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Note to our readers: The mission of Berea College is carried out through activities guided by Berea’s Great Commitments. Since its founding, Berea College has provided a place for all students—male and female, black and white—to “be and become.” Berea’s strategic plan, Being and Becoming: Berea College in the Twenty-First Century, identifies specific initiatives which the College is implementing to continue its tradition of learning, labor, and service. While all Berea College Magazine articles relate to Berea’s mission, specific articles about the strategic plan initiatives are indicated with the symbol.

Berea’s Learning Laboratories

Whenever I meet people new to Berea College’s story, they are always amazed that a small liberal arts college in rural Kentucky has been on the leading edge in so many fields. When Dr. John Fenn, ’37, received the Nobel Prize in chemistry last year, even some of us on campus were surprised. But I guess we shouldn’t have been. In addition to being the first interracial and coeducational college in the South, Berea’s tradition of undergraduate research opportunities dates back to the early 1960s—long before most colleges recognized the need for these programs.

Graduates like Dr. G. Samuel Hurst, ’47, who invented touch screen technology, Dr. George Lester, ’54, whose pollution reducing catalytic converters set the standard for today’s cars, and Dr. Donna Dean, ’69, senior scholar in residence at the National Academy of Engineering, advisory organization for the U.S. government, are just a few of the outstanding scientists Berea has produced. Today, Berea students are working in genetics- and bioinformatics-based research that you’d expect to find only at large research universities. You can read about some of these opportunities in the story on page 20.

As we hear the constant cry for more science and math education, it is encouraging to see the budding young researchers, science teachers, physicians and nurses, dentists, and pharmacists learning and working at Berea College. And the next time a Berea alum takes the Nobel Prize, I don’t think it will be such a surprise.

Ann Mary Quarandillo, Editor
**Nobel Prize Winner John Fenn Comes Home to Berea**

On Sept. 30, Berea College alumnus and 2002 Nobel Prize winner, Dr. John Fenn, ’37, was honored with a plaque in recognition of his lifetime achievements in the field of chemistry.

“This is, in many ways, more important and rewarding to me than the occasion in Stockholm (when he received the Nobel Prize),” said Fenn. “I thank all the members of the faculty, the student body, the administration, and my students and friends over the years for making this really one of the highest points in my life—if not the highest point in my life.”

A commemorative plaque recognizing Fenn’s Nobel Prize-winning work and other professional achievements was unveiled at a brief ceremony in the Charles Martin Hall Science Building at Berea. The plaque was commissioned by former graduate students of Fenn who collaborated with Berea science faculty members on the plaque’s design. The plaque was placed in the science building.

Fenn, a research chemist at Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU), received the Nobel Prize for his work in mass spectrometry, specifically an analytical method that he published in 1988 called electrospray ionization (ESI). This technique allows researchers to “weigh” large biological molecules, such as proteins, with unprecedented accuracy. Chemists around the world use this technique to rapidly and simply reveal what proteins a sample contains. This technique also contributes to the development of new medicines and is being applied to promising work in other areas such as early diagnosis of breast and prostate cancer.

Berea’s chemistry department received another accolade with an article in the Autumn 2003 issue of *Chemistry*, the American Chemical Society journal, highlighting Berea College’s chemistry department as a model for other colleges. Berea has served as an example through its modern lab set-up, curriculum, and professor/student interaction. The chemistry department has also been a reference on which other colleges, including Rice University and Central Michigan University, have based their chemistry labs.

The article also mentions several individuals who have excelled since graduating including Dr. Fenn, Dr. George Lester, who won the E.V. Murphree Award, and Dr. Donna J. Dean, who was a director at the National Institutes of Health (NIH). To view the article, visit www.chemistry.org/Chemistry, and click on the “Autumn 2003” link.

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**Berea Featured in Newsweek**

A Nov. 17 *Newsweek* magazine article, “College, Free of Charge,” featured Berea student Jennifer Elmore, ’06, of Tornado, W.Va. The feature highlights Berea College for giving “smart kids a high-end education” without charging tuition. The companion article, “Falling Through the Cracks,” examined the issue of bright, motivated students who are not recruited by “big-name” colleges simply because they come from rural areas.

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**Attorney Blair is New Trustee**

Attorney Nancy E. Blair has been chosen to serve on Berea College’s Board of Trustees. Blair has served as an adjunct professor of taxation at the University of Bridgeport School of Law and is a member of the American, Connecticut, and Massachusetts Bar Associations. She has been an associate of the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel since 1995 and a member of the Board of Trustees of the Norwalk, Conn. Hospital Foundation since 1994.

Blair was born in Barbourville, Ky. and is a graduate of Knox Central High School. She received her bachelor’s degree from Vassar College. After receiving her law degree from Boston University School of Law in 1981, she joined the Cummings & Lockwood law firm in Stamford, Conn. She started the Blair & Potts law firm in 1993, specializing in estate planning, taxation, and settlement. Blair is also a frequent writer and lecturer on real estate planning and tax issues and is the author of many works involving the real estate business. She has appeared as a guest expert on CNBC as well as many other television networks.

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**Appalachia**

**Celebration of Traditional Music**

Award-winning old-time fiddler, recording artist, and Berea College freshman Jake Knack, ’07, (right) shared the stage with Berea College’s Blue Mountain String Band, Arthur Johnson, and The Reeltime Travelers at the 29th annual Celebration of Traditional Music sponsored by the Berea College Appalachian Center. Workshops, seminars and jam sessions provided opportunities for musicians to share talents and attendees to learn about the traditional music of the mountains.

**Photo by Kristina Juodyte ’04**

*The plaque honoring Nobel Prize winning chemist John Fenn, ’37, and illustrating his electrospray technique, was presented during his visit to Berea, and is displayed in the Hall Science Building.*
**Service Learning**

**CELTs Receives National Awards**

The Berea College Center for Excellence in Learning Through Service (CELTs) program has been awarded a 3-year, $100,000 “Learn & Serve America Dissemination Grant,” as part of a consortium headed by Tulane University. According to Dr. Meta Mendel-Reyes, associate professor of general studies and director of CELTS, Berea was selected because of its commitment to serving students in the Appalachian region without charging tuition, the labor program, and a commitment to interracial education. The fact that Berea already offers service-learning courses was also a factor.

The grant will be used to train faculty and community members and support faculty-community collaborations. Stipends will be awarded to six faculty members per semester for course development, and the grant will provide funds for faculty to travel to conferences to present the work Berea has accomplished.

In addition, Mendel-Reyes’ “Service, Citizenship and Community” course at Berea College has been chosen to participate in a new initiative by The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching to address the growing disengagement of young people from politics. Read more about this initiative in the article on page 17.

**Sustainability**

**Berea College Receives Environmental Excellence, Vision Awards**

Berea College was awarded this year’s Kentucky Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet’s Environmental Excellence Award for Energy Conservation on October 27. The College received the honor for its goal to update its campus with high-performance buildings that use energy and water more efficiently. President Larry D. Shinn accepted the award at the 27th Annual Governor’s Conference of the Environment.

“Berea seeks not simply to teach about ways to be ecologically responsible. We seek to act on such knowledge in all areas of the College’s activities,” said Shinn. “We do these things to be ecologically responsible, not to win awards. Nonetheless, awards do call attention to the good work of many Berea faculty, staff and students.”

The College also received a 2003 Vision Award for Environmental Sensitivity from Bluegrass Tomorrow, a regional coalition of business, farming, development, and preservation interests dedicated to promoting coordinated growth and preservation planning for the seven-county central Bluegrass region of Kentucky. The award recognizes people, businesses, and communities for smart growth and planning around Kentucky. It was presented to Berea College for its creation of the state’s first “ecovillage,” a model of 21st century environmental planning.

**Berea Takes Statewide Awards**

Seven Berea College publications and public relations projects received statewide honors at the annual Council for the Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) Kentucky conference held Dec. 10-11 in Lexington. The *Berea College Magazine* took top honors for college magazines and for magazine publishing improvement for the magazine’s spring 2002 redesign by Berea College graphic designer Linda Kuhlmann. The Dimitrie Berea Gallery grand opening event, held in February 2002, and the Gallery visitors’ guide were also honored.

Berea competed against more than 25 other colleges and universities, including the University of Louisville, Western Kentucky University, and the University of Kentucky. “It’s so exciting to be recognized for these collaborations between public relations, Berea College’s printing services, and all the departments across campus who have contributed to these projects,” says Ann Mary Quarandillo, editor of the magazine. The full list of awards included:

**Grand Excellence**

1. Magazine - *Berea College Magazine*
2. Magazine Publishing Improvement - *Berea College Magazine*

**Excellence**

1. Institutional Events - Dimitrie Berea Art Gallery Grand Opening
2. Institutional Publications - Learning, Labor & Service...The Berea Way and Quick Facts About Berea

**Merit**

1. Institutional Publications - Dimitrie Berea Art Gallery Visitors Guide
2. Fundraising Publications - Extending Berea’s Legacy campaign book
3. Video and Multimedia projects - Berea College Admissions Video

*Berea College President Larry D. Shinn was presented the Environmental Excellence Award by NRECP Secretary Hank List.*
Sustainability

First Residents Move into Berea College Ecovillage

The first residents have moved into the Berea College Ecovillage, a residential and learning complex designed to demonstrate and promote sustainable living. While students and their children learn daily lessons in sustainable living, they are also taking on unique responsibilities that come with that. In applying to live there, residents agreed to a number of lifestyle requirements: recycling, participation in conflict mediation training, energy monitoring of their apartments, and participation in at least two activities that contribute to the community’s environmental and social goals. Community-wide activities and programs take place at the site’s new Commons House.

“The Ecovillage is an incredible place to live, and an incredible place to learn,” says Gus Gerassimides, assistant vice president for student life. “There is nothing like it in Kentucky.”

The new apartments exemplify how ecological design and construction can reduce energy use and impact on the environment. Features include structural insulated panels, heating and hot water by a ground source heat pump system, passive solar heating and passive cooling, energy-saving appliances and fixtures. Recycled products in the apartments include kitchen and bathroom cabinets, carpet and woodwork. Each apartment has a washing machine and water-saving faucets. Electric dryers are available for residents to use only at the Commons House. Performance goals overall include using 75% less energy than in a comparable apartment community. The on-site water treatment facility is expected to reduce municipal water consumption by 75%.

Berea Students Win in State Vocal Competition

Berea students Mary Trumbo, a mid-year ’04 graduate, and Catherine Taylor, ’06, were winners in the annual state NATS (National Association of Teachers of Singing) vocal competition which took place at Berea in October. Taylor, a vocal performance major from Knoxville, Tenn., won in the sophomore women category. Trumbo, of Lexington, Ky., a communications major with a minor in music, was the winner in the senior women category. She also received the Gina Epifano Award, given to the outstanding vocalist of the entire competition. Both women are voice students of Dr. Ann Rhodes, associate professor of music and chair of Berea’s music department. Music major Kristina Juodytė, ’04, of Kauno Raj, Lithuania, was Berea’s sole participant in the vocal Master Class taught by Shirlee Emmons. More than 90 singers from 12 Kentucky colleges and universities took part in the competition.

Boone Tavern Receives Prestigious Duncan Hines Award

Berea College’s Boone Tavern Hotel & Restaurant was presented with the Duncan Hines Excellence in Hospitality Award by the Kentucky Tourism Council during the 2003 Kentucky Tourism Industry Annual Conference in Louisville.

The award is named for America’s early restaurant critic and Kentucky native, the late Duncan Hines, whose name is still associated with excellence in fine dining. For much of the twentieth century, Hines helped shape America’s restaurant standards. His publication, Adventures in Good Eating, was the country’s foremost restaurant guide for three decades.

Boone Tavern was recognized for its long-standing tradition of excellence in the hospitality industry. Gary P. West, past chairman of the Kentucky Tourism Council, presented the award, stating that Boone Tavern “has been a hallmark in the hospitality business for nearly a century. It was included in Duncan Hines’ guides from the publication’s very beginning and has received praise from many other well known national and international magazines. After all these years, it continues to be a favorite destination for Kentucky travelers. It is a centerpiece of Kentucky’s tourism industry.” In order to receive the Duncan Hines award, the recipient must be a Kentucky tourism industry business that has a history of providing the traveling public with excellent hospitality and service.

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Around Campus

Sustainability

Solar Panels Installed at SENS House

On November 15, Joshua Bills, ’96, hosted a workshop at the new campus Ecovillage on installing grid-connected solar electric systems. More than 20 attendees installed 12 solar electric panels on a pole mount for the College’s SENS demonstration house and learned about net metering. Net metering is a protocol recently allowed by Berea College Utilities whereby electric consumers can install small, grid-connected renewable energy systems to reduce electricity bills. Under net metering, electricity produced by the renewable energy system can flow into the utility grid, spinning the customer’s electricity meter backwards. This can save substantial money and requires less maintenance than a stand-alone or battery based solar electric system.

Joshua Bills graduated from Berea College with a mathematics degree in 1996 after spending two years at Washington University studying engineering. Since then he has worked with a non-profit organization based in Rockcastle County, south of Berea, called Appalachia—Science in the Public Interest (ASPI). ASPI promotes technology that is responsive to the needs of underserved communities of Appalachia. For the last two years Bills has been working with grants through the Kentucky Division of Energy to educate and promote solar energy use in Kentucky.

