

Lindsey interned with Smuggler, a film, commercial, music video and theater production company in New York City.

"The amount of crazy experiences and tasks that I had daily was invigorating. It was always something new and unexpected. For example, one day I found myself having a conversation about my hometown on the roof of the company building with an orthodox Jew from Canada and a British man who thinks virtual reality is a religion. I once dropped off a director's visa papers at a law office that overlooked Central Park so the director could travel to shoot a commercial in Shanghai. I learned so much about the industry while developing office and networking skills that can be applied to any field. Working with Smuggler, I was surrounded by people who are making it happen. No dream is unrealistic here, and it's awe inspiring to see a group of differing people work together toward a unifying goal."

LIBBIE REED '18

Major in government, minor in international affairs; Farmville, Va.

Reed interned in public affairs with Anthem health insurance in Washington, D.C. She attended hearings on Capitol Hill that pertained to health care, conducted research and helped craft Anthem policy memos.

"With the reform going on in health care, I picked a busy and exciting time to work in the field. The summer has been an incredible opportunity, and I have learned the ins and outs of health care and the complexity of reform. ... I can see myself working here in the future."



NATHAN PATNAM '19

Majors in chemistry and computer science; Greenville, S.C.

Patnam worked as a technology development intern for UnitedHealth Group in Schaumburg, Ill. His team worked to build and design an app that may be used by health professionals both nationally and internationally. He also worked on creating search algorithms to aid in finding information more quickly and efficiently across the company.





LYDIA MILLER '18

Majors in history and humanities; Gainesville, Ga.

Miller was the programs intern at President Lincoln's Cottage in Washington, D.C. The museum teaches visitors about the thoughts and conversations held by the Lincoln family during their stays at the cottage and strives to inspire its visitors in their own path for forward thinking. Some projects Miller assisted in planning and executing were the Students Opposing Slavery International Summit and the Civil War Washington Teacher Fellows program.

"This internship showed me that my passion for history can and should be applied in a public setting."

SAM PADULA '20

Major in biology, concentration in neuroscience; Irmo, S.C.

For 10 weeks Padula interned with the Department of Neuroscience and Cell Biology at Robert Wood Johnson Medical School in Piscataway, N.J. His project in Dr. Huaye Zhang's lab involved documenting better understanding of a specific kinase (MARK1) in synaptic development and cognitive function. He says it was exciting to see how scientists generate knowledge and to participate in that process.



ALEX THELE '18

Major in biology, concentrations in neuroscience and medical humanities; Boca Raton, Fla.

Thele participated in a research fellowship through the Jackson Laboratory's Summer Student Program in Bar Harbor, Maine. The fellowship program accepts 48 high school and undergraduate college students each year and is focused on mammalian genetics and genomics. Thele worked with Dr. Gregory Cox, whose lab researches several motor neuron diseases. Her specific project focused on spinal muscular atrophy with respiratory distress, type 1. She presented her data at the end of the summer.

"I enjoyed my experience, especially because my project has direct implications for a human disease. I designed the entire project, performed the experiment, analyzed the data and wrote a research paper, and I got really great results and made a cool discovery that my mentor will follow up on. ... I also learned how to adapt to unanticipated problems in creative ways. Ultimately, it cemented my desire to be involved in clinical trials and biomedical research when I am a physician."



GRANT MCCLURE '19

Majors in English and environmental studies; Charleston, S.C.

McClure worked at Alaska Trophy Adventures Lodge in Katmai National Park as a fly fishing guide. He led groups of people from around the world on fly fishing trips along the Alagnak River, which is home to salmon, rainbow trout, char and grayling. McClure says his summer experience taught him how to handle conflict and challenges.

"There are bears, the river is fast, boats break down and tempers flare between people. In somewhere so remote and wild, things can go wrong quickly, so learning to be vigilant and calm in the face of adversity was formative."



Explaining quantum mechanics to children

Wofford students use summer undergraduate, faculty-mentored research experience to develop a children's book

What started as a conversation about teaching quantum physics to non-science majors has turned into a children's book project and an interdisciplinary summer research experience for three Wofford College students and three members of the faculty.

Dr. Carolyn Martsberger, assistant professor of physics, along with Dr. Kimberly Hall, assistant professor of English, and Jessica Scott-Felder, assistant professor of art and art history, applied for a Summer Collaborative Research Grant from the college to support the project, "A Children's Story: Illuminating the Surprising Discovery of Quantum Mechanics."

"Physics is all about interactions," says Martsberger. During lunch she and her colleagues found themselves discussing how the interactions found in scientific processes — between energy and matter, for example — match the values and virtues found in everyday human interactions. They decided to challenge themselves and three student researchers to use that commonality to explain the photoelectric effect.

"There are physical systems that take a long time to create and build; a glass house, for example, takes a long time to create, but a rock can quickly break it. Trust can work like that as well," says Martsberger. "Our goal has been to use the analogy of interpersonal dynamics to teach a physical phenomenon so that the elegance of physics is accessible to a wide audience."

Martsberger has been advising the project physicist, Jake Phillips '18, a physics and German major from

Huntersville, N.C. Phillips was charged with explaining light in a way that is both understandable and entertaining to a first- or second-grade audience.

"When I was explaining the concepts to the writer and illustrator, I tried to take out all of the scary physics phrases — like 'work function,' I didn't really want to get into explaining that — and instead talked about the concept in terms of energy."

Hall advised Kyla Burwick '19, the book's author, an English major with a film and digital media concentration from Blythewood, S.C. Although Burwick had never written a children's book, she embraced the opportunity and even involved her family.

"I have a 7-year-old niece, so I would text her mom and ask, 'Does she know this word?' If she said 'yes,' I knew it's good to use in the book," says Burwick.

Scott-Felder served as the artistic advisor to the book's illustrator, Laura Hydrick '19, a biology and studio art major from Chapin, S.C.

"As we worked together, the characters and images evolved, but so did we," says Hydrick. "We learned so much this summer."

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Summer research group (from left): Dr. Carolyn Martsberger, Laura Hydrick, Jake Phillips, Jessica Scott-Felder, Dr. Kimberly Hall and Kyla Burwick



Laying the groundwork ... *literally*

Meet some of the people who maximize the impact of the physical campus

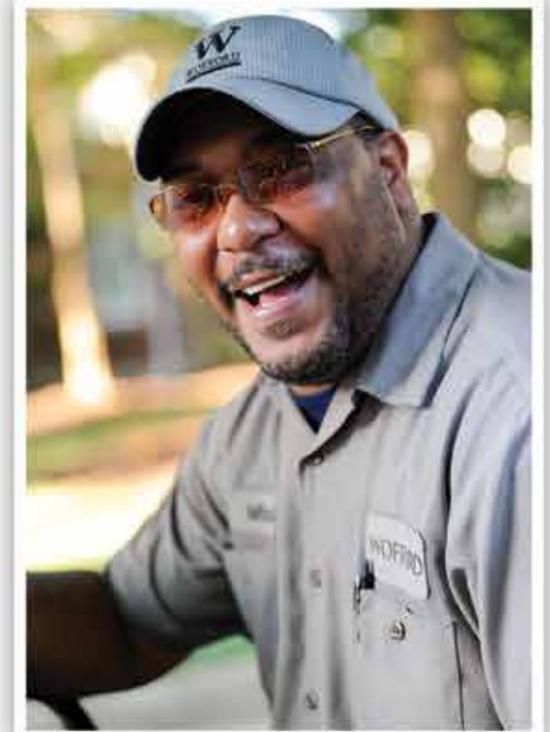
Jo Ann Mitchell Brasington '89 and Mark Olencki '75

“The appearance of the campus is, by far, the most influential characteristic during campus visits, and we gained the distinct impression that when it comes to recruiting students, the director of building and grounds may be more important than the academic dean.”

Dr. Ernest Boyer, former president of the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching and United States Commissioner of Education

By 7 a.m. each morning, Monday through Friday (and sometimes on weekends as well), the college's Physical Plant staff is at work. They're the first ones on-site for Commencement or Homecoming and often the last to leave after the cleanup is done. The college's 170-acre campus with academic buildings, residence halls, athletics facilities, dining areas, administrative offices, theaters, studios, a library, a Wellness Center and dozens of study and recreational spaces, needs almost constant care.

“It's clear how much pride our physical plant staff takes in making Wofford College comfortable and beautiful,” says President Nayef Samhat. “First impressions matter, and we owe these keepers of our buildings and grounds a debt of gratitude for their work ethic, creativity, attention to detail and love of the Wofford community.”



Mitch Humphries

Humphries was waiting in the car for his aunt to finish a job interview at Wofford when he was called in for an interview of his own. He's been at Wofford for 26 years and has worked his way up to administrative housekeeping supervisor. Humphries always has a smile and wave for faculty, staff, students and visitors. “I love it here because of the people,” he says.



Jimmie Tate

One of the newer members of the staff, Tate has worked at Wofford just over a year. He spends his days watering and caring for plants, something he's used to doing after working with the Hub City Farmer's Market Urban Farm.



Ken Pettit

Pettit, director of preventive maintenance at the college, also directs a summer work program for students. “I’m basically teaching work ethic,” he says. “I teach the students the importance of taking pride in what they’re doing, and that transfers to life in the classroom or football field or after graduation.” Pettit is the college’s unofficial animal whisperer. A few years ago he rescued an injured hawk and recently found a new home for a peacock that had wandered onto the campus.

Ruben Ortiz

Ortiz came to the United States after graduating from high school in Puerto Rico. He’s been in the States 40 years and has worked at Wofford for 14. Depending on the season he has a weed eater or trimmer in his hands or is driving a truck or digging holes for new plantings. His co-workers love it when he makes enough Puerto Rican rice and beans to share.



Emanuel Burnside

Burnside has been running trash routes at Wofford for the past two years. He says he enjoys “keeping the college looking good.” He particularly likes his job during the Panthers training camp. The Panthers are his team, and he takes great pride in contributing to their experience at Wofford each summer.



Galina Moshkun

Moshkun arrived in New York from the Ukraine in 2002 in pursuit of religious freedom. Her grandfather died after being exiled to Siberia because the government found a Bible in his home. She and her husband, Boris, also a Wofford housekeeper, moved South because “Spartanburg is warmer,” she says. They have five children and 21 grandchildren. Moshkun likes to read because she says it helps her learn English words.



Jeff Gist, Converse Draper, Shannon Shippy, Darryl Maybin and Rashawn Twitty

Most of the campus has Converse Draper on speed dial. He supervises the college’s utility crew, which means he’s part of planning, setup and cleanup for all major college events — from Baccalaureate and Commencement to Homecoming.



Marty Kerr (supervisor), Tim Neal, Stephen Herbert, Scott Coggins and Nathan Dyer (consultant)

The maintenance of HVAC, elevators, emergency sprinklers and plumbing is the responsibility of the college’s mechanical crew. With the Rosalind Sallenger Richardson Center for the Arts and the Jerry Richardson Indoor Stadium now up and running, the staff has spent necessary time this summer in training to familiarize themselves with the new systems.



*Rob Richards
and Bob Richards*

The father-son team of Bob and Rob Richards is all about efficiency. Bob, as the college's on-site engineer, consults on all major building and construction projects. Rob, the energy sustainability manager, focuses on creating a more energy-efficient campus through the Milliken Sustainability Initiative at Wofford College. Farming and engineering are both in their blood, and they bring that work ethic and an emphasis on functionality as well as beauty to Wofford's campus.



*Virginia (Washington)
Brewton*

When Brewton came to Wofford 19 years ago, she didn't expect to be at the college long. "The management and the people — the students and faculty in the building where I work and my co-workers in the Physical Plant — kept me coming back," she says. Brewton, the president of evangelism at Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church, brings that encouraging spirit with her to work.



Ed Davis

Davis has worked with the college's multi-craft crew for more than six years. He's active in local military re-enactment organizations, particularly for the Revolutionary War and the American Civil War. He also collects World War II- and Vietnam War-era military vehicles. Davis even has talked with Wofford history classes, dressed in period attire, of course.



Rick Shehan

Shehan retired after 23 years of service in the U.S. Navy and went back to college to earn his degree before coming to Wofford as a groundskeeper. He became the office manager of the Physical Plant in August 2016. His military background serves him well at Wofford. "Anyone can be a job starter," he says, "but to be a job finisher takes discipline." Jobs get finished with Shehan following up.



Clayton Rollins

Rollins grew up on a farm, which means he can fix just about anything. He does small engine repair at Wofford as well as grounds work — maintaining irrigation, fertilizing and seeding. He is considering taking advantage of the college program that allows employees to take a class a semester for free as he works toward a degree.



