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As you are going ...

When asked by alumni to compare the Taylor I experienced in the 1950s to the Taylor of today, I often say that the contemporary understanding of the Great Commission is more biblical and mature than I remember it in my student days. Though a serious discussion would have conceded that God certainly can be served in almost any area of human endeavor, the emphasis was on “full-time Christian service” and others had to develop their own rationality to justify why their chosen profession was not simply selfish preference. Today’s students are essentially unaffected by this discussion and are convinced that there is no preferred vocational best way to serve God. They see the seamless garment and interdependence of culture and search for a match for their gifts and the opportunities available to them.

This difference is not a change in the mission of Taylor but is evidence the Christian liberal arts emphasis is slowly becoming an accepted part of the church’s understanding of its place in culture. Historically, Taylor has always believed the “bloom where you are planted” thesis to be the intended strategy. The proof is contained in these pages. The Great Commission certainly does say, “Go;” but more correctly it intends to say “as you are going into all the world.” The metaphors and similes of the Bible seem to validate the multi-faceted ways that we can reflect the idea of Christian vocation. “From the unlimited grace of God to the infinite variety of human experience” seems to be the master plan. My dictionary starts with aardvark and goes to zyzzogeton. Interestingly, the contrast between a nocturnal anteater and a large grasshopper is no greater than that of our chosen vocations. Some require solitude and reflection while others must react with trained instinct to unpredictable events.

The Christian liberal arts experience provides the foundational breadth of preparation for such diversity. My personal experience has taken me around the world several times and to many cultures. In almost every case I’ve run into Taylor alumni of various vintages. In almost all cases I’ve been gratified to find intellectual, cultural and spiritual oneness and comfortability. Is it a mutual experience in Upland? Perhaps. Is it the influence of favorite faculty? Certainly this is the case – but in most cases we experienced Taylor in different eras with different faces. This compatibility goes beyond strangers in foreign environments seeking familiarity. This is the thread we seek to describe in this issue. In the days of sailing vessels, I am told, the British navy ordered that all government-owned rope was to be manufactured with a scarlet thread running through the center from end to end. Every stolen piece, however small, contained the telling mark of its owner. So it is with followers of Christ, and my experience would say that the purple and gold thread is a distinctive identifier. The representative alumni featured in this issue tell their stories and in doing so demonstrate that, indeed, we can bloom where we are planted.
ON THE COVER—Seniors Matt Ford, Barak Brued, Rob Geiger, Lindy Beam and Joanna Depakakibo found graduation to be a cause for celebration.

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This year’s graduating class is no different. As the 397 graduates crossed the stage to receive a handshake, towel and diploma from Dr. Kesler and Dr. Yost, most were probably pondering the path their next few months and years will take.

Rob Geiger, president of the Taylor Student Organization, spoke to this as he addressed his fellow graduates. “If we can grow closer to the things that have brought us this far, we have no reason to fear tomorrow,” he said, encouraging a future committed to family, community and faith.

Dr. Richard L. Gathro, senior vice president with the Council for Christian Colleges and Universities, admonished graduates to rely on the sustaining power of grace and truth which will “propel you through life with great joy and delight.”

Joy and delight are characteristic of the following recent graduates, whose first steps from Taylor have led them to new adventures far from their Taylor home.

**Meredith Isgitt** is a Biblical studies major from Houston, Texas. In August, she will begin a career in missions in Caracas, Venezuela, where she has made an initial two-year commitment to Conservative Baptists International. She will teach Bible courses to missionary kids (MKs), other international students, and Venezuelan children at Academia Cristiana Internacional de Caracas.

For Meredith, a career in missions has come to mean a divinely created appointment. When she came to Taylor, she was interested in missions but also desired to become an orchestral musician, and she didn’t know how to reconcile the two interests. Though she changed her original clarinet performance major to Biblical studies, she was able to remain active in the music program. She now is excited to put her love for music to use at the Academy by giving private music lessons to students.

Meredith discovered her love for Spanish and the Latin American culture on trips to Mexico and Venezuela with teams from her home church during the summers of 1997 and 1998.

“God’s been preparing me and pushing me toward something Spanish-speaking,” she explains, a preparation that will be useful as she takes her first steps away from Taylor and into service.
Jessica Anderson is a Christian education (C.E.) major from Cape Girardeau, Mo. Joseph Bonura is a C.E. and Biblical studies major from Conneautville, Penn. After graduation, the two have plans for ministry, but — more imminently — for marriage. They are planning an August 7th wedding. Afterward, Joseph will spend one semester studying in Israel; then the couple will move to California to embark on a two-year church ministry internship.

Both Jessica and Joseph were ministry-minded when they came to Taylor. Joseph’s first major was international business, but after a one-year hiatus studying missions in Chile after his freshman year, he changed to C.E. Jessica’s interests at the outset included Spanish, music and writing — “all things that ... would be useful on the mission field.” By spring of her freshman year, she too had decided on a C.E. major.

Now, the two are learning one step at a time what team ministry means. “We’re not sure exactly how that’s going to work,” says Joseph.

They realize that they have very different strengths. “I prefer structured lecture, and Joseph prefers discussion-oriented teaching,” Jessica says. Joseph is quick to add that both approaches are needed, and that their gifts in this and other areas complement each other: “Our relationship is a moderation of the extremes,” he says.

The first steps, whether a career, marriage, graduate school or the ministry, lead students away from Upland and into the work to which God has called them. The paths are diverse, but the starting place is the same.

—Lindy Beam ’99 with Amber Anderson
Is true love really worth the wait?

Park Anderson ’34 and Hazel Butz Carruth ’38 believe it is: they were married on April 10, 1999 – 62 years after first meeting and dating while students at Taylor. The wedding, a family affair held in Park’s Portland, Ore., apartment, was a celebration of a love story that was six decades in the making.

After years of separation, Park and Hazel, both widowers, were reunited this summer when Hazel visited her brother and sister-in-law, who is also Park’s sister. Calling one day to talk to his sister, Park found another familiar voice on the line. Hazel believed it to be a one-time conversation—a brief reunion with an old college friend. Instead, the friends rekindled a romance that started nearly a lifetime before.

Park, a retired Methodist minister, first came to Taylor to complete his bachelor’s degree. He later returned for post-graduate work in theology, a program Taylor offered for only a brief period of time. A beautiful undergraduate, Hazel Butz, caught his eye and the couple shared a few dates.

“I remember three dates,” Hazel says. “One was to a program at what was then Marion College. We went to a basketball game, and we took the proverbial walk around the square.”

Despite these early dates, something didn’t click. “I think she thought I was a cold fish,” Park laughs. “But I was impressed; she was a fine lady. Unfortunately, I was so focused on getting through school that my social life suffered terribly.”

The two went their separate ways. Park married, had four children, and served as a minister in a number of congregations. Hazel, a gifted and intelligent young woman, pursued a master’s and doctorate at Indiana University and taught at Fort Wayne Bible Institute and Taylor University for more than 30 years, serving many of those years as the chair of the English department. Well-loved by her students, including Taylor president Dr. Jay Kesler, Hazel’s name is found on the Butz-Carruth Recital Hall in the Smith-Hermanson Music Center. She married later in life and was widowed in 1986.

After successful marriages and careers, neither Park nor Hazel would have guessed what was in store for them, but a divine plan led them back together.

“Both of us feel it’s providential,” Hazel says.

When Hazel hung up the phone after the first conversation, she never anticipated the discussions would continue. Park, however, decided to write Hazel a note.

“I was very much impressed by some of the kindnesses Hazel did for her family,” he says. “So I wrote her a note, expressing my thanks for taking care of my kid sister.”

Hazel, surprised to hear from Park again, responded to his letter, never thinking the relationship would continue. “But he wrote again,” she laughs, with the enthusiasm of a school-girl in her first romance.

The result was what Park calls a “blizzard of letters” that mounted until the two corresponded daily, each waiting for the mail to arrive.

The two spent hours writing letters and talking on the phone. Though hard of hearing, Hazel says she never had trouble hearing Park’s voice on the other end of the line. His voice was clear when they
discussed Hazel visiting Portland.

Park met her at the airport with a hug, and the two spent five days catching up on the six decades that had passed since their last face-to-face conversation. They drove down the Columbia River Gorge, posed for pictures in front of a waterfall and visited with his family members in the area. The visit, as Park describes it, was a five-day date.

"Something clicked," Hazel says, "It just seemed like we'd always known each other. There was never an uneasy moment; I just felt at home."

Despite the ease of their relationship, Hazel left Portland without making any further commitments.

"We were holding back because of all that was involved [with deciding to marry]," Hazel says. "We thought we'd just visit every once in a while."

They quickly discovered that arrangement was unsatisfactory. Both felt lonesome immediately.

"There was a sense that we had already become such a part of each other's lives that when she left I wasn't complete," Park says. "We wanted to be with each other too much."

Certain of his love for Hazel, Park's Christmas gift, which he sent shortly after their visit in Portland, was a token of his affection. The gift was a beautiful letter opener engraved with the words, "Sixty-one years, worth the wait," on the blade, and "Love, Park" on the handle.

With their love growing more evident each day, Hazel spoke with Park and the couple decided this separation would be their last. "We just leap-frogged into our romance," Park explains. "We figured since we were in our mid-80s, we could skip a lot of the dating preliminaries."

An April wedding was planned and Hazel began arrangements to trade the view from her Marion, Ind., condominium to the view of Mt. Hood from Park's apartment window. For the bride and the groom, the date couldn't come fast enough.

In Portland, Park renovated his apartment, eagerly preparing a home for his bride.

Hazel spent the months of the engagement packing her belongings and making plans for the simple wedding. Helping her in the preparations and cross-country move were Ken and Beth Smith of the William Taylor Foundation. Beth also served as Hazel's matron of honor.

"My roots are pretty deep in Upland," says Hazel, who lived in the Upland area for more than 50 years. "But I feel like a pioneer."

She may be the only pioneer who has ever worn a royal blue gown with a rhinestone collar. Her wedding gown, which she claims is "new to Park," was matched in brightness only by the smiles on the faces of the bride and groom.

The ceremony was held in the newly remodeled apartment on April 10. The living room was crowded with children, grandchildren and other relatives and close friends who gathered to share in this Cinderella moment.

Park's joy is evident in his voice as he summarizes the impact of this unexpected romance. "It was completely story-book," he says. "A very beautiful and wonderful surprise." —Amber Anderson

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For most students, graduation is the start of a new life. All the certainties of a student’s schedule suddenly are gone, and the graduate begins the journey from Upland to destinations unknown. Life five years out of college often is very different from life 10, 20 or 30 years after college, and the path to those destinations is a mystery to graduates in their caps and gowns.

The Taylor diploma is a passport that has taken thousands of graduates around the world and down countless paths, all on a journey that started in Upland, Ind. The following articles chronicle the journeys of several alumni as they travel From Here to There. Whether homemaker or missionary, international delegate or distinguished athlete, each has a journey to share.

For many individuals, golf is a pleasant pastime on their path From Here to There. For Conrad Rehling ’43, however, golf is the path. As a renowned world figure in the PGA and a recent inductee to the Alabama Sports Hall of Fame, Rehling has made a living by teaching others what to do at tee time.

Rehling’s love for golf started at age five when he would sneak onto the golf course in Athica, Ind., to caddie for spending money. Rehling’s golf game developed from there; he turned pro in 1965 and began teaching the sport when he realized his long-game was lacking. His career led him to the University of Alabama where he coached and taught golf for 17 years, leading the team to a third place NCAA finish in 1975. He has coached such illustrious players as PGA winner Steve Lowery and Jerry Pate, who won the 1976 US Open as a tour rookie. Golf Magazine named Rehling one of America’s top 100 golf coaches in 1998.

Some of Rehling’s favorite athletes, however, have never played the PGA tour. He spends much of his time teaching golf to individuals with disabilities, and helped to pioneer golf as a Special Olympics event. He has served on the international Special Olympics committee and watched the number of Special Olympics golfers grow from 500 to 10,000.

“To me, if you’re not in this world for the purpose of serving people, you’ve missed what life is all about,” Rehling says. Rehling’s life has had many unusual successes, including one that impressed the late Taylor president Dr. Milo Rediger. Nelson Rediger, associate executive director of the William Taylor Foundation, remarks, “I remember my father speaking of Conrad because he was the only Taylor graduate to be elected president of two different senior classes, resulting from serving in WWII and then coming back to finish his degree.”

Rehling credits much of his success to his wife Maxine (Dopp ’42), who helped him write the Special Olympics golf manual. He also does not neglect a higher source of help. Rediger recalls Rehling’s quick acknowledgment of God’s blessings. “Connie gives God the glory for his golf skills and success,” Rediger says.
Few have experienced the reality of the “global village” to the extent of Dr. Jewell (Reinhart ’55) Coburn, a government-invited delegate to China. Dr. Julie describes herself as a “Midwest gal who became an internationalist.”

Dr. Julie, Taylor’s first female alumna to become president of a university, is the president emerita of the University of Santa Barbara and an institutional consultant. In her work with the university, she pioneered international education programs that led her beyond her present California home and into Hong Kong, Thailand and Indonesia, among other countries.

With her husband, Dr. William Coburn ’55, a gastroenterologist, researcher and faculty member at UCLA School of Medicine, Dr. Julie has worked in an African bush hospital and met with members of tribal villages. She fondly tells the story of one African man, the son of a witch doctor, who converted to Christianity. The young man asked to be called Lazarus because he was truly risen from the dead.

More recently, however, Dr. Julie’s travels have included China, at the invitation of Chen Muhua, the national president of China’s government department of domestic and gender affairs, known as the All China Women’s Federation. The ACWF exists to eliminate illiteracy among women, cultivate shared values and ideals, promote positive family relationships, relieve poverty and educate Chinese citizens for employment. Experienced in the fields of higher education administration, business administration, and international studies, Dr. Julie was invited to assist the ACWF goal of advancing disenfranchised women in their culture.