Facilities Renovation

Kentucky-Talcott Renovation Honored for Design Excellence

The Kentucky-Talcott residence hall renovation project was recognized for Excellence in Architectural Design by the Kentucky Society of Architects (AIA Kentucky), a chapter of the American Institute of Architects. The award was presented to the architects and owners of the selected projects during ceremonies on October 3, 2003 during AIA Kentucky’s annual convention. The jury recognized GBBN Architects of Lexington, Ky., and Berea College because of the success of the interior design. The jury commented, “the interior ‘reflects the future,’ as stated in the architect’s description, and the connection of the levels through new vertical spaces would seem to enliven the student experience. The unique quality of the artificial and natural lighting creates an inviting, lively space.”

bell hooks Speaks on “Teaching Community”

bell hooks, outspoken black feminist, author, academic, and social critic, spoke at Berea College on Oct. 29. hooks spoke about her recent book Teaching Community, which addresses ways of countering the culture of fear we are living in today. According to hooks, teaching community means “not just community in the sense of living together in common space, but working as partners: males and females, blacks and whites, immigrants and natives, poor and rich working from hope to create a new society.”

Born Gloria Jean Watkins in Hopkinsville, Ky., in 1952, the author took the pen name of her maternal great-grandmother, Bell Hooks. She spells it all in lowercase, she says, to emphasize her message and not herself. hooks is among the leading public intellectuals of her generation. Her writings cover a broad range of topics on gender, race, teaching, and the significance of media for contemporary culture. hooks began writing her first book, Ain’t I A Woman: Black Women and Feminism, while still an undergraduate, although it wasn’t published until 1981. She has written more than 20 books, including three autobiographical works. Bone Black: Memories of a Girlhood, published in 1996, focuses on her early 1950s childhood in Hopkinsville.

For many years, hooks has been distinguished professor of English at City College of New York. She received her B.A. from Stanford University, her M.A. from the University of Wisconsin, and her Ph.D. from the University of California at Santa Cruz.
Morris Featured During “Accent on Christian Faith” Week

Rev. Lee Morris, retired director of the Berea College Campus Christian Center and assistant professor of religion, was the featured speaker for Berea College’s “Accent on Christian Faith” week activities Sept. 23-25. This year’s theme was “Christian Virtues for the Academy.”

Rev. Morris served as campus minister and assistant professor of religion at Berea for 21 years before retiring in 2000. For ten years during that time, he served as director of the Campus Christian Center. Prior to his work in campus ministry at Berea, Morris served as pastor at Berea Baptist Church and in Oak Ridge, Tenn.

At Berea, where students referred to him as “Brother Lee,” Morris received the “Encouragement Award,” from the Campus Activities Board and was awarded Berea’s Elizabeth Perry Miles Award for outstanding community service. In 2001, he was named an Honorary Alumnus by the Berea College Alumni Association. Morris also received special recognition from Madison County Habitat for Humanity for starting the Berea College chapter and for being a founding board member of the county affiliate.

College Forest Named to National Register of Historic Places

The Berea College Forest has been designated as a Historic District (as opposed to a site) by the National Park Services. The designation includes 6,700 acres which were judged as making a significant historic contribution under the categories of conservation and education. Encompassing the oldest portions of the Forest located on Hwy. 21 and two tracts behind the Alumni Building, this designation is unique considering that the land is one of the oldest tracts in the Americas to have a continuous history of application, demonstration, research, and education in scientific forestry/natural resource management. There are several sites in the Forest listed as contributing resources, including the log Forester’s House located near Indian Fort Theater. Lincoln Hall and the Grant House (which burned in 1997) are other College sites listed on the National Historic Register.

Facilities Renovation, Sustainability

Lincoln Hall Is Better than Ever

Lincoln Hall, the College’s second-oldest building and a National Historic Landmark, was re-dedicated Oct. 24 in a ceremony celebrating its history and future.

Following a $5.5 million renovation after a collapse of its central interior in May 2001, the 116 year-old building is back in service as a state-of-the-art “green building.” Lincoln Hall incorporates elements from its past with features consistent with the needs of a modern and healthy workplace. Recalling the collapse of the building’s interior, President Shinn said it was then the idea of transparency was considered. The result of that inspiration is a three-story central atrium that acts as a light well bringing daylight into the building’s core. Through an increased use of glass in interior walls, daylight and outdoor views are ensured for almost every workspace in the building.

Because of the environmentally-friendly and energy-saving building techniques and materials used in the renovation, Lincoln Hall is expected to be the first building in Kentucky to receive certification by the U.S. Green Building Council’s Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (L.E.E.D.) program later this year. The designation recognizes high performance and sustainable buildings and was created to promote integrated, whole-building design practices, and raise consumer awareness of green building practices.

Lincoln Hall houses the president’s office, the finance and business administration departments, offices of the provost and associate provosts, the dean and associate dean of the faculty and the office of institutional research. The first floor is occupied by the Student Services Center, a convenient one-stop shop for students that consolidates academic services, student financial aid, and student accounts.

Internationalization

African Cultural Troupe Brings Ghana to Berea

The Okukurapon Cultural Troupe from Ghana spent the week of November 10 in Berea, showcasing their culture and sharing with the College and community. The Troupe specializes in dancing and drumming and focuses on educational aspects of Ghanaian culture. The group visited with Berea Mayor Steve Connelly, who named the week African Awareness Week in Berea. The traditional ruler of their region, Nana Kobina Amua Sekyi II, presented the mayor with traditional Ghanaian chief’s garb.

During their stay, the group visited classes, held workshops, and presented a twelve-dance performance at the Seabury Center on November 14.
Holocaust Survivor Shares Message of Forgiveness

On October 23, Richard Wiener presented the Robbins Peace and Brotherhood Lecture. Wiener is a lawyer and Head Elder of the Washington D.C. community of the Mankind Project, a not-for-profit men’s organization that trains men to become active service participants within the community.

Wiener was shaped into the service leader he is today by his experiences while a child living in Germany during Nazi rule. Wiener was able to escape the fate of many Jews, including his own father, uncle, and grandparents who were imprisoned. He was one of fewer than 10,000 children allowed to immigrate to England in a child rescue operation called Kindertransport. Eventually his father was released from Buchenwald and Wiener’s parents went to London where they had relatives to take them in. In the summer of 1940, the Wiener family moved to America.

After the fall of the Berlin Wall, Wiener made a trip back to his childhood home of Wittenburg. The experience was so moving that upon returning to America, Wiener began a workshop entitled “The Power of Forgiveness.” He now travels around the country sharing his story of survival.

Wiener explained that his message is particularly important when facing current issues. “If peace is what we’re after,” he said, “war is not how to get there.” He hopes he can help the world develop into a place where we are all concerned with the welfare of others.

Earl G. Robbins, ’32, and his family established the Robbins Peace and Brotherhood lecture to bring speakers involved in the world’s pressing issues to central Kentucky. Robbins was featured in the November 20 issue of the Lexington Herald-Leader for his volunteer efforts throughout his 96 years, including singing at the veterans hospital, merging Lexington’s black and white YMCAs, raising money for families whose utilities were about to be turned off, and establishing the Robbins lecture at Berea College.

“Mountain Madness” Revitalizes a 128-Year-Old Tradition

Students had a day off classes and work and a day on for outdoor fun Oct. 22 for Berea College Mountain Day, a College tradition since 1875. Organizers of the “Mountain Madness” celebration combined activities from the past with some new events for two days of games, music, contests, and hiking in the College forest.

On Mountain Day eve, the 27th annual pops concert by the Berea College Band took place in the Woods-Penniman Commons. On Mountain Day, students were able to take an old-fashioned hayride out to the College forest, where they could hike to the Pinnacles or participate in “Pioneer Power” contests, including cross-cut saw, atlatl throw, log toss, and bow and arrow. A barbeque lunch for all participants was served at Indian Fort Theatre.
Four Runners Head to Nationals; Wagoner is KIAC Coach of the Year

Although long-time track and cross country coach Mike Johnson, ‘73, was on sabbatical this fall, coach Colby Wagoner, ‘93, stepped right in, sending four runners to the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) National Championship meet in Louisville, Ky. November 22. For his accomplishments, Wagoner was named Kentucky Intercollegiate Athletics Association (KIAC) Men’s and Women’s Coach of the Year.

The women’s team placed 6th overall at regionals, with Izabela Luckiewicz, ‘05, placing 2nd in the women’s race to qualify for nationals. Four runners—Luckiewicz, Hannah Miltenberger, ‘05, Megan Naseman, ‘07, and Hannah Mitchell, ‘07,—were named KIAC All-Conference.

Luckiewicz placed 39th out of 256 runners at the national competition with a time of 18:46.3. A political science major at Berea, she was also named a Daktronics-NAIA All-America Scholar Athlete.

The men’s team placed 2nd at regionals, with Mathew Schenk, ‘05, who placed third overall, Isaac Bingham, ‘06, and Jamie Ness, ‘05, all qualifying for nationals. All seven team members—Schenk, Bingham, Ness, Raul Portillo, ‘06, Stephan Hogan, ‘05, Shawn Jakibowski, ‘06, and Brandon Hurley, ‘07—were named KIAC All-Conference.

At nationals, Schenk placed highest, with a time of 26:30.1, which earned him 83rd out of 254 total runners. Bingham and Ness both finished in the top 190. Schenk, an art major, was also named a Daktronics-NAIA All-America Scholar Athlete.

Wagoner was pleased with the way the runners performed at the national championships. “Izabela, Matt, Isaac, and Jamie proved to themselves and the nation that they earned the right to compete at that level and be successful,” he says. “To have Berea College represented by these four student athletes should make the school very proud. I was also encouraged to see our other team members who did not qualify to run at Nationals make the trip to Louisville to cheer us on. That says a lot about the character of this team. I’m proud of all of them.”

Women’s Soccer Boasts National Scholar Athlete

The Berea women’s soccer team boasts a Daktronics-NAIA All-America Scholar Athlete in Carrie Dixon, ‘05, a communications and elementary education major from Winchester, Ky. The team started out well this year, facing tough competition in the region and finishing with a strong 11-7 record. At regionals, they faced off against a strong and deep Brescia University team, and weren’t able to advance. Coach Francis O’Hara anticipates building on a solid base for next year. Dixon is looking forward to her senior season, especially since she was injured for much of this year. “We are a pretty young team, and almost everyone is returning next year,” she says. “We will continue to grow together and do well. I’m looking forward to closing out my college career with this team.”

Five Soccer Seniors Say Goodbye

The final men’s soccer game against 25th ranked Brescia University was a disappointment for the team, but they can be proud of the effort they put forth. After beginning the season 5-1, the team struggled in the later games, finishing with a 6-9 record. Several injuries contributed to the disappointing finish, but Coach David Vaughn was still proud of the team. “The boys played really hard,” he said. “We are very happy with their effort.”

Seniors Joseph Owusu-Ansah, Reck Mhango, Louis Kluesener, Casey Poynter and Eric Newton will be missed, but the team is looking forward to next season.

Mountaineers Score Record-Breaking Seasons

The Mountaineers swim team broke several school records this fall, with three relay teams and several individuals qualifying for the NAIA national competition in March. The Lady Mountaineers basketball team broke several national records for scoring and three point shooting on their way to a Berea record 21-win season, while the Mountaineers won a trip to the NAIA Div. II national hoops tournament with a 56-53 victory over Spalding in the KIAC tournament. Look for full coverage in the spring Magazine!

Come Support the Mountaineers!

Visit the Athletics web page at www.berea.edu/peh for updated schedules, or call the Athletics Department at 859.985.3423
Carnefix Receives 5th Annual Coach Wierwille Award

Tarah Carnefix, '04, a psychology and child development major, received the 5th annual Coach Roland Wierwille Athletic Award this fall. Keith Riley, ’82, president of Berea National Bank, chairman of the award committee, and former Berea basketball player, presented the award. The annual award was established in 1998 to honor the life, work, dedication, determination, and accomplishments of Hall of Fame Coach Roland Wierwille during his years as a teacher, coach, and athletic director at Berea College.

Carnefix has been a softball player for the past three years, and is a starting 3rd baseman and lead-off hitter. Softball coach Scott Buchanan stated in his nomination that “her leadership skills enable me to count on her during practices, games, and in everyday life. Tarah is a well-rounded student-athlete in that she always finds the best out of every situation she faces.” Carnefix is from Elkview, W.Va., and holds a 3.54 grade point average.

Women’s Tennis Takes 2nd in Conference

The Lady Mountaineers tennis team beat a tough Bethel College team to take 2nd in the KIAC tournament in November. They completed a demanding season, finishing 4-4 on the year. Olivia Posada, ’05, won two matches, and Mai Yang, ’06, earned four points as runner-up in the # 6 singles competition and took third place in the # 4 singles. The team’s performance was much improved this year. “It’s been a great year,” said coach Allen Jackson, who coached the women’s team for the first time this semester. “I’m really proud of the whole team. Everyone made good improvements.”

Mills New Men’s Basketball Coach

2003 NAIA South Independent Region and KIAC Coach of the Year John Mills has been named the Mountaineers men’s basketball head coach. Mills has served as interim head coach of the Mountaineers since the 2002-03 season, when the team finished 17-9 and reached the championship game of the NAIA regional tournament.