David Friday

After graduating from the Charles Lea Center 33 years ago, Friday joined the groundskeeping staff at Wofford. He loves the camaraderie with his co-workers and takes great pride in collecting litter across campus. He also cleans the Physical Plant offices. When he's not on campus, Friday enjoys going dancing and attending wrestling matches.

Alexander, Carson and Krayevski have spent most of their time lately cleaning up after construction crews and visitors to the Rosalind Sallenger Richardson Center for the Arts. Alexander, a 23-year veteran at Wofford, is excited about the new building because of the upcoming plays, something she has enjoyed attending in the past. Carson has worked at Wofford for 21 years. He sometimes brings his nephews to basketball games and is looking forward to doing that in the new Jerry Richardson Indoor Stadium this season. Krayevski was born in Israel, where she worked as an accountant. She's been at Wofford for nine years.

*Shirley Alexander,
Chris Carson and
Olga Krayevski*





Juana Ramirez

Rusty, the provost's dog, barks when people come to the door, but not at Juana Ramirez, who cleans the house and is about to celebrate her sixth work anniversary at Wofford. "When I open the door, I say, 'Rusty, I'm here!' He doesn't bark at me. He's a good dog." Ramirez has tended to the housekeeping needs in Shipp, Lesesne and Greene halls and now works in DuPré Hall as well as in the homes of the president and provost. The mother of two teenagers, she's comfortable with her job and is good at it. "I do the same thing at home," she says.



Tom Rocks and Bill Littlefield

"This is where our hearts are," says Tom Rocks (left), director of the Physical Plant. For the past 27 years he has come to work at Wofford because he cares for the people and the place. Rocks and his wife, Patt, are accomplished dancers. They were extras in "Dirty Dancing" and have taught dance lessons across the Southeast, including a recent workshop for Wofford's Tri Deltas. Bill Littlefield, assistant director of the Physical Plant, joined Rocks at Wofford more than 16 years ago. Besides the hardhats and plans in his office, Littlefield also has photos of his two daughters. He's definitely a proud dad. Together Rocks and Littlefield have their minds, hands and hearts in all major construction projects, planned renovations and day-to-day maintenance on Wofford's historic campus.

Johne Bonds

Bonds still loves driving a tractor and getting his hands dirty, but as grounds supervisor he rarely has the time these days. After more than 13 years at Wofford, he knows every square inch of the campus — from the parking lots and sprinkler systems to the sidewalks and flower beds. He's cleared ice and snow in the winter and cut his share of grass. Now he spends most of his days assigning projects, troubleshooting and answering questions. The campus has never looked better, and Bonds is quick to credit the crews who "make the magic happen. I'm just the conductor," he says.



Vasily Velit, Jeff Burney, Twanda Drummond and Vladimir Zmeyev

Jeff Burney (back row), residential housekeeping supervisor, first came to Wofford in 1998. Three years ago he was promoted to his current position, and strives to make sure his staff stays on top of preventive maintenance and student needs. His favorite days are the ones without "School Dude" work requests. "It means we're on top of it, that we're doing a good job." Watching Burney in action with residential housekeeping staff, it's clear that he genuinely cares about the people with whom he works.

Vladimir Zmeyev (far right) is quick to say just that. "Jeff is a very good supervisor. Wofford is a very good place to work. Every day is a good day at Wofford College." Zmeyev has dual citizenship in the U.S. and Russia. He has two four-year degrees from Russian institutions and worked for 24 years as a train conductor before moving his family, including 11 children, to the States. At Wofford for two years, he spends most of his days working in the Michael S. Brown Village Center.

Vasily Velit (far left) works in DuPré and Wightman halls and has been at Wofford for six years. He also has dual citizenship in the U.S. and Russia. His co-workers brag about his skills as a cook and a gardener.

Twanda Drummond (center) has worked at Wofford for four years. Primarily assigned to Marsh and Carlisle halls, she, like everyone else on the Physical Plant staff, pitches in wherever she's needed, especially during the summers, when the Carolina Panthers and other campers are in the residence halls.



MEET THE CLASS OF 2021

by Laura Hendrix Corbin

Wofford welcomed 453 members of the Class of 2021 as classes began Monday, Sept. 4. The college also welcomed 17 transfer students.

“We are always excited to welcome another outstanding class of students to campus,” says Brand Stille '86, vice president for enrollment. “This class is no exception, with students coming from 30 states and six foreign countries — as far away as Iceland — and 17 percent are students of color.” Forty-six percent are from outside of South Carolina.

Wofford’s reputation as a top national liberal arts college attracts high-caliber students from all over, Stille says. “We saw an increase in applications for admission this year, and the incoming class is a great representation of the high quality of students we seek and attract.”

The average high school GPA for the incoming class is near 4.0, and 43 percent of the class was in the top 10 percent of their high school classes. Fifteen members of the class were student body presidents in high school. Fourteen earned the rank of Gold Award or Eagle Scout, 21 were editors of a publication in high school and 193 were captains of high school athletics teams. Sixty-nine are first-generation college students.

Stille notes that the Class of 2021 also includes:

- Adventure-seekers who: summited Mount Shasta in California, cliff-jumped off a 65-foot rock in Vermont, climbed two 14,000-foot mountains this summer and spent spring break zip-lining and whitewater rafting in Costa Rica.
- Athletes whose soccer team went 26-0 and were state champions, whose lacrosse team went 17-0, who ran two half-marathons, who won a bronze medal in the 4x400m relay in the 2017 Canada Summer Games and who completed the Krispy Kreme Challenge three times (running a five-mile race in which a dozen doughnuts must be consumed halfway through).
- One member of a high school choir that sang for Pope Francis during the first mass of 2017.
- One who had to evacuate her home for 16 days because of Hurricane Matthew.
- One who has been a sailor since he was 5, and a sailing instructor and coach since he was 11.
- One who ranked in the top 10 percent of players in the world in Madden 17.

Then, there’s the student who kept a unique promise to her parents — that she wouldn’t go to a college more than 1,000 miles away from home. Thankfully, for her and us, Wofford is only 999 miles away.



ONEWOFFORD PROVIDES EMERGENCY SCHOLARSHIPS

Daniel-Mickel Foundation gift helps students impacted by life events

by Laura Hendrix Corbin

Students who may be impacted by a significant life event, such as the death of a parent or guardian or a family's loss of income or any number of situations, soon will have assistance available to help them.

With the help of a \$300,000 grant from The Daniel-Mickel Foundation, the college now offers scholarships to help students stay in college and recover from tragedy. The grant is paired with a \$50,000 matching grant from the college's Trustee Matching Fund. The new fund, called OneWofford, is available to receive additional annual contributions of any size from others committed to assisting students through extreme circumstances; it will be activated in January 2018.

"This newly endowed fund will help ensure success for all Wofford students and demonstrates the care and support of the Wofford family and friends for our students," President Nayef Samhat says. "We are so grateful to The Daniel-Mickel Foundation for this partnership."

"The Daniel-Mickel Foundation is very pleased to support Wofford and its students," says Charles Mickel, trustee of the foundation. "Financial concerns for students will always be present in college. We hope we can help keep some students from falling through the cracks and dropping out when unforeseen financial difficulties arise. ... We also hope the recipients of these funds will become strong alumni of Wofford and will pay forward this gift with their own generosity."

Wofford will use software it already has acquired in its proactive approach toward academic success that links students to campus resources and notifies students, advisors and other faculty and staff members of important events relating to a student's success. Through the software, called Starfish, students can alert faculty and staff if they have family issues and need help because of them.



PROVIDING A GATEWAY TO SUCCESS

Pipeline to Postsecondary Success initiative helps students acclimate

by Laura Hendrix Corbin

This summer, 18 first-year students were on campus as part of the inaugural Gateway Scholars Program, an initiative designed to help first-generation, Pell Grant-eligible and DACA-protected students build relationships and learn skills needed to help ensure their success in college.

Gateway Scholars spent two weeks connecting with faculty, staff and other incoming students while on campus. They registered for their first classes and became comfortable with on-campus technology and other resources. They also attended financial literacy and public speaking seminars.

The Gateway Scholars program is just one of three initiatives of Wofford's Pipeline to Postsecondary Success, funded by a grant from the Jolley Foundation. The initiative is a



partnership of the Office of Student Success and the Center for Community-Based Learning.

"We want students to stay at Wofford, to succeed here and to graduate — to thrive and flourish," says Dr. Boyce Lawton, dean of student success. "We want them to really engage with the college. We know that ultimately will help them succeed at Wofford and beyond. Early relationships are very important."

The Pipeline to Postsecondary Success initiative consists of two other elements: a "near-peer" college access mentoring program and an "equity tool kit fund" designed to provide equitable experiences for all students.

The Jolley Foundation, a family foundation established in 1947 in Greenville, S.C., supports efforts to improve the lives of the residents of Upstate South Carolina.





From the OLD GUARD to AIR FORCE ONE

WOFFORD GRADUATES PREPARED TO PRESERVE AND PROTECT

by Jo Ann Mitchell Brasington '89
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Something special started in the spring. First an email came from Lt. Cmdr. Travis Smith '97 sharing a moving essay he wrote about a former Wofford ROTC instructor. Then Lt. Col. Carl Young '96 met with some Wofford folks and started talking about the high percentage of battalion commanders who came out of the classes of 1996 and 1997. A few weeks later, Dr. John Liston '54 called to tell us about Col. Frank Pusey '54 and his distinguished career, which included piloting Air Force One. We learned about a graduate who started a theater program for veterans, and we were invited to the change-of-command ceremony for Lt. Col. Todd Burroughs '94 as he began his leadership with The Old Guard. A feature developed as more stories surfaced.

With appreciation for their commitment to our country, Wofford College is proud to share these stories of our servant-leaders in the military.

Photo by Spc. Daniel Yeadon

The Burroughs family was at Wofford in August to move Anastasia into her first-year residence hall. From left: proud Wofford mom Svetlana, who is a nurse at the Fayetteville VA Medical Center; proud Wofford dad Burroughs; Anastasia, a member of the Class of 2021; and Jessica, proud Wofford sister. Older brother Iouli is not in the photo, but Dasha, the family's well-loved bulldog, made the trip to Spartanburg.



LEADING BY EXAMPLE

BURROUGHS TAKES COMMAND OF THE OLD GUARD

On Thursday, Aug. 3, Lt. Col. Todd Burroughs '94 took command of the 4th Battalion, 3rd U.S. Infantry Regiment (The Old Guard). The change of command from Lt. Col. Ryan Morgan to Burroughs was precise, moving and steeped in tradition, but that's to be expected from the oldest active infantry regiment in the U.S. Army.

The 4th Battalion of "The Old Guard" or Warrior Battalion, serving since 1784, guards the Tomb of the Unknowns in Arlington National Cemetery and conducts military and state funerals as well as ceremonies and special events for the U.S. Army and Department of Defense. It also provides security and defense support to civil authorities in the national capital region. The battalion includes the Fife and Drum Corps that still wears replica Revolutionary War uniforms, the 289th Military Police Company, the 947th Military Working Dog Detachment, the 529th Regimental Support Company, the U.S. Army Drill Team, the Honor Guard Company and the Commander-in-Chief's Guard.

"Tradition is very important to The Old Guard," says Burroughs, who will spend the next few months honing his expertise when it comes to military tradition. "I've got a lot to work on, including becoming ceremonially certified to march. We're the face of the Army. We represent every other

unit and every other soldier, so we have to be on point."

Burroughs believes there is goodness in ceremony, attention to detail, discipline and tradition.

"Your history imparts and helps build your character. That's really important to soldiers," says Burroughs. "All the precise drilling has a purpose. It teaches you to do your job, do it with precision and do it when you're supposed to. It builds better soldiers."

Tradition is also important to the Burroughs family. Besides the usual holiday traditions and quirky family inside jokes that certainly count as tradition, the Burroughs family eats dinner together every night when at all possible.

"It's not important what time; we always try to sit down together as a family," he says. The family also enjoys running together and cheering on the Wofford Terriers and the Carolina Panthers. Anastasia Burroughs continues those traditions this fall as a member of the Wofford Class of 2021 and a student-athlete on the college's cross country and track teams.

Burroughs' path from Wofford student-athlete (he was a defensive end for the Terriers) to command of The Old Guard has been circuitous to say the least. The son and grandson of Army veterans, Burroughs did not participate in ROTC at Wofford.

He enlisted after graduation then went to officer candidate school and did ranger training. After receiving his commission, he was stationed in Korea as a rifle platoon leader for three years before returning to civilian life and working in accounting as a CPA. He joined the Reserves and taught in a college ROTC program. The Reserve unit he commanded out of York, S.C., was deployed to Afghanistan for 12 months with the 391st Engineering Battalion. After Afghanistan, Burroughs went back on active duty and was stationed at Fort Bragg, N.C., where he was with the 82nd Airborne Division. On New Year's Eve 2006 he left for Iraq for 15 months as part of the Surge Forces in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. Upon his return to Fort Bragg, he held increasingly demanding assignments and was selected for the Army's Advanced Strategic Planning and Policy Program, a national program designed to allow 12 field-grade officers the opportunity to pursue doctoral work in an area of policy. Burroughs was almost finished with his course work at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill when he received the assignment at Fort Myer in Arlington, Va.