“Working effectively with members of cultures different from our own calls for compassion tempered with knowledge and wisdom,” she says. As an author, Dr. Julie attempts to do just that. She has developed an educational series, The Search for Common Values, designed to build bridges between cultures by focusing on shared values, consistent with Judeo-Christian principles. The series is used in schools and colleges in the United States, Europe and Pacific Rim countries.

One book in the series, “Lani and the Secret of the Mountain,” is a retelling of a Chinese folktale in which a young girl must make a decision that goes against her own best interest but saves the lives of others. The heroine of the story, Lani, discovers a way to end a drought that is killing the people of her village. To do so, however, Lani must be willing to sacrifice her own life. The story, told in eight languages, teaches responsibility, courage, loyalty, compassion, self-sacrifice and consequential thinking.

Members of the ACWF, being familiar with Dr. Julie’s work, invited her to share her stories with Chinese educators. “The stories, rich in shared values, provided an immediate forum for discussion of the many values we share and ways they are lived out,” she says. “From that point, our conversation moved easily into matters of the human heart, and from there, right into the Christian message.”

Dr. Julie finds “gentle evangelism” is a universally potent force, having experienced how effectively friendship opens hearts to matters of faith. “We do well to open our eyes to these people who are in many, many cases asking for the Christian message and actively seeking deep, meaningful, spiritual experience,” she says.

Her parents, she says, first fostered a “missionary’s heart” within her, but her time at Taylor encouraged the “boundary-less spirit” that has led her around the globe. “Perhaps because of this,” Dr. Julie says, “I give less attention to limitations and much, much more thought to possibilities.”
Paul Taylor '65

As Paul '65 and Sarah Taylor settled themselves in the church pew, they anticipated the same standard service they had taken part in for decades. A 10-minute talk by a Mexico City missionary was just a welcome diversion from the usual order. Neither expected the short service would have life-changing consequences.

As Paul and Sarah left the service, Paul verbalized a thought that had begun burning in his chest during the service — if he ever left his current job with the Presbyterian Church in America, he believed the Lord would have them develop a church planting work. Sarah had the same thought during the service.

"It was no surprise, then, that we found ourselves unpacking our bags in Manila, Philippines," Paul says.

Since moving to the Philippines in 1992, Paul's mission has started about 32 churches within the country and now has the goal of sending many Filipinos into the world as missionaries. As the PCA regional director for Asia, Paul is involved with new churches and missions in Thailand, Japan and elsewhere.

For some of their co-laborers, the call to ministry was not as peaceful. Paul works alongside a Laotian lay pastor, called Boun, whose family miraculously avoided the searchlights and gunfire of border guards while escaping across the Mekong River into Thailand. Boun's family, recognizing the spiritual intervention that prevented their deaths, committed their lives to Christ in a refugee camp. Later, Boun made connections with the PCA mission board and Paul. They now work together to minister in northeast Thailand.

Like the apostle for whom he is named, ministry has not been easy for Paul. Throughout Asia the work of the Lord meets with aggressive spiritual antagonists. Despite the opposition, conviction in his cause keeps Paul on task. His advice for current Taylor students is to identify their own "passions," that which the Lord has emblazoned on their hearts, and commit themselves to accomplishing that thing.

"The spiritual life of the campus and the various extracurricular activities in which I was involved really gave me many opportunities to work with others and try my hand at leadership," Paul says. His youngest daughter, Bethany, is a current student.

Paul's commitment to leadership in the face of spiritual antagonism has led him from Taylor to Thailand, an unanticipated but appreciated path.

Dan '74 and Sue '78 Craig

The most recent development in Dan '74 and Sue (Herbst) '78 Craig's journey From Here to There has been a shift of focus from career to family. The path that brought them to this point has been a long one, involving two stops at Taylor for both of them.

When Dan came to Taylor in 1970, he had not made a personal commitment to Christ. Understandably, his most significant Taylor experience was becoming a Christian. Sue came to Taylor in 1975, but her family was uncertain they could make the payments required each year. Besides witnessing God's faithfulness in financial provision, Sue's life was most affected by the discipline and the sense of God's sovereignty she learned.

Dan and Sue's years as Taylor students did not overlap, but when both returned to Taylor as professors in 1980 they began dating and were married three years later. In 1984, they relocated to Indianapolis, where Dan began his current job with National City Bank. Sue taught and coached basketball at Southport High School for two years before assuming the role of coordinator of women's ministry at their church.

Around 1988 they began thinking of starting a family, but discovered that fertility problems would make having a child difficult. Low-grade fertility drugs proved effective, and Laura was born in 1995. Sue discontinued her full-time ministry to become a full-time parent. Learning to parent after years of focus on career and ministry was complicated by the frustration of unsuccessful efforts to have another child. The Craigs turned to an adoption agency. After many months, they were chosen to receive a child, but when the birth mother finally delivered, she decided to keep her baby.

After that disappointment, Dan mentioned the possibility of international adoption, and Sue realized that God had been preparing her heart to adopt a Chinese child. Laura had asked for a sister, and 97 percent of Chinese adoptions are girls. "Now," says Sue, "our dossier is in China, and we're waiting ... It's an amazing thing to pray for a child who is probably already born in another country." —Lindy Beam '99
As a little girl, Cassandra (Edgecombe ’88) Smith played school, with her dolls and the sofa cushions as pupils. As a high school graduate, she left her Bahamas home and traveled to Taylor where she graduated with a degree in elementary education.

Smith, whose husband Dave is a ’94 graduate, has now returned to the Bahamas and is the principal of Sesame Academy. She leads a teaching staff of 10, overseeing 160 kindergarten and primary students. Her principal’s position has given her a diverse resume.

“Each day is so different that I’ve learned how to expect anything and just be prepared for everything,” Smith says. “I’ve had to teach when teachers were absent, cook when the cook was out or clean when the custodian was absent. I do the banking, ordering, supervising and I’ve even done some carpentry and plumbing. I am also responsible for discipline.”

Smith’s hands-on approach to leadership is modeled after examples she saw while at Taylor.

“Taylor really believes in servant leadership,” Smith says. “I saw this so many times when Jay and Daryl would have a conversation with you. It made me feel like I was somebody.”

Just as Dr. Kesler and Dr. Yost helped Smith realize Self-Worth, a concept intended to build confidence and positive attitudes. She has found the best way to begin building self-esteem within the students is to nurture the teachers’ sense of self-worth.

Smith serves outside the academy as well. She is the director of deaf ministries at her church, with the goal of increasing sensitivity toward those with hearing difficulties. Sensitivity to the needs of others is a special characteristic Smith possesses. After graduating from Taylor, Smith worked in the admissions office where she went beyond the call of duty to reach out to international students, a desire that is close to her heart.

Despite the distance, Smith’s commitment to Taylor has not faded. She and Dave, who now works for Lloyds Bank International, are co-directors of the Bahamas Taylor Club, a social group that unites prospective students, alumni and visiting faculty and staff.

On May 23, 1993, mass communication major Soon Hoong Lee received her graduation diploma and towel from Taylor University. The seeds of ministry, planted in her heart since her late teens, had for four years been watered by drops of wisdom and knowledge.

Upon graduation, Lee’s first steps took her back to Singapore Youth for Christ, the Christian organization where she worked before leaving for Taylor. Her ministry in SYFC was to work alongside YoungLife, an American Christian outreach to international students in Singapore. In the YoungLife ministry, she worked together with another Taylor graduate, Gina Fausnight ’93.

Leaving these ministries, Lee joined an international advertising agency. It would be four years before she would begin her journey to Japan, the place that God had called her to help evangelize.

After receiving a “spiritual nudge,” Lee knew that it was time to begin the work for which God had prepared her. On May 27, 1998, after working with her church for a year, Lee arrived in Japan.

 Barely had her feet touched Japanese soil when the reality of her situation hit home. Yes, Lee was definitely in the will of God, but what next?

 Learning the language would be among the first and most important steps that Lee would take during her early days in Japan. Lee conducted English classes, both to help educate her students and as a way to build relationships that might provide an avenue to share the gospel with them.

Singaporean by birth, Lee’s multicultural ministry reaches out to war orphans who were left behind in China after World War II. These Japanese, who were raised in China for the greater part of their lives, often return home and face discrimination from their own people because of their inability to speak the language. Lee also works with children, teenagers and young adults.

Having labored faithfully for almost a year, Lee hopes that her ministry will soon prove fruitful and she looks to the future as she holds to God’s promises for her ministry’s increase.—Yolanda Delevaux ’01
Is the Trojan track team poised to bring Taylor University its first-ever NAIA national championship? Some team members think so, or if not a team championship, at least several individual titles. With the help of "a 300-pound softy," a former baseball player, a hurdler that spurned the Big 10, and the ever present "Kenyan Connection," coach Chris Coy's Trojans feel they are poised to make history.

Tim Kitonyi leads the pack in the 800-meter run.
“We’re the Hoosiers of track and field,” quips senior Joe Cebulski, referencing the 1985 motion picture about a David versus Goliath match-up in which a small school defeats a large school for the state championship. When Cebulski first arrived in Upland, he came as a baseball player and the track complex was simply the place where home runs landed. After his freshman season with the baseball team, a season in which Cebulski saw little playing time and slipping grades, he decided to leave baseball to get his academics in order. While the grades improved, he missed competition. Acting on his father’s suggestion that he try the track team, Cebulski found himself immediately in the javelin, discus, high jump and just about any other event that came to Coach Coy’s mind. Just two years later, Cebulski finds himself ranked the seventh best decathlete in the nation and feels that the sky’s the limit for the future. “It’s pretty amazing,” he states, “I feel like a kid in a candy store.”

During the indoor track season, Taylor finished third in the NAIA championship meet. This feat was made even more noteworthy in that only seven Taylor athletes competed in the meet, garnering 11 All-American awards. In winning the 55-meter high hurdles, junior Darren Youngstrom set a national record for the event and went on to win the pentathlon. As a high school track athlete, Youngstrom received offers from 10 schools but felt God’s leading to come to Taylor to study education. Once in Upland, he wasn’t sure he wanted to run competitively for the Trojans.

“I was looking for a bigger challenge,” says Youngstrom of his early reticence, “but it turned out to be just what I needed.” Only one NAIA athlete is ranked ahead of Youngstrom in the 400-meter intermediate hurdles. “He won’t be first for long,” Youngstrom says with a twinkle in his eye.

“A 300-pound softy,” is what Joe Cebulski calls teammate Stevinir Ercegovac (Steve to his American teammates), a shot putter and discus thrower from the former Yugoslav republic of Croatia. Although he was recruited by the University of Arizona, Ercegovac wanted a smaller college atmosphere to call home. While his home is now Upland, his “house” is a neat little corner of the Glass Track and Field Complex, where Ercegovac already has unleashed a school-record throw of 62’ 6”, good enough for a #1 national ranking. “I could improve, but I could go down too,” he states. Coach Coy knew he had another special athlete in Ercegovac. But the ramifications of that ability came to light in a unique way one day when after practice Ercegovac approached Coach Coy and asked if something could be done to keep his ball from rolling into the street some 80 feet away from the push-off point. Some changes were made to the shot put landing area and a two-by-ten board was installed at the base of the chain link fence that rings the complex.

“Tim Kitonyi, Gabriel “Kip” Ropp and Sammy Siratei form the Kenyan contingent for this year’s Trojans. These three, along with Cebulski, Youngstrom, Ercegovac and 4x800 runner John Tabor competed in the NAIA Indoor Nationals this past winter. Kitonyi, a sophomore, ran a prepster for Starehe Boys Center in Nairobi, the same school that produced Shadrack Kilemba and Trojan Hall of Famer Murage Njoroge.

“It’s always fun to run,” says Kitonyi, “but it is more fun when I’m competing.” Kitonyi likens his physical running to the spiritual act of running from temptation — “Both take perseverance.”

According to Coy, Ropp is favored to either place or win in the 5,000-meter run as well as the steeplechase — a grueling 3,000-meter run with a hurdle over a pool of water on each lap. Kitonyi, Ropp, Siratei and Tabor (along with alternate Jason Cussen) are currently third in the 4x800 and were runners-up in the indoor distance medley, a series of 400, 800, 1200 and 1600 meter runs.

“I don’t know if people understand or appreciate the caliber of athletes we have,” Coy states of Cebulski, Youngstrom and Ercegovac, all who are ranked nationally in their respective top tens. “When we talk about national rankings, we’re saying ‘Best in the USA.’ That’s NCAA Division I, Division II, NAIA, whatever.”

Humility and Christian witness are hallmarks for the team. “The object of my running is to use what God has given me,” says Kitonyi. Cebulski agrees. “To many of today’s athletes, excellence means arrogance ... it cuts across the grain to win humbly.” Cebulski, who this spring won the decathlon in the prestigious Penn Relays, relates a story about an experience in a recent national meet. When he first arrived and some of the other athletes saw he was from a Christian college, Cebulski was barely acknowledged. After the meet was finished and Cebulski had “won humbly,” he was invited out for a drink by some of the same athletes he’d beaten. Cebulski, who doesn’t drink, would have relished the witnessing opportunity but had to leave with the team. “To fear the world is to lose faith,” he remarks, but adds that he’s looking forward to the day that as a college graduate he’ll be free to accept such invitations.

As far as a national championship goes, Coy is realistic. “It’s possible, but you have to be fortunate and everybody has to feel good. We can’t have anything go wrong.” Coy says that a finish in the top four would secure a team trophy, and that would be a great finish to what has been a spectacular year.

—James Garringer
College tuition, like the stock market, has the uncanny ability to inflict hysteria. Both are rising: both leave people wondering how long things can go before the bottom falls out. Still, it doesn’t keep people from buying and selling, and it doesn’t keep prospective students from lining up interviews with admissions counselors.

Times were when a student could work his or her own way through college. But times obviously have changed. With some estimates showing college costs increasing at a rate twice that of inflation, the goal of a self-paid education is racing into the sunset, leaving the masses bewildered in a cloud of dust. How true for the recent college graduate who suddenly reaches the end of grace.