The Inez, Ky. native began his coaching career in 1983 at Berea Community School where he was an assistant for five years. From 1990-96 he coached women’s basketball at Alice Lloyd College in Knott County, Ky., where he compiled a 116-70 record and was named Tennessee-Virginia Athletic Conference Coach of the Year in 1993. Mills was head coach of the Alice Lloyd men’s team from 1996-98. His lifetime career record is 162-120.

Mills succeeds NAIA Hall of Fame Coach Roland Wierwille, who retired in 2002 after a 30-year career at Berea. Mills served as assistant coach for Wierwille in 2001-02. This year, Mills and assistants Duane Compton, ’02, and Shawn Rymer are working to develop the young team. “We’re very young and inexperienced this year,” says Mills. During this recruiting period, Mills says they are working to bring in three interior players with size and ability, as well as at least one seasoned point guard. “We’re excited about the players we’re looking at, and I think we will attract the players that we need to get the program back up to where it needs to be,” he says.

Mills earned his bachelor’s degree from Alice Lloyd College and a master’s degree from Union College. He and his wife, Barbara VanWinkle Mills, ’80, have two sons, Tyler, 13, and Braden, 10.

In addition to coaching, Mills will continue to serve the College within the division of labor and student life.
Rev. James Bond, an 1892 graduate of Berea and the first African American trustee of the College, was honored with the fourth annual John G. Fee Award at Berea’s Founders’ Day celebration on October 10. Five of James Bond’s grandchildren, including grandson Julian Bond, civil rights leader and former Georgia legislator, accepted the award on behalf of the Bond family.

“This Founders’ Day convocation provides our campus community and special guests with the opportunity to celebrate the heritage of Berea College in a way that unites us in a common legacy and inspires us to build upon that legacy today” said College President Larry D. Shinn. This legacy is celebrated by the John G. Fee Award, which honors early Berea alumni who gave distinguished service to their community. Honorees reflect the ideas of Berea founder Rev. John G. Fee as evidenced in the College’s motto “God has made of one blood all peoples of the earth.”

James Bond was born in 1863 on a farm near Lawrenceburg, Ky., where his mother, Jane Arthur, was a household slave until they were emancipated two years later. In the fall of 1879, Bond enrolled at Berea, bringing with him a young steer given to him by his mother to help pay for his educational expenses. At the time he graduated in 1892, Bond was one of only about 2,000 African Americans in the United States to hold a college degree. He received his bachelor of divinity degree from Oberlin College in 1896.

As a Berea College trustee from 1896-1914, James Bond served during a time of radical change created by the 1904 passage of the Day Law, a Kentucky law aimed at Berea College which made it unlawful for black and white students to be educated together. In 1907, Bond was appointed financial secretary of Berea College, with the chief responsibility of raising money to establish Lincoln Institute, a school for black students initiated by Berea in response to the Day Law. When Lincoln Institute of Kentucky opened in 1912 with an enrollment of about 150 black students, Bond moved there, enrolling his children in the new school. Berea College awarded Bond an honorary master of science degree in 1897 and an honorary doctor of divinity degree in 1901.

James Bond’s grandson Julian Bond has been involved in civil rights activism since he led sit-in demonstrations as a student at Morehouse College in 1960. That year he also helped form the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC), serving as its communications director and working in voter registration drives in rural Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, and Arkansas. During more than 20 years as a state representative and senator, the first African American elected to the Georgia legislature, Julian Bond sponsored or co-sponsored more than 60 bills which became law. Since 1998, he has served as chairman of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), the nation’s oldest and largest civil rights organization. In addition, Bond is Distinguished Scholar in Residence at the American University in Washington, D.C. and a faculty member in the history department at the University of Virginia.

Julian Bond, who spoke as the Bond family representative at the ceremony, reflected on his grandfather’s Berea experience, and the success he made of his life despite many obstacles. “He achieved much. He went far beyond what most would consider lowly origins,” Bond said. “He would be more than delighted that Berea is offering this recognition to him and that the award is named for John Fee.”

The John G. Fee Award, presented to Bond grandchildren Jane Bond Moore, Julian Bond, Max Tinsley, Jr., Max Bond Jr., and Jane Clement Bond, and to great-grandson Eric Bond, representing his father Fred Franklin Bond, was designed and handcrafted by Berea College Woodcraft and Berea artist Ken Gastineau. The award consists of a walnut box featuring a cast-bronze medallion of the African “sankofa” symbol, a bird looking back over its shoulder. The symbol, derived from the Akan people of Ghana, conveys the concept that knowing ourselves requires that we know our heritage and what it means to us today. Inside the box is a woven “millennial” pattern table runner created by Berea College Student Crafts especially for the Fee Award recipients.
On September 11, 2001, passenger airplanes piloted by terrorists flew into the World Trade Center in New York City and the Pentagon in Washington, D.C. Everyone agrees this date will go down as a pivotal day in the history of the United States.

The fundamental question for colleges and universities is, “What are the lessons of 9/11 that we should teach and learn?” If the events of 9/11 marked a historic turn in U.S. and world affairs, what can those events teach us about ourselves and the world beyond? Interestingly, the interpretations of this event during the past two years have disagreed markedly about what 9/11 really means for us Americans and what its lessons are.

On the one hand, it is argued by some that the events of 9/11 were a declaration of war by fundamentalist Muslim terrorists against the United States. From this point of view, it is our duty in the United States to do whatever is necessary to defend ourselves as we would in any other time of war. On the other hand, there are those who argue that the terrorist attacks of 9/11 were really a continuation and intensification of terrorist opposition to modern and/or Western cultures that has led to bombings and hijackings in Europe, Asia, Africa, and, especially, the Middle East for the past three or four decades. The World Trade Center housed a complex of businesses and financial institutions that reached to all parts of the world and was a symbol—and reality—of the 21st century interdependence of people all over the globe. While agreeing with the horror of the 9/11 attacks for American families, this view asks us in the United States to look beyond our own shores and beyond the global economy we dominate to recognize the global cultural, religious, and social dimensions of 9/11. Most importantly, the events of 9/11 contain lessons that have been articulated for nearly a half century about the interdependence of the United States and other peoples of the world.

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. offers us a helpful metaphor of this more inclusive viewpoint in his image of the “world house.” In his book Where Do We Go From Here: Chaos or Community?, King tells this story:

Some years ago a famous novelist died. Among his papers was found a list of suggested plots for future stories, the most prominently underscored being this one: “A widely separated family inherits a house in which they have to live together.” This is the great new problem of mankind. We have inherited a large house, a great “world house” in which we have to live together—black and white, Easterner and Westerner, gentle and Jew, Catholic and Protestant, Moslem and Hindu—a family unduly separated in ideas, culture and interest, who, because we can never again live apart, must learn somehow to live with each other in peace.

King wrote these words in 1967, and they are even more relevant to our lives today. The events of September 11, 2001 have certainly made King’s metaphor of a “world house” more personal and real to us in America.

The World Trade Center was a concrete embodiment of our global marketplace in which events in London and Tokyo or Baghdad and Kabul can have a financial and political impact on our lives here in America and throughout the rest of the world. However, King’s “world house” image...
also focuses upon our cultures, our deepest beliefs and strongest-held views that must be re-examined if we are to find security, peace, and happiness in our “world house.” He speaks of the significant differences in the “ideas, culture and interest” among those who live together in a “world house… where we can never again live apart.”

A fundamental question the events of 9/11 prompt and that we at Berea College (and all colleges and universities) must ask today is, “What difference should the post 9/11 confirmation that we live in a ‘world house’ make in the education we deliver?” Or, put in King’s terms, “How can we teach our students and ourselves who are ‘separated in ideas, culture and interest… [to] learn somehow to live with each other in peace?’” This is a good way we can frame the post-9/11 educational challenge not only for us Americans but all global citizens. Will not our lessons and our energies be misdirected if we simply see the events of 9/11 as an attack on the U.S. only and, therefore, a problem that we alone must solve? What must we teach and learn if we understand 9/11 as a stark reminder that we as United States citizens live in a “world house” like the one King described?

Clearly the principles of the “world house” operate both globally and locally. For example, in the academy, we must attend to our own inter-cultural conflicts if we are to become teachers of peaceful coexistence on a more global level. In recent years, the number of reported hate crimes on college campuses has increased from 1312 in 1997 to 2067 in 2001. These hostile and often violent hate crimes were directed at Jews, Muslims, blacks, Latinos, gays, and, especially since 9/11, at dark-skinned international students. So what must our academic and educational responses be? Shall we just let the conflicts flourish in the name of academic freedom and free speech? Or is there a thoughtful educational agenda we should be pursuing in our general education and disciplinary domains that explores possible avenues of living peacefully in our common local and international “world houses?”

In a very real sense, our “world house” here at Berea College is a microcosm of the national and international “world houses” in which we also reside. Our diversity is obvious in the racial, religious, regional, and international groups that make up our Berea community. Berea College was founded upon such a common vision of human connectedness in John Fee’s insistence on applying the inclusive Christian principle of “impartial love.” Rooted in the Two Great Commandments (love God and love your neighbor), Fee’s vision was both egalitarian and compassionate toward the stranger and those marginalized by social or religious norms. Fee’s vision was summarized in the 2000-year old assertion that “God has made of one blood all peoples of the earth” (Acts 17:26).

We had such an affirmation of our common community and connectedness this past spring when Berea College was threatened by the hate-filled messages of Fred Phelps, an intolerant minister from Topeka, Kansas. Though our Berea College community has had its own recent debates over religious,
sexual, political, and other controversial viewpoints, Berea students and staff came together across religious, political, and other divides when confronted by Phelps’ aggressive messages of hatred and intolerance. A diverse group of students and staff wrote the following statement:

We believe all people have been created in the image of God and are loved by God….God loves all because God is love. We believe love should be the binder that ultimately determines the nature of our community. Hatred neither resolves differences nor illuminates the common good for which we all strive. We recognize that the members of our community represent many different perspectives […] and […] that we do not and need not agree on everything. We affirm each person’s right to form his or her own opinions, and we do believe that it is possible for people to disagree with each other and still maintain loving attitudes expressed through loving actions. To hate another is to desire his or her destruction. To love another is to be committed to his or her ultimate good. We choose to be a community of love.

This statement points to the real capacity in a caring educational community for finding a positive and common ground beneath the real differences in ideas and cultures that exist in Berea’s “world house.” The powerful statement crafted by our diverse campus citizens stems from the same spiritual source as Fee’s founding vision.

One overarching element of all of the embedded lessons of 9/11 is that we must understand ourselves as citizens of the “world house” of which King speaks. To seek peace in our “world house” requires more than an understanding of others and a tolerance for differences; it requires a sense of our common humanity and the multi-faceted interdependence of the occupants of our “world house.”

To see peace in our “world house” requires more than an understanding of others and a tolerance for differences; it requires a sense of our common humanity and the multi-faceted interdependence of the occupants of our “world house.” From this perspective, we must not merely teach an understanding of and appreciation for “the other,” but a sense of our mutuality and common lineage. The statement written last spring was built on Berea College’s traditional and inclusive Christian self-understanding, but it could likewise have been written by those Muslims or Jews or Hindus who have moved beyond theological proclamations to a deeper spiritual understanding of their own religious traditions.

We at Berea are blessed with a Christian self-understanding that “welcomes the stranger” and seeks to respond to hate with love. What the events of recent years have demonstrated is that we do have the capacity at Berea to act upon that vision—that is, when “we choose to be a community of love.” It is such a capacity toward which the lessons of 9/11 direct us, where hope and vision can overcome cynicism and despair. When at our collective best we at Berea College have risen above our differences to find common ground, we have unlocked the doors of peace in our own “Berea world house.” Should we not engage such a curricular mission for our students who will live and work in the “world house” made personal by the events of 9/11?

*This message is excerpted from the President’s Fall 2003 opening convocation for the campus community, delivered on September 11, 2003. The full text can be found on the Berea College website at www.berea.edu/publications/presidentsmessage.htm

3 Berea United and Diverse Statement, “For God so loved the world’ . . . that’s all of us!” March 17, 2003.
Rebecca Chaney, ’04, lives to serve others. Whether conducting research on community service or feeding hungry children (two of her current projects) or helping to establish a non-profit resource center for immigrant workers in her hometown of Bowling Green, Ky. (a project she started before she came to Berea), Chaney intends to make service to others her livelihood. Before then, she has much to learn.

“I need to educate myself to the extent that I can while I have the opportunity,” she explains. “Then I can take these things I learn and try to apply them so I can help better others’ lives.”

As student service-learning coordinator with the Center for Excellence in Learning Through Service (CELTS), Chaney is in a unique position to help coordinate efforts relating to one of Berea’s major initiatives—integrating the College’s outreach and service programs into the curriculum. Service and learning are long-standing traditions of the College, and the commitment to incorporate the two into the academic curriculum was strengthened when the CELTS program was established four years ago. In that short time, CELTS’ efforts have gained national attention. In 2003, for the second consecutive year, US News and World Report recognized Berea College as one of the nation’s best institutions for service-learning.

Dr. Meta Mendel-Reyes, CELTS director, says this recognition endorses the idea that the most effective learning occurs both in the classroom and in the community. “We are really a young center, and for us to be one of the top service-learning institutions suggests that we are seen by others as one of the national leaders,” says Mendel-Reyes. “People are realizing that service-learning is one of the most effective ways for students to learn, whatever the discipline is, and it’s one of the most important ways that a liberal arts institution can help prepare students to be not just specialists, but world citizens.”