"I feel like I've won the Army lottery," says Burroughs. "The Army has given me another exceptional opportunity."

Although Burroughs minimizes his own role in his success, the opportunity to command The Old Guard is a rare honor.

"I've had a lot of really good jobs and worked for tremendous people. Any success I've had, I attribute most of it to them. They tried to teach me how to be better," says Burroughs, who counts Wofford role models among his list of mentors.

"I had great football coaches, but I will single out Coach Mike Ayers. I can't think of a better role model for youngsters," he says. "Coach Ayers was tough on us. He instilled discipline, and he exemplified discipline, which is the more important of the two. His audio matched his video. ... Then there's Dr. Charlie Bass. I had him for organic chemistry. On the Sundays before a Monday test, he was at the college and available to students, not because it was mandatory, but because he cared. That transmits a message. He took the time, and people learned organic chemistry because of it. I was an accounting major, but organic chemistry was a favorite class at Wofford because of him."

Now Burroughs is in a position to lead by order and by example. It's something he takes seriously but with a sense of wonder as well.

"The soldiers of our battalion are passionate about what they do, and they carry a tremendous message to the American public," says Burroughs. "It's humbling. ... I hope I never lose the feeling I get when I watch them do what they do best."

COL. ROBERT E. KIRTLEY '39 TURNS 100

25-YEAR U.S. AIR FORCE VETERAN CONTINUES TO BE HONORED FOR SERVICE

In July, Air Combat Command published "Air Force veteran turns 100," a story about Col. Robert Kirtley '39, retired. A World War II and Korean War veteran, Kirtley says in the article of his combat missions, "I didn't really fancy getting shot at."

Kirtley loved his work as a test pilot of the P-38 aircraft for the U.S. Air Force. War, however, placed him in the role of fighter pilot. He was shot down over North Africa during World War II and evaded capture for three weeks before returning to his unit.

During his career Kirtley was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, more than a dozen air medals, the Bronze Star and the Legion of Merit. Later in his career he briefed President Eisenhower as the USAF member of the Joint Advanced Study Group and, as a fellow at Harvard University's Center for International Affairs, worked closely with Dr. Henry Kissinger.

Read the full article at www.acc.af.mil/News/Article-Display/Article/1258105/air-force-veteran-turns-100/. Special thanks to John Hoburg, Kirtley's grandson, for providing photos.



STILL BUILDING CHARACTER HOOD TEACHES NEXT GENERATION OF LEADERS

Army Lt. Col. Columbus Hood '80 understands a few things about service.

After retiring from a 25-year military career, including over 22 years in active duty, Hood decided to use his experience as a way to encourage high school students through the Army Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (JROTC), a position he has held in Vicksburg, Miss., since 2005.

"One of my last assignments in the Army was in the Philadelphia area," Hood says. "There were always negative stereotypes about young black men on television, so

I decided I wanted to help guide other black men to better themselves and be a mentor to them."

After graduating from Wofford, Hood began his Army career as an infantry officer and attained a master's degree in adult education from Troy University in Troy, Ala. Hood spent the majority of his Army career in the civil affairs and psychological operations units.

"The primary objective of civil affairs and psychological operations units is to convince enemy, neutral and friendly nations and forces to take action favorable to the United States and its allies," says Hood. He met his wife while serving at Fort Benning, and together they have three sons.

Although Hood rarely makes the trip from Mississippi back to his hometown of Greenville, S.C., he has fond memories of his time at Wofford. He enjoyed his professors, especially Dr. Otis Turner (Wofford's first African-American faculty member) and Dr. John Bullard (professor of religion) and felt well prepared for his career.

"JROTC is about service to your school, your community and your country," adds Hood. "Service in the military builds character, and JROTC is a character education program. I enjoy my job because it gives me the ability to positively impact our next generation of leaders."

JESSICA HARNER '13: FROM MP TO PA

Lt. Col. Todd Burroughs '94 isn't the only Wofford graduate stationed with The Old Guard. First Lt. Jessica A. Harner '13 has been with the 289th Military Police Company since March 2016. She, however, won't be with 4th Battalion, 3rd U.S. Infantry Regiment much longer.

After serving as executive officer at Fort Myer, Va., and previously as military police platoon leader at Fort Campbell, Ky., Harner applied to the Interservice Physician Assistant Program.

"I realized that I wanted to work at the forefront of Army medicine," says Harner, who majored in Chinese at Wofford. "Being a PA in the Army allows me a chance to lead medics and care for soldiers."

This fall Harner will transfer to Fort Sam Houston in Texas to begin school. After graduating, she will serve as a brigade physician assistant then plans to apply for the Emergency Medicine Physician Assistant Residency.



THE COMMANDERS OF '96 & '97

TAKING LIBERAL ARTS ADAPTABILITY AND INGENUITY INTO THE FIELD

Just 39 days a year. That's the time devoted to training a complex group of citizen-soldiers who may be called upon to perform disaster-relief assistance, search and rescue operations, civil defense, homeland security, missions on foreign soil and even support for the war on drugs.

"It takes creative, dedicated soldiers who spend more than the 39 days they're paid for," says Lt. Col. Carl Young '96 from a field command post near Fort Hodges, S.C. At the time he was commanding the 151st Expeditionary Signal Battalion and directing Joint Strategic Plans with the South Carolina National Guard. He's now stationed at the Pentagon as the Army's chief cloud architect. This is a return to Washington, D.C., for Young, who previously served as the chief of war plans policy for the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Joining him at Fort Hodges were Lt. Col. Chris Schwendimann '97 and Lt. Col. Will Brown '97. A few hours earlier, Schwendimann was in a suit and tie as a financial planner and banker. He just rotated out of battalion command and now holds a staff position with the National Guard in Columbia. He works under the brigade command of Col. Andrew Batten '87. As an aviator, Schwendimann serves three and four times the standard 39 days. When he's not in uniform Brown is president of Lindsay Oil Co. At least one weekend a month and two weeks a year, however, he's responsible for training signal troops.

"Out of the classes of 1996 and 1997, within the past year there have been four Army battalion commanders from

Wofford," says Young. "Statistically, it's pretty rare — unless you're talking about West Point — to have four out of the dozen or so to make battalion commander at the same time."

In addition to Brown, Schwendimann and Young, the Class of 1996-97 battalion commanders also include Lt. Col. Bryan Lake '97, with the Security Force Assistance Brigade, U.S. Army Forces Command, based out of Fort Bragg, N.C. Lake, who just returned from Afghanistan, is on active duty.

"We all have over 20 years of service," says Schwendimann. "We serve because the Army still desires our service, and we still want to provide it. We do it for love of state, love of country, love of peers. It's a fellowship, and in some cases we're lucky enough to have developed long-term friendships."

Young has conducted combat operations in Kuwait, Iraq and various locations around the world. Schwendimann was deployed to the Balkans twice and also has spent time with the guard in Greece, Korea and Japan. Brown did a tour in Afghanistan and connected with Lenny Best '82, who also was serving there at the time.

"You are not going to understand or know what's going to happen when you hit the ground, so soldiers need to be able to make immediate assessments," says Young. "The true liberal arts education we received at Wofford helps you think quickly and effectively."

Schwendimann calls it mental agility and adds that building adaptive leaders is a challenge.

"We don't know when or how, but there will be another shift in worldview. In our lifetime, 9/11 did that," says Schwendimann. "Not knowing what the future looks like, how do you prepare students? I believe the answer

is the liberal arts. It's a foundation that provides a broad perspective and open-mindedness. The skills I learned at Wofford can be applied to commerce as well as national defense."

According to Young, the cultural shift that Schwendimann mentions has led to a shift in the military as well.

"The guard has become much more integrated into active units," says Young. "We've started calling ourselves operational reserves. The change hasn't been smooth, but in the end we're better and more flexible for it."

Young used that Wofford ingenuity to build additional flexibility and efficiency into National Guard training. Instead of soldiers gathering at brigade headquarters and moving to field sites, a process that sometimes took four or five hours, Young set up a mobile command post in an unused field near a National Guard armory. The post has remained in place.

"We came out here for exercises and never left," says Young. "This is how we would set up in the field. Before we had satellite equipment, networks, telephone operations, cooks and mechanics all sitting back at armories, and we couldn't do what we needed to do. Now we have satellites pointing at the sky, and we're doing our thing by 9 a.m."

Young's field model has generated 50 percent more time in actual training and has caught the attention of other states looking for ways to make their National Guard units more productive and efficient.

According to all of the 1996-97 battalion commanders, support is the key to balancing the demands of multiple jobs, sometimes additional education, and family responsibilities.

"My professional career as a civilian and my professional career in the military strengthen each other," says Brown. "Balance can be tough, but a supportive family and a supportive work place helps, and I think we all enjoy the challenge."



TERRIER TITANS

KAYLA BETHEA '14

Stationed at Al Udeid Air Base in Qatar, Bethea is the executive officer for the 12th Missile Defense Battery. She leads a 90-person unit. "Wofford ensured that I had the experience to interact with all kinds of individuals, which helped me become an adaptable leader."



COMMITTED TO GOD, FAMILY AND COUNTRY

Lt. Col. Bryan Lake '97 and his wife, Stephanie, a Converse College graduate (below), still enjoy a date night, in this case at the 2017 Fort Bragg Signal Ball. And because Lake has been deployed so often, they take them when they can.

"Over the last 20 years, I have spent a year in Korea and eight months as a geographical bachelor for training, I have deployed twice to Iraq and twice to Afghanistan, and I've taken numerous trips of shorter duration," says Lake, who has spent a total of seven years in command at the platoon, company and battalion levels and has served on staffs up to the 4-star general officer level. In Iraq he was responsible for U.S. Special Operations forces communications in-country, and in Afghanistan he was responsible for U.S. and NATO Special Operations communications in-country. "No matter how difficult, no matter the level of responsibility, and regardless of the location or how uncomfortable, austere or dangerous conditions may be, the job is the easy part. ... It is the physical separation from family and friends, the sacrifices required of one's family and the inability to be present for life's special occasions and milestones that make it difficult."

Modern technology helps, and Lake and his family communicate via FaceTime almost daily.

"The hardest part about being separated from Bryan is not being able to participate in life's events together — first days of school, dance recitals, awards programs, birthdays and holidays," says Stephanie. "Murphy's Law also applies because it's when he's gone that an appliance breaks or the air conditioning goes out. ... And, of course, we always worry about his safety."

Lake was commissioned upon graduation. At the time, he intended to fulfill his four-year active duty obligation before moving on to a civilian career. A parachuting injury confirmed that decision. Then Sept. 11, 2001, happened.

"The events of that day and its aftermath galvanized my resolve to commit to a career of service to the nation. It's a decision that I have never regretted," says Lake. "I get to work with the most diverse and amazing group of people every day, and we all get to be a part of something greater than ourselves."



NO LONGER CLASSIFIED

FRANK PUSEY '54 SHARES STORIES OF LIFE IN THE COCKPIT OF AIR FORCE ONE

After assassinating the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. on April 4, 1968, in Memphis, Tenn., James Earl Ray escaped and led the world on a two-month manhunt. Scotland Yard captured him in London, and a month later, Col. Frank Pusey '54 brought Ray back to Memphis.

It was July 1968, and Frank was stationed at Andrews Air Force Base just outside of Washington, D.C. He and his wife, Sarah, had tickets to see "Man of La Mancha" at the Kennedy Center. They were getting ready for the evening when the phone rang — not an unusual occurrence for pilots who flew in the 1254th Military Air Transport Wing, the squadron that flew the president as well as high-ranking U.S. government officials and designated foreign dignitaries.

"They said they needed me to take a flight, but they couldn't tell me where I was going or what I was supposed to do. They just told me to go to the runway and look for a certain tail number," says Frank. "I asked when I'd be coming back, but they couldn't tell me. 'OK,' I said, 'I'll tell Sarah the good news.'"

While Sarah called their host for the evening with regrets, Frank met the crew along with a contingent of FBI agents. There he learned he was flying to London for Ray's extradition.

"The FBI considered him capable of anything. They wanted us to know that. I said, 'Just don't let him through that door (referring to the door to the cockpit), and we'll be OK.'" says Frank.