There, at the foot of Mt. Indebtedness, the ten commandments of student loans thunder before the unwary crowd still daydreaming about the Year of Jubilee. The burden of financing education at the end of the 20th century offers little joy for the journey.

Arguably, education holds the master key to one’s professional growth. Though some have grown to be corporate giants without benefit of cap and gown, the majority of American young people will pursue a college education. More than 55 percent of Americans ages 20-29, according to a 1998 U.S. Census report, have pursued a college degree. Only 26 percent obtained a degree. Of those polled, ages 18 and older, few (2.3 percent) ever received a terminal degree.

Though the reasons students do not finish college are many and varied, cost ranks high on the list.

Realizing the trend in tuition hikes has made college an impossible dream for too many, colleges are reducing the rate of tuition increases. Some have frozen tuition for a year, and others have considered offering guaranteed rates to incoming students.

“Colleges are recognizing they have to keep costs as low as possible,” says Tim Nace, director of financial aid.

Taylor University has answered the need by trimming the tuition increase to 3.9 percent — $748 over the $19,000 charged in 1998-99.

“You are purchasing a college education. You have to look at what it’s going to do to your long-term financial future.” —Heather (McCready) Taylor

Most schools earmark a significant portion of tuition to bolster financial aid — a practice known as “tuition discounting.” With 20 percent of its tuition so designated, Taylor University has taken a more cautious approach than the average school, which uses 35 percent of tuition for this purpose.

In 1997-98, 79 percent of the student body received financial aid, totaling $14 million — $6.1 million as institutional aid.

Although Mike Kennedy ‘89 did not receive financial aid when he was a student, he does not resent the reality of his tuition dollars helping someone else pay for college. It’s a way to ensure a more diverse and enriching student body, he says. “even if I was paying an extra $2000.”

“It would be very easy for the class of people who go to Taylor to become limited,” he says. “It would make the whole experience more shallow.”

While the University does offer some merit-based scholarships, the primary goal is to meet financial need. Nace says.

The majority of financial aid awarded by the University is based on the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, the FAFSA. The financial aid office uses this form to create a custom-made package for each applicant that includes sundry combinations of federal grants and loans; work-study opportunities; institutional resources, such as endowed and annual scholarships; and other sources, such as church grants and gifts.

Despite the daunting figures, a Taylor education can be affordable — a life-shaping experience, the benefits of which far outweigh the cost. The challenge for students and parents is to start early, invest wisely, pursue scholarships and stay the course to the day of graduation. Some are better fit for the journey than others.

Amy (Grant ’91) Kennedy came prepared for college. “I can’t say I had any surprises,” she says. “I was well-educated on what I needed and what I needed to get.”

A recipient of the renewable

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President’s scholarship, Amy also received an annual scholarship established by donor gifts. Her parents contributed a PLUS loan, and she took out loans and earned work-study dollars as a computer lab supervisor. Amy and Mike married after her junior year at Taylor.

Jeff Ramsdale came to Taylor in 1990, the son of JAARS/Wycliffe missionaries based in Waxhaw, North Carolina. The Ramsdales, like most missionary families, relied on gifts to support their ministry. To cover his outstanding expenses, Jeff sought federal loans and on-campus financial aid. Jeff was a president’s scholarship recipient his freshman year, but when his grades dropped, so too did the scholarship.

A 1994 graduate with substantial debt from student loans, Jeff admits he could have put forth a better effort to keep his grades up — it would have saved him more than just a scholarship. “When I graduated, I didn’t have a grasp on what $16,000 of debt was,” he says. “Students have a hard time thinking in those terms.”

A native Canadian, Heather (McCready ’95) Taylor had set high standards of achievement for herself. She wanted a quality college experience, but she knew it would be costly.

“I knew I could not carry the cost myself,” she says. “I worked hard for scholarships. I thought about it every day in high school.”

Years of hard work paid off for Heather when she became one of three finalists to receive the valued Leadership Scholarship, a renewable scholarship that paid 80 percent of tuition. For the remaining 20 percent and for her room and board fees, Heather says she had a helping hand from the “National Bank of Dad.”

As driven to succeed in college as she was in high school, Heather was active in student administration and campus activities. She was a natural candidate for student body president, an office she held her senior year.

As a student representative on the University Cabinet, she recalls the rising cost of tuition was a central concern in cabinet meetings. Well acquainted with the financial burden many students carry, Heather has much to say to prospective students: “You are purchasing a college education. You have to look at what it’s going to do to your long-term financial future. Consider whether the cost is worth the rewards.”

It’s never too soon, even for young alumni, to start saving for their children’s education. Remotely employed in Richmond, Va., with Muncie-based Ontario Systems, the Kennedys have two boys: Joshua, 5, and Samuel, 1. Both express a somewhat nostalgic desire to see their sons attend Taylor. But with Joshua soon to enter kindergarten this fall, the thought of college is far from their minds.

“I want it to be far away. I like having my babies at home,” Amy says. But, “if I were to give myself advice I would say we’re behind the 8-ball.”

Mike says they have not started saving for their boys’ education, which, for Joshua, could be upwards of $200,000 for four years, based on a yearly

Counting your chickens

Martha Mae Smith ’35 found a profitable alternative to traditional financial aid. Martha Mae and her siblings raised chickens on campus to finance their college education.

A farmer’s daughter from Hagerstown, Ind., Smith’s father noticed an empty poultry house on his first visit to campus. Not only did the farmer send his daughter away to Taylor, but 150 of his White Leghorns came with her as well. Martha Mae arose before breakfast to care for her birds in the rented poultry house – feeding the birds, harvesting the eggs and shipping the produce to Chicago. Following her in this practice were two younger siblings, Logan ’39 and Hazel x’38.

Bonnie Houser ’92, Taylor archivist, stumbled across an article about Martha Mae’s poultry adventures. The article is now one of Houser’s favorite archive possessions.

“Careful records of income and expenses were kept all through the years and the chickens paid nearly every cent that was needed by these three willing workers,” mentions the article, which was sent to the University by Thomas Hamm, an archivist at Earlham College which holds the papers of Logan Smith, a retired Friends minister.

What Houser finds priceless is the example Martha Mae provided for present and future students. Though financial aid and work-study were not available, she found an ingenious way to finance her Taylor education.
increase of 7 percent.

"Right now we’re in a debt-elimination mode. It’s hard to put money away," he says. "When I put a quarter-million-dollar school bill next to today’s need for diapers," the diapers win.

Nace suggests parents of young children should start saving as early as possible. Some states, including Indiana, have established specific investment opportunities to help families save for college. Nace recommends parents seek the counsel of a "quality financial planner" to sift through the array of options to find what works best for them.

High school students should begin taking active steps toward college their junior year by researching scholarship opportunities and seeking advice from guidance counselors. High school seniors planning to enter college the following year should mail a completed FAFSA form as soon as possible after January 1. The forms are available after December 1 from guidance counselors and financial aid offices at most schools. Around the first of the year, the University mails to students the Taylor Financial Aid Form. Both forms must be returned to the University, postmarked by March 1.

Once the application is received, an award package is prepared. Students are notified of their award by April 15. Incoming students choosing to receive loans are required to attend entrance and exit counseling sessions, conducted by the financial aid office.

If the process sounds a bit confusing, students and parents can find a variety of useful resources on the Internet. A good place to start is www.finaid.org, a site that provides general information, calculators to estimate future tuition, application forms, descriptions of various loan programs, a "to do" check list, and links to other useful sites.

"Finaid.org seems to be the granddaddy of all the other sites," Nace says. "That’s the one we recommend to everyone."

While the financial aid office seeks to provide everything they can for each student, it is limited by available resources and federal regulations.

"We can’t always give them what they want," financial aid secretary Joan Hobbs says.

Joan can empathize. She attended a private Christian college in the mid 1960s. Because she did not choose a local university, her parents felt it would be best for her to supply her own funds. She sought financial aid from the school, but did not receive any aid to meet her needs.

Joan now finds herself helping others cope with similar situations. "When I see students crying because of their financial aid, I know why," she says. "My husband and I felt the same way back in those days. We, too, wondered how we could ever pay for college; but God did supply our needs."

Joan now sees that the difficult financial time actually allowed her to grow closer to God.

For Joan and the other financial aid office staff, the joy that comes from seeing students grow and make it through college is worth all the effort they give. And it’s only natural. "I would like to make a difference," she explains, "I have always wanted to."

Randal Dillinger ’45 lives in Muncie with his wife, Stephanie, and their five-year-old daughter, Natalie Kerr. They attend Muncie Alliance Church. Randy works at the Muncie Star Press.

\[tuition and fees are just one source of revenue for the University; likewise, academic expenses are just one source of expenditures. The revenue and expenditures can be divided into several general categories, as shown below.\]

![Revenue and Expenditure Diagrams](image-url)
Regardless of the institution, a college education is a pricey endeavor. Like any other major purchase, students must be certain the value of the product is worthy of the price tag attached.

The current total of Taylor tuition, room and board, health services and fees is $19,748 – a moderate figure in comparison to member schools within the Christian College Consortium, an organization of 13 Christian liberal arts institutions to which Taylor belongs. In fact, Taylor’s costs are just $9 above the average.

If Taylor’s tuition continues to rise at the 3.94 percent it did this year (a conservative figure as most institutions average a 6 to 7 percent annual increase), children starting at Taylor 25 years from now will face tuition fees of over $51,000. (To estimate the cost for other years, see www.finaid.org.)

The economy, of course, should increase at a rate comparable to the cost of tuition, making the figure somewhat less staggering.

Despite the costs, a recent article in Christianity Today (April 1999) finds that Christian liberal arts education is a growing trend across the United States. Statistics from the newly renamed Council of Christian Colleges and Universities (formerly the Coalition) cite increasing enrollment rates that are growing four times faster than enrollment at other private institutions. In fact, enrollment at CCCU schools increased 24 percent from 1990 to 1996.

Part of this growth is attributed to the worth of the education students receive for their sometimes-higher tuition payments. Proving the value of a Taylor education is not a challenge – research indicates a Taylor education is well worth the price tag.

Jack Letarte, institutional researcher, conducts surveys on alumni two to six years after their graduation to determine their satisfaction with their education and career readiness. The results leave Taylor educators and administrators with statistics of which to be proud. Eighty-four percent of Taylor alumni from the class of 1994 ranked themselves at or above co-workers on the first job. Almost 48 percent of the same class have pursued some form of continuing education, and 91 percent rated their preparation for further study as good or excellent.

The value of an education also must be measured by the satisfaction of students. Steve Mortland, director of admissions, takes great pleasure in referencing a Consortium study that finds Taylor students rank their satisfaction with the University very high in areas such as campus environment, academic advising, support services, instructional effectiveness and recruitment and financial aid. In fact, Taylor placed number one or two in all 11 areas.

“It was very encouraging to find that our students have some of the highest expectations among the comparison group of students, but with those high expectations they also have the highest degree of satisfaction,” Mortland says. “It probably means that we are doing a good job of delivering what we promise.”

A national study by UCLA found 91 percent of Taylor students would definitely or probably choose to re-enroll. The average among other private schools was only 80 percent.

Academically, Taylor is one of only a handful of Council schools that have selective admissions standards. The average ACT score of incoming 1998 Taylor students is 26.3. 4.5 points above the current national average for college bound seniors. Results of the 1996 Academic Profile Test indicate that Taylor students graduate with well-above average academic ability as well. Taylor students averaged in the 90th percentile for all seven areas tested, including mathematics, natural sciences, critical thinking and writing. National norms for the same categories ranged from the 31st to 50th percentiles.

Students are satisfied with their spiritual growth while at Taylor as well. Ninety-eight percent of Taylor students reported they grew much or very much while students.

But the best indicator of the value of a Taylor education is the testimony of graduates who are pleased with their own education and development. Paul Ritchie ’99 graduated from Taylor this spring with a job in place as a stockbroker for Charles Schwab. He credits his quick job search with a Taylor education. “Integrity is very important for stockbrokers.”

Ritchie says, “You have to trust the people you hire. I think that goes along with Taylor.”

Most of all, however, Ritchie says he finished Taylor with a balanced view of life and a God-centered approach to living. And that, he says, is a valuable education.
The vast intellect, wide and deep learning, and luxuriant imagination of C. S. Lewis resulted in logical, lucid, and loving poetry and prose, filled with laughter and relevant to our lives. These characteristics enabled Lewis to be versatile in several ways. It is this versatility which will ensure that he will continue to speak to people in the 21st century.

First of all, his versatility is shown by the variety of issues he addresses. He describes the nature of Christian love (in fact, all kinds of love), faith, prayer and almost every aspect of the Christian life. He points out the danger of the desire to be in the “inner ring,” and the dangers of scientism and bureaucracy. These are just a small sample of the many topics he writes about. Every idea is clearly articulated, amply illustrated, and, usually, pushes us to think more deeply and with a different point of view than we had ever done before.

An example of his insight into human nature is the following verse.

Erected by her sorrowing brothers
In memory of Martha Clay,
Here lies one who lived for others;
Now she has peace and so have they.

Lewis once said of Tolstoy that when you read his descriptions of family life, you wonder, “How did he know about us, when did he eavesdrop in our house?” Just so, when Lewis writes about college politics, we wonder when did he attend our faculty meetings. His versatility also is shown by the many different areas of scholarship he uses to clarify any difficulty he is exploring. He uses concepts and ideas from theology, history, psychology, science and mathematics as well as from his own fields of literature and philosophy.

For example, he uses the mathematical concept of higher space dimensions in about a dozen of his books, both fiction and non-fiction, to illustrate theological ideas. The 1996 issue (Vol. 13) of VII: An Anglo-American Literary Review contains an article which explains the concept. He also uses many other mathematical concepts to enrich his writings. Mathematicians are especially intrigued by his use of mathematics, but most people know enough math to be helped by his use of this subject. This is especially significant since Lewis failed the mathematics section of the entrance exam to Oxford University.