Admittedly a hands-on person who craves opportunities to positively influence lives through her work, Chaney echoes the importance of integrating academics and service projects into the curriculum. “It’s like
a spectrum with learning at one end, and service at the other,” says Chaney, a senior majoring in Spanish and child and family studies. “The things between are what we can do to connect the service with the academics.”

In a steeply tiered classroom of 30 students in the Hafer-Gibson Nursing Building, Chaney revisits Dr. Janice Blythe’s nutrition class, a model for successfully integrating service-learning into course work. In addition to learning the requisite details of proteins, fats, carbohydrates, and vitamins, and how they balance a healthful diet, these students broadened their learning opportunities by collecting food donations for the Students for Appalachia Hunger Hurts food drive and assisting with the Oxfam Hunger Banquet.

“I not only gained knowledge in basic nutrition, but I can say that this class was essential in opening my eyes to what is really going on with hunger in the world and why these conditions exist and continue to exist,” says Chaney. “My way of thinking about nutrition and hunger has been developed by the research I did for Dr. Blythe’s class. I learned the causes of hunger, but I also learned that I can do something about these problems.”

Blythe teaches the fundamentals of nutrition with the perspective that hunger is just one of many plaguing social issues, and the process of service-learning can be applied to other social plights. “It’s a way for students to apply what they are reading and to try to connect it in such a way that it has relevance to today’s society,” says Blythe. “I never want students to be able to just memorize or regurgitate facts, but to see how those facts and details can be shaped into a larger framework to resolve real problems.”

Working with the class, Chaney affirms the notion that the most effective learning is experiential and results from the integration of academics and service projects. “There are a lot of political, economical and social issues among college students, Berea College is participating in the Carnegie Political Engagement Project, a 3-year effort to investigate and report on successful examples of politically involved student bodies. “The Carnegie Political Engagement Project is actually trying to look at the relationship between service and political engagement” says Mendel-Reyes, whose course “Service, Citizenship, and Community” is one of 21 courses nationwide chosen for the Carnegie initiative. “They selected specific professors and courses they were interested in, to conduct a large study of college students’ activity in politics. Their study arose from a perception that community service is on the rise on college campuses, but participation in politics is declining.”

The Oxfam Hunger Banquet brings to life the real problem of worldwide hunger. Participants are randomly assigned to a socioeconomic group, and are fed accordingly. Rebecca Chaney coordinated the banquet this year.

Dr. Janice Blythe’s nutrition class goes beyond simply the lack of food to analyze the true causes of hunger and how to effectively relieve the problem.

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Dr. Meta Mendel-Reyes’ course on political engagement helps students learn how to implement real change in the world. “My goal is not so much to have them figure out what the right way to do service is, but to help them analyze problems and develop their own personal philosophy and commitment to service.”

In her course, Mendel-Reyes’ students practice democracy through participatory activities and during a semester-long team community based research project. Mendel-Reyes says her goal for the course and for the project is political effectiveness. “Students learn that people at the grassroots level can make a difference by engaging in community dialogues with local leaders, and by contributing through their project.”

Participation in community service projects is needed, but involvement in politics is essential to make lasting social changes, agrees Chaney. “Political changes are the most difficult to accomplish, but they are also the ones where you can get the most change,” she explains. “You can educate people that they need certain things in their diet and hope they get it, or you can implement change through the political process to ensure they are getting a proper diet.”

While the goal of Blythe’s nutrition class is not to answer all the questions regarding hunger, many students tackle the issues of food distribution or malnourishment with hopes of finding some answers. “We are learning the basic nutritional values that we can use in our professions,” says Jessica Culver, ’07, a child development major. “This is a first step for us as college students who are getting ready to go into our professional lives and learn how to be involved in our communities. It sure doesn’t hurt to do something, and at least gets the ball rolling so people think a little bit further about issues like hunger or poverty. There is always more that can be done, and there will always be more than can be done.”

Mendel-Reyes stresses that good service results from good learning, and students contemplate complex issues as part of the service-learning process. “On one hand, they are having this experience that makes them feel good by contributing to the families who use the food pantry (through the Hunger Hurts food drive). On the other hand, does direct service solve problems?” asks Mendel-Reyes. “How do we actually change the social problems that service is meant to address? My goal is not so much to have them figure out the right way to do service, but to help them analyze problems and develop their own personal philosophy and commitment to service.”

Chaney’s personal philosophy and commitment to service is passionate to the point of tears. “I came into this class and said, ‘OK, there’s hunger.’ Then I did research, and I would be in the library crying because people were hungry,” says Chaney. “I come to these classes to get people involved. I want them to see how important this is. I love it that Dr. Blythe has the service learning component in her class because that’s where I got the most out of the class. I want students to use what they’re learning in class to address the bigger issues outside the classroom.”

Although it may be years from now, Chaney plans to enter the political arena by organizing efforts at the grass-roots level, but first she wants to pursue an advanced degree in sociology. In the meantime, she will continue to embody Berea’s institutional commitment to service-learning.

“I am fortunate to have the opportunity to attend college,” says Chaney. “With my education, I must now create change in my life, my community, and in my world so that others will be able to have a chance at a better life.”

During the Students for Appalachia “Hunger Hurts” Food Drive, student volunteers visit Berea homes to collect food from community members for local food banks.
Finding Answers, Creating New Questions

Science Research Programs Teach New Ways of Problem-Solving

By Julie Sowell

At the laboratory bench where he has been working all week, Jeremy Rotty carefully spreads a thin layer of gel over a glass electrophoresis plate. The procedure is one step in a process that will eventually reveal on film the pattern of rectangular bands recognizable as a DNA sequence that will be used to make a positive ID.

In another laboratory down the hall, Erica Summey adds a small bit of the amino acid she is analyzing into a flash column to remove impurities from the sample. The amino acid is one of several she has synthesized in an effort to create completely new protein building blocks that could one day be part of a disease-fighting medicine.

These could be scenes from an episode of television’s *CSI: Crime Scene Investigation*, or a drug trial at a major pharmaceutical company - but they’re not. And neither Jeremy nor Erica is a hot-shot forensics expert or finding a cure for cancer—at least not yet. These are glimpses from a science program at Berea College in which biology major Rotty, ’06, and chemistry major Summey, ’04, each spent a summer learning the techniques and tools of genetics-based research.

Through its affiliation with the Kentucky Biomedical Research Infrastructure Network (KBRIN), Berea is better preparing biology and chemistry majors for careers in biomedical science and is also part of a larger initiative to advance genetics-based and bioinformatics-based research and education in the state of Kentucky.
KBRIN, under the direction of Dr. Nigel Cooper, has been developed through a grant to the University of Louisville from the National Center for Research Resources of the National Institutes of Health (NIH). In addition to U of L, the 13-member collaborative network includes the University of Kentucky, the state’s public regional institutions, Berea and three other private institutions.

“We have limited resources in Kentucky and the idea is for everybody in the network to pool those resources because you can do a lot more as a group than you can individually,” says Dr. Dawn Anderson, associate professor and biology department chair.

“Making connections with both the big research universities and with other schools our size has been a huge plus.” Anderson and assistant professor of chemistry Dr. Matthew Saderholm, ’92, are co-investigators for Berea’s KBRIN-sponsored program. Anderson is also chair of KBRIN’s Summer Undergraduate Research Program Committee.

KBRIN-supported activities at all of the institutions are directed toward enhancements in basic science and biomedical research capabilities, particularly in the area of genomics, the study of genes and their function. However, each school’s program is geared to its own educational or research mission.

“Scientists at each school wrote up a proposal that they thought would help them get farthest along in terms of biomedical research capabilities,” Anderson explains. “Our program is focused on gene-based research and computer-based technologies.”

Anderson and Saderholm were particularly interested in providing educational opportunities for themselves and their students in the emerging field of bioinformatics, the application of computer technology to the management and analysis of biological data.

Traditionally, molecular biology research was carried out entirely at the experimental laboratory bench, but the huge increase in the scale of data being produced through genetic research has created a need to incorporate computers into the research process. Bioinformatics promises to lead to advances in understanding basic biological processes, and in turn, advances in the diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of many diseases.

Thanks to a three-year grant from KBRIN, Anderson and Saderholm have been able to expand their knowledge and experience in gene-based and bioinformatics technology, develop bioinformatics components in their courses, and conduct research with students during the summer.

Saderholm, a biological chemist, has taken the research on proteins he began doing in his Ph.D. program at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in some new directions. “I’m a protein engineer by training,” says Saderholm. “I came from a lab where we used organic chemistry to make small bits of protein and ask questions about them. Some of that research wasn’t feasible here because of costs and equipment needs, so when I came to Berea I wanted to find some program that could continue my interest in biological chemistry, but also find questions and techniques that were accessible to students. The new research that I’ve been doing is trying to design a class of anti-biotic peptides (small protein chains) that we can possibly extend to something pharmaceutical.”

During the past two summers, Saderholm and his students designed the project and synthesized the proteins, including designing novel amino acids for the peptides that can withstand the digestive system of bacteria. They also used computer modeling to look at existing anti-microbial peptides.

“We need to understand what nature has done, because that’s what the model has to be based on,” Saderholm explains. “There are now over 20 billion sequences out there that are in the databases, and we can learn an enormous amount by asking, What is this similar to? If we know that a

protein in a certain bacteria has a certain sequence and we know it does, then if we find a similar sequence in humans, in all likelihood it’s serving the same basic function. So now we can understand the function of unknown proteins by looking at what we already do know.”

The KBRIN grant made it possible for the chemistry department to purchase the computer hardware and specialized software for analyzing these huge amounts of data and for molecular modeling. Vector NTI, the sequence analysis software, is installed on every biochemistry student’s laptop computer so they can do sequence analysis for research or classwork. A more powerful workstation was needed to run the molecular modeling software.

“It’s really been wonderful to have as good a machine as is available anywhere,” says Saderholm. “Insight2000, the molecular modeling package running on our new workstation, is the same software used by the major pharmaceutical companies.”

Summey worked with Saderholm on the project this past summer. The experience was her first full-time research experience and the first
summer she’s spent away from her home in Gate City, Va. Among the benefits was the feeling that she’d moved to a new level. “It felt good having a key to the science building,” she recalls. “I really felt like a chemist—like all my school work had finally built up to something that I could use.”

The greatest tangible benefit, Summey says, was learning a lot of new techniques. “I’d never done column chromatography before, and I also learned to use some of the spectrometers for characterizing, but NMR (nuclear magnetic resonance), that’s my favorite.”

Nuclear Magnetic Resonance technology uses knowledge of how substances react to magnetic impulses to analyze and identify substances, the same principal behind the medical diagnostic procedure of Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI).

“Undergraduates at most large research universities wouldn’t get anywhere near an NMR spectrometer—they simply wouldn’t have the opportunity,” explains Saderholm. “Our students get hands-on training so they really have abilities that are not common for undergraduates. After working with NMR this summer, Erica walked right into our Advanced Lab course this fall and was showing professors how to do things they weren’t that familiar with.”

For her KBRIN research, Anderson has been able to involve students in a project started when she began teaching at Berea in 1992.

“Because of the region Berea is in, I thought at that time I would start a Berea-focused project,” Anderson says. “I had two students who isolated a lot of bacteria that grew on hydrocarbon compounds you might find in coal or oil.”

A large part of those bacteria were lost in a freezer accident, but students now are working with the bacteria that survived. Rotty worked on the project during the summer of 2002, following his freshman year. “We classified hydrocarbon degrading soil bacteria using a different approach than is usually taken,” Rotty says. “Instead of letting the bacteria grow and identifying it by how it looks, we tried to look at the actual DNA and see how close it was to the DNA of other types of bacteria to get a positive identification on what type it is.”

He had no idea what full-time research would be like before he started, but Rotty discovered he liked the opportunity to work independently. “It was definitely a growing experience,” he says. “Dr. Anderson gave me a list of things to do and the actual analysis was left up to me. She directed me in the techniques and the background information and when I needed help, but she left me alone to succeed or fail and learn from my mistakes.”

Other students worked on the project this past summer and two more continued it as an independent study this fall. Under Anderson’s guidance, they performed all of the several steps involved in producing a DNA sequence.

“At large research universities this is all automated,” Anderson says. “We can’t afford that, but the nice thing about doing it this way is that students actually get hands-on experience doing the sequencing. It takes a little longer but they understand it—it isn’t magic to them. They see it from start to finish, which is really important to me and to them.”

It is at the next stage in the research that bioinformatics comes in.

“Students have to enter the sequence information into the computer to find out what the organism is,” explains Anderson. In what is known as a BLAST search, students enter the sequence into the NIH NCBI (National Center for Biotechnology Information) system and search the NCBI database. The program compares the unknown sequence to the hundreds of thousands in the database to provide the identity. Comparing this bit of genetic material to others can also provide information about how one organism is related to another.

“The DNA sequencing technique that Jeremy and the others are doing is similar to techniques you would use for DNA fingerprinting in forensics or medicine,” Anderson says. “We’re using bacteria, because they are easier to work with, but our students get to learn a variety of techniques that are
commonly used in medical and biomedical research.”