Frank's 27-year distinguished career with the Air Force also included flying Lyndon Johnson, Gerald Ford, Richard Nixon and Ronald Reagan, although not all were presidents at the time. He safely guided the Apollo 11 astronauts, Buzz Aldrin, Neil Armstrong and Michael Collins, through the last half of their goodwill tour following their successful moon landing, and he flew Shirley Temple Black, Spiro Agnew and a host of others on diplomatic missions. The stories

are many, and Frank and Sarah exchange glances and smile with the retelling.

"Sarah made me promise not to use profanity," says Frank after he almost slips during the interview. "Once you get to be 85, the line between stories I've lived and stories I've heard blur, but at least you'll know they're somebody's war stories."

Sarah shakes her head and remains on her toes, interjecting details, to keep Frank "honest," something you can tell she's been doing her whole life. After all, he followed her to Spartanburg, choosing Wofford because of its proximity to Converse College. Frank went on to pitch for the Terriers, participate in the Army ROTC program and make good friends, including Dr. John Liston '54 and roommate George Perrow '54, now deceased.

"Wofford was a good entrée," says Frank. "I got an education and a degree, and I got to be with my girlfriend, not necessarily in that order."

Frank has flown largely under the radar because many of his missions were classified. After 30 years, however, it's now safe to tell some of the remarkable stories.

"I stood by in San Clemente with Nixon and flew Johnson back and forth to his ranch in Texas. He loved showing people his cattle. We got first-rate treatment, and the job had its perks, like getting to play golf on Bob Hope's Palm Beach estate," says Frank.

He flew Johnson out to Nixon's birthday party and joined family and friends for cake. He toured Calumet horse farm in Lexington, Ky., with Pat Nixon and enjoyed dinner in Bangkok, Thailand, with Nancy and Ronald Reagan. One of his greatest regrets is not taking photos.

"I went to so many places and did so many things, but a pilot carrying a camera was considered bourgeois," says Frank. "Now I regret that I didn't have one with me."

Frank says he often thought about asking for autographs,

but that was frowned upon as well. He may not have original photos and signatures, but Sarah was back home clipping newspaper stories about her husband's adventures. They now have an impressive collection of scrapbooks.

"Johnson loved root beer. He would drink a six-pack before the plane got to the Mississippi River. Once he ran out near Lambert Field in St. Louis," says Frank. Johnson ordered an unplanned stop to pick up enough to get through the remainder of the trip. Johnson also often complained about the temperature on the planes. "The crew of Air Force One arranged for him to have his own personal thermostat with a toggle switch. He could switch it to cool and a green light would come on. Then he could switch it to red for heat. The switch didn't connect to anything, but it solved the problem."

Prior to flying with the 1254th, Frank flew single-engine fighters before switching to the Douglas C-124 Globemaster, nicknamed "Old Shaky." The move to transport planes brought him back near home and Charleston AFB. Frank flew the huge C-130 Hercules cargo planes in Vietnam.

"Flying cargo jets meant hours of boredom interspersed with moments of stark terror," he says.

Frank had almost 10,000 flying hours — a year and a half in the cockpit — when he retired. He was grounded for only one year during his career while serving as deputy commander at Andrews AFB. He earned a master's degree through the Air Force and after military service enjoyed a second career in real estate.

"I loved flying, but I had been away enough," he says.

Now Frank and Sarah split their time between homes in Summerville, S.C., and DeBordieu, near their hometown of Georgetown, S.C. They enjoy golf, sharing stories and planning new adventures with their four children, eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.



SARAH JANE LAMBERTH '15

Lamberth is a distribution platoon leader supporting an armor battalion at the 1st Infantry Division in Fort Riley, Kan. "Wofford prepared me for military service by providing me the personal skills to be able to communicate well with others as well as the fundamentals for eloquent and effective writing." The above photo shows Lamberth (right) on a tank while deployed overseas in support of a joint coalition force exercise for Operation Eager Lion.



CAITY WHITE '17

White (left) is in the Army under its Healthcare Professions Scholarship Program. "This allows me to attend medical school at no personal cost, and I will serve as an Army physician once I have completed my medical training." She's currently attending the Medical University of South Carolina in Charleston.



THE BEST SHE CAN BE

DEANER TURNS DRIVE AND PERSISTENCE INTO SUCCESSFUL MILITARY CAREER

Col. Loretta Woods Deaner '83, now retired, vividly remembers the be-all-you-can-be U.S. Army recruiting commercials from when she was a teenager.

"When they said, 'We do more before 9 a.m. than most people do all day,' I knew it was the career

for me. Since high school, my goal was to serve in the Army."

Deaner did just that. She participated in ROTC at Wofford and received her commission in 1983. Assigned to the Corps of Engineers, she spent most of her career stateside. First at Fort Belvoir in Virginia, her duty stations included Fort Hood, Texas; Fort Riley, Kan.; Southern University, New Orleans, La.; Fort McPherson, Ga.; Fort Riley, Kan.; the Army Engineer School, Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.; the Pentagon, Washington, D.C.; and Fort Buchanan, Puerto Rico.

"One high point of my career was to be assigned as the first woman commander of a combat engineer unit in Puerto Rico," she says. "We deployed in support of Iraqi Freedom in 2003."

In 2007, while assigned to Fort Leonard Wood, Deaner was diagnosed with breast cancer. She returned to the Pentagon to receive medical treatment from the Bethesda Navy Medical Center. Deaner continued to serve until her final Army assignment in the Reserve as the director of installation management back at Fort Belvoir, where it all started.

"I'm a survivor!" she says referring to her battle with breast cancer, but Deaner's story shows that she's been preparing for that role her whole life.

Deaner came from a loving and strong family with humble means. She didn't have many family role models who had gone to college or pursued careers in the military, but she knew that both paths would lead her to economic security and a fulfilling life.

As one of the early residential women students to attend Wofford and a minority student, the road was challenging.

"During my years at Wofford, black students didn't really have a support system," she says. "It was very difficult, and I learned that I had to toughen up, but that was par for the course in the military."

Deaner found herself in the minority again in the Army Corps of Engineers. She started out in topographic and cartographic engineering before moving to combat heavy engineer assignments. She served the second half of her career assigned to senior staff positions and focused on military facilities.

"My first assignment in the Army was not easy. Women were not accepted, and my boss didn't accept me. If not for the people I worked with, I wouldn't have made it," she says. "By my sixth year in the military, I finally began to feel comfortable wearing the uniform."

Deaner was the only woman in her Engineer Officer Advanced

Course. "Even after a decade in the military, I still faced the disbelief that very few women were in the Engineer branch. As the years went on, however, things started to change. More women were assigned and remained in the Corps of Engineers."

"I knew the person I was," she says. "I knew as long as I was strong on the inside, nothing could touch me. Being broken was not an option."

Regardless of where she was stationed, Deaner also found opportunities to become involved in the lives of children in need of extra support. She mentored youth while she was at Wofford and continued to do so while she served in the Army. During the early years of her career, she volunteered as a Big Sister. Later, she became a guardian ad litem. After retirement, she started a nonprofit to assist youth who had been in the foster care system. She lives a busy lifestyle, but is never too busy to help a child. As she works on a doctorate degree at the University of Maryland University College, Deaner continues to help at-risk youth. Last year she adopted a baby, Aiden. He had been living on the streets with his homeless mother.

Although now retired, Deaner still lives that 1970s Army commercial.

"Now," she says, "I'm trying to be the best mom I can be."

ONE LAST FLIGHT

SMITH HONORS FORMER ROTC INSTRUCTOR

As active-duty military, running into those you previously served with isn't uncommon. Serving in more than one branch of the military increases the chance of always knowing someone at a new duty station.

Today is Fat Tuesday in New Orleans. I am a helicopter pilot in the U.S. Coast Guard and have been tasked to conduct an aerial patrol in support of the Department of Homeland Security over two of the most famous parades of the Mardi Gras season, Rex and Zulu.

I retire in less than a year and, therefore, have a nostalgic enjoyment for every opportunity to perform the many missions I get to conduct on a daily basis in the Coast Guard, but today is special. Today, I have a special passenger. Today, I am also performing a ceremonial last flight for a retiring soldier — a soldier I first met more than 20 years ago, on the campus of Wofford College, in Spartanburg, S.C.

I entered Wofford College in the fall of 1993, and it wasn't long before I found myself preparing for a military career alongside members of the U.S. Army's ROTC detachment, better known as the Southern Guard



Lt. Cmdr. Travis Smith '97 (right), a Coast Guard pilot stationed at the Naval Air Station Joint Readiness Base in New Orleans, La., gave Col. Wayne Magee Jr. his last military flight on Feb. 28, 2017. Magee was Smith's assistant professor of military science at Wofford, and the flight was only part of Smith's way of honoring Magee. Smith, who also is preparing for retirement, wrote this article for the base newspaper. No other words are needed.

Battalion. My lead instructor was Army Capt. Wayne Magee Jr., the same Wayne Magee I have scheduled to fly with me today, but now he is a colonel.

Col. Magee, the chief of staff for the 377th Theater Sustainment Command at NAS JRB New Orleans, will soon retire from the Army with more than 33 years of service to our country. I don't know if that means as much to you as you read this as it does to me but, wow! What an accomplishment and sacrifice. It has been people like me who have benefited from this man's sacrifices and hard work. If it weren't for his efforts and dedication to help get me through my formative years in college as I transformed from a student to a soldier and helicopter pilot in the Army, I would not find myself here today preparing to pilot a \$10 million helicopter as a member of the Coast Guard.

But his hard work and sacrifices didn't come free either. He missed his sons' birthdays, anniversaries with his wife, soccer games, days when his kids came home with a broken heart and days when they accomplished amazing things beyond their expectations. But Col. Magee, like so many of our military members, wasn't always there to be the dad he wanted to be because he was being the soldier we needed him to be.

Military service for some may be only a few years, a few decades or in Col. Magee's case 33 years, but it costs so much more than what most people see. I know what he has done and what sacrifices he has made. Thank you, Col. Magee, for your service. You are a hero to your family, to me and to our country. I appreciate your service and hope our two-hour flight on this beautiful morning in the Crescent City helps you see some of the wonderful people in this country you have protected. Even though they aren't gathering and cheering for you directly, they gather and cheer because of you. I am honored today to conduct this patrol with you — a true American hero. God bless you and the many other men and women of our great military. Thank you for your service.

CLIMBING THE RANKS

MOORE CREDITS CRITICAL THINKING AND PROBLEM-SOLVING SKILLS HONED AT WOFFORD

Capt. Detrick "Dee" Moore '11 was convinced when his JROTC leader said an ROTC scholarship meant free college, monthly stipends and a guaranteed job after graduation.

Vance Jones '99, his principal at Newberry (S.C.) High School, took it from there and brought Moore to Wofford for a tour. Moore has done the rest.

A double major in chemistry and economics, Moore was commissioned in the chemical branch upon graduation and attended the Chemical Biological Radiological Nuclear (CBRN) Basic Officer Leaders Course at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. He's moved through the ranks and is now

stationed in Wiesbaden, Germany, on assignment to the Second Theater Strategic Signal Brigade.

"In the ROTC program, I got my first chance to really understand leadership," says Moore. He watched, listened, learned, read and adapted his own leadership style. "I now understand the big picture and want to be a leader that leads by example while creating a culture of adaptive learning and holding all accountable."

Moore plans to continue his career in the military and maybe start his own business after retirement. He feels his Wofford education has served him well and will continue to do so.

"A large portion of an officer's job in the U.S. Army is to brief higher officers on situation reports and current status. It is expected on day one for an officer to verbally communicate well and efficiently," says Moore. "My Wofford experience played a role into my development as an effective communicator. The rigorous course load at Wofford challenges the best and the brightest. My critical thinking and problem-solving skills were cultivated long before I swore an oath to protect the Constitution of the United States of America; these skills were honed in the small glass cubicles of Milliken Science Building and the third floor of the Sandor Teszler Library."





VETERANS + THEATRE

A WARRIOR'S HEART

FRED JOHNSON '85 HELPS VETERANS THROUGH SHAKESPEARE

Wofford College is woven into the entire fabric of the life of retired U.S. Army Col. Fred Johnson '85 (top left) — basketball and cross-country; a love of writing; long-lasting relationships with professors, classmates and teammates; and William Shakespeare.

"It is my belief that no one speaks more directly to the warrior's heart than William Shakespeare," says the 29-year veteran who served four combat tours in both Iraq wars, Afghanistan and Bosnia and battled his own longtime, private war with PTSD after returning home.

It was that personal battle that led Johnson to create Shakespeare with Veterans as a way for veterans like him to heal, build community and use the playwright's words to help them deal with post-traumatic stress and reintegration into society.

He was inspired by the impact of a similar program, Shakespeare Behind Bars, on inmates — lowering recidivism rates and helping them come to terms with their difficulties in life.