That failure was due to his inability to get the right answer to arithmetical calculations or algebraic manipulations. He did like geometry and perhaps that is why he understood the nature of mathematics in spite of his inability to do it well. In “Mere Christianity,” in the chapter Is Christianity Hard or Easy? he uses the learning of geometry to illustrate his point that it may be hard at first to take up our cross, but if we do then his yoke is easy. While if we don’t do the first then it is hard, in fact, impossible. “Teachers will tell you that the laziest boy in the class is the one who works hardest in the end. They mean this. If you give two boys, say a proposition in geometry to do, the one who is prepared to take trouble will try to understand it. The lazy boy will try to learn it by heart because, for the moment, that needs less effort. But six months later, when they are preparing for an exam that lazy boy is doing hours of miserable drudgery over things the other understands, and positively enjoys in a few minutes.”

Finally, the different literary genres and the different styles in each enable him to speak to almost everyone. He wrote poetry, children’s fairy tales, science fiction, various other kinds of fantasy, and nonfiction. If a person does not like one genre, he will probably like at least one other that Lewis used. Even within one genre he has many styles. Each of the three books in his space trilogy has its own unique flavor. His fantasy includes widely different kinds of books.

Compare “The Screwtape Letters,” “The Great Divorce,” and “Till We Have Faces” to see what I mean. Even if some part of his writings go out of style, there will always be some other part which will make people pause and consider something they had never considered quite the same way before.

Therefore, his insight into human nature and into the nature of God, his fertile imagination and the breadth of his learning which enabled Lewis, through his writings, to help us see many issues more clearly and to do it in many genres and styles will continue to enrich the lives of people into the 21st century and beyond.

– David Neuhouser

Individuals with an interest in Lewis and related authors will enjoy Taylor’s Frances White Ewbank Colloquium, hosted by the C. S. Lewis and Friends Committee. The Colloquium, Nov. 12-14, offers scholars and lay-scholars the opportunity to explore the mind and diverse works of some of the 20th century’s greatest authors. For more information on attending the Colloquium, contact Dr. David Neuhouser at 236 W. Read Ave., Upland, IN 46989-1001, or check the website at www.tayloru.edu/cislewis.
In my role as chair of the Board of Trustees, it is my privilege to announce several significant activities that were acted upon during the recent Board of Trustees meeting May 19-21, 1999. First, after many years of praying, ground was broken for a new student commons at Fort Wayne. This new facility will greatly benefit the student life on this growing campus. Likewise, it was reported that ground was broken on May 12, 1999, for an expansion of the Hodson Dining Commons at Upland. This new addition will enhance the facilities for student dining as well as events such as Parents Weekend, Homecoming and other special dining activities.

The Board was pleased to accept a major gift from Coburn and Modelle Metcalf ’45 for the visual arts addition at Upland. A resolution to name the facility the “Modelle Metcalf Visual Arts Center” was approved by the Board.

Lastly, it is my privilege to report that the Board of Trustees unanimously approved a resolution to name the new student activities center on the Upland campus for our friend, alumnus and current president, Dr. Jay Kesler. This naming will commemorate the more than 40 years of servanthood that Jay and Janie have given to young people through their ministry at Youth for Christ and their tenure at Taylor University. Please continue to pray with me as we strive to keep Taylor "focused on the future.”
Groundbreaking begins on new facilities

May was a month of groundbreaking on both campuses. In Upland, construction began on the addition to the Hodson Dining Commons. On the Fort Wayne campus, a ceremony was held to christen the construction of the new Student Commons Center.

Hodson Dining Commons
Construction of the addition to the Hodson Dining Commons is in its early stages. The new rooms will more than double the current banquet space.

Student Commons Center
Groundbreaking began with a few shovels of dirt dug by Vice President for Development Gene Rupp, Campaign Director Jerry Cramer, Foellinger Foundation Representative Barbara Burt, Dr. Jay Kesler, Board Chair G. Roselyn Kerlin, Dr. Daryl Yost and Associate Vice President for Development Sherri Harter.
Kesler leadership brings credibility to University

Across the country, the Taylor name is nearly synonymous with that of its leader, Dr. Jay Kesler, and his wife, Janie. Dr. Kesler holds a prominent position among contemporary Christian authors and leaders and adds to the credibility of the University, helping Taylor make its mark as a forerunner in liberal arts education.

Dr. Kesler graduated from Taylor in 1958. He then served as president of Youth for Christ before returning to his alma mater as president in 1985. The author of nearly 20 books and the recipient of six honorary doctorates, Dr. Kesler continues to publish books and articles and speak to audiences frequently. In addition to his service at Taylor, Dr. Kesler is a founding board member with Prison Ministry Fellowship, led by Chuck Colson, and is actively involved with the National Prayer Breakfast and other civic opportunities.

Much loved by students, Dr. Kesler has an open-door policy and regularly mentors small groups of young men. His unique ability to be funny, relevant and authentic makes him a favorite speaker - at Taylor’s chapel services and across the country.

“Jay stands for everything the University promotes - the Bible, evangelism, young people, stability,” says Walt Campbell, associate dean of students.

Working alongside Dr. Kesler is his wife, Janie, whom Campbell considers an excellent role model for students. Mrs. Kesler ’59 has been devoted to her family since her marriage to Jay in 1957. She is an avid reader and enjoys playing the piano and painting. The first lady of the University, Mrs. Kesler assumes a presence at Taylor that cannot be missed. She and Jay have served as wing leaders, and Janie frequently opens her home to students and campus visitors.

The Keslers’ joint leadership of the University has prompted the Board of Trustees to announce plans for the Kesler Student Activities Center to be built on the Upland campus. Fundraising currently is underway for the center, a tribute to the Keslers’ decades of service and in honor of Dr. Kesler’s June 2000 retirement.
Ebenezer stones - reminders of faithfulness

Over the years, I’ve developed quite a reputation for my ties – I have around 60 or 70. Despite the number, I have my favorites that I wear frequently, and a few unique ones I save for special occasions.

Jerry Cramer, the director of our capital campaign, is the same way. He and I both have a money tie, printed with dollar bills all over. Just the other day, we wore our money ties to celebrate the recent blessings of the campaign.

Taylor has received some generous gifts lately, like the $1.5 million for the Modelle Metcalf Visual Arts Center, and the donation that made the Hodson Dining Commons expansion possible. In fact, we’ve exceeded $53 million – a tremendous cause for rejoicing.

I’m reminded of the story from 1 Samuel, where the people placed a stone, called Ebenezer, as a reminder of God’s faithfulness. As we broke ground in Fort Wayne for the student commons center, I couldn’t help but think of the Ebenezer stones God is allowing us to raise on our campuses. None of these stones could be raised without the smaller, faithful donations of $10 and $20 and $100. These gifts are the backbone of our campaign, each one a monument to the faithfulness of our Father and the spirit of our graduates and friends.

Jerry and I are both known for our ties, but we’re also known for a little phrase we say frequently – “To God be the glory.” May God have all the glory that comes from this University and from our lives.

Pray for the Taylor Tomorrow Campaign

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all comprehension, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. – Philippians 4:6, 7

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Timeline for search announced

The Board of Trustees has announced that Taylor University is seeking a new president. The Board is looking for an experienced, proven leader, who will embrace the tradition, ethos and vision of Taylor and will empower and propagate its core values, faith and learning. The new president will succeed Jay Kesler, who will become chancellor on July 1, 2000, after 15 years of distinguished presidential leadership.

The chairman of the Board of Trustees, G. Roselyn Kerlin, has appointed a Presidential Search and Screen Committee to assist the Board in the search process. The committee is composed of eight board members, one faculty member and the vice president for academic affairs of the University.

The Search and Screen Committee established the presidential profile (below) and is actively seeking candidates who meet the criteria. The committee plans to provide a short list of candidates to the Board in January 2000 for consideration. Following the January 2000 meeting of the Board of Trustees, the committee will invite the candidates to both campuses for interviews.

After the interviews, a special meeting of the Board of Trustees will be called in March or April 2000 to select a candidate to be the next president of Taylor University.

-Kenneth Flanigan, committee chair

Board approves proposal for new Kesler Student Activities Center

A new building on the Upland campus will someday bear Dr. Kesler’s name. At the May meeting of the Board, a proposal was approved to name the Kesler Student Activities Center in honor of Jay and Janie Kesler. An anticipated $14 million is needed for the building and endowment, which will greatly increase the recreational facilities on the Upland campus.

The Board also approved naming resolutions for the Hodson Dining Commons Banquet Room and the Modelle Metcalf Visual Arts Center (see page 22).

Additional Board activities included approving a $36 million budget for the 1999-2000 fiscal year.

G. Roselyn Kerlin completed her term as Board chair and will now serve as a member of the Executive Committee. Paul Robbins was named the new chair of the Board.
Observatory offers night view

Astronomy students will soon be able to view the star-filled Indiana night sky without worry about the elements, in the relative comfort of Taylor’s first observatory. After months of careful planning and hard work, and at a cost of $39,000, the motor-driven, aluminum-domed facility now sits atop the Nussbaum Science Building. The observatory awaits only the addition of a telescope platform before the wonders of the galaxy may be sought by star-gazing enthusiasts.

According to David Prentice, a TUU research engineer and the designer of the domed enclosure, the decision to build the observatory was made because without a dome, students were at the mercy of the weather. The astronomy class had to take the telescope behind Nussbaum to view the night sky, and in bad weather it was impossible to use the instrument.

Summer in Salzburg becomes educational opportunity for professors

Salzburg, Austria, will be the classroom this July for three Taylor professors. Professor David Dickey, director of Zondervan Library, and music professors, Dr. Barbara Dickey and Dr. Patricia Robertson, are participating in the 36th annual European Summer Study Program in Salzburg.

David will focus on major motion pictures filmed in the Salzburg area. Barbara and Patricia will team-teach Music and Art in Context, in which they survey the principal historical eras of art and music in the European tradition.

Participants in the program will live in Austrian bed and breakfast homes. —Arnna M. Smith ’87

Fall sabbatical brings business ethics scholar to Upland campus

Taylor University Upland will host an international scholar in the field of business ethics next fall. Dr. Richard Chewning, Baylor University (Tex.) professor and author, will spend a semester working closely with Taylor faculty and students.

Chewning, co-author of “Business Through the Eyes of Faith” is a leader within his field. In 1998 the Christian Business Faculty Association established an award in his name, citing his passion for the integration of faith and business.

While on campus, Chewning will encourage faculty and students to further integrate their academic fields with their faith. In a course for faculty members titled “Associating Scripture with the Academic Disciplines,” Chewning will discuss natural and biblical presuppositions that direct development.

Chewning’s time at Taylor is part of a contract with Baylor University that allows him to take a sabbatical each fall in order to teach at other Christian institutions. Taylor is the fourth school to participate in this program; previously Chewning spent the fall semesters at Indiana Wesleyan, Cedarville and Geneva.

Computer students tackle tough contest competition

Five Taylor University students, led by Professor Wally Roth ’59, competed in the fifth annual Ethics Bowl on Feb. 25, 1999, in Washington, D.C. Contending against 22 teams from across the country, participants were asked to create solutions for complex technological problems.

Roth hopes to compete at an in-state contest in Indianapolis next fall. This contest will prepare teams for the national contest, bringing more involvement from Indiana colleges.

The Taylor team, sixteenth in the competition, consisted of Peter Brummond ’99, Amy Yoder ’99, John Aoun ’99, Seth Corduan ’01 and Mark Lora ’00. This was the first time the team competed at this level. “The team that won this year [Texas Wesleyan] finished last two years ago — it takes experience,” says Roth. —Arnna M. Smith ’87
Groundbreaking begins on Student Commons

After months of planning and waiting, groundbreaking for the TUFW student commons center occurred at the meeting of the Board of Trustees, on Friday, May 21.

The ceremony featured representatives from the Board, administration, and each area to be housed in the new complex. Student representatives also participated in the celebration for the latest result of the Taylor Tomorrow Capital Campaign.

“We want this facility to be a vibrant and vital force in this community,” said Dr. Daryl Yost, provost and chief administrative officer of the Fort Wayne campus. Board Chair G. Roselyn Kerlin called the center a “place where community will begin.”

Construction of the new facility was made possible through a $1 million anonymous donation, a $4.8 million grant from the Lilly Endowment, Inc., and a recent $500,000 grant from the Foellinger Foundation of Fort Wayne.

Additional funding is being sought from other donors.

Actual construction will begin during the summer, says Yost. He anticipates an August 2001 completion date - in time for use in the fall semester. The student commons is the first scheduled building project for the Fort Wayne campus from the $75 million Taylor Tomorrow Capital Campaign.

Constitution of the new facility is much anticipated. "After 16 years on the Fort Wayne campus, I believe this is really one of the exciting highlights of the Fort Wayne campus history,” says Sherri Harter, TUFW associate vice president for development. “It is symbolic of growth and vision.”

The new student commons will house a cafeteria, student lounges, post office, bookstore, campus safety, prayer room, student development, career services, conference rooms, a recreation center and other work rooms.

TUFW holds first Honors College

High school students from across the country will make their way to TUFW this summer for the first Fort Wayne Summer Honors College. N. Adam Carrigan, program coordinator and a TUFW admissions counselor, anticipates approximately 30 students, between their junior and senior years of high school, will attend the month-long program.

Much like the Upland Summer Honors Program, TUFW's program will offer high school students the opportunity to live on a college campus and take courses for credit.

Carrigan believes the program offers a valuable experience for students: not only do they experience life on a college campus, they receive tuition-free college credit in the process. Students attending the honors program pay only for their room, board and textbooks.

“We are planning the Honors College as a service to the students, but we hope some of them get excited about the University and return,” Carrigan says.

The Fort Wayne Honors College is June 20 through July 23. In Upland, the Summer Honors Program is June 19 through July 23.

Tumas text on missionary goes to second printing

Tumas with her 1998 book

The book "Mission Possible," written by first-time author Luci Tumas, has gone to a second printing.

A video, telling many of the same stories as Tumas' book, received an Angel Award in Hollywood for demonstrating a high level of morality. The video, "Return to Hauna," highlights some of the challenges faced by Marilyn Laszlo while she translated the New Testament. Laszlo retells the stories as she walks through Huana Village in Papua New Guinea, where she lived for over 20 years.