Opportunities for undergraduate science research have been going on at Berea for 40 years, started by chemistry professor Tom Beebe in the 1960s—long before most colleges and universities instituted such programs. “The whole idea of students doing undergraduate research hardcore is a recent phenomenon,” says Anderson. “I did research as an undergraduate when I was at the University of Washington in the early 1980s, and I was the only undergraduate in an enormous department doing that. Now it’s the expectation that if you’re planning on a research career it’s essential that you have it. Berea was way ahead of the curve.”

Saderholm says summer research experiences with Beebe, current chemistry chair Dr. Lee Roecker, and later at UK were important parts of his education. “I did research every summer I was in college,” he says. “Those experiences gave me confidence in my own abilities, and gave me motivation to continue working because I could see the connection between the stuff in the books and what was going on in the labs. It gave me skills that I could take with me to graduate school.”

For Berea students today, the KBRIN research experiences are providing those same benefits, supplementing the research-rich curriculums implemented by the biology and chemistry departments in recent years. KBRIN funds also have allowed Anderson to design gene-based and bioinformatics-based labs in the courses she teaches and helped both departments purchase new equipment and the expensive supplies necessary for genetics-based research.

“In the KBRIN project I work exclusively with freshmen who have no research experience at all. We’re involving students in research their first year now because we want to show them that science is more than learning facts, it’s working on problems you don’t know the answer to,” says Anderson. “That’s where the undergraduate research has really helped—it gets them excited about that.”

The strategy is paying off, say both Anderson and Saderholm, in the quality of education students are receiving and in their interest in research. “There has been an upsurge in student interest in pursuing research,” says Anderson. “We are actually at the point now where we have more students applying to graduate school than medical school.”

Rotty says that’s what happened for him. Building on his KBRIN research experience, Rotty spent this past summer doing cancer research at Vanderbilt University and is planning a career in biomedical research. And along with Summey, he was one of 30 Berea students who made poster presentations at the 2003 Kentucky Academy of Science Annual Meeting at Western Kentucky University in November.

“Doing this research really prepared me for the advanced courses and also helped me decide I want to do this for a living instead of going to medical school, so it’s given me a lot of direction,” he says. Summey is considering a career in forensic science or perhaps pharmacology.

Meanwhile, the research at Berea will continue. Anderson’s students will keep pondering the genetics behind some bacteria’s ability to live on motor oil, and next summer Saderholm’s students will be asking “Do the proteins we’ve designed really work?”

“Hopefully, we’ll be able to make these things we’ve come up with and test them out,” Saderholm says.

Maybe they will work. More likely, they’ll create new questions. And that’s just fine with Berea’s budding researchers.

**Undergraduate Research Goes Beyond the Lab**

A college-wide program to provide undergraduate research and creative project experiences was formally initiated at Berea in 1995. Since then, more than 115 students have received summer stipends and grants for on-campus research and projects in history, technology, literature, theatre, science, philosophy, physical education, and creative art, among others. Many students are able to take advantage of off-campus research opportunities each summer as well.

Berea students have studied and performed Japanese puppetry, researched Irish Renaissance literature, conducted a comprehensive review of technology use in the classroom, created photography exhibits, helped compile a database of Middle Eastern semitic inscriptions for archaeologists, studied traditional Appalachian dance in Eastern Kentucky, learned to create illustrations with Computer Assisted Design (CAD), and researched literature and the internet.

“This project helped me become more responsible and motivated to work on my own,” says Tinsley Carter, ’05, who worked with Dr. Alan Mills, associate professor of technology and industrial arts, on a project to restore historical photographs using digital imaging techniques. “At the same time, I felt fortunate to have the opportunity to work so closely with Dr. Mills. I don’t think that would have been possible without the research program here at Berea.”

During summer 2002, Miranda Kau, ’04, Susan Bond, ’05, and Laura Jordan, ’05, worked with associate professor of English and theatre Shan Ayers to research traditional Japanese Bunraku puppetry, create their own American influenced puppets, and perform original scripts written by Trish Ayers. As performances continue to be requested, Mountain Spirit Puppets, founded by the Ayers family, has involved 13 more Berea students in performances on campus, across the United States, and at the prestigious Isla international puppet festival in Japan.

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With 49 percent of marriages ending in divorce, couples are looking for ways to stop the trend. Campus Ministry can’t wave a magic wand, but does offer a Pre-Marriage Workshop. The workshop isn’t listed in the college catalog or schedule of classes because you don’t get a letter grade or course credit for taking it. But it does help student couples learn more about each other and the communication required to have a successful marriage.

The Pre-Marriage Workshop consists of sessions dealing with communication, finance, physical relations and spiritual factors such as forgiveness, acceptance, and choosing a church.

counseling sessions are encouraged to sign up.

“This counseling was begun in the sixties to accommodate the large number of students who were marrying in May and June at the end of the semester,” explains Lee Morris, retired campus minister. “It relieved some of the counseling load before the ceremony for the local ministers and really clicked with the students.” When Morris became a College campus minister under President Weatherford, he found Father Henry Parker’s pre-marriage counseling classes were no longer being offered. Morris heard from the students how meaningful these sessions were, so he revived Parker’s idea.

“I wanted the atmosphere to be non-threatening so any question could be asked and answered,” recalls Morris. “Meeting in a group setting rather than individually was not as intimidating to the couples. At the end of the workshop each year, the student comments were so positive, I would begin planning for the next year.”

Campus ministers Gloria Johnson and Randy Osborne have coordinated past workshops. “I’m amazed year after year with the
quality of individual presenters,” says Osborne. Presenters have included doctors, financial planners, college professors, ministers, and other professionals who bring their personal stories as well as expertise. “The couples are good audiences because they are eager to hear what the speakers have to say and are active participants, giving their points of view and asking questions. Presenters do not want to disappoint this kind of audience.”

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Campus minister Loretta Reynolds and counselor/therapist Sue Reimondo are the most recent coordinators, having led the May 2003 group. The two plan to offer another session in May ’04.

“When Lee retired,” says Reynolds, “we shortened the sessions from five or six weeks to a weekend workshop but kept Lee’s notebook with the basic topics and just did some tweaking. We’ve packed in a lot of information.”

Tommy Clapp, ’04 and Angela Young, ’03, were one of the 10 couples who participated in the 2003 session. Tommy and Angela married June 28. “The workshop was really helpful because it brought up some topics we had not thought out beforehand,” says Tommy. “The communication session taught us how to listen by putting ourselves in the other’s shoes.”

Jonathan Armstrong, ’05, and Jennifer Crocker, ’06, also took part in the session. They are engaged to marry in August 2004. “Learning better ways of resolving arguments was helpful in our relationship,” says Jonathan. Jennifer seconds that. “We argued a lot about trivial matters. The workshop helped us understand why. We weren’t really listening to each other. The class taught us effective ways to listen, then step back and see if it’s even worth arguing about.”

Even when couples do listen, there still may be some things they may never agree on. “And that’s okay,” Reimondo says. “Couples not resolving every issue is a novel idea to students. But there are ways to accept the other person’s opinion and move on.”

Sometimes it’s important to question old formulas for solving marital problems, and the workshop gives couples a chance to think about how they can get along well together. In modern marriages, old formulas or traditional ways of thinking are being challenged. Assumptions such as the man being head of the household or that the man is the breadwinner so he knows best how to save and invest are two examples Johnson sees.

“Some couples want to believe love is the answer to any problem,” she explains. “They go into a marriage not as open with each other as they should be. I want to teach the couples what it means to live together as a family day-to-day—that respect goes with love.”

For couples who may want or need additional counseling, Reynolds and Reimondo are available on campus. “A one weekend workshop is not the be all, end all but jump-starts students to see why it’s important to solve conflicts, and start thinking about finances and the whole spectrum of marriage,” says Reynolds. “I do these sessions because the students are putting real energy into these meetings and it is a very important step of which I can be a part. It’s very fulfilling.”

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Angela recommends the workshop to other couples. “My advice, based on what I’ve learned, is to be patient; don’t assume you know what the other person is always feeling but ask and say how you feel. It’s work, but it’s worth it.” Jonathan even suggests an earlier workshop on relationships and dating before marriage is in the picture. “That would be great because you could learn so much earlier the best ways to get along and make mature choices,” he says.

Before thinking about marriage, Reimondo has some sage advice for students. “Spend lots of time together,” she says. “Learn how to be good to yourself, develop your individual goals as well as shared goals, and have fun together. The couples interaction in the workshop is very motivating.”
“I’ve had trouble reconciling the idea of receiving more from Berea College than I’ve already received with my own deeply rooted feelings that I shouldn’t be receiving—I should be giving to Berea,” reflected Robert G. Lawson, ’61. “They pushed open a door of opportunity that would have otherwise been shut.”

Lawson was honored with the College’s Distinguished Alumnus Award during Homecoming 2003. An attorney and law professor for 37 years at the University of Kentucky, and former dean of the UK Law School, Lawson has received numerous honors, including twice being awarded the University of Kentucky “Great Teacher Award.”

“I feel very fortunate to have stumbled across this little college,” Lawson said. “To have become a very tiny part of what is, in my opinion, a very remarkable place.”

Carl Thomas, ’78 (left), longtime College admissions officer, received the Rodney C. Bussey Award of Special Merit. Ed FitzGerald (right), who worked extensively with international students and in the Student Life Collegium, was named Honorary Alumnus. Both were honored at Saturday’s alumni coffee before the parade.

Will Jones, ’95, former national coordinator and managing director of Call to Renewal, a national faith-based movement to reduce poverty, and new director of the Berea Fund, was named Outstanding Young Alumnus.
Lady Mountaineers had a tough Homecoming matchup against undefeated traditional rival Cumberland College, but fell just short of victory at 66-57. The Lady Mountaineers had an easier time with Knoxville College, defeating the Bulldogs 93-66.

Homecoming Queen Jody Brouillet, ’05, a communications major from Redford, Mich. and King Joshua Bergstrom, ’05, a technology education major from Orlando, Fla., were crowned at halftime of the men’s varsity game.

Heath Dakota Griggs enjoyed a romp in the leaves during a homecoming visit with his mother, Jennifer Miller, ’01, and godmother Nita (Hannah) Kirkpatrick, ’02.


1st row: Mike Skidmore, Raymond B. McKinney, Denise Roberts McKinney (Forest and Raymond D.) 2nd row: Joey Carabetta, Kris Lawson Carabetta (Juliana), Kathy Newsome. 3rd row: Vicky Dinmore, Vanessa Armstrong, Mary Johnson (Odelia), Joe Bagnoli; 4th row: Bryant Sigler, Teresa Miller, 5th row: Tony Wright, Tim Settles.
From our predecessors to us, to present and future students, Berea’s legacy has been handed down from generation to generation for 147 years. An ideal and an obligation entrusted to future generations, Berea College is dedicated to all peoples of the earth, to excellence in education, to work, to service, and to the Appalachian region.

The Extending Berea’s Legacy campaign seeks to raise $150 million and is scheduled to conclude with the 150th anniversary of the founding of Berea College. The legacy is as relevant today as it was nearly 150 years ago. With ideas that matter and values that endure, Berea’s is a story and a movement that calls for action.

As part of the activities surrounding the kick off of the Extending Berea’s Legacy campaign, “broken ground” was “swept” to make way for a new child development laboratory (CDL), to be named in honor of Boyd and Gaynell Fowler, who provided the lead gift for the new building. The CDL is one of several initiatives identified by the College’s strategic plan that is being funded by the campaign. When completed, the child care and early childhood education programs which now are provided in various locations on campus will be enhanced and consolidated in the new state-of-the-art facility.

Destiny Calhoun, an alumna of Berea’s current Child Development Laboratory, shoveled the swept sand into a ceremonial bucket at the CDL “groundsweeping” ceremony. When the new CDL is completed, her bucket of sand will be added to a sandbox at the new facility to ceremonially link the “Being and Becoming” of early childhood programs at Berea College.

(Other initiatives will be spotlighted in future issues of the campaign newsletter.)

Close to two hundred people attended the groundbreaking event. Speakers included Berea College alumn, Mayor Steven Connelly, ’74, who informed the guests that he himself was a student at the Child Development Laboratory while growing up in Berea.
This campaign, Extending Berea’s Legacy, is an occasion both for celebration and anticipation. We celebrate all that you, our alumni and friends, have done to help us during the leadership phase of our campaign. Our goal in this campaign is not just to raise $150 million. Rather, the campaign funds are simply a vehicle which helps transport us to the real goal of helping students in need, as expressed in Berea’s Great Commitments.

Striving to effectively carry out the Great Commitments is an ambitious goal toward which we must persevere in order to extend Berea’s legacy of learning, labor, and service well into the 21st century. We celebrate the generous support that you and many others have provided, indicating that you recognize the impact of Berea College on students in need. We also have a sense of anticipation for what is yet to be.

In just over two years, Berea College will mark its sesquicentennial. Please imagine how you can help us meet our full goal of raising $150 million by the time of Berea College’s 150th anniversary in 2005-06. What might you do to ensure the success of this campaign to extend Berea’s legacy? How might you help to fund specific initiatives that will help our students, both now and on into the 21st century? Who might you know that needs to hear the Berea story? Is there an additional gift that you can make? Is there someone you know who can help us in our work and help us meet our goal?