Shakespeare with Veterans has three objectives — provide a place to heal, create an opportunity for camaraderie and connect America's military to its people. "What we wanted to do is bring our group of veterans up and put it all on the line, so the public can see that these are the people that go to war for us," he says of the first

program presented in July 2016 in Louisville, Ky., as a program of Kentucky Shakespeare.

"My interest and love of Shakespeare started at Wofford," Johnson says, who received degrees in government and sociology. "One of my professors, the late John Cobb, built a whole program around Shakespeare and his works." Johnson thought of all the war scenes in Shakespeare classics, such as "Richard III," "Macbeth" and "Henry V." It was the birth of Shakespeare with Veterans.

Johnson has woven other elements of his Wofford experiences through his written life story, his recently published book "Five Wars: A Soldier's Journey to Peace." The first chapter, "March Madness," describes being in Baghdad at "the Surge in Iraq" while also harkening back to his days at Wofford as a basketball player.

"Thoughts of going pro were extinguished early in my collegiate (basketball) career," he writes. "I started taking ROTC classes and quickly found that my athleticism and skills honed directing Wofford's offense and defense were skills the Army valued. Going into my junior year of college, part of my basketball scholarship got cut. ... I had to find a way to make up the difference, so I applied for an ROTC scholarship and got it. I killed two birds with one stone: I got money for school, and I would have a job when I graduated."

Johnson intended to stay in the Army only the required time and to serve as a personnel and administration officer. Instead, he was commissioned an infantry officer and made a career of it.

His time at Wofford was spent, too, forming long-lasting relationships. "In the gym playing pickup basketball, I talked to John Lane '77 (then teaching English) a lot, and that was the beginning of my writing career." Through mentoring from Lane and Dr. Deno Trakas (now the Laura and Winston Hoy Professor of English), Johnson began writing, including a short story that won the Benjamin Wofford Prize.

"These relationships were a wonderful way to learn," he says. "Telling stories is what I really valued the most — I was able to think, reflect and learn." Johnson also fondly recalls his relationships with Jack Seitz (then a professor of government) and Ab Abercrombie (professor emeritus of biology), who served in the 101st Airborne in Vietnam. "Even before the ROTC program at Wofford, Ab planted the seed in my mind for the military. He was kind of a warrior poet, and I thought maybe I could be like him."

Johnson showed promise for a writing career back then, Lane says. "In my 30 years of teaching, there have only been a dozen

students I knew would someday have an important story to write," he says. "Fred Johnson — known to us back then as J.R. — was one of them. As a Wofford student, Fred approached his pursuit of knowledge — of philosophy, of writing, of athletic practice as a Terrier basketball player — with a point guard's passion and intensity. I seem to remember him carrying Sun Tzu's 'Art of War' and Thoreau's 'Walden' around campus spring semester his senior year.

"We emailed through the years," Lane continues, "and I began to see his story of 'Five Wars' unfold. It's very exciting to know now his story is out there in book form."

Johnson nearly reached a tragic end because of his PTSD, getting drunk and deciding to drive his car off the road, hoping for a fatal outcome. Instead, he was arrested and jailed, and his wife's reaction — simply saying, "You will go to therapy" — turned him around toward healing. "My wife is a Ph.D. in psychology and treats soldiers with PTSD. She was one of the first who said I had a problem."

His recovery led to his writing "Five Wars." He wrote the book, he says, "to let other veterans know that if they share their demons, it will lighten their load and give them hope. It doesn't have to end in a tragic way. I want to tell my stories that honor the power of relationships — like the relationships I developed at Wofford and in the military."

WELL SERVED BY WOFFORD

MCCULLOUGH APPLIES LIBERAL ARTS EDUCATION TO MILITARY STRATEGIC PLANNING

With over 23 years of service to his country, Army Lt. Col. Murry Brent McCullough '94 attributes his success to Wofford.

A native Mississippian, McCullough chose Wofford because he was offered an Army ROTC scholarship. "That scholarship offer led me to take a tour, and I fell in love with the campus," says McCullough.

While at Wofford McCullough also fell in love with Susan Ryscavage '92. Today they are married with three children and live in the Magnolia State, where McCullough is full-time active duty with the Mississippi Army National Guard.

Commissioned through the Army ROTC program, McCullough went on his first assignment to Italy and served in an airborne unit for three years. Upon his return he stayed involved with the military through the Army National Guard while he worked for Young Life Christian ministry. During that time his unit was mobilized, and he went on assignment to Afghanistan as a military intelligence officer.

Upon his return home, McCullough became the state's first full-time military intelligence officer and has served in a variety of positions

since, including service to the state during Hurricane Katrina in 2005, deployment to Iraq in 2009 and multiple overseas operations.

"I have been well served by my Wofford liberal arts education," says McCullough. "It exposed me to a variety of fields of study and gave me the tools to understand the environment in which I now operate. I put my education to the test during one of my first intelligence assignments. I had a short amount of time to write a brief for my commander about Liberia — its political climate, economic variables, religious constraints. At Wofford I took a wide spectrum of classes that taught me to research and write — government, philosophy, history, English. It was a great training ground."

McCullough also appreciates a geology class he took from Dr. Terry Ferguson '75. "His class was hard, and I was just stumped with a big problem with a lot of pieces and parts," says McCullough. "He really helped me understand that I had to look at each of the parts but connect them to form a system ... that you have to think through the pieces of a problem and connect the dots to figure out the sum of the parts. It's a skill I continue to use every day."

McCullough now is looking forward to applying his Wofford education to a new role in strategic planning with the Mississippi Army National Guard. "We live in an ever-changing environment and face evolving threats, like cyber security. In this position I will have the opportunity to work with local colleges, universities and government agencies to look at complex problems and figure out how to move forward. I want to help Mississippi continue to improve and get better, and I'm excited to be part of the team crafting solutions to problems that face our state."



» The McCullough Family, from left, John Murry, Kathryn, Boyd, Brent and Susan.

CLASS NOTES

1959

Now retired and living in Greenwood, S.C., **Ernest W. Prewett Jr.** writes that he enjoyed the Summer 2017 Wofford Today. Stories or notes that particularly touched him were mentions of Walterboro, his birthplace, and a class note about Dr. Riddick Ackerman III that mentioned Dr. Riddick Anderson Jr., who was his family doctor during childhood. Prewett, editor of the yearbook while at Wofford, particularly enjoyed the 1959 Bohemian photo credit in the story about Rosalind Sallenger Richardson, namesake of Wofford's new center for the arts. Prewett writes, "I married one of those 'Miss Bohemian beauties' (Jane Younginger Prewett) ... and we remain together after 56 years!"

1962

Morton G. "Salty" Forbes was recognized with the inaugural Distinguished Service Award at the 50th annual meeting of the Georgia Defense Lawyers Association (GDLA). The award, which was a surprise to Forbes, honors his meritorious and extended service to the mission and goals of the association. Forbes's wife, Lee, even designed the first GDLA logo. A partner in the Forbes, Foster and Pool law firm, Forbes has practiced law in Savannah since 1967.

1965

Ernest Ray Allen recently was honored by the University of South Carolina Aiken for his service on the Aiken County Commission for Higher Education. He retired from the commission after 22 years of service, holding the position of chairman for the past three years. He was awarded the status of commissioner emeritus. Allen and his wife of 52 years, Anita, live in Aiken.

Russell D. Zimmerman III married Rose Bozard on Aug. 5, 2017, at First Baptist Church of Matthews, S.C. It was Zimmerman's first marriage.

1974

Jerry Calvert, class chair

Jim Laseter, previously CEO of Wray Ward, one of the largest marketing communications firms in the Southeast, now lives at Smith Mountain Lake in Virginia with his wife, Carla. They have one daughter, Elizabeth, who is a writer for Time Inc.

In March 2017, **Bill Price** was named the CEO of The YMCA of Columbia. After 13 years of association board work and serving as board president,

Price is excited to lead the organization. He reports that after 14 months he and his wife, Ann, are back in their house that was destroyed by the October 2015 floods in Columbia. He thanks his many Wofford friends for their love and support during this trying time. The Prices are the proud grandparents of Louise (2), the daughter of **Blanche Price Provence '09**. They also happily welcomed another Wofford Terrier into the fold when their daughter Anna married **Andrew Anderson '10** on June 3, 2017. Their daughter **Jean Porter Price '14** is starting her fourth year as director of communications at Sandhills School in Columbia.

1975

Jack Moore, class chair

The University of South Carolina has hired former Carolina Panthers president **Dr. Danny Morrison** as a sports management professor in the College of Hospitality, Retail and Sports Management. He began his new position as a professor of practice on Aug. 16.

Chris Pracht was inducted into the National Auctioneers Hall of Fame. Pracht lives in Anderson, S.C., and is the chief auctioneer and broker-in-charge at Chris Pracht Auctioneers.

1976

John Gandy, class chair

The South Carolina Academy of Family Physicians has honored **Dr. Troy B. Gamble** of Kingstree, S.C., as the 2017-18 Family Physician of the Year. Gamble has served the community as a doctor, teacher, mentor and administrator in the field.

In June, the United Way of the Piedmont welcomed **Warren Hayslip** as the new COO and vice president of finance and administration. He comes to the United Way after retiring briefly from Quality Industries as president and CEO.

1981

Patrick Watson, class chair

In May, Pioneer Investments announced the appointment of **Henry Orvin** as senior vice president and head of business developments in the U.S. The company is based in Boston, Mass.

1985

Tim Madden, class chair

Dr. Phillip H. Graham has become a partner in the Meadowlawn Animal Services veterinary

clinics in Conway, Loris, and as of July, their new location in the Market Common in Myrtle Beach.

1989

Michael Sullivan, class chair

Cynthia Jones has been named a senior program director for the South Carolina Department of Commerce's existing industry program.

1990

Scott Cashion, class chair

Dr. Cindy Wesley is the associate dean of academics at the University of Northern Colorado. She oversees the academic policies and procedures of the graduate school and works with graduate student engagement and professional development.

1991

Leslee Houck Page, class chair

Jonathan D. Crumly Sr. has joined the law firm of Taylor English Duma in Atlanta, Ga. He works as counsel in the construction practice.

1993

Sarah Copeland Sawicki, class chair

Steven B. Martin recently was board certified in health care management as a fellow by the American College of Healthcare Executives. The society is dedicated to promoting the highest standards of professionalism, education, leadership and ethical conduct. Martin lives in Charlotte, N.C., where he serves as vice president for accreditation services with Carolinas HealthCare System.

1994

Alicia Truesdail, class chair

Jennifer Nodine Bell, associate athletics director for internal operations and compliance at Coker College, has been selected to participate in the NCAA Pathway Program. She is one of 25 senior-level college athletics administrators from Division I, II and III colleges and universities selected to participate in the yearlong program.

Anne Holmes Clark and her husband, Will, have moved their family to Santiago, Chile, for a year of travel, language immersion and adventure. Their sons, ages 14, 12 and 10, will be enrolled in an international school while Will works as a consultant for a large health system. They are hoping for lots of Wofford visitors to share their beautiful view of the Andes.



BOARD OF TRUSTEES UPDATE

Mungo, Whitley, Yette elected to Wofford board; four re-elected to new four-year terms as trustees

by Laura Hendrix Corbin

Three alumni were elected to the Wofford College Board of Trustees in June at the South Carolina Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church, held in Greenville, S.C. They are Steven W. Mungo '81, president and CEO of Mungo Homes in Irmo, S.C.; Joshua S. Whitley '05, attorney with Smyth Whitley LLC in Charleston, S.C.; and Joyce Payne Yette '80, chief legal officer of Promontory Financial Group LLC in Washington, D.C.

The three replace William R. Cobb, Jordan M. Glatt and Jerry Richardson '59. Additionally, the board of trustees unanimously granted trustee emeritus status to Richardson; he joins the late Roger Milliken as one of only two people granted that status.

At its May meeting on campus, the board re-elected these officers for the 2017-18 year: R. Michael James '73, chair; James M. Johnson '71, vice chair; and Costa M. Pleicones '65, secretary.

Re-elected to new four-year terms on the board are D. Chris Goodall '79; Corry W. Oakes III '89; Pleicones; and William H. Willimon '68.

Steven Mungo, a native of Columbia, S.C., has been active in his family's homebuilding business since graduating from Wofford in 1981. He became CEO of Mungo Homes in 2009. In recent years, Mungo Homes has been recognized as one of the best homebuilders in the country, and the company is consistently at the top of the list of companies of its kind. The company currently ranks as the 35th largest builder in the United States. Mungo is in the South Carolina Housing Hall of Fame. He is an unlimited general contractor and one of the first certified master builders in South Carolina. He is a past president of the South Carolina Home Builders Association as well as the Home Builders Association of Greater Columbia. He serves on the Federal Reserve's South Carolina Advisory Board, National Bank of South Carolina State Board and the South Carolina Governor's Cup Advisory Board. He spent nine years on the Lexington Medical Center Board of Trustees, serving as chairman three times; he currently serves on the Lexington Medical Center Foundation Board. He is a former member of the Medical University of South Carolina Board of Visitors, EdVenture (chair) and the Cultural Council of Richland and Lexington counties. He

also served as the honorary wing commander of the 169th Fighter Wing of the South Carolina Air National Guard.