Other media that received the Angel Award include the recent movie "The Prince of Egypt" and "Touched by an Angel."

Tumas, a secretary for Herb Frye in admissions at TUFW, was asked to write the book about Laszlo's experiences because Tumas spent 15 years in Papua New Guinea.

The book was released in 1998 by Tyndale House Publishers. - Sarah Spinney '01
Lecture series integrates faith and science and honors Dr. Randall

The University recently honored the memory of Dr. Walter C. Randall '38, Taylor alumnus, former professor and internationally known researcher, with the creation of the Walter C. Randall Lecture in Biomedical Ethics.

The inaugural lecture was held at the international meeting of the American Physiological Society. Approximately 250 scientists and physiologists attended this specific lecture; over 12,000 delegates were at the meetings.

Dr. Kenneth Dormer, a former colleague of Randall, and Dr. Charles Webber '69 helped organize the lecture as a way to interject the Judeo-Christian ethic into science and honor Dr. Randall.

The first lecturer was Frank E. Young, a former commissioner for the FDA and assistant surgeon general. Young spoke on human cloning and embryo manipulation.

Joyce Helyer, associate vice president for development, sees the series as an opportunity to fulfill Taylor's mission of sharing the redemptive love of Christ within the field of science.

Indiana General Assembly honors Taylor with resolutions

The Indiana General Assembly set aside a few minutes of their legislative schedules to honor Taylor University on Monday, April 19. Representative P. Eric Turner '74 and Senator David Ford read four resolutions concerning Taylor. A resolution is the General Assembly's formal acknowledgment of an individual, organization or event's commitment to its community and state.

The first resolution honored the life of Professor Rick Seaman '78, who died suddenly on Dec. 13, 1998. Seaman was recognized as an "outstanding role model for students, co-workers, friends and family, portraying and embracing a Christian spirit in every aspect of his life."

A second resolution honored TUU's annual Community Plunge, a day of service for Taylor freshmen and other community members, as an activity that builds a community mindset in new students from their first week on campus.

George '58 and Jan (Huffman '60) Glass were honored with separate resolutions recognizing their commitment to community involvements. George, associate vice president for alumni relations, was recognized as a national leader in the world of athletics and a community leader in Upland. The General Assembly recognized George's "dedication to Taylor University, the educational and spiritual growth of its students, his unmatched service and accomplishments in track and field and his loving support for his family and friends."

A fourth resolution honored Jan's work as an educator and guidance counselor, her concern for HIV positive or severely injured babies, and her work to educate mothers in low-income areas. Jan was named mother of the year by the Indiana Chapter of American Mothers, Inc., in 1998.

Current students meet alumni role models at women's conference

Taylor University's Women's Conference featuring keynote speaker Dr. Julie (Reinhart '55) Coburn was held on campus Feb. 11. Seminar presenters encouraged the attending students to pursue Christ's standards of excellence for women.

According to Joyce Helyer, associate vice president for development, who coordinated the event, a total of 140 women - 110 of them Taylor students - took time to participate in the day's activities. The event proved to be a refreshing and stimulating look at life after college and the choices women must make as they undergo the transition. —Lindy Beam '99

Rice Pilaf takes comedy on tour

laughs are abundant at performances of Rice Pilaf, an improvisational comedy group founded in 1997. The team performs on and off campus each semester. An average performance may find them improvising dialogue while being placed in odd poses by audience members. Points are awarded by judges from the audience, and each show ends in a rapid-fire ad-lib contest.

This year Rice Pilaf traveled to Boston during spring break for a competition against Gordon College. A highlight of the trip was the Rice Pilaf professional debut at Improv Boston.—Lindy Beam '99

Caleb Moaz '99 is "fitted" for a new suit by Katherine Forbes '01 and Jonathan Tower '99.
Softball sisters take dad to outstanding season

When most parents attend their daughters’ softball games, they sit in the stands. Joe Lund sits in the dugout. As Taylor’s head softball coach, Joe is both coach and father to two teammates, Lindsey ’99 and Ashley ’01.

Joe’s coaching career at Taylor began with the soccer team, which he continues to coach. He picked up softball when Lindsey was a sophomore, and agreed to stay through Ashley’s senior year, bringing some stability to a team that had seen four coaches in five years.

This stability has brought positive benefits to the team. The season ended with a 25-16 record and the title of MCC champs.

Part of the team’s accomplishments can be attributed to the Lund daughters. “Both are excellent ball players,” their father says. The statistics back him up. His daughters have the highest batting averages on the team – Ashley carries a .416 average, while her big sister close behind at .398.

Despite the close relationship the three share, both women claim their father shows no favoritism to his daughters.

“I’m still the only person on the team who had to run laps for anything.” Lindsey says, recalling an incident where she didn’t want to take groundballs – an attitude her father feared would affect the team. Groundballs also caused another family incident. A stray groundball Joe hit while playing in the Taylor field house broke Lindsey’s nose. “I think he felt worse than I did,” Lindsey says.

Ashley believes there is no opportunity for preferential treatment. “You always know the whole team is watching.”

They are watching, says Melanie Mannix, a senior third baseman, but favoritism is not evident. “Coach does a really good job of keeping the atmosphere balanced. Sometimes he seems especially excited when one of his daughters does something well, but he gets excited for us too.”

More than other players, Mannix understands the unique pressures the Lunds face in having a sibling on the team. Her sister, sophomore Mindy Mannix, is the team catcher. “It’s nice to have her on the team because there’s a special support between sisters that others don’t understand,” she says.

For the Lunds, playing softball was a given. Mom Dianne ’84 was a strong supporter of her daughters’ athletic pursuits as well.

“They grew up around athletic equipment,” Joe says. “But I still believe we didn’t force them into sports.” When his daughters laugh at his statement, he adds, “But that may be open to editorial comment.”

Season highlights

Baseball

The baseball team won the last six games of its most successful conference season ever, posting a league mark of 21-7 and an overall record of 25-22. Jeremy Roberts’ .382 batting average led seven Trojans who batted over .300 for the season, and his four-home-run performance was second only to Joel Martin’s five. Five other Trojan ball players batted at a .267 clip or better. Dan Rocke (5-2) and Daniel Hernandez (5-4) led the pitching staff in wins. The Trojan baseball team ended the season as MCC champs.

Golf

Seniors Ben Metzger and Dwayne Safer as well as senior Jeff Hager were MCC All-Conference selections this season. The golf team celebrated a successful season as second in the conference going into the MCC golf meet on May 7-8. In being named to the All-Conference team. Metzger became a four-time winner of that honor and shot an average of 75.00 in conference matches. Hager, a three-time All-Conference performer, shot a 78.83 for the season and Safer averaged 77.86 – making the MCC team for the second time.

Women’s Track

The Lady Trojans track team finished fourth in the MCC track meet on April 30 – May 1, placing one athlete, Christel Deal, on the All-Conference team. Deal, who finished second in the high jump, also finished third in the 400-meter intermediate hurdles and fourth in the 100-meter high hurdles. Other Trojans running well at the MCC meet included Jody Thompson who finished third in the 800-meter run, and Jenny Klinsman, a second-place finisher in the 100-meter high hurdles. Shot putter Andrea Rea finished third.
Generous matching gift adds bonus to high Phonathon results

The Upland campus concluded its 1999 Phonathon $28,000 over its $100,000 goal. After 13 nights of calling and 1516 donations, student callers concluded with a record-setting Phonathon total.

Joyce Helyer, associate vice president for development, credits much of the Phonathon success to a $100,000 challenge match from Paul and Betty Zurcher. Paul is a member of the Taylor Board of Trustees. He and his wife own Zurcher Tire, Inc., located in Monroe, Ind.

The Zurchers' challenge matched any new or increased gift given to the Taylor Fund between Jan. 1 and June 30, 1999.

"The Zurchers believe strongly in Christian higher education, and they believe all they have is a gift from God," Helyer says. "The challenge match was a motivation for some alumni to give because they knew they could double their gift." Helyer says.

Helyer noted an apparent increase in young alumni giving. This, she believes, is due in part to Rick Seaman's young alumni giving program, positive student experiences while on campus, and the work of the alumni relations office. She also credits the Phonathon success to the organizing efforts of Rhonda Fowler, TUF assistant for the Taylor Fund and Capital Campaign.

While the primary goal of the Phonathon is to raise money for the Taylor Fund, which helps students with financial aid, Helyer says the secondary goal is to minister to alumni by encouragement. Callers collect prayer requests from alumni; the requests are then distributed among development staff members.

"I find this to be a very meaningful part of Phonathon," Helyer says.

Visual Arts receives funding boost from Metcalfs

Just two days before Mother's Day, Modelle Metcalf got the surprise of her life. A proposed building on the Upland campus will be named in her honor—the Modelle Metcalf Visual Arts Center.

The announcement was made Friday, May 7, at a dinner for the Metcalf family and Taylor administrators. Modelle's husband, Coburn Metcalf, made a $1.5 million donation after speaking with Ken Smith, executive director of the William Taylor Foundation.

This is the University's largest one-time gift from a living donor, says Gene Rupp, vice president for development.

The $1.5 million will be added to the $700,000 already received for the project. More monies must be identified before groundbreaking can occur. Rupp is working with other potential donors to raise the remaining amount for the building.

The proposed building is an addition to the current communications and music centers on the Upland campus. When complete, the center will include studios, classrooms, computer graphic arts technology, faculty offices and two galleries.

Modelle came as a student to Taylor in the 1940s, but was financially unable to complete her education. Modelle's daughter JoAnne Powell '72 is an assistant professor of social work at TUFW.

Powell recalled a family gathering where Coburn presented his wife with an honorary Taylor diploma. Modelle held the diploma to her breast and wept, saying, "This is what I've always wanted."
This is the first in a series of articles that explore important techniques in estate planning on a variety of levels. We will comment here on wills and living trusts. Future articles will focus on more advanced topics. While this series does not constitute comprehensive estate planning or legal advice, it is designed to provide an overview of some techniques readers may wish to consider implementing.

Does Estate Planning Matter?

While we all know that death cannot be avoided, it can be difficult for some to focus on planning in the context of their own mortality. About eight out of ten people who die each year do so with no estate plan. Perhaps without knowing it, they run the risk of causing their families unnecessary hardship, and quite possibly a decreased inheritance. Effective planning for the future not only reduces potential death taxes, it also helps ensure that property passes to the desired recipients.

Last Wills and Testaments

The first tool in an effective estate plan is a will. It assures that an individual’s property is distributed according to his or her particular wishes, and can be an invaluable tool in advancing the family’s interests. Without a will, property would pass under the intestacy statutes in the state in which an individual dies. Under the laws of most states, for example, if an individual dies without a will, leaving a spouse and one or more descendents, only a portion of his or her separate property would pass to the surviving spouse, and the balance would pass downstream to the descendents. As discussed below, this may not be the most advantageous distribution pattern, and is rarely consistent with the individual’s actual wishes.

For parents with young children, a will enables them to name a guardian for their minor children; courts generally respect the parents’ wishes. Absent this simple planning step, the court is left to decide who should raise their children without knowing the parents’ preferences.

Finally, a will enables one to choose who should administer and distribute his or her estate, and also allows that individual to specify that the estate be administered without supervision from the Court, thus avoiding public access to information about one’s wealth.

Living Trusts

These documents are often used in the contemporary environment to commemorate or “package” estate planning instructions. Like wills, they contain information that details who is to receive an inheritance upon a person’s death. Unlike wills, however, living trusts typically provide specific instructions for managing one’s property before death, if incapacity occurs because of ill health or advanced age. If a living trust is indicated, it becomes the centerpiece document in the individual’s estate plan. The will that accompanies it designates the trust as the beneficiary to receive the person’s estate.

There is much misinformation circulating about living trusts — for instance, one reads advertisements promising that using a trust will banish death taxes altogether, and avoid the “evils” of the probate process when one dies. In most cases that is wishful thinking, since the delays and expenses people associate with administering estates are typically caused by the taxing authorities — and they preside over estates whether or not a living trust is an integral part of the plan. The principal benefit our clients realize from utilizing these planning documents relates to management of assets during extended disability.

We will explore specific uses of various kinds of trust mechanisms in future articles. If you would like more information about estate planning, contact Ken Smith, executive director of the William Taylor Foundation, at (765) 998-5144.

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1931
Louise (Hazelton) Wesche passed away on April 12 in Nampa, ID. She was 91. Husband Gerald Wesche '30 preceded her in death. Her sister Florence (Hazelton) Hiester survives. ● Charles Taylor died on Jan 21 in Warsaw, IN. He had been a United Methodist minister since 1934.

1932
Vivien (Myers x) Freese passed away on March 21 in Jacksonville, FL. She was a former residence of Upland where she was co-owner of Freese Printing with her husband Hugh Freese x'31. Hugh lives at 1019 23rd St N, Jacksonville Beach, FL 32250.

1933
Grace (Hedley) Ramsay died on March 26 in London, Ontario. Grace was vice president of her class and 1 of 5 graduates in 1933 who started a “Round Robin” letter that circulated at least once a month for 66 yrs. Class member P. Arath (Kletzing) Hoffmann and the other 2 remaining newsletter originators intend to continue their class newsletter. You can contact Arath at 1620 Meadows Cir, Rockford, IL 61108.

1937
Garfield & Marian (Matthew x'38) Steedman live at 1070 W Jefferson, Franklin, IN 46131. Email is msteeedman@webtv.net.

1941
Dr. Lester Michel passed away on Nov 21, 1998. He was a chemistry professor for almost 57 yrs at Colorado College. His professor and mentor at Taylor was Dr. G. Harlow Evans. Wife Martha (Brown x'42) survives. She lives at 500 Yucca Cir, Colorado Springs, CO 80906.

1948
Wayne Tone x passed away suddenly on May 5, 1998. He was a preacher for 45 yrs until his retirement in 1994. Surviving is wife Ethel (Abrams x) who resides at 10909 W 60 Hwy, Vandalia, MI 49095.