Thank you for what you have done. Your support during the leadership phase of this campaign is meaningful and very much appreciated. Thank you also for what I’m confident you will do in the coming years to help the “being” and the “becoming” of Berea College. It is an important legacy worth extending.
I’m very proud of my connection to Berea. When I was born in 1941, my mother was president of her class; she took me to her first reunion when I was four weeks old. I haven’t missed one since.

I’m honored to chair the Extending Berea’s Legacy campaign—a campaign deliberately focused on building endowment funds to support the vision of Berea College, now and into the 21st century. This campaign extends our core values—the Great Commitments of Berea College. The needs of students do not wait for better times, and we cannot wait. Berea needs the continuing support of friends and alums to get the job done. To raise $150 million for Berea’s 150th anniversary will be a great tribute to Berea and its compelling mission. I know, with your help, we will succeed.

Comprehensive Campaign Trustee Co-chairs: David Swanson and Donna S. Hall

David Swanson and Donna S. Hall are providing leadership as trustee co-chairs for the Extending Berea’s Legacy campaign.

David Swanson is the retired senior vice president and former director of Procter & Gamble. His civic activities include promoting education, fine arts, and health care, and service to his community and church.

Donna Hall is an entrepreneur and civic leader who has been active in fund raising, coordinating, and planning for numerous organizations, including the arts, health care, education, and community service programs.

Comprehensive Campaign Alumni Co-chairs: Dr. James & Ophelia Burton and Dr. James & Jan Crase

Dr. James Burton, ’58, and Ophelia Weaver Burton, ’59, Dr. Jim Crase, ’58, and Jan Hunley Crase, Cx ’60, have used their Berea education not only in successful careers, but in serving others, making them an inspired choice to lead the Alumni campaign. “Like many Berea students, I was the first in my family to attend college,” recalls Jim Burton.

“Berea College offered to me the means for making my parents’ dream and mine come true. Berea inspired me to continue my education at the graduate level and to complete 37 years in research and public service. There are still students today, and in future generations, who deserve to realize their dreams for an education. We need your help in offering them that opportunity and ask you to join us in this worthwhile endeavor.”

Ophelia Burton also knows the effect a Berea education can have. “Berea College has probably been the greatest single influence on who I am today,” she says. “There were many faculty members at Berea who influenced my life in special, very specific ways. I am a true convert when it comes to Berea and the impact that it can have on the lives and values of its students. We can all give to our ability and give consistently. I encourage all fellow alumni to do so.”

“Co-chairing the campaign is a very small way of paying back something that meant a great deal to all of us, and to a lot of others as well,” adds Jan Crase. “I can’t think of a more worthwhile way to spend our time than to do this for Berea.”

Jim Crase agrees. “I’m a physician and I’ve been privileged to enjoy a successful life,” he says. “However, I and most of my classmates in the mountains of Kentucky would have wound up in the coal mines, as did our families, were it not for Berea College. To find Berea, a light shining on a hill—I couldn’t believe it! Berea was a place where work was dignity. Berea, where the most important thing was the agility of your mind and not how big your house or your bank account was. The only way that Berea can continue to help the people that need it most is for all of us to help make sure Berea continues to exist on a scale where it can be a player in the modern world. Come help us push the shining light high enough and far enough for the whole world to see.”
Recognizing our Donors

Donations to our Comprehensive Campaign, *Extending Berea’s Legacy*, have come in all sizes from many sources. During the leadership phase of the Campaign, the following donors provided initial significant gifts to fund major initiatives. The generosity of these donors serves as a model and inspiration to others and has enabled Berea College to begin the implementation phases of many of the important projects and programs the Campaign will fully fund.

We wish to acknowledge the following individuals and foundations inducted into the John G. Fee Society, which recognizes select foundations and individuals who, during their lifetime, have contributed one million dollars or more to Berea College:

*Frank Fife, ’49
*1525 Foundation (formerly the Second Foundation)
*Boyd, Cx’37, and Gaynell Fowler
*R. Elton, ’65, and Gordie White, Cx ’66

Additional Fee Society members will be recognized in the future.

Thus far, close to 75,000 gifts have been received from throughout the United States. More than $5.5 million has been received in gifts of $500 or less from nearly 29,000 donors, while more than $72 million has arrived in gifts of $50,000 or more from 237 donors. Alumni and alumnirelated donations have surpassed $16 million.

At Berea College, every dollar counts and is invested wisely in the education of deserving and talented youth. Whether your Campaign gift represents an increased commitment to the Berea Fund, a major gift to fund a special Campaign initiative, or possibly remembering Berea in your Will, each gift helps to ensure that Berea’s legacy of serving students is as meaningful and effective today as it was nearly 150 years ago.

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**Major Campaign Goals and Initiatives***

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| Other Initiatives                                                                |                      |                              |
| Study Abroad Program                                                             | 1,500,000            | 2,241,418                    |
| Campus-Based International Programs                                              | 400,000              | 20,300                       |
| International Student Scholarships                                              | 750,000              | 834,840                      |
| Sustainability and Environmental Studies                                          | 500,000              | 0                            |
| Three Endowed Faculty Chairs                                                     | 4,500,000            | 1,506,515                    |
| Student Parent Recruitment and Support                                            | 750,000              | 260,653                      |
| Internships                                                                       | 750,000              | 63,000                       |
| **Totals for Other Initiatives**                                                 | **9,150,000**        | **4,276,726**                 |
| Comprehensive Campaign Undesignated Funds                                       | 0                    | 60,000                       |
| **Totals for All Initiatives**                                                   | **29,000,000**       | **23,087,716**                |

| Total Comprehensive Campaign                                                     |                      |                              |
| Berea Fund                                                                       | 25,000,000           | 19,600,197                   |
| Other Outright Gifts                                                             | 50,000,000           | 32,130,906                   |
| Bequests                                                                         | 75,000,000           | 56,646,363                   |
| (Bequests Included in Berea Fund Total)                                          | (2,551,063)          | (3,435,411)                  |
| Outstanding Commitments                                                         |                      |                              |
| **Grand Total**                                                                 | **150,000,000**      | **109,261,814**               |

*The Extending Berea’s Legacy Campaign will fund current programs and projects, while also finding new funds to underwrite important new initiatives that will strategically place Berea to serve students in the 21st century. The $150 million Campaign goal includes gifts to the annual Berea Fund, bequests, and other outright gifts.*
About Berea People

The Berea College Alumni Association enjoys hearing from Bereans all over the U.S. and the world. The “About Berea People” section of the Berea College Magazine reports news that has been sent to the Association by alumni, as well as news we find in various local and regional media. Please let us know what’s going on with you! You may use the form on p. 33, call 1-800-457-9846, or e-mail shelley_rhodus@berea.edu. Please include the class year, and name used while at Berea.

1932

Earl G. Robbins was featured in the November 20 issue of the Lexington (Ky.) Herald-Leader for his volunteer efforts throughout his 96 years, including singing at the veterans hospital, merging the black and white YMCAs, raising money for families whose utilities were about to be turned off, and establishing the Robbins Race and Brotherhood lecture at Berea College to bring speakers involved in the world’s pressing issues to central Kentucky. He lives in Richmond Race, a retirement community in Lexington, Ky.

1936

Delmas Saunders, Q’36, is a member of the Irene Cole Memorial Baptist Church, where he has served as Sunday School superintendent, deacon, and trustee.

1939

Betty Maskewitz

The Class of 1939 will observe its 65th Reunion during Summer Reunion 2004, scheduled for June 11-13. The reunion chairperson is Dr. Grant Bagley. He can be reached at 2721 Hartwood Drive, Fort Worth, TX 76109-1224 or via e-mail at docbeg@home.com.

Join the Club!

Berea College Gift Clubs offer a number of ways to recognize the generous alumni and friends who support Berea’s students. This year, the College has created new clubs as well as modified the membership specifications for current clubs (effective July 1, 2003.) See where you fit in and join one of Berea’s clubs!

The John G. Fee Society recognizes individuals and select foundations who make gifts of $1 million or more during their lifetime.

The Founders’ Club confers lifetime memberships to those who have contributed $50,000 or more to Berea College, or who indicate their intention of contributing $5,000 annually until $50,000 (including past donations) has been reached.

The President’s Club confers lifetime memberships to those who have already contributed $20,000 or more to Berea College, or who indicate their intention of contributing $2,000 annually until $20,000 (including past donations) has been reached.

The Second Century Club recognizes the annual $250-plus donor. Individuals giving $250-$499 during a fiscal year will receive a bronze tab, those giving $500-$999, a silver tab, and those giving $1,000 or more will receive a gold tab. All gifts made between July 1 and June 30 will apply toward the current fiscal year’s membership.

The Great Commitments Society honors donors who have made a testamentary provision for the College or have a life-income agreement with Berea. The College dedicated a plaque in the Draper building garden honoring GCS members in fall 2003.

For more information on Berea College Gift Clubs, contact:

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Navy V-12

V-12 June 4-6, 2004 REUNION

The Navy V-12 group will hold a reunion June 4-6, 2004. The chair of the Navy V-12 Executive Committee is Charlie Willett. He can be reached at 120 Hillcrest Drive, Bardstown, KY 40004-1800.

1944

The Class of 1944 will observe its 60th Reunion during Summer Reunion 2004, scheduled for June 11-13. The reunion chairpersons are Dr. Annabel Brake Clark and Jane Morton Perry. Dr. Clark can be reached at 675 S.University Blvd. Apt. 201, Denver, CO 80209-3326 or via e-mail at reedsark@earthlink.net. Mrs. Perry can be reached at RR 1 Box 477B, South Shore, KY 41175 or via e-mail at june.perry2@verizon.net.

1947

Scharlene Oney Branum, a retired Baltimore County (Md.) teacher, is living at Oak Crest Retirement Village in Baltimore. She has had short stories and poetry published in the last three issues of Reflections, the village’s magazine.

1948

Myrtle Barrett Alchey, Q’48, retired bookkeeper with Kentucky Farm Bureau Insurance Company, resides in Louisville, Ky.

1949

The Class of 1949 will observe its 55th Reunion

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The Class of 1954 will observe its 50th Reunion during Summer Reunion 2004, scheduled for June 11-13. The reunion chairperson is Joyce Loy Welch. She can be reached at 2712 Forest Ave., Ashland, KY 41101-3918.

Mary Alice Atwood retired June 5 after 25 years of service with the Pitkin Beach County (Ra.) School Board as a bilingual school psychologist.

Dr. Donal Kress, Ox’65, was appointed to an unprecedented fourth four-year term on the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards; the country’s major statutory advisory committee, established by Congress in 1957 to provide oversight to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission in all matters of nuclear power safety and licensing. Dr. Kress lives in Oak Ridge, Tenn. with his wife, Dolores.

Dr. Donald Morton, Ox’65, was featured in an article in the Aug. 19 Times about his research in finding a vaccine for cancer. He helped found CancerVac and runs the John Wayne Cancer Institute in California. He has achieved prominence for the development of sentinel lymph node biopsies which have been used in breast cancer cases and is being tried on other cancers.

Bilby Edd Wheelor has published a new book, Star of Appalachia. The novel is a saga about a young songwriter with roots in West Virginia and North Carolina whose songs are stolen by someone in Nashville and made into hits. Unable to find a lawyer to take on the powerful music industry, he infiltrates the company himself to try and solve the mystery. To find out more about the music, art, and writing of Billy Edd, and to order his book and other writings and recordings, visit www.billyeddwheelor.com, or contact Teresa Tatham, 138 Oakland Drive, Black Mountain, NC 28711.

The Class of 1958 Nursing Class was present for a special reunion at the Hike-O-Bison nursing building during Summer Reunion in June 2003. (L-R) 1st row: Anne Riyes Collins, Arams, Natalie Jacobs, Marisa, Regg, McCallum, Dian. 2nd row: Grace Howard, Harness, Dolly Hamilton, Helen Raker, Hagen, Sue Troutman Henry, Sue Hie Atkinson.

The Class of 1959 will observe its 45th Reunion during Summer Reunion 2004, scheduled for June 11-13. The reunion chairpersons are Raymond and Shelby Sawyer Morris. They can be reached at 245 Parkview Drive, Cartersville, GA 30120-4053 or via e-mail at shelbyquilt@juno.com.

Bill Best, retired professor of physical education at Berea College and owner of the non-profit Sustainable Mountain Agriculture Center, was awarded the Ruth Fintel Keeper of the Flame Award from the Southern Foodways Alliance at the University of Mississippi for his work on preserving seeds and growing heirloom vegetables. In recognition of Best’s achievements the Alliance shot a 20 minute documentary, Storing Seeds, which was shown at their October symposium, and awarded his Center a $1,000 grant. These awards honor “unsung heroes of the food world, tradition-bearers whose life work is worthy of homage. Best and the Center were featured in the Louisville Courier Journal and the Chicago Tribune for his unparalleled selection of heirloom seeds. For more information on his work and the Center, visit www.heirlooms.org.

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The Class of 1961 will observe its 40th Reunion during Summer Reunion 2004, scheduled for June 11-13. The reunion chairpersons are Roy and Janrose Sherman Wilson. They can be reached at 1733 Marydell Road, London, KY 40741-8631.

Dr. James Owens moved to Lakeview Retirement Center in Lenox, Kan., in June.

The Class of 1962 will observe its 41st Reunion during Summer Reunion 2004, scheduled for June 11-13. The reunion chairpersons are Roy and Janrose Sherman Wilson. They can be reached at 1733 Marydell Road, London, KY 40741-8631.