Whitley, a native of the South Carolina Lowcountry near Pinopolis, served as president of Campus Union at Wofford and was active in numerous other campus activities. He was initiated into Phi Beta Kappa. After graduating with honors from the College of William and Mary, he clerked for the Hon. Dennis Shedd '75 of the U.S. Court of Appeals. Upon entering private practice with Haynsworth Sinkler Boyd PA in Charleston, Whitley was selected as second chair to a member of the Plaintiffs' Steering Committee in the largest environmental case in history — the Deepwater Horizon BP Gulf Oil Spill, helping to litigate one of the most complex cases in U.S. history. Whitley is a permanent member of the U.S. Judicial Conference for the Fourth Circuit. He also is a member of the board of directors of the Charleston Regional Development Alliance and past president of the board of directors of Charleston Stage at the Dock Street Theatre. He has served as a member of the Wofford Terrier Club Board of Directors and the National Alumni Executive Council. He serves on Berkeley County Council and is chairman of finance for the council.

Yette, a native of Tryon, N.C., earned degrees in economics and government from Wofford and graduated summa cum laude. She was initiated into Phi Beta Kappa, and was among the first group of female resident students at the college when she enrolled in 1976. She graduated from Harvard Law School in 1983 and joined Covington and Burling in Washington, D.C., one of the nation's largest and most prestigious law firms. She later served as associate general counsel for the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority. Yette is chief legal officer of Promontory Financial Group LLC, a strategy, risk management, regulatory-compliance consulting firm in D.C., with a focus on the financial services industry. IBM recently purchased the firm, and she now serves as its chief legal officer. Yette served as a Wofford trustee from 1986 to 1998. She is a founding director of the Black Alumni Association at Wofford and serves on the Capital Campaign Steering Committee. In D.C. she serves as director of the Council on Legal Education Opportunities and on the Neighborhood Legal Services Advisory Board.

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HERE'S THE PROOF

Langley preparing for national distribution of alcohol ice cream

by Jo Ann Mitchell Brasington '89

With flavors such as peach whiskey, vanilla bourbon, mocha chocolate moonshine and coconut rum, Ryan Langley '02 doesn't have much trouble selling JB's Pr%f alcohol ice cream. The tough part has been wading through federal and state regulations so the ice cream is available to more adoring customers.

Good thing Langley, a partner in the Hodge Langley Law firm in Spartanburg, has a decade of experience litigating cases in state and federal courts.

"We are in the process of resolving a two-year negotiation with the federal government over whether JB's Pr%f ice cream is a 'food product' or an 'alcoholic beverage,'" says Langley. "Recently they agreed that the post-prohibition common law can be interpreted to allow a designation as a 'beverage' for federal purposes, without pre-empting the rights of states to make a designation as a food product. Within their borders and consistent with the law, states have complete control of the distribution and sale of alcohol. Basically, it means for the first time we will be able to cross state lines."

Langley says JB's Pr%f is an old family recipe, now patent pending. Langley's dad, Joe Brett Langley, was famous for treating family and friends to the original vanilla bourbon that he made using a cedar-sided churn in the family's basement. He didn't start perfecting the formula until 2008, during the recession and a slump in the residential construction market in which he worked.

"Two years ago our team started to commercialize in South Carolina," says Langley. "At first we sold in just a few stores, but thanks to the hard work of our sales team, now we have a presence in a few hundred, including Green's, New York Butcher Shop, Oasis and Total Wine."

Langley says he's frequently asked whether someone can get drunk from eating the alcohol ice cream. He usually laughs. "Between the amount of whole milk, cream and the sugar quantity, they'd probably get a tummy ache before they get a buzz."

1996

Curt Nichols, class chair

Pearce Fleming, president of Health Management Solutions for StayWell, has collaborated on a new production brewery and tap house in the Park Circle neighborhood of North Charleston, S.C. Fleming and his business partner, Hank Hanna, built a reputation with Octohops Homebrew and are excited about the possibilities that will open with Commonhouse Aleworks.

Jay Unger has joined The Cassina Group, a real estate firm in Charleston, S.C. He has worked in the field for more than 20 years.

1997

Beth Mangham Guerrero, class chair

Marie Espiritu McGill and her husband, Robert, welcomed Frederick Charles McGill II on April 9, 2017. He joins big sisters Evelyn (6) and Ellie Anne (3). The family lives in Melrose, Mass.

1998

Casey Moore, class chair

Returning for her second stint at Florida State University after being a part of the Seminole soccer program in 2006-07, **Ileana Moschos** has joined the staff as an assistant coach. For the past five years, she worked as an assistant coach with the University of Pittsburgh Panthers.

1999

Zach Atkinson, class chair

Rebecca Raulerson Parrish is the new director of grants at Spartanburg Community College.

2000

Anthony Hoefler Jr., class chair

Dr. Lindsey A. Freeman has published another book, "The Bohemian South: Creating Countercultures, from Poe to Punk." Edited by Freeman and Shawn Chandler Bingham, the book was published in June 2017. For more information, visit uncpress.unc.edu/books/13219.html. Freeman is an assistant professor in the Department of Sociology and Anthropology at Simon Fraser University.

Clint Hammond, branch manager with Mortgage Network Inc., has joined the Expert Network, an invitation-only service for distinguished professionals in the field. He was chosen for the network based on peer reviews and ratings, recognitions and career accomplishments. He lives in Columbia, S.C.

2001

Jenna Sheheen Bridgers, class chair

David Dennis writes that he's had an eventful few months. He was married in March and later in the spring graduated with his doctorate in education from the University of South Carolina. He continues to live in Westminster, S.C., where he teaches and coaches football at West Oak High School. He writes, "I teach seniors and send my best to Wofford whenever I can."

Reagan Howard Daly has joined the staff of Georgia Southern University as marketing manager of the division of continuing education.

2002

Yorke Gerrald, class chair

Ryan Langley and his wife, Leigh Anne, announce the birth of Chamberlain Bell Langley, born June 2, 2017. The family lives in Spartanburg.

Maurice Maxie serves as chief of staff to the chief people officer at athenahealth, headquartered in Watertown, Mass.

2003

Tracy Howard, class chair

Meghan McGowan Shaw and Chad Shaw were married in DeBordieu, S.C., on Oct. 15, 2016. The couple lives in Atlanta, Ga.

Erin Miller Wallin graduated from Lincoln Memorial University's Duncan School of Law in Knoxville, Tenn., in May. She was second in her class and was a participant in the 2016 University of San Diego National Criminal Procedure Moot Court Tournament. She and her partner won Best Petitioner's Brief and placed fourth overall.

2004

Fred Byers, class chair

Adam King and his wife, Katy, welcomed Eleanor Kathryn King on Feb. 17, 2017. The family, including big sister Amelia, is enjoying a happy, healthy baby at their new home in Durham, N.C. Adam accepted a position with Duke University's Office of Research Support as the assistant director of international projects. His work involves coordinating pre- and post-award compliance standards for Duke's international research projects. Katy is a speech language pathologist with Chapel Hill City Schools. She is based at Carrboro Elementary School.

2005

Ryan Waller, class chair

Robert Lack has joined the law firm of Bray and Long in Charlotte, N.C. Lack's practice focuses on tax consultation and planning, estate planning, trusts, estates and corporate law.

Janet Rhodes has joined the new Columbia, S.C., law firm of Burnette Shutt & McDaniel, located in the Vista District. She practices primarily in employment law.

The Rev. Jordan Sims Thrasher completed a Doctor of Ministry degree in biblical interpretation and proclamation in May from Candler School of Theology at Emory University. He is an associate pastor at Creekside United Methodist Church in Cumming, Ga.

Ryan Switzer recently received an MBA from North Greenville University.

2006

Hadley Green Inabinet, class chair

Richard L. Cox is a sales executive for The Reserve at Lake Keowee. He lives in Greenville, S.C.

Josh Kerr is a senior analytical chemist with Optima Chemical Group in Douglas, Ga.

Lewis White and **Lauren Crosby White '07** announce the birth of Mary Crosby White and William Lewis White III, born Feb. 12, 2017.

2007

Hunter Miller, class chair

Living in Greenville, S.C., **Beth Holler Jacobs** is a financial planner with Family Legacy Inc. Her husband, **Dr. David Jacobs**, just finished his general surgery residency with Greenville Health System and started in August as a general surgery partner at Easley Baptist Hospital. They have a son, Cal, who will celebrate his first birthday in December.

Josh Thompson and his wife, Beth, announce the birth of their second son, Tate, born May 1, 2017. He joins big brother Caleb. Josh is a shareholder with the Holcombe Bomar law firm, focusing on health care litigation. Beth is the director of collaborative action networks for Spartanburg Academic Movement. The family lives in Spartanburg.

2008

Nathan Madigan, class chair

Emily Collins Brown has become a partner in the Barnes Alford law firm in Columbia, S.C. She joined the firm as an associate in 2012. Her practice focuses on hospital and medical malpractice defense.

Megan Marie Early and Philipp Koya Soppa celebrated their first wedding anniversary on May 28, 2017. They were married at The Chicory in New Orleans, La., and now live in Greenville, S.C., where she is a partner in the Haley-Early Law Group.

Augusta University selected **Drew Gibson** as assistant coach for the Jaguars men's basketball team. Gibson joins a program that went 24-8 this past season, including a trip to the second round of the NCAA Division II Tournament.

Steve Richards and Caroline Smith Richards are the proud parents of Smith Andrew Richards, born March 15, 2017. The family lives in Spartanburg.

Dr. Mackie Steadman Talley and her husband, Mike, welcomed their first son, Matthew George Talley, on June 10, 2017. The family lives in Cherry Hill, N.J. Talley is a physician with Jefferson Family Medicine in Philadelphia, Pa.

2010

Kari Harris, class chair

Meredith M. Dark was ordained a full elder in the South Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church on June 5, 2017, during the annual conference. She will be appointed this year as the chaplain at The Methodist Oaks in Orangeburg, S.C.

Dr. Meredith Calcina Davitte and **Stev Davitte Jr.** announce the birth of Steven "Sullivan" Davitte, born March 2, 2017. The family lives in Charlotte, N.C., where Meredith is a pediatrician and Stev is a CPA.

The Atlanta Silverbacks Football Club has signed keeper **Thomas Hunter** for the 2017 NPSL season.

BARBER REPORTS LIVE FROM THE WHITE HOUSE



On July 11, Ellison Barber '12, a general assignment reporter for Fox News Channel, did her first live report from the lawn of the White House. She is based in the Washington, D.C., bureau. Prior to joining the network she served as the Prince George County deputy bureau chief and reporter for WUSA-TV in Washington.

Kate Hendricks Laffitte has been selected as a member of Leadership Greenville (S.C.) Class 44. She is an attorney with Smith Moore Leatherwood.

Andrew Pickens Anderson married Anna Flowers Price on June 3, 2017. The couple lives in Chapel Hill, N.C., where Andrew is pursuing a master's degree in business at the University of North Carolina.

2011

Nam Pham, class chair

Craig Calhoun has joined Frampton Construction Co. as senior finance manager. Working out of the Charleston, S.C., office, Calhoun, a CPA, will team with the finance department to provide financial leadership and strategy.

ONCE A TERRIER...



The Wofford family continues to support Forrest Lasso '16 in his third year with the Charleston (S.C.) Battery. Cheering him on this season were (from left): Carl Walsh '62, John Bailey Moore (Class of '24), Lasso, Martin Moore '92 and Lyndsay Moore (Class of '26). The photo was taken by Lyn Walsh '90 on Lauri Walsh Moore's '92 phone.

FROM WHITE COAT TO M.D.



When four graduates from the Class of 2013 enrolled in Wake Forest University's School of Medicine, they posed for a picture at their white coat ceremony with Wake Forest associate dean, associate professor of pathology and Wofford graduate Dr. David Grier '93. Four years later, upon graduation, the group posed once again for another Wofford/Wake photo. From left in both photos are Dr. Ethan Miller, Dr. Chris Bourean, Grier, Dr. Shelby Harris and Dr. Michael Carper.

Clark Witzleben has joined Morris Animal Foundation in Denver, Colo., as senior development officer.

2012

Hallie Willm, class chair

The Rev. Patrick Craig graduated in May 2017 with a Master of Divinity degree from Duke University. On July 1, he joined the staff of First United Methodist Church of Opelika (Ala.) as an associate pastor.