1951
Rev. Roy David died July 1, 1998 in Saskatchewan, Canada. He served in Christian & Missionary Alliance churches for 46 yrs. He also served in the military from 1943 to 1946, seeing action in the Battle of the Bulge. His wife Edith survives. ● Norm & Eunice (Berg x) Wilhelm's address is PO Box 250, Montreat, NC 28757. Email is ole_coach@juno.com. ● Harry “Buzz” & Lorna (Green) Williams of Fargo, ND and Jud & Opal (Back) Shoemaker of Alta, FL met in January. Having not seen one another for 49 yrs, the two couples spent several hours reminiscing and becoming reacquainted.

1955
Rev. John Hinkle, Jr. retired from seminary teaching at GarrettEvangelical Theological Seminary after 26 yrs. He served with the UMC Board of Global Ministries in the Philippine Islands in 1960-64 and was with the Board for 7 yrs, establishing 4 local congregations. He served 15 yrs as pastor in local congregations in the US and for 4 yrs as director of the IN Counseling & Pastor Care Grp. The General Board of Higher Ed & Ministry-UMC, recently awarded him a certificate for extraordinary commitment. John highly valued his education at TC, and is especially thankful to Prof Thompson. John & wife Martha live in Arlington Hts, IL.

1963
After 20 yrs of building friendships and sharing Jesus on a reserve in Powell River, British Columbia, Ron & Jennifer (Fierke) Wilson have moved to Vancouver to continue ministry among First Nations people. They work with North America Indian Ministries (NAIM). Jennifer would love to hear from classmates at wilson@naim.ca

1966
Fran (Weiss) Fach was named executive director of the Kentuckiana Girl Scout Council, headquartered in Louisville, KY, serving 24,000 members in 57 counties of KY, IN and TX. Kentuckiana is in the top 10% of Girl Scout councils nationwide, in both membership and geographic size.

1968
Carolyn (Probst x) Jensen is senior consultant for Keane, Inc. She lives in Tampa, FL. Email is cjensen1@tampabay.rr.com.

1970
Rev. Stevan Haidlich was appointed to the Akron UM Church in Oct 1998. He continues to work in the North IX conference as president of Construction Connection, Inc. This organization works to develop a network of volunteers to help local churches make improvements in worship centers and clergy housing. He & wife Shirley live at 113 S West St, PO Box 295, Akron, OH 44310. Email is s.haidlich@hoosierlink.net.

1971
Ronald Boise passed away on Dec 5, 1998 in Portland, IX. ● Bill & Barbara Davison live at 395 Danforth St, Portland, ME 04102. Email is bdavison@earthlink.net. Bill spent the past 2 yrs as managing director of Europe for Cole-Haan. He is now a consultant for European manufacturers. ● Rebecca Jane Schopp died on Jan
28 from complications of a 42-yr battle with diabetes. Her body gave out, but never her spirit. She lived in Englewood, OH.

1972
David & Janet Brown live in Somerset, England. Their email address is dbrown@hotmail.co.uk.

1973
Jessica Leonard is employed as director of volunteers for Goshen General Hospital, Goshen, IN. She resides with her son Nathan at 1319 E Fairview Ave, South Bend, IN 46614. Email is JessicarlC@aol.com.

1974
Jim & Susan Nelson & their 3 children Ryan (19), Sara (15) and Tony (11) live in Granger, IN. Jim was promoted to director of HealthCare Credit and Collection at Bayer Corp. The family was saddened by the loss of Jim's close friend Art Pelton '75 on Aug 18, 1978. Jim had the honor of speaking at Art's funeral. The Nelsons live at 51105 High Meadow Dr, Granger, IN 46530. Email is nelson@nichiana.org. • Jim & Deborah (Krehbiel) Ryab live at 9508 N 113th Way, Scottsdale, AZ 85259. Email is jryab@iol.com. Deborah would love to hear from classmates!

1975
Gail (Perkins) Cooley received her MA in biblical counseling from Dallas Theol Sem on May 1. She lives at 709 W Buckingham Rd, Apt 6, Garland, TX 75040, with sons Matthew (15) and Daniel (7). Email is abishah@juno.com. • P. Lowell Haines has been admitted to partnership of Baker & Daniels, a law firm based in Indianapolis, IN. He practices in the areas of nonprofit law and education. Lowell & wife Sherry (Kornmacher) live in Fishers, IN. • Michael & Karen Pierce live at 526 Virginia Dr, Bradenton, FL 34205. Email is mjrunner@aol.net.

1976
Chuck & Carole Fennig are the proud parents of Matthew Joseph born Feb 17. He was officially adopted on March 1. Brothers are Daniel (6) and Jonathan (5). Email them at Chuck-Carole_Fennig@sl.org.

1978
Pete & Kathryn Shafer are sad to inform the Taylor family that son Daniel Ernest (7) passed away in Oct 1978. They are thankful for all the prayer and cards they received during this difficult time. They are also very thankful for their 15-year-old daughter Becky. The Shafers live at 1356 Flowerdale Ave, Kettering, OH 45429. Email is keshfa@iol.com. • Paul & Lori (Jacobsen) '81 Staup along with children David (15) and Jenna (13) live at 38 High St, Butler, NJ 07405. Paula is executive director of Grace Counseling Ministries in Wayne, NJ. They would love to hear from any TU friends whether you need therapy or not!

1979
Mark Ahlseen is associate professor of economics at West Virginia Wesleyan College. Email is ahls@yahoo.com.

1980
Deb Vogler married Andy Klotz on Sep 26, 1998. Deb is a medical technologist at St. Vincent Hospital and Andy is an engineer at Capital Machine Co. They live at 624 Conner Creek Dr, Fishers, IN 46038. Email is AJKv61038@aol.com. • Tom & Marlene (Aldrinck) Lathers have moved to 17036 Emerald Green, Westfield, IN 46074. Email is Lathers@juno.com. • George & Angela McNicholas are the proud parents of Margo Elizabeth born Feb 12, 1997. She has red hair—like her Dad! George is now partner in the emergency physician staff at Grossmont Hospital in San Diego. The family lives at 4786 Brighton Ave, San Diego, CA 92107. Email is mcclanecsl@juno.com.

1981
Philip & Vicki Beebe along with PJ (10) and Steven (9) live in Hendersonville, NC. Philip is the owner of PW Construction Co. Email is pbeebe1@rocketmail.com. They live in the beautiful mountains of North Carolina and would love to have friends visit anytime you're traveling through! • Jim & Kathy (McKee) Mozden & their 4 children have moved to Oklahoma to do full-time ministry with Strategic World Impact. SWI is a ministry that brings the gospel and aid into war zones (such as Sudan and Burma) as well as areas destroyed by natural disaster. The Mozdren's new address is 9950 N 400 Rd, Dewey, OK 74029.

1982
After 16 yrs in banking and finance, John & Cathy Wheeler have launched into a new business. They have 4 children, Jonathan (6), Brooke (4) and David & Danielle (1). They are excited to be part of several ministries at College Avenue Baptist Church where Cathy & John met 10 yrs ago. The family lives at 10526 Amanda Ave, San Diego, CA 92126. Email is wheelers@nannapages.com.

1983
Doug & Susan (Richiey) '84 Allgood are the proud parents of Cole Douglas born Jan 22. Siblings are Madison (9), Riley (7), Graham (4) and Montgomery (2). The Allgood family resides at 701 Red Oaks Ln, Lafayette, IN. Doug is the director of technology for Great Lakes Chemical Corp. Susan is a stay-at-home mother. • Raphael & Cindy Jo "C.J." (Johnson) McBecher-Reber joyfully announce the birth of Jennifer Joy on Nov 21, 1998. She has a half brother Jonathan (16). C.J. works at Telemate Software, Inc.

Wendell Lowe '43 remembered as a hero for Taylor

Wendell Lowe '43, Taylor graduate and recipient of the Purple Heart, passed away on Feb 25, 1999. Lowe is survived by Jean (Wood '42) Lowe, whom he married in 1943; their son, Jeffrey; and granddaughter, Andrea.

Lowe went into active duty in the U.S. Marine Corps on June 1, 1943, a few days after his graduation from Taylor. He joined the First Marine Division during the Britain campaign and later became the rifle platoon leader at the landing on Pelieu Island in '44. There he was wounded and hospitalized for 26 months, and then retired as first lieutenant.

Lowe received the Purple Heart medal, an honor given to those wounded in action. The words engraved on the medal read: "The road to glory in a patriot army and a free country is thus open to all." In 1983, Lowe became the National Commander of Military Order of the Purple Heart. He was involved with the Disabled American Veterans and served as chairman of the National Finance Committee.

Lowe said he appreciated the friendships formed at Taylor. One close friend in particular was Vern Miller from Sacramento, Calif., who joined the Marines with him. Lowe graduated with a degree in physical education and eventually worked in education administration.

The memory of both Lowe and his wife lives on at Taylor University through the established Wendell and Jean Lowe scholarship fund.

—April Rediger '01
as a technical writer. She is also very involved in USA volleyball as a national referee and with the National Association of Girls and Women in Sports. The family lives in Alpharetta, GA.

1984

Lorene (Muthiah) Coffey, Deb (Glass) Goeglein and Lori (Muthiah) Helton

held a small class reunion that included 11 children! All three families live in the midwest and get together as often as possible. • Bill & Chris (Neal '86) Ferrell have moved to 11516 SW 51st Ct. Cooper City, FL 33330.

Jim Anderson '80 ends year-long battle with cancer

After a year-long battle with cancer Jim Anderson '80 went home to be with his Lord on Sept. 5, 1998. Anderson came to Taylor University to study business administration after growing up in Whiting, Ill. At Taylor, he met his wife of seven years, Karen Haegeland. He and Karen have three children: Hannah, Jimmy and Kari.

After graduation, Anderson earned his master's degree in college student personnel administration from Michigan State University. He achieved his longtime dream of being the director of student housing for the University of Mississippi at the end of his career.

Those who knew Anderson remember his smile and godly attitude most. According to his wife, when the cancer was discovered in the fall of 1997, his prayer was that "God receive all the honor and glory through his illness." The final entry in his datebook, read by his father at the memorial service, was from an article and comment made at the funeral of Anderson's nephew who only lived an hour. The entry read, "Is this what I was truly created for? I may find I was created not for what I would accomplish on earth, but for the role I will fulfill in heaven." —Arna M. Smith '87

- Glenn & Melanie Harsch just celebrated their 7th wedding anniversary. Glenn is a team leader for a community support rehabilitation program for persons with mental illness and chemical dependency. He was recently chosen Service Provider of the Year by the Dallas National Alliance for the Mentally Ill. Melanie runs her own line of wedding and baby book accessories. Their address is 8711 San Fernando Way, Dallas, TX 75218. • Tom & Elizabeth (Kaudson) Shevlot have moved from Bloomington, IN to Knoxville, TN. Tom is the director of sales for BellSouth Mobility DCS for Eastern Tennessee. They reside at 1215 Harrington Dr. Knoxville, TN 37922. Email is shevro@aol.com.
- Michael & Susan (Walter '92) Weddle announce the birth of Gali Grace on Dec 30, 1998. Siblings are Leah (10) and Daniel (8). They have chosen Hebrews 11:16 as their life verse. The family lives in Arlington, IL.
- Lorene (Muthiah '84) Helton, Lorene (Muthiah '84) Coffey, and Deb (Glass '84) Goeglein and children

1985

A group of Taylor grads have been communicating with a "Round Robin" letter since 1989. They had their first big reunion July 1998 at Pokagon State Park in IN. The group of 7 women has grown to include 24 people with husbands and children. Pictured from left to right are Rhoda Gereig, Dan & Sue (Fennig), Skiendaiz & children, Donna Aul, Mark & Julie (Getz) Harris & children, Jay '84 & Elisa (Jessup) Case & children, and Dave & Lori (Gerber '86) Burkholder & children. Not pictured, but part of the Round Robin group is Beth (Plowman) Barclay. • Tim & Betsy (Helmuus) Anderson are proud to announce the birth of Elise Johanna on Nov 7, 1998. Brothers Samuel (1) and Mitchell (2) are excited! Tim designs global Windows NT solutions for IBM. Betsy stays home with the children and is an interior designer with a home-based business. Anderson Design and Interiors. They praise God for completely healing Elise from the meningitis she suffered at one month old! The family lives in Porchkepsie, NY. Email is trina@us.ibm.com. • Dave Burns is a sportscaster with ESPN focusing on motorsports, including the full schedule of NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series events. He has also done work for TNT and Fox Sports Net. His home is in the Chalet, NC area. Email is contactdave@msn.com. • Jim & Su Ray are the proud parents of Melody Grace born Dec 29, 1998. Siblings are Nathaniel (10), Daniel (8) and Margo (2). They have chosen Hebrews 11:16 as their life verse. The family lives in Arlington, IL. Email is jinray@cis.net.

1986

Rob & Denise (Dester) Cossins joyfully welcome Kaely Dolyne born Jan 2. Siblings are Kris (15), Jacy (13) and Daniel (2). Their address is 18950 W 215th St, Spring Hill, KS 66083. Email is dcossins@cerelasit.net. • Brad & Angela (Ellis) Oliver are the proud parents of Emily Grace born Dec 9, 1998. Siblings are Tyler (6) and Abbie (2). They live at 14+1 S 16th St, Noblesville, IN 46060. Email is brobrad@qwest.net. • Arne Pedersen has moved to 2658 S Newport St, Denver, CO 80224. He'd love to hear from TF! Email is arnem@earthlink.net. • Jeff & Ronda (White) Rockey & children Matt (11), Jordan (9) and Cammi (2) now live at RR#1, Box #46, Bloomfield, IA 52724. Email is j-rocke@juno.com. Jeff is pastor of the Tulip Church of God. Ronda is a stay-at-home teacher for the children. • Brad & Julia Rupp are the proud parents of Lucas Bradley born Dec 29, 1998. Sister Lindsay is 13. The family lives at 501 Quail Run, Archbold, OH 43502.