Dr. Anne Cole Keast retired as director of Child Nutrition programs for the state of Nevada after 41 years in the field of teaching and training. She taught on the secondary, community college, and university levels. She spent nine years training in business and industry. She and her husband, Bob, reside in Carson City.

Jack Roush, ’64, owns NASCAR Champ

On November 9, 2003, when driver Matt Kenseth drove his Ford to a 4th place finish in the Pop Secret 400 in Rockingham, N.C., Jack Roush and Roush Racing clinched their first NASCAR Winston Cup championship in Roush Racing’s 16-year history competing in the Winston Cup. Roush, a math major at Berea, owns five Winston Cup teams; his drivers, including Mark Martin, Jeff Burton, Kenseth, and Kurt Busch, have four second place and five third place finishes overall, but this is his first outright NASCAR championship. Roush Racing also owns a Busch Series team and two Craftsman Truck teams, and has claimed 24 national championships in various series. He also owns Roush Industries, which employs more than 1,800 people worldwide, specializing in engineering and design for the automotive industry. He’s been involved in designing and building racing engines and race cars for over 40 years. He and his wife, Pauline (Correll) Roush, ’63, live in Livonia, Mich. For more information on Roush Racing, visit www.roushracing.com.

Photo courtesy of Roush Racing

Randle and Frances Austin Day, ’53, observed their 50th wedding anniversary in 2003. Dolores Mitchell Grubb’s painting, “Turner’s Sky” was included in Wrinth’s Artists Offerings to their Patrons: She and her husband, Basil Grubb, reside in Jacksonville, Fl.

Joyce Loy Welch. She can be reached at 2712 Forest Ave., Ashland, KY 41101-3918. The reunion chairpersons are Roy and Janrose Sherman Wilson. They can be reached at 1733 Marydell Road, London, KY 40741-8631.

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Dr. Anne Cole Keast retired as director of Child Nutrition programs for the state of Nevada after 41 years in the field of teaching and training. She taught on the secondary, community college, and university levels. She spent nine years training in business and industry. She and her husband, Bob, reside in Carson City.

Jack Roush, ’64, owns NASCAR Champ

On November 9, 2003, when driver Matt Kenseth drove his Ford to a 4th place finish in the Pop Secret 400 in Rockingham, N.C., Jack Roush and Roush Racing clinched their first NASCAR Winston Cup championship in Roush Racing’s 16-year history competing in the Winston Cup. Roush, a math major at Berea, owns five Winston Cup teams; his drivers, including Mark Martin, Jeff Burton, Kenseth, and Kurt Busch, have four second place and five third place finishes overall, but this is his first outright NASCAR championship. Roush Racing also owns a Busch Series team and two Craftsman Truck teams, and has claimed 24 national championships in various series. He also owns Roush Industries, which employs more than 1,800 people worldwide, specializing in engineering and design for the automotive industry. He’s been involved in designing and building racing engines and race cars for over 40 years. He and his wife, Pauline (Correll) Roush, ’63, live in Livonia, Mich. For more information on Roush Racing, visit www.roushracing.com.
About Berea People

1964
40th
June 11-13, 2004
SUMMER REUNION

The Class of 1964 will observe its 40th Reunion during Summer Reunion 2004, scheduled for June 11-13. The reunion chairpersons are Rachel Barry Henkle and Pat Powell. Henkle can be reached at 208 Kirk Drive, Nicholasville, KY 40356-1319 or via e-mail at rachelhenkle@att.net. Greenhouse can be reached at 317 Jackson Street, Berea, KY 40403-1719.

Joyce Minnix Bolender adopted a two year old girl from China, Hannah Huo Bao. Bolender is a renal social worker at Delta Kidney Center in Costa, Fla. She earned a license in massage therapy in 1998 and her doctorate in holistic health theology in 1996. She has a small private practice where she combines all three into a wellness focus.

1965

The Class of 1965 will observe its 35th Reunion during Summer Reunion 2004, scheduled for June 11-13. The reunion chairpersons are David and Betty Hyatt Olinger. They can be reached at 307 Brown St., Berea, KY 40403-1112 or via e-mail at bhodyo@aol.com.

Paul Bolender is a renal social worker at Delta Kidney Center in Costa, Fla. She earned a license in massage therapy in 1998 and her doctorate in holistic health theology in 1996. She has a small private practice where she combines all three into a wellness focus.

1966

Thomas McCure is deputy director of America's Development Foundation in Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Brenda Robbins is retired from pitching baseball after 25 years. He is still playing softball and has played on several national championship teams. Robbins was introduced to the Congress as a proposal that has resulted in three schools in rural Nicholas County, W. Va. She plays on many of the best softball teams in the country.

1968

Betty Dotson Lewis, CRNA, was selected to participate in the 8th International Mining Congress in Hokkaido, Japan Sept. 24–October 3, 2003. She suggested a pan-pit cultural exchange project, which was introduced to the Congress as a proposal. This project so far has resulted in three schools in rural Nicholas County, W. Va. She plays on many of the best softball teams in the country.

1969

The Class of 1969 will observe its 30th Reunion during Summer Reunion 2004, scheduled for June 11-13. The reunion chairpersons are David and Betty Hyatt Olinger. They can be reached at 307 Brown St., Berea, KY 40403-1112 or via e-mail at bhodyo@aol.com.

1972

David Sloan, an attorney with O'Hara, Rubert, Taylor, Sloan and Sargent, was elected vice president of the Kentucky Bar Association in June. He will serve one year term. He and his wife, Cheryl, reside in Ft. Mitchell, Ky.

1973

Doris Smithson Temple, a former registered nurse in the Houston, Texas area and her husband, Doug, have retired and are now living in Greenville, Tenn.

1974

The Class of 1974 will observe its 30th Reunion during Summer Reunion 2004, scheduled for June 11-13. The reunion chairpersons are Virgil and Jackie Grisby Burns. They can be reached at P.O. Box 1706, Berea College, Berea, KY 40404 or via e-mail at virgin@bee.edu or at Jackie_Burns@berea.edu.

1975

Frank Bush traveled to Israel/Palestine and Italy in October 2002 with a study group sponsored by San Francisco's Episcopal Cathedral. Among the sites visited was the historically held location of the birth of Jesus, the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem. This group was one of the first groups permitted into the site following the violent siege in 2002 involving Palestinian militants and the Israeli military. The focus of the study was the birth and establishment of the church, with an emphasis on the church's Jewish roots.

1977

Sumit Ganguly has been named director of the Paperboard Packaging Research Center at the University of Kentucky. He is also a research associate at the University of Kentucky's Institute for Food and Agricultural Sciences. Ganguly is a native of West Bengal, India, and received his master's and doctoral degrees from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and the University of Kentucky, respectively.

Washington D.C. Chapter Meeting

On October 25, the Washington D.C. chapter of the Berea College Alumni Association welcomed 30 members for a brunch coordinated by Kelvin Martinez, '95, at the Crystal City Marriott hotel. Mark Boes, '76, interim director of alumni relations, spoke with the group about current happenings at Berea College. The chapter also held an auction of Berea items to raise funds for the College.


1980

William Lozier has been promoted to the rank of major in the Air Force and is now stationed in New York. He is a black belt martial artist with multiple ranks in karate, and has been a gift analyst and processor with Wheaton College's advancement department since July 2002.

About Berea People

1983

Jim Maloney has been named chief operating officer at Phoenix Baptist Hospital and Medical Center in Phoenix, Ariz.

Tyler S. Thompson was honored with the Peter Perlman Trial Lawyer Award at the Kentucky Academy of Trial Attorneys annual convention in May 2003. The award was given for his outstanding years of dedication to trial practice and the victims of unsafe products, and was presented by Fred Dott, his legal partner and mentor. Thompson is a partner in Dott, Thompson, Shepherd & Kenney law firm in Louisville. His wife, Frances, and daughters Callie, Madison, and Ellery were all present for the award presentation.

1984

The Class of 1984 will observe its 20th Reunion during Homecoming 2004, scheduled for November 19-21.

Dr. John Fabanjaong, promoted to full professor at the University of Massachusetts, authored a book in 2001 entitled, "Understanding the Backlash Against Affirmative Action," published by Nova Science Press.

Mindy Berry Harison, a teacher at the Licking County (Ohio) Joint Vocational School, had an essay titled "Mrs. Hank’s Wink," published in the November 2003 issue of the English Journal.

Matt Knupp has been inducted into the Kentucky Association for Academic Competition Hall of Fame for outstanding accomplishment and service to academic competition on the local, state, and national level. He and his wife, Ellen Downe Knupp, 86, reside in Harrodsburg, Ky.

Married: CDR Michael Murphy to Belen Ortiz of Vigo, Spain, on Oct. 11, 2002. In October the couple was assigned to Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.

Birth: Adoptee, Elizabeth "Beth" Marie, born July 28, to Chuck and Cindy Durban White. Mr. White is an accountant and Mrs. White is a teacher.

1985

Angela Powell Carman has been named president and chief executive officer of Berea Hospital. She had served as interim CEO since Berea Hospital became affiliated with Catholic Health Initiatives last April. She joined Berea Hospital in 1989, and has served as vice president of operations and, prior to that, as human resources director. She is a certified health care executive of the American College of Health Care Executives, and holds professional certification from the National Society of Human Resource Management.

She earned her MBA from Eastern Kentucky University.

John Paris recently was elected to the RiverPark Center Foundation board of trustees. Paris is president of

Elizabeth D. Gilbert

Fellowship in Library Science Available

This $3,500 fellowship is awarded in May to a senior or graduate of Berea College intending to pursue graduate study in preparation for professional librarianship. The purposes of the fellowship, a memorial to Elizabeth D. Gilbert, Berea College librarian from 1944 to 1973, are to recognize professional promise and to financially assist with graduate study for the profession. Criteria for the award are:

• Quality of academic performance at Berea College, with preference given to overall academic performance rather than performance in the major.

• Quality of performance in the Berea College Library Program.

• Evidence of commitment to librarianship or related professions as a career.

• If appropriate, quality of academic performance in graduate program.

• Evidence of financial need.

A letter of inquiry should be addressed to:

Gilbert Fellowship Committee
15 South High Street
Berea, KY 40404

Final application should be submitted before March 16, 2004. For further information concerning the fellowship contact Anne Chase, director of Library Services, at 859.985.3266 or e-mail anne_chase@berea.edu.

The Class of 1984 will observe its 20th Reunion during Homecoming 2004, scheduled for November 19-21. The couple was assigned to Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.


Mr. White is an accountant and Mrs. White is a teacher.

1986

Dianne Martin Stafford is a national account executive with Estes Express Lines. Her territory includes Georgia, Florida, Alabama, and Mississippi.

1987

Suzanne Cantwell Edmister is now Suzanne Cantwell Edmister. She lives in Reat Lick, Ky.


About Berea People

Birth: Aaron, Qullin Patrick, born Aug. 7, to William and Tracy Collinsworth Hacker, '94.

Birth: Asan, Nathaniel Jaynes, born May 4, to Jay and Laurie Goodwin Bidrige. The child's godmother is Tara Love, '00.


Robert Longhauser enlisted in the US Army where he will begin his career as a specialist, with his chosen specialty as a multi-channel transmissions systems maintainer/operator. He will also be pursuing an appointment as a commissioned officer. Virginia Jordan Longhauser, '02, is pursuing a bachelor's degree in English at the University of South Alabama, and plans to follow that with a master's degree. The couple resides in Mobile, Ala.

Married: Lisa Newberry to Sean Brennan on Aug. 9.

Noah Arevalo is pursuing a graduate degree in English at the University of North Carolina in Greensboro. Ali Roark Arevalo is pursuing a teaching certificate to teach high school English at Greensboro College. She won a major award for poetry from a national magazine.

Jay Beth Dewitt Holt and her husband Joseph climbed Japan's highest mountain, sacred Mt. Fuji (3,770 ft.), in fall 2003. They made the climb in five hours and 45 minutes. The couple has been living in Japan for over a year due to his military career and adjusting to a new culture. Jay Beth is making a name for herself among the Navy's best softball players (male and female) with her glove and bat. She also established and is heading a new Teen Center in the housing community of Nago-shi.

Kenny Tackett is a store manager with 84 Lumber in Richmond, Ky.

Marian Cooper earned her master's degree in education at the University of Kentucky. In June she will have earned her certification to teach English Language Arts in grades seven through twelve.

The Class of 1999 will observe its 5th Reunion during Homecoming 2004, scheduled for November 19-21.

Jennifer Leek is a school health nurse with the Metro Nashville Public Health Department. She resides in Nashville, Tenn.

The Class of 2004 will observe its 1st Reunion during Homecoming 2004, scheduled for November 19-21.

Faculty/Staff

Bill Best, '59, retired professor of physical education at Berea College and owner of the non-profit Sustainable Mountain Agriculture Center, was awarded the Ruth Fentz Keper of the Flame Award from the Southern Foodways Alliance at the University of Mississippi for his work on preserving seeds and growing heirloom vegetables. See more information under the class of 1959 section.

Sharon Gentry's husband, Carlos, died May 16. Mrs. Gentry is a secretary for Berea's college relations staff. Their daughter, Dreams Gentry, '99, is director of special programs, P.E., and GEARUP at Berea College.