Hilary Riley graduated from the University of South Carolina School of Medicine on May 5, 2017. She has begun a pediatrics residency at Palmetto Health in Columbia.

A 2017 graduate of Georgia State University College of Law, **Baxter Russell** is now an associate attorney with the zoning and land use practice of Pursley Friese Torgrimson. He represents property owners, builders and developers across Georgia and lives in Atlanta.

Haley Henderson Sims works with Spartanburg Regional Healthcare System as a financial analyst. Her work supports three hospitals, two long-term care facilities and the Medical Group of the Carolinas. After living in Jacksonville, Fla., for a few years, she is excited to return to Upstate South Carolina.

Luke Wingo is a law clerk for the Hon. Frank Addy of the 8th Circuit Court. Wingo finished law school at the University of Tennessee in 2016 and was admitted to the South Carolina Bar in June 2017. He lives in Greenwood, S.C.

2013

Victoria Amick, class chair

Carolina Tracy Culbertson, Columbia branch manager at Recruiting Solutions, graduated this summer as a member of the Leadership Columbia Class of 2017. She is an active member of several other organizations in the Columbia, S.C., area, including the Young Leaders Society for United Way and Junior League of Columbia.

Coldwell Banker Caine recently welcomed **Charlotte Maitland Horney** as a residential sales agent in its Spartanburg office. She is also an avid volunteer for the Spartanburg Humane Society.

Laura Douglass Marion is a project archivist for the University of Florida. She lives in St. Augustine, where her current work involves leading the processing and preservation of historic archival material that documents the history of St. Augustine.

Brian McCracken and **Andrea Kelsey** were married May 13, 2017. They live in Anderson, S.C.

Caitlin Danielle Smith recently earned her Doctor of Pharmacy degree from the Medical University of South Carolina.

2014

Shri Selvakumar, class chair

Living in Richmond, Va., **Maria Davenport** is a clinical research coordinator for the University of Virginia. She manages clinical trials related to lung cancer. Davenport was invited to be a member of one of the institutional review boards on campus. She now is responsible for evaluating the scientific integrity and feasibility of all cancer-related research trials at the university.

A recent graduate of the University of Arkansas Clinton School of Public Service, **Heather Rossi** joined WeARE Advocates for Reproductive Education for eight weeks this past summer as a volunteer. She helped WeARE achieve its vision for a well-trained clinic volunteer staff in preparation for the clinic's opening in October.

2015

Maggie Stroud, class chair

Hank Davis lives in Washington, D.C., where he is a client relations associate for DDC Public Affairs.

Jillian Cothran Heard is a student at Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary in Charlotte, N.C. **James Heard '16** is serving as a pastoral intern at Bethel Presbyterian Church in Clover, S.C., while attending Reformed Theological Seminary. The two were married Feb. 11, 2017.

Living in Savannah, Ga., **Hunter McGahee** is an account executive with UPS. He works in business development and sales in Savannah and the surrounding areas.

2016

Marianna Conrad, class chair

Jacob Balmer and **Lauren Lewitt** were married on May 27, 2017, in Spartanburg. They live in Charleston, S.C., where Jacob is a student at the Medical University of South Carolina and Lauren works as a customer experience manager with Q4Launch.

Luke Benson and **Jessica LeGrand** were married July 15, 2017, at Rock Bottom Pond in Ridgeway, S.C. They live in Columbia, S.C., where Jessica is pursuing a degree at the University of South Carolina School of Law. She also works as a law clerk at Baxley, Pratt and Wells in Lugoff. Luke, a second lieutenant with the U.S. Army Reserve, is in graduate school studying information technology and security while working at Verizon Wireless in tech support. Other Wofford alumni in the wedding included **Kaiti Shealy**.

Angela Heinrich is a financial advisor at Merrill Lynch in Spartanburg. She completed several internships during her time at Wofford and used those as stepping stones for her career in wealth management.

2017

Patrick Longest, class chair

Wofford right-handed pitcher **Spencer Kulman** has signed a free agent contract with the San Diego Padres. Kulman was tied for second in the SoCon last season with eight wins.

Andrew Novak was named a Cleveland Golf/Srixon All-America Scholar by the Golf Coaches Association of America. The honor is the second consecutive for Novak. He ended his senior year with a 71.40 stroke average, the best in the Southern Conference. He also was named SoCon Golfer of the Year, the college's first golfer to win the award. Novak has turned professional and is playing on the MacKenzie Tour in Canada.

Alex Pruitt has joined the Capitala Group investment team as an analyst. The company, based in Charlotte, N.C., provides capital to lower and traditional middle-market companies.



JOIN US!

BY RYANN KROSKE MCCALL '13

NEW INITIATIVES IN ALUMNI ENGAGEMENT

Wofford College announces the establishment of the Office of Engagement and Annual Giving, which combines the former Office of Alumni & Parent Programs and the college's annual giving initiatives. Under the leadership of Dina Roberts, executive director of engagement and annual giving, the office will provide alumni, parents and friends with robust and meaningful opportunities for engagement and philanthropy in order to foster a network of stakeholders committed to the advancement of the college.

YOUR ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

All Wofford graduates and students are considered members of the Wofford College Alumni Association. The alumni association seeks to connect alumni to each other and the college in mutually beneficial ways. The Wofford College Alumni Association Board of Directors (AAB) serves as a liaison between alumni and the college and provides diverse perspectives on alumni activities and programming as well as insights into alumni sentiment. Learn more at wofford.edu/alumni/WCAA.

NEW PROGRAMMING & ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Traditional offerings, including local and regional social events, will continue to be coordinated by Debbi Thompson '89, director of alumni programs. New engagement opportunities — such as a virtual book club — also will be available. Watch your inbox for information about these new events and initiatives, including those for young alumni (graduates of the past 10 years) under the leadership of Alex Hunt North '14, coordinator of young alumni programs. Update your contact information and learn more at wofford.edu/alumni.

PARTNERSHIPS FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

A partnership with The Space in The Mungo Center, Wofford's center for professional development and entrepreneurship, will provide opportunities for alumni and students to connect. Support these efforts by volunteering to serve as a mentor, sharing career insights at a lunch-and-learn event, hiring Wofford students to fill internship and full-time positions, and more.

PARENT & FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

Wofford has created a new model for parent engagement under the leadership of Thom Henson '96, director of parent engagement. All parents of currently enrolled students are automatically considered part of the Wofford College Parents Association, which replaces the Parents Advisory Council. It seeks to create a sense of community among parents, to facilitate communication between parents and the college and to enlist parents' participation in various efforts. There are no dues associated with membership in the parents association. Additional engagement opportunities are available through the Parents Leadership Council (PLC), which consists of current parents who support Wofford through an annual gift to the college of \$2,500 or more. Learn more at wofford.edu/parents.

For more information, contact Dina Roberts at robertsdk@wofford.edu.

IN MEMORIAM

1942

Billy Burton Ezell, June 20, 2017, Spartanburg, S.C. An architect, Ezell worked with Lockwood Greene Engineers as an architectural project manager before his retirement after 36 years of service. He was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Army Air Corps, stationed in Panama. He was a talented craftsman who used his skills building with the mission team at First Baptist Church Spartanburg. He volunteered for Mobile Meals and hand-carved and painted over 18,000 fishing lures during his lifetime.

1945

Fulwood Asbury "F.A." Smith Sr., June 8, 2017, Spartanburg, S.C. A veteran of World War II, Smith was a retired pharmacist, owner of Smith's Economy Pharmacy and co-founder and director of Chem-Pro Corp. He was a member of Morningside Baptist Church and a volunteer with Total Ministries.

1946

Walter Thomas Broughton II, June 24, 2017, Minneapolis, Minn. Broughton was an Eagle Scout and was proud that both of his sons and three grandsons also earned the rank. He enlisted in the U.S. Navy after one year at Wofford and served more than 31 years on active duty, about half of it at sea. He served in both the Pacific and Atlantic during World War II. He also served during the Korean and Vietnam wars.

William T. Hope Jr., July 21, 2017, Spartanburg, S.C. Hope left Wofford after his freshman year to join the U.S. Army Air Corps. He was a fighter pilot in the European Theater before enjoying a 40-year career with Spartan Petroleum Co. He served as commander of the Warbirds of South Carolina for 11 years.

1949

Dr. Howard Binning "Doc" Norton, July 22, 2017, Mills River, N.C. During service in World War II, Norton discovered his love of medicine and went on to serve the community as a doctor and pharmacist for 40 years. He was active in Mills River United Methodist Church and the Mills River Volunteer Fire Department, an organization he helped found in 1968.

1951

Alfred Emanuel Smith, June 3, 2017, Union, S.C. Smith and his wife, Lib, owned and operated Smith's Jewelry Store on Main Street in Union. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army and was active at Tabernacle Baptist Church.

1953

Fred L. Tindall, Aug. 3, 2017, Chester, S.C. Tindall worked with Inman Mills for more than 30 years. After retiring as a plant manager, he moved to Edisto Beach and worked in real

estate. He retired again to Chester, where he remained active in his church and community.

Johnny Glover Wofford Sr., May 29, 2017, Spartanburg, S.C. Wofford served in the military before coming to Wofford. He went on to a successful career as an industrial engineer. There was no problem that he could not fix and no process that he could not make more efficient.

1954

Thomas B. "Sonny" Williams, July 20, 2017, Orangeburg, S.C. Williams served in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War. He owned and operated Williams Music for 35 years and was active in his church and community.

1955

Joseph Oscar Price Jr., July 25, 2017, Nashville, Tenn. Price was famous in the Wofford community for lettering in both football and baseball for the Terriers. He also founded the Tennessee Dew Drops, a Wofford student band that traveled the Southeast and made reunion appearances for years after graduation. He also played in The Aristocrats big dance band and a Dixieland band that performed a weekend set at the famous Chicago Playboy Club. Price served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War before returning to civilian life and a successful career in business. He was active in the United Methodist Church and community. Joe and his wife, Ann, established the Joe O. Price Jr. Endowed Scholarship Fund at Wofford for a student-athlete on the college's football team. They also established a fund that supports the college's vocal performance program.

1956

Dr. Hugh Blanton Easler, July 8, 2017, Williamsburg, Va. Easler died following a long battle with Alzheimer's disease. Easler served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He retired as professor emeritus of mathematics from The College of William & Mary after 35 years. He was treasurer of the college's Alpha Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, assisted with the recruitment of football players and authored and edited numerous textbook chapters. A talented floral designer, Easler was invited by the Williamsburg Garden Club to decorate the entrance halls of several homes in Colonial Williamsburg during the Christmas Homes Tours and during Historic Garden Week. He was a ruling elder and clerk of session for Williamsburg Presbyterian Church.

James L. "Goldie" Golden, July 8, 2017, Spartanburg, S.C. A member of the Terrier Club and Block "W" Club, Golden played basketball for the Terriers. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army, a member of Holy Communion Lutheran Church and retired from Flagstar Inc.

He was a talented guitar player and one of the Tennessee Dew Drops, a favorite Wofford student (and later alumni) band. Golden and his wife, Inez, enjoyed wearing their gold and black to Wofford athletics events, and they collected Wofford memorabilia. They also established an endowed scholarship at Wofford through their estate plans that will support a student preparing for a career in the ministry.

1957

James D. "Jimmie" Green, July 15, 2017, Camden, S.C. Green spent nearly 59 years as a CPA in both public and private accounting. He was a past chairman or president of the South Carolina Board of Education, United Way of Kershaw County, Kershaw County Chamber of Commerce, Camden Rotary Club and Camden Sertoma Club. He served on Camden City Council for eight years, including a term as mayor pro-tem, and in the U.S. Army and National Guard for 12 years.

Richard Marcus Huff Jr., Aug. 5, 2017, Aiken, S.C. A member of the Wofford golf team, Huff was co-founder and owner of Aiken Office Supply and Bookshop. He served in the U.S. Air Force before his honorable discharge as a captain. He was active in St. John's United Methodist Church and the community. His family requested that memorials be made to Wofford or the church.

William Paul Melton Sr., May 15, 2017, Irmo, S.C. A member of Kappa Alpha Order, Melton owned and operated Med-I-Thrift Pharmacy as well as Melton's Market-Eze convenience store. He had served as president of the Winnsboro Rotary Club and twice was elected to the Fairfield County Council, serving a term as chairman. After retiring from the pharmacy business, he worked in real estate development.

1958

Roger Glen Hagy, June 22, 2017, Landrum, S.C. Hagy battled kidney disease before his death. Captain of the 1958 Wofford football team, Hagy enjoyed a 40-year career with Milliken & Co. He was a faithful Presbyterian wherever he lived.

1959

Jerry Blackstone Copes, July 6, 2017, Newport News, Va. Copes died after a brief battle with pancreatic cancer. He retired from banking after 34 years with Citizens National Bank of Hampton, which later became Bank of America. He then went to work for BB&T and retired again in 2004. He was an avid follower of Wofford football.