1987

David & Frances (Horvath '89) Bachman live in the Catskills Mountains north of NYC, where David oversees a trend-setting residential and vocational program for multiply-disabled, medically frail adults. David is also a business student at Columbia Univ. They are especially proud of daughter Emma (2) and Steven (2). The Bachmans live in the Philippines where they minister to young people and children through their youth center. NEOS. Valerie teaches weekly Good News Classes for children and Mike leads Bible studies and fellowships for young people. Please pray for them as they seek the Lord to purchase land to build their own facility for the young people of the Philippines. They would love to hear from their friends and would love to have visitors! Their address is PO Box 681, $100 Tagum City, Philippines. Email is va@oao@mozcom.com.

- Kelly & April (Sewell '89) Kamenetz are praising the Lord for the birth of Arden Nicole on Dec 3, 1998. Siblings are Kelsey (5), Adair (3), Kyra (2) and KC (1). Kelly works at Lexis Nexis as project manager. Intellectual property solutions and April is a stay-at-home wife and mother. They recently moved to 942 Hampton Ct, Lebanon, OH 45036. Email is kellynapril@go-concepts.com. • David & Kara (Johnson) Kuneli are the proud parents of Steven James born Nov 16, 1998. David is a computer analyst and supervisor at the Federal Ctr in Battle Creek,
1988

Marty x Tammy (Kennedy ’89) Bailey proudly announce the birth of Julia Kristine on Nov 28, 1998. Sister Taylor is 3. Their address is 1120 N Jefferson St., Huntington, IN 46750. • Stephanie Valatis earned a doctorate from the Univ. of Pittsburgh on April 9. She lives in Pittsburgh. • Richard Wagner was named director of product development at NetObjects, Inc., an Internet software development company. Rich & wife Kim have 3 sons, Jordan (8), Jared (6) and Justus (5). They live in Fremont, CA. Email is rw@netobjects.com.

1989

Ken & Susan (Mcallister) Collins joyfully announce the birth of Daniel Edward on July 13, 1998. Siblings are Rachel (7) and Joshua (5). The Collins are missionaries with Word of Life Fellowship. Their address is Caixa Postal 43, Atibaia, Sao Paulo, Brazil, South America.

1990

Steven & Andrea (Rentier) Blayer live at 138 Court Rd., Winthrop, MA 02152. Email is sblayer@juno.com. They have 3 children: Joesiah (6), Nadia (2) and Makailah (1). Andrea is a stay-at-home, home schooling mom. She would love to hear from “long-ago” TU friends! • Brian & Anna (Brane ’91) Brown are proud to announce the birth of Emily Louise on Sept 24, 1998. Brother Spencer is 3. Anna enjoys being a stay-at-home mom. Brian is still driving a big rig and enjoys every minute of it! Their new email address is bcb92alb@gateway.net. They reside at 61133 CR 21, Goshen, IN 46528. • Rick & Kanela (Moore ’91) Duff & son Cory (3) live at Route #1, Box 56, Macy, IN 46951. Email is kaneladuff@juno.com. • Kenneth Hugoniot is pursuing a graduate degree in linguistics at the Univ. of California at Santa Barbara. Email is kahunoniot@bigfoot.com. • Steve & Pam (Hocksena) Malliet joyfully welcome John John born March 21, Sister Sara is 2. Pam enjoys staying home with the kids. Steve is general manager of the Myrtle Beach Pelicans, a minor league baseball team affiliated with the Atlanta Braves. The family lives in Surfside Beach, SC. • Chad & Julie (Miner) Massey joyfully announce the birth of Caroline Elizabeth on Jan 28. The Masseys reside at 3332 Brookhaven Club Dr., Farmers Branch, TX 75244. Chad is a senior sales rep for Solanta and Julie is enjoying staying home with Caroline. • David & Suzanne (Huprich) Rumbalski are the proud parents of Megan Grace born Aug 14, 1998. Brother Jacob is 3. David is a family medicine physician and Suzanne is a full-time mother. Their address is 640 Taylor Ave, Delaware, OH 43015. Email is rumbalski@gtc.net. • BJ & Lisa (LeMasters ’91) Thomsen have dedicated their lives to full-time ministry and are missionaries to the country of Bangladesh. They will be raising support during the next 2 yrs for their ministry. Email is bjllisa@juno.com.

1991

Tim & Lana (Hunteman) Augustine joyfully announce the birth of Leah Louise on Oct 11, 1998. Tim is a senior cost accountant at Parker-Hannifin. Lana is now a full-time mom. They live at 7813 TR 213, Findlay, OH 45840. • Joel & Tammy (Gerstung ’92) Brown are the proud parents of Savannah Rose born July 9, 1998. Sister Haley is 2. The family lives in Marlette, MI. • Mark & Debbie Gove proudly announce the birth of Brandon Bruce on Nov 10, 1998. Mark is an asset-based auditor with American National Bank while Debbie enjoys staying at home with Brandon. They live in Warrenville, IL. • Eric Koller is a freelance television camera operator working with ESPN, ABC and Fox Sports quite frequently. He also is part of a YC leadership team that trains young people by exposing them to the missions experience. They travel annually to Mexico to build homes in Juarez. Email is eskoller@jol.com. • Jim & Heather (D’Arcy ’91) Marshall are the thankful parents of Hannah Noelle born Dec 9, 1998. Jim is an athletic director and government teacher. Heather teaches 4th grade. They live at 5589 E. Marlette, Marlette, MI 48453. Email is JBM@centurylink.net. • Dr. Todd & Crystal (Lambright) Page joyfully announce the birth of Benjamin Robert on Nov 23, 1998. Sister Naomi is 2. Todd completed his residency in June and they moved to Auburn, IN where he will open a family practice. Crystal continues to enjoy working at home with the children.
Their address is 6242 CR 2.  
Auburn, IA 50606.  • Kevin Page is assistant controller for Weaver Popcorn. Wife Becky (McMillan ’90) stays at home with Mikala (4), Lauren (2) and Mason (1). Their address is 0587 S 500 W, 90, Huntington, IN 46750. Email is kpage@citizenet.  • Doug & Jen (Scott) Schneider are the proud parents of Graham William born Jan 21. Sister Mickeya is 2. Doug is on staff with InterVarsity Christian Fellowship at Knox College. The family resides at 949 N Academy St, Galesburg, IL 61401. Email is doug-jen@juno.com.  • Upon graduation in 1991, Andrew & Jane (Sikkenga) Wesner both taught HS social studies in the suburbs of Chicago for 2 yrs. They then moved to the Pacific Island of Guam and taught there for 3 yrs. The next 2 1/2 yrs were spent teaching and serving on Operation Mobilization’s ship, the Doulos. Presently, Andrew is a youth pastor and Jane is expecting their first child. They live at 1915 Robinson Ct, Grand Haven, MI 49417.  • David & Tracie (Evans) Zander were richly blessed with the birth of Sean David on Dec 8, 1998. Sister Hannah is 2. The family lives at 11600 Brinley Rd, Webberville, MI 48892. Proud maternal grandparents are Dr. Gary ’71 & Wanda Evans. Equally proud uncle is Todd Evans ’93. Tracie would love to hear from Taylor friends!

1992

Brock & Tanya Heykoop are the proud parents of Danzon Jacob born June 9, 1998. Brother Donovan Taylor is 2. The family lives at 16221 N 91st Dr, Peoria, AZ 85382.  • David Karcher is a mortgage broker at America’s Mortgage Resource. He & wife Lee & daughter Ashlee (almost 2) live at 4110 Englewood Rd, Helena, AL 35080. Email is cmcke@bellsouth.net.  • Sarah Miraglia married Frank Medrys on April 12, 1997. TU participants were Ann (Miraglia ’90) Harrison, Beth (Lundquist) Kalopis, Anne Marie (Sarkela) Water, and Neila (Pettit) Wood. The couple’s address is 883 Burke Dr, Carol Stream, IL 60188.  • Marc Plaslow has been named international operations manager for Crop-time Brock. Marc will be responsible for overseeing CTA’s business operations in Brazil and the Netherlands. He will also participate in the developing and implementing of international strategic alliances and business proposals. He resides in Warsaw, IN with his wife Tamila (Doornbos ’91) & children Ashlyn (4), Alex (2) and Natalia born Dec 29, 1998. Virginia “Joy” Rogers is a developmental kindergarten teacher at Penn Christian Academy. She lives at 603 Fawn Cir, King of Prussia, PA 19406. Email is jrgen@emc.com.  • Glen & April Tepe are proud to announce the birth of Emily Grace on Dec 4, 1998. Sister Brianna is 4. They live in West Chicago, IL. Email is step@exec.com. Glen remarks, “To all of you who dreaded the thought of me fathering children—HA!”

1993

Gary Bauer x is a programmer/analyst for Twin Cities Public Television. He, wife Nicole, Joshua (2) and Benjamin (1) live in Mounds View, MN. Email is gmbauer@uscfamily.net.  • Jeff & Sarah (Riley ’91) Bowser are the thankful parents of Isaac David born July 16, 1998. Isaac is truly a promise given by God—an answer to years of praying. Jeff is getting him ready for UC baseball in 2017. The family lives at 556 W Market, Nappanee, IN 46550. Email is js Bowser@bni.net.  • Gerry Dyer is still the emergency coordinator for UNICEF-Tanzania. Wife Marti Elena is a journalist and assistant editor for a women’s magazine called FEMINA. Email is pdyer@unicef.org.  • Gary & Marjorie Eubanks joyfully announce the birth of Joshua Harrison on Nov 8, 1998. They live at 1565 Deer Valley Dr, Hoover, AL 35226.  

Marc Plaslow ’92

1994

Christopher Baldwin is agent/broker/registered rep for Prudential. Email is Xianway@ao.com. He was a missionary for almost 2 yrs before returning home and entering into the financial services realm. Christopher would love to hear from other Taylor grads in his area. (“God bless the Brotherhood.”)  • Dan & Polly (Platt) Grismer live at 329 Mission Hill Dr, Ft Wayne, IN 46804 along with Abigail (3). Dan is manager of the accounting dept at Agrstats, Inc. Polly enjoys staying home with Abbi.  • Barry, Bette & Led Dukce, Inc, an Albany-based national construction services firm, has hired Sara (Ranks) Hubbard as communications project manager. She will be responsible for advertising and public relations projects for headquarters and locations in Albany, Philadelphia, Dallas, Cincinnati, Fort Myers and Charleston, WVA.  • Kurt & Jacqulyn (Sevier) Magnus reside at General Delivery, Rocky Mountain House, Alberta, Canada.

Mountain House, Alberta, Canada. TOM ITO.  • Trudy (Williams) Nelson is executive director at the Crisis Pregnancy Information Center in Berkley, MI. She & husband Steve live at 1070 Harvard Rd, Berkley, MI 48072. Email is trudy@dialnet.com.

1995

Beth Behken married Daniel Daghlal on Aug 15, 1995. TU participants were Angie Hananho, Amy (Olber) Stenioen, Mandy (Hepler) x Hambach, Carolyn (Kregel) Kersten, Talbott Behken ’98, and Caroline Behken ’90. Daniel is the president of Highland Medical Clinic, I.P.A. in Aurora. IL and Beth is enjoying her new job as a housewife after 2 yrs of teaching HS social studies. Their address is 324 Prairie St, Aurora, IL 60506. Email is bdaghlal@aol.com.

Daniel and Beth (Behken ’95) Daghlal and family

Irene Chung married Kenneth Yuen on Jan 1. The couple’s address is Block 253 Tampines St. 12 #12-198 Singapore 520453. Email is irene@pobox.org.sg.  • Mark Hubbard is a financial consultant for First Albany Corp, a large regional investment services firm, for their private client group. He & wife Sara (Banks ’94) live in Clifton Park, NY. Email is mark_hubbard@fac.com.  • James & Rebekah (Currie) Josberger are the proud parents of Amanda Lee born Feb 8. They live in South Hamilton, MA.  • Erika Kiefer married Brian Check on Aug 15, 1998. Jill Kiefer ’97 and Anna Kochu x were in the wedding. Erika is a systems analyst at TAP Pharmaceuticals in the R&D area. The couple lives at 11 Echo #17, Vernon Hills, IL 60061. Email is.
erika.chuck
@tappharma.com. • Heather McCready
married Mark Taylor on Jan 20 on St.
Thomas, Virgin Islands. The couple
resides at 4306 W.
Conway, Muncie, IN.
• Steve Metzger is a
research assistant at Covance
Laboratories. Email is
stephen.metzger@kellogg.com. He
& wife Melissa live at 176 N Union St, Battle Creek, MI.

Mark & Heather (McCready '95) Taylor
• Pam Mulder married Mark
Douglass on Oct 17, 1998. TU
participants were Kristy (Price)
Bagley, Melanie (Moller)
Nichols, and Molly (Orebaugh '96)
Ulizay. Pam & Mark met at the
Univ of MI where Pam obtained her
MSW. She works at the Salvation
Army and Mark is working on his
PhD in mechanical engineering.
The couple resides at
2485 Packard Apt V, Ann Arbor, MI.
Email is markpamd@juno.com. • Chris
& Suzanne (Thomas) Ryan are
proud to announce the birth of
Thomas James on June 10, 1998. Chris
continues to work at ServiceMaster
and Suzanne is enjoying the
opportunity to be a stay-at-home
mom. Their address is 1470
Stonebridge Tr, Wheaton, IL 60187.
Email is susRyan@avenuecom.