Lisa Kriner, asst. professor of art, has had a fiber work entitled "Ripened Thoughts" juried into Fiberarts Design Book 7 Competition and included in the seventh volume of the international series. Nearly six thousand entries were received from more than 35 countries, and the staff of RFFARSMagazine selected 550 works to be published in the book. The winning entries were selected on the basis of artistic quality, technical expertise, and innovative style, to produce a book that represents the diversity, depth and unique vision that comprises the field of fiber arts. The Fiberarts Design Book series features contemporary quilting, wearable art, surface design, basketry, weaving, needlework, tapestry, paper, fiber, fiber sculpture, installation art, beading, and mixed media. The Design Book series has documented the evolution of contemporary textile art since 1990. This seventh volume covers work completed since 1998. Kriner had an exhibition at the University of Kentucky in February 2004.

William Tallmadge, former professor of music, was honored with a Grimmell College (love) Alumni Award, recognizing professional achievement, community service, and service to Grimmell College. The award cites his course on Afro-American Music at the State University College in Buffalo, N.Y., developed in 1956, which was the first for-credit course on the history of jazz in the United States. His research on African-American music questioned many long held assumptions about the genre. In addition to teaching at Berea, he has served as professor emeritus of music at the State University of New York college of education.

History of Union Church

Available

One in Spirit: The Liberal Evangelical Witness of Union Church, Berea, Kentucky, 1853-2003, a sesquicentennial history of Berea’s Union Church written by retired Berea College professor of history Richard B. Drake, has been published by Union Church and is available for purchase. “This story places Union Church, Berea College and the community of Berea in their theological and historical contexts as Drake selectively lifts up people and issues from this church’s rich and varied past,” says Berea College President Larry D. Shinn. “Dr. Richard Drake’s history of Union Church is an uncommon delight, as is the church’s story he tells.” The book is available for $15.00 plus $1.50 shipping from Union Church, 213 Prospect Street, Berea, KY 40404, or call 859.986.3725 for more information.

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The "Passages" section of the Berea College Magazine honors Bereans who have passed away. If you know of a Berean who has died, please let the Alumni Association know by using the form on p. 36, calling 1-800-457-9846, or emailing shelley_rhodes@berea.edu. Please include the person's class year or connection to Berea, and the date and place of death.

### 1920s

Ebeth Gannett, '28, of Columbia, Ky., died Aug. 2.

Helen Wiseman, Qc'29, of Greencastle, Ind., is deceased.

Alma Booth Davidson, '30, of Lexington, Ky., died Sept. 18. An ordained Fayette County (Ky.) school-teacher and a member of Central Christian Church, she is survived by a sister, Billie Booth Tully, '40, two daughters, and two granddaughters.

Dr. Mildred Burton Gabbard, '30, of Harrisonburg, Va., died July 21. From 1935-1940 she was a member of the Ridgeway Ruritan Club, and the First Baptist Church of Ridgeway. He is survived by one daughter.

Myrtle Nisbitt Roberts, '34, of Berea, Ky., died Oct. 1 at the age of 93. She was the widow of Gilbert Roberts, retired professor of mathematics at Berea. The couple devoted their lives to the students of Berea College. She is survived by a son, Dr. George Roberts, '64, a daughter, Mary Harrell, '58, two grandchildren, and one great-grandchild. Gifts can be made in her memory to the G. Gilbert Roberts Mathematics Scholarship Fund at Berea.

Ruth Keising, '35, of Crossville, Tenn., is deceased.

James A. Smith, Jr., '36, of Gg Harbor, Wash., died June 17. He was a retired commander, U.S.N.R., and retired comptroller of the University of Puget Sound.

Lillian Coleman Eight, '37, of Grundy, Va., died June 13. She was a member of Grundy Baptist Church and Delta Kappa Gamma. Survivors include one son, one half-sister, one half-brother, two grandchildren, and one great-granddaughter.

Margaret Eustis Lantrip, '37, of Knoxville, Tenn., died Sept. 23.

James Herbert Canica, '38, of Marietta, Ga., died Aug. 7. After he retired as vice-president of the First National Bank of Decatur (III.), he owned a hardware store with his wife in Shelbyville, Ky. He was an active member of the United Methodist Church, the Masons, the Shriners, and Honorable Order of Kentucky Colonels. He is survived by three daughters and one granddaughter.

Harman Meggard, '38, of Hazard, Ky., died Aug. 19. Longtime Hazard City Commissioner, he took over Meggard's Store, a general store, in Perry County (Ky.) and ran it for 66 years. He served on the Hazard City School Board for 24 years and spent 15 of those as chair. Meggard was named the 1980 Man of the Year by the Hazard-Royer-Cherry County Chamber of Commerce. He is survived by his wife, Imogene; two daughters, a brother; four sisters, four grandchildren, and a great-grandchild. Frances Batson Colburn, '39, of St. Louis, Mo., is deceased.


### 1930s

### 1940s

Rex James William "Bill" Hall, Qc'40, of Danville, Ky., died Sept. 25. A well-known Baptist minister for 48 years, he served as pastor of Gethsemane Baptist Church for 22 years before his retirement in 1993. Since his retirement, he has served as interim pastor at Mitchellburg Baptist Church and preached in revivals and services. Hall served as assistant moderator for the Kentucky state pastors conference, on the Foreign Missions Board and various committees of the Southern Baptist Convention. He was a trustee at Cumberland Land College and Goshen College, and on the board of overseers at Goshen College. He also was president of the Danville-Boyle County Ministers Association. He was an Air Force veteran of WWII. He is survived by his wife, Ginnie, two daughters, a sister, a brother, and seven grandchildren.

Owen Hackard, '40, of Denver, Colo., died May 6. Owner and chairman of RHFID/Assets and Beringen Assets, he developed and mined properties in Utah, he was licensed with the Colorado State Real Estate Commission for 15 years and was active in commercial land sales and development. From 1950-68, he was the secretary-treasurer of Richardson Lumber and Supply Inc. From 1946-50, he was executive secretary with the Oak Hill, Bectley, and Bluefield, W.Va., Chambers of Commerce. He represented the state of West Virginia Executive Secretaries in the United States Chamber of Commerce, the Board of Managing Directors of Southeastern Chamber of Commerce of the United States, and on the Chamber’s staff of instructors at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He also organized the Ginnell Home Show served as RHAG Appraiser and served first as the vice-president then the president of the Iowa Lumberman’s Association. He is survived by a daughter, two brothers, and a sister.

Robert Baker, '42, of Greenville, Del., is deceased.

Getha Lushbaugh Bowman, '42, of Hayesville, N.C., died Sept. 14. During her professional career she taught at Ledge County schools, Boulder County schools, and Pine Ridge Elementary. In 1970 she became a guidance counselor for Wilton Minor’s Schools and continued in that role until her retirement in 1978. She was a member of Christ Church United Methodist where she belonged to the Open Door Fellowship, Goshen Circle, Sewing for Cancer Group, Friends Aways Are and Globe Trotters. Bowman was a member of the Eastern Star Chapter 117, the Florida Retired Educator Association, and AARP both in Florida and North Carolina. She is survived by a son, three daughters, two sisters, a brother, 13 grandchildren, and several great-grandchildren.

Julian Greene, '42, of Lewsiburg, Ky., is deceased.

Virginia Klugeman, Qc'42, of St. Paul, Min., is deceased.

Dr. Joseph Lindsay, Qc'42, of Dallas, Texas, is deceased.

Clarence Meek, '42, of Boons Camp, Ky., is deceased.


Margaret Moore Pettit, '42, of R. Lauderdale, Fla., died Sept. 5.

Jack Radford, '42, is deceased.

Egon Weiss, Qc'42, of La Birdia, Calif., died Sept. 5. He is survived by his wife, Rinea.

Georgia Hill Taylor, '43, of Springfield, Ohio, died June 26. A former teacher, she was a member of the Garden Partners Rover Club. She is survived by one son, one daughter, one sister, and five brothers.

David Benjamin, New V12 '44, of Lombard, Ill., died June 28.

Pauline York Duff, Qc'44, of Chawes, Ky., is deceased.

Russell Tyce, New V12 '44, of Cincinnati, Ohio, is deceased.

Winfred Rogers Krueger, '45, of Alexandria, Minn., died July 27.


Margaret Hansel Ponder, '47, of Stanford, Ky., died July 16. A home economist retired from the University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service, during her 30 years of service with UK she also served as County Extension Agent for Pike, Johnson, Estill, Mercer, and Rockcastle counties in Kentucky. She was a
member of Gilbarte Creek Baptist Church. She is survived by her husband, Austin, two daughters, two sons, a brother, and 10 grandchildren.

Robert “Bobi” McNell, ’48, of West Jefferson, NC, died May 11. A retired high school agriculture teacher in Kentucky and North Carolina, he received the American Theater Campaign Medal, Eames Campaign Medal with two Bronze Service Stars and the Victory Medal while serving in World War II in the European Campaign. He was a member of the Veterans’ Affairs Commission by Governor Jim Hunt in 1977 and served from 1977 to 1985. He served as commander and district commander of the American Legion, chaplain of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, member of the Disabled American Veterans and president and lieutenant governor of the Optimist Club. In 1984 at the 40th anniversary of Victory in Europe, he was made an honorary citizen of St. Mard, France.

1950s

James Parsley, ’50, of Glandale, Calif., is deceased. He was a geologist who was employed by an aerial surveyor for Talleydon in Iran, Africa, Tasmania, Alaska, Thailand and New Guinea from 1967-1972. He was employed by NBS-Lowy until his retirement in 1990. Parsley was a member of Operating Engineers Local 12 for 18 years, the Masonic Lodge, and the Society of Exploration Geologists in Los Angeles. He is survived by his wife, Alberta, two sons, three daughters, ten grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

Annabel Huskey Cardwell, ’51, of Johnson City, Tenn., died July 7. A retired teacher with the Washington County (Tenn.) School System, she was a member of the Retired Teachers Association and a lifetime member of Skyline Heights Baptist Church. She is survived by her husband, Lon, one daughter, one brother, a sister, and one grandchild.

Patricia Mace Shelton, ’51, of Somerset, Ky., died July 23. An anesthesiologist, she was an active member of Somerset First United Methodist Church, serving in many different leadership and servant positions. She was acting director of medical volunteers in the American Red Cross for the Somerset area, and served as an instructor with the Corbin, Kentucky District Lay Speakers. She is survived by her husband, Bernard, two sons, four grandchildren, a great-grandson, two sisters, and two brothers.

Dr. Elizabeth Johnston, Oc’52, of El Sobrante, Calif., died Aug. 1. A retired private practice physician, she was a member of the medical staff at Brooksia Hospital and, among other organizations, was affiliated with the Aumada Contra Costa Medical Association. She was a member of the El Sobrante United Methodist Church, past president of the El Sobrante Business and Professional Women’s Club, and a member of the local Chamber of Commerce.

Ada Jeanette Coghill Bush, ’53, of Richmond, Va., died July 14. An artist, illustrator and author, she was a member of Southhampton Baptist Church. She is survived by a daughter, a son, a grandson, a brother, and two sisters.


Faculty/Staff

Joyce Erickson McGil, former director of child development, died March 4.

Barbara Joan Combs Ordaker, ’55, of Greenville, SC, died July 23. A retired teacher and real estate agent, she was a Humanistic Christian. She is survived by two daughters, a son, and three grandchildren.

Geo Colman Dyer, ’59, of Ontario, Ore., died Sept. 23. A homemaker and educator, he retired from Treasure Valley Community College in 1997 after 22 years as an instructor and director of adult education in the Learning Center. He was active in many local organizations such as APUM and also served on several boards, including the Malheur County Family Literacy Advisory Board. She is survived by her husband, Willy, a daughter, a son, two grandchildren, and one brother.

Robert Cartwright, Oc’63, of M. Vernon, Ind., died May 13.

Mercedes Washington Atkinson, ’69, of Richmond, Va., died April 23. A registered nurse, she is survived by a daughter, three sons, a sister, three brothers, three granddaughters and her ex-husband.

1960s

Charles Mann, ’60, of Baltimore, Md., died July 31 after a struggle with cancer. He was a ceramic artist and master of the running pun.

Roland Franklin, ’61, of Roanoke, Va., died June 26. He taught in the Franklin County School system and later started driving for the Greyhound Bus Co., about Bus and Great America. He was a member of Macedonia Baptist Church in Roanoke. She is survived by his parents, two sisters, a brother, a stepson, and a stepbrother.

Paul Kevin Burberry Oc’65, of Berea, Ky., died Sept. 11. A harassing letter. He was a ceramic artist, a musician, an illustrator, and a teacher.

Dr. Keith Burberry, ’62.

1990s

Joyce Ireland, ’75, of Richmond, Va., died of lung cancer. She was a homemaker and a teacher.

Dawneda F. Williams, ’75, of Winchestor, Ky.

Lisa Greer, ’85, ofLouisville, Ky.

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On December 14, 2003, 82 Berea College seniors were honored at a recognition service for mid-year graduates. Dr. Mary Rose O’Reilly, author, poet, and professor of English who has written for various religious, literary, academic, and social-change publications, was presented with an honorary degree of Doctor of Humane Letters. She reminded the graduates that they have a responsibility to honor their gifts, “Life only gets better,” she said. “Bad things might happen, but you will have the grit to face them. The secret is balance.”