1961

Thomas Gayle Myers, May 19, 2017, Spartanburg, S.C. He was a member of Kappa Sigma fraternity and a U.S. Army veteran. Myers worked at Belk Hudson Co. for 27 years

before establishing Ellis Clothes of Distinction. He was active in a men's Presbyterian Bible study group and as a Mobile Meals volunteer.

1962

Dr. Daniel Walter Brake Sr., Aug. 8, 2017, Mount Pleasant, S.C. Brake served the U.S. Air Force at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base and as hospital commander in Greenland before returning to South Carolina and serving families in the Lowcountry for more than 30 years. He was founder and president of Trident Family Practice and one of the originators of Palmetto Primary Care Physicians. He served as president of the South Carolina Medical Association in 1989 and was Family Physician of the Year for the state in 2000. He provided pro bono medical care to Mepkin Abbey Monastery and served on medical mission trips to Nicaragua.

Oscar Alan Gentry III, June 3, 2017, Mount Pleasant, S.C. Retired from the South Carolina Department of Corrections, Gentry also had been a swim coach at the University of Georgia and the University of South Carolina. A champion swimmer himself, Gentry once held the American record in butterfly. At the age of 63, he rode his bike from coast to coast and was a triathlete and talented artist.

1963

James M. Arthur Jr., June 18, 2017, Union, S.C. Arthur retired from United Merchants and the South Carolina National Guard. He was a member and Sunday School teacher at Bethel United Methodist Church, a Boy Scout leader and a former Red Cross swimming instructor.

Dr. Crispin Warner Paul, Aug. 7, 2017, Atlanta, Ga. A member of Kappa Alpha Order at Wofford, Paul graduated from dental school and then served in the U.S. Navy for two years, including service in Vietnam. He retired from his private practice of restorative dentistry in 2006. He was active in the life of St. Patrick's Episcopal Church and as a mentor to young dentists.

1964

Dr. Henry Plowden "Mutt" Bozard, July 17, 2017, Manning, S.C. Bozard served as a captain in the U.S. Army and was a retired dentist with 42 years of practice. He was a battalion chief and former chairman of the Fire Board of the Clarendon County Fire Department and other regional and national fire fighters associations. He also was active in Manning United Methodist Church.

1966

Frank Walker Farnum III, July 1, 2017, Orangeburg, S.C. Farnum served in Vietnam, flying more than 970 combat hours as a forward air controller. He continued his career after the war in active duty, the Reserve and National Guard. He became commander of the 659th Medical Battalion and retired as a lieutenant colonel in 1993. He also worked as a civilian in banking and finance.

1971

David Adams Nesbitt, May 10, 2017, Moore, S.C. Nesbitt was the owner of C&N Enterprises and attended Roebuck Presbyterian Church.

1973

James Barber Reid Jr., Jan. 23, 2017, Rock Hill, S.C. Reid was a hospital administrator and a self-employed musician.

1974

Wade Henry Howle, June 18, 2017, Wilmington, N.C. He was a member of Kappa Sigma fraternity and St. James Episcopal Parish. An entrepreneur, he owned Package Research Laboratory and enjoyed creating new businesses.

John M. Rubin, May 27, 2017, Greenville, S.C. Rubin was the president and owner of the Orion Group, a political consulting group in Greenville, S.C.

1976

Dan R. Kimberlain Jr., July 12, 2017, Spartanburg, S.C. Kimberlain was a retired U.S. Navy commander after 22 years of service and world travel. A veteran of Operation Desert Storm, he served proudly aboard the USS Wainwright, USS Kidd, USS Peterson and the battleship Iowa. He was a principal assistant program manager of the Surface Ship Modernization Program.

1993

Dr. Randall Matthew Mosley, July 5, 2017, Inman, S.C. Mosley held a Ph.D. in chemistry and was the director of finance and operations at Spartanburg Day School. He was a member of Pi Kappa Phi fraternity and St. Christopher's Episcopal Church. His wife, Lathrop Hart Mosley, works in the Wofford College Office of Admission.

1994

Sidney Edwards Thomas, July 18, 2017, Spartanburg, S.C. Thomas was a standout on the Wofford men's basketball team. He still makes the lists of Terrier basketball greats in most games started (108), most points scored (1,193) and field goal percentage (.544). He remains an all-time letterman and all-time captain.

Making Memorial Gifts

There are three ways to make a memorial gift to Wofford:

1. Call the Office of Advancement at 864-597-4200
2. Visit wofford.edu/supportwofford
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Remember to include the name of the person you are honoring with your gift.

FROM THE ARCHIVES: WORLD WAR I AT HOME AND ABROAD

Sandor Teszler Library features exhibit marking centennial of the Great War



by Phillip Stone '94

American entry into the First World War in April 1917 brought tremendous changes to American society, and Wofford and the Spartanburg community felt those changes as much as any.

"World War I at Home and Abroad" is the subject of an exhibit this fall in the Sandor Teszler Library Gallery, where various items from the college's archives and special collections will be on display. These items are coupled with a traveling exhibition that illuminates the political, social and cultural climate during this time period. The traveling exhibition was produced by the library at Sewanee: The University of the South and funded by the Associated Colleges of the South.

The war saw more than 400 students and alumni serve in the armed forces, and 17 Wofford students or graduates, including three students in the Wofford Fitting School, died in the war. By late 1918, the Army took over the campus, organizing the student body into a Student Army Training Corps. The militarization of the student body lasted only a brief time, as the armistice of Nov. 11, 1918, brought an end to the immediate need to train additional students for service. Just over a year after the war, the first Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) detachment was established on the campus.

Student publications covered the events of the war breathlessly, and some young alumni wrote back to report on life at the front. One alumnus sent back poems that were published in The Journal. Over the course of the fall, keep an eye on the From the Archives blog for more details about the centennial of World War I at Wofford.



REMEMBERING DR. VINCE MILLER

Letter to the Editor. June 30, 2017

Wesley Hammond '73 was one of Dr. Vince Miller's students. After Miller's death, on March 29, 2017, Hammond wrote a letter to the editor of the Spartanburg Herald-Journal. That letter is below along with an anecdote that he also shares with the Wofford community.

In late March, Dr. Vincent E. Miller, professor of English emeritus at Wofford College, passed away at the age of 95. Dr. Miller taught at Wofford from 1957 until his retirement in 1989.

He was an extraordinary scholar who was praised by Ezra Pound for his collaboration on Pound's poetry anthology, "Confucius to Cummings." The consensus among the many students who were captivated by his teaching method as well as the subject matter he taught was "He taught me to read," and "He taught me to think."

I remember Dr. Miller saying that if you wanted to be a scholar, say of Shakespeare, it wasn't enough to read everything that Shakespeare had written. You had to read everything that Shakespeare had read. Few could live up to his standards, but how exciting it was to try!

Dr. Miller made the attempt to understand great writing seem like the most challenging and worthwhile endeavor in life. If we could only grasp what Pound or T.S. Eliot meant, we would own the keys to being more authentic human beings. Some of life's mysteries would become clear.

With the patience of a serious fisherman, Dr. Miller would throw out "What you got?" and "Is that what you think?" and let his students thrash around to come up with a reasonable answer. I may sound like the naïve youth that I was then, but after graduating in 1973, I am still reading and rereading material from his courses.

In 2002, two of his top students, Donald Greiner '62 and John Lane '77, edited "A Packet for Vincent Miller," with articles by and about this unique teacher. There may be a few copies around at the Hub City Bookshop.

A Vince Miller anecdote.

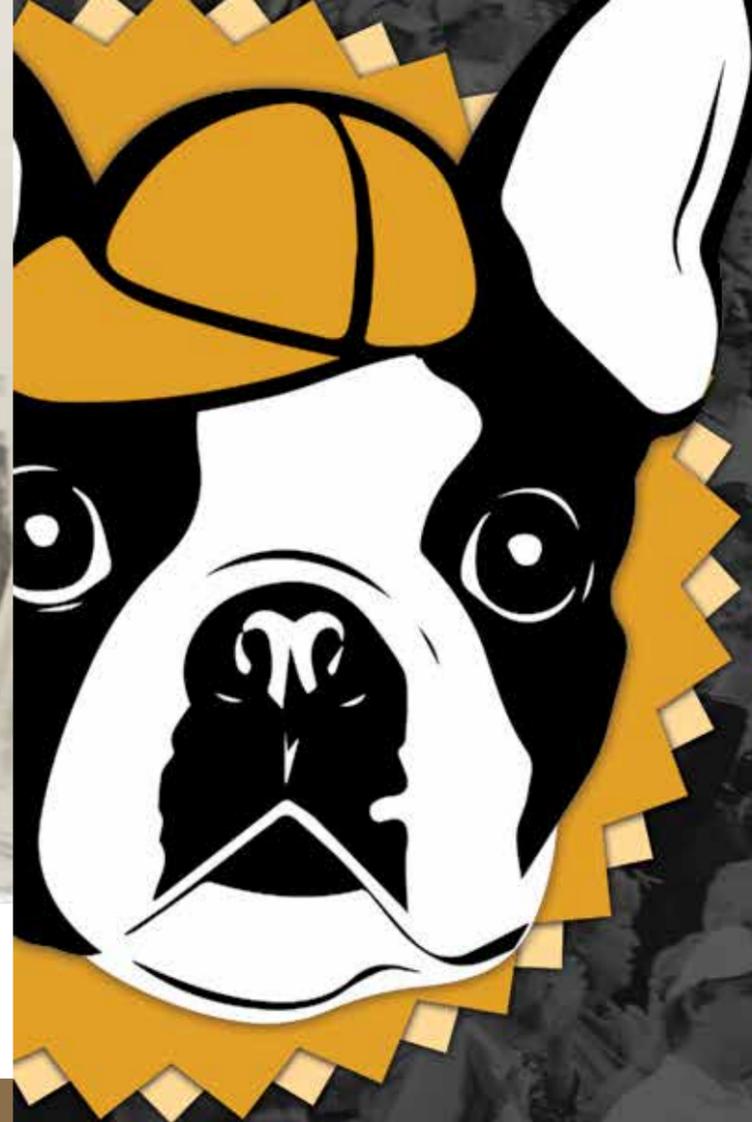
My first class assignment from Dr. Miller was to read Hemingway's "The Sun Also Rises" and write a paper about it. I had not actually read the book, but I had seen part of the movie once on television. I thought that might be close enough.

With the confidence of youth, I wrote a strange essay about people drifting through life until they are faced with a "moment of truth" challenge and are forced to act. Or something like that. I believe bullfighting may have been involved.

I remember word for word Dr. Miller's comments when he returned my paper. "Wes, you have a theory! I even think it's right, but it ain't what's going on in this book. Honestly now, did you read it?"

I waited until class was over and went up to Dr. Miller's desk. "You got me," I said. "I'm sorry, and it won't happen again."

And it didn't. At least not in any of Dr. Miller's classes.



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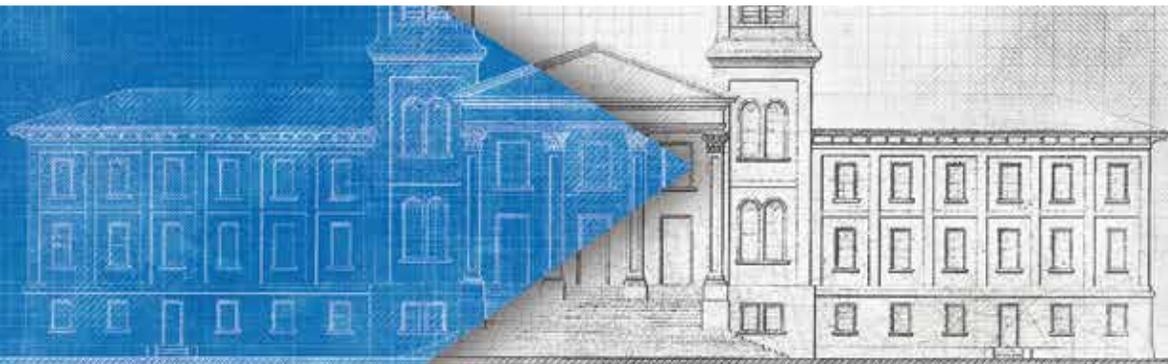
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STUDENT SUCCESS STARTS HERE

Every Wofford College employee — regardless of their job or title — puts student success first. For example, Michelle Griggs, director of creative services, created this graphic of Main Building from a Mark Olencki '75 photo to illustrate a feature on the college's Physical Plant staff (see pages 16 through 23). From the folks in student affairs and advancement to maintenance and financial aid, Wofford staff take pride in their work.

ON THE COVER