Mark & Pam (Mulder '95) Douglass

1998. Doug is a 9th
grade earth science
teacher and Shari is a
stay-at-home mom.
They live at 715
Liberty St Apt 2,
Kaisel, MI 59901.
Email is dbonura
@hotmail.com. They
would love to hear
from friends—or
better yet, have visitors! • Heidi
Chan married Paul Neddo on May
9, 1998 in Ft Wayne, IN. TU
participants included Krista
(McDill) Burdine, Laura
Heppler, Catherine (Beers TUFW
'97) Gwanek. Rhys Daily '00,
Amy Eversole '98, Andrew
Griffis '00, Tim Young '94, and
Jeff Ramsdale '94. Heidi is
pursuing a master’s degree in
counseling psych at Ball
State Univ and
Paul works as a
manager at
New Horizons
Ministries.
Their address
is 1092 S 350
E, Marion, IN 46953.
Email is
hhchau@bsave.edu. • Jimmy
& Dana (Domsten) Grettzinger
live at 1626 Lake Dr, Haslett, MI
48840. Jimmy is
associate producer at
Michigan Out-of
Doors Television
and Dana is substitute
teaching. Email is
jgretz@earthlink.net.
• In March, Frank
Hartl earned a
master's of education
from St Mary’s Univ.
He lives in Plymouth,
MN. Email is
mhartlteacher@aol.com. •
Dave x & Becky (Long x) Helsby
are the proud parents of Jacob
Scott born Nov 8, 1998. Sister
Hannah is 2. The family lives at
1606 S Rouse, Bozeman,
MT 59715. Email is
helsby@juno.com. • Darbielie
Hunt is payroll
officer at Canadian Imperial
Bank of Commerce, Bahamas, Ltd. Email is
darbielie_h@hotmail.com. •
Christina Leah lives at 488 E
Paul & Heidi (Chan '96) Neddo
with wedding party

Paul & Heidi (Chan '96) Neddo

Champaign, IL. Email is
chase607@champaign.net.

1997
Brent Bradish teaches HS at
Oxacan Christian School for
missionary kids. His address is
APDO 214, 68050 Oxacan, Oxacan,
Mexico. Email is brentbradish75
@hotmail.com. • Keith & Amanda
(Fisher) Brown are the proud
parents of Elise born June 30,
1998. The family lives at
506 Casa Grande Dr, Ft Wayne, IN.
• Todd Evans is a 7th and 8th grade
teacher. His basketball coach and
athletic director at Horizon
Christian School.
He lives in
Indianapolis. •
Robbin Hunts
married
Jonathan Rees
'93 on Feb 28,
1998. TU
participants were
Holly
Donker, Karen Dunkel, Mike
Brown, Julius Dudics '78, Brent
Peters, Dave '94 & Lisa
(Oliveron '95) Herschberger,
Mike '93 & Christy (Hadden '93)
Neal, Dave '96 & Teresa
(Schroock '93) Brown, Sonia
Bonntrager '95, and Noel
Eberline '95. The couple resides at
3703 W James St Apt 3B,
McHenry, IL 60050. Email is
reesjoo@juno.com. • Amy Moe
married Josh Hawkins on Aug 8,
1998 in Knoxville, TN. Participating
from TU were
David Smith,
Christen (Milligan) Ellis, Brent
Loewen '98, Suzanne Sterrett
'96, Staci Klutz '99, and Eric
Smith x'00. Josh owns and
operates Josh's 21 1/2 Christian
bookstore and Amy is teaching 8th

Don & Angela
Angelovska Wilson live at 5206
Wisconsin Ave NW #72, Washing-
ton, DC 20016-3860. Don does
publications, graphic design, and is
the webmaster for The Institute
of Justice. Angela is a full-time student
at the American Univ, Washington
College of Law. They still do bIIWeb
design and development website
design. Email either don
@bIIweb.com or angela
@bIIweb.com.
grade science at Connersville Middle School. The couple lives at 201 Northgate Dr Apt D, Greensburg, IN 47240. Email is

MOEHAWKINS@aol.com.

Keri Quick and Mark Kornelsen '96 were married on July 18, 1998. TI participants were Melissa Pasley, Kelli Romaine, Summer Black.

Mark '96 & Keri (Quick '97) Kornelsen

and Randy Cox '98. Email is kornelsens@juno.com.

Liz White, Nicole Fisher '98, and Scott Martin '96 are all serving at the Tuml School in Tegucigalpa, Honduras. Scott and Liz teach HS science and math while Nicole teaches 3rd grade. They would love to hear from their Taylor friends!

Email is mcoldwell@infanet.hn (for Nicole and Liz) and smartin@infanet.hn (for Scott).

Mike Wooten is a hall director at Northwestern College in Iowa. His address is Northwestern College #42, Orange City, IA 51046.

Email is wooten@mwc-iowa.edu.

1998

Scott Amstutz and Rachel Allen were married on Dec 19, 1998. Participants in the wedding from TI were Jeff Amstutz '96, Jason '95 &

Susan (Dodson '98) Williams, Max Fulwider '95, Mindy Bentecum '99, Karen Halter '99, and Josh Roscoe.

TWF '96. Scott works for WAVE-TV as a production assistant and Rachel works at a credit union as a loan officer. They reside in Ft Wayne. Email is Rallenc9888@AOL.com.

Christopher & Melissa (Arnold) Glenn live in Indianapolis, IN. Email is glenn2mc@AOL.com. Melissa works as program director/coordinator for the ministry and business of a public speaker/artist who addresses schools, churches, conferences, and other events. Chris works with Lucent Technologies.


Heath '97 and Holly (Indicello '98) Lynch

participants were Jessica DeKorac, Erica Schroeder, Shannon (Moyer) McNeil, Kevin Hodges, Matt Piercey, Danielle Lugbill '99, Jamie Hamilton '99, Katie Lynch '99, Sarah Nienhaus '99, Ben Suriano '97, Caleb Mitchell '97, Adam Lynch '02, and Brittany Huysen '00. The couple lives in Allentown, PA.

Heather Roberts married Jeffrey Diller on March 2nd on the beach at Hilton Head Island, SC. TI participants were Erin (Stepp) Krupp and Andrea Hoflin.

The couple lives at 3514 Hunters Glen Dr, Plainsboro, NJ.

Emily Schley married Justin Wisnewski '97 on July 18, 1998 in Bloomington, IL. TI participants were Samantha Schley '91, Derek Powell '97, Will Earley '97, Tania Elessner, Scott Moescherger '97, Jay Curry '97, Delwyn Srock '99, Chris Watson '97, Carey Dupuy, and Andy Albert '01.

Emily Schley

Brad '98 & Erin (Stepp '98) Krupp and Taylor friends

is a pharmaceutical sales rep with the Ortho-McNeil division of Johnson & Johnson. Emily is an instructor and resource coordinator for adults with disabilities at Noble of Indiana. Their address is 1832 Deerbrook Dr, Fishers, IN 46038.

Brad '98 & Erin (Stepp '98) Krupp and Taylor friends

Do you have news to share? Send a notice of your celebrations, sorrows, or memories to Marty Songer, director of alumni programs, for publication in Taylor Magazine. For guidelines on pictures, please see page 24. E-mail your message to msonger@tayloru.edu, or send it to Marty Songer, Alumni Relations, Taylor University, 236 W. Reade Ave., Upland, IN 46989-1001.

If reading the alumni notes makes you miss your Taylor wing-mates, classmates, professors or other friends, plan a reunion at Homecoming 1999. Our annual gathering is scheduled for Oct 8-10, 1999. Put the date on your calendar and look for more information in the upcoming months. Homecoming information will be posted as it becomes available on our website at www.tayloru.edu. See you there!
Alumni make Danville a cozy community

Just west of Indianapolis, Danville is like many other small Indiana towns except that it boasts a large number of Taylor University graduates – over 25 in a town of 5,000. Why do so many Taylor graduates end up in Danville?

According to G. Roselyn (Baugh ’55) Kerlin, chair of the Taylor Board of Trustees and Danville resident, “It’s a wonderfully supportive community in which to raise children. We’re blessed to have committed Christian people involved in many areas of community service.” Kerlin jokes that Danville could support its own Taylor University alumni chapter.

These graduates comprise a surprisingly large number of the medical community in Danville. Many of the doctors who practice in Danville are Taylor graduates, including Kerlin’s husband, Joseph ’56, daughter, Becky (Kerlin ’78) Haak, and family practitioner Charlie Tripple ’77. Tripple first came to the town during medical school while spending a month rotation with the doctors of Danville. Later, when a position became available in the town, Tripple was offered the job.

“College in a Christian environment gave me the basic roots to live anywhere,” Tripple says. “Danville is nice because there are so many Taylor graduates I could count on in an emergency, even if I don’t know them that well.”

Sharilvn (Barton ’68) Baugh is the director of Danville’s Mother’s Day Out, a preschool, day care and after-school program. Sharilvn, her husband Dr. David Baugh ’66, and their three sons moved to Danville in 1993 when a pediatric position became available for David. Although there were many factors that led to this move, Sharilvn and David were excited to be closer to Taylor University since they wanted their sons to attend the school. Two of their children, Jonathan ’97 and James ’99, are Taylor graduates.

Baugh enjoys the smallness of Danville and finds it “a little reminiscent of the Taylor community.” She also enjoys the alumni camaraderie that comes with having so many Taylor graduates in one community.

Another of those graduates is Paul Hadley ’85, who practices law in Danville, across from the Hendricks County courthouse. Hadley was born and raised in the Danville area and returned there after beginning his career. He is a third generation Taylor graduate – Hadley’s grandfather Reverend Wallace Deyo graduated in 1931, while his mother Evalyn (Deyo) Hadley was a 1960 graduate.

Hadley likes the quiet, small-town feel of Danville that is typical of middle America, a sense he also felt in Upland. “Living in Upland lends itself to the serenity that comes from a small town,” Hadley also has found this serenity in Danville.

Because Hendricks County is the second fastest growing county in the state, Danville may experience a growth spurt soon. But for the time being, the Taylor graduates who live there can enjoy this peaceful community so close to their college home.—Kelly Fonfara ’99

Passion Play 2000

Oberammergau, Germany • June 1-16, 2000

More tickets are now available for the Passion Play 2000 trip. The 16-day trip, sponsored by the William Taylor Foundation, is a tour of Europe including the world-famous Passion Play in Oberammergau, Germany.

The Passion Play has a history dating back to 1634. Performed just once every 10 years, the play is a once-in-a-lifetime experience for most travelers.

If interested call Ken Smith of the William Taylor Foundation immediately, 1-800-882-3456, ext. 5144 or e-mail knsmith@tayloru.edu
Mr. Clough goes to Snider—and sends students to Taylor

Snider High School is a bustling urban institution, located on the northeast side of Fort Wayne. With a student population of over 1,900, more than the enrollment of Taylor’s Upland campus, the halls and parking lot are jammed. Next year, administrators anticipate over 2,000 students.

Despite the large student body and the maze of hallways, Mark Clough ’66, greets the students he passes by name. As the director of the counseling department, he has seen many of the students in his office—seeking direction for the future, advice on choosing a college, or help correcting poor behavior.

Many come to Clough for help selecting the college or university that is right for them. Clough’s alma mater often makes the list.

“I can’t be a salesperson for Taylor, but I include it in a number of options,” he says. When a student appears to be a good fit for Taylor, he is not shy to recommend the University.

This is evident in the number of Snider students who are now on the Upland campus. During the 1998-99 school year, 21 Snider grads were enrolled at Taylor. Clough shares credit with his colleague, Don Schaffer ’68, who, according to Clough, is an “unabashed Taylor supporter.”

“Once [Clough] found out you were interested, he’d do everything possible to get you to Taylor,” said Rob Hayworth ’99, a 1995 graduate of Snider.

He helped freshman Kendra Cunningham find scholarship money to finance her Taylor education. “The scholarship he helped me find confirmed that Taylor was God’s will for me,” Cunningham says.

Clough’s love for Taylor doesn’t cloud his concern for the best interests of the student. He strives to find a good fit between the college or university and the student, and for the most part, he is successful. “We’ve never had a student who went to Taylor and decided to leave.”

His influence, however, extends beyond a student’s choice of colleges. Clough’s ministry blessed one student in particular. The young man gave his life to Christ after discussing matters of faith with Clough, his guidance counselor.

“Every once in awhile I’ll ask a student if it’s okay if I talk about my faith,” Clough says. “The Bible says we must be ready to provide a reason for the hope that is within us, and I believe that means we must be prepared at any time—even during work hours.”

The end of this school year marked Clough’s last as a guidance counselor. After 29 years at Snider, Clough retired to serve as the director of adult ministries at The Chapel in Fort Wayne. His connection with Taylor, however, will not end.

Clough and his wife lead the Football Families program—a parents organization that supports football team members.

Taylor runs in the Clough family blood. His son, Ryan, is a sophomore and a member of the football team. His daughter Lara Welch ’96 is a graduate, as is his wife, Becky (Nunley ’88).

Clough’s presence will be missed by the students of Snider. “He’s a great leader for the school,” says junior Charlotte Johnston. “His Christian perspective, values and faith mean so much.”
TAYLOR PRIDE

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6. Our heaviest sweatshirt and most popular design over the past 15 years! Cross grain 95/5 in silver gray with the navy screened design. S, M, L, XL $29.95; XXL $31.95. Also available with a hood. S-XL $39.95; XXL $43.95.


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COMMON GROUNDS

Leaving their Florida homes to come to Taylor wasn't difficult for these students — they brought most of the neighborhood with them! Melinda Horsey '00, Jon Horsey '02, Bethany Ann Rice '99, Debbie Douglass '02, Beth Keller '02 and Chris Keller '99 each exchanged their Spring Buck Trail address for 236 W. Reade Avenue. The six students live on the same street in Orlando, Fla., where their parents are staff members with Campus Crusade for Christ. Having so many students from the same out-of-state address is highly unusual, say university officials.

AMONG PEERS

Dr. Andrew Whipple, professor of biology, walked with the graduates rather than his colleagues during the 1999 graduation commencement ceremony — he received a bachelor of the arts degree in Biblical Literature.

The process leading to Whipple's graduation began when he decided he truly wanted to integrate faith and learning in his classroom. "Even though that's a bit cliché here, it's really what Taylor is all about," Whipple says. "I never really had any formal training in the Bible or theology. So I decided to do something about it."

After 10 years of classes, Whipple graduated summa cum laude with his peers, the class of 1999. — Kelly Fontara '99