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Head, Heart and Hands

How Dean of Students Walt Campbell, the computer science department and Taylor’s voluntary chapel program are working together to touch every aspect of a student’s life.
Head, Heart and Hands,
Taylor University's commitment to whole person education

Preserving Body, Soul, Mind & Spirit

Academic
Spiritual
Athletic
Social
Vocational

Walt Campbell

History
The earliest known letters and essays of a Taylor student

Alumni Notes
Above: Taylor University remains committed to stimulating learning and growth in every area of life. The women’s soccer program is one of the many excellent opportunities for education outside the classroom.

Cover: Walt Campbell arrived at Taylor University in 1969 as the Wengatz Hall director. Today, as dean of students, he plays an instrumental role in the University’s endeavor to provide “whole person education.” Read more about his efforts and the work of many others on pages 9-19.
Upland to add a master's degree

Building upon a nationally recognized record of excellence in undergraduate science education, Taylor University plans to launch a master of environmental science (MES) program. The Taylor University board of trustees and faculty announced that the MES program will begin in Fall ’03, pending accreditation.

The goal of the program is to train Christian men and women in “science, leading to stewardship and service.” This professional degree program will allow a flexible plan of study that permits training in areas such as environmental management, ecology, environmental geology, hydrology, environmental biology, and environmental health. This flexibility is made possible by the unique combination of upper level coursework and graduate level electives offered by more than a dozen faculty members on the Upland campus.

Dr. Edwin Squiers, professor of biology and environmental science, will administer the program. Squiers joined the TUU faculty in 1976 and has a broad range of public service and research experience in ecology and environmental management. He serves as chairman of the Indiana Heritage Trust Project committee and is a member of the Indiana Clean Manufacturing Technology Board of Directors. Currently, he is on a Fulbright Scholarship conducting forestry with the Russian Academy of Science in Petrozavodsk, Russia.

Upland welcomes new campus pastor

Rev. Randall Gruendyke comes to the University as the new Upland campus pastor. Gruendyke fills the position vacated by Dr. Richard Allen Farmer.

Gruendyke spent the past 11 years as the college student pastor at College Church in Wheaton, Ill. As Taylor’s campus pastor, Gruendyke will help facilitate the spiritual growth of the University community by providing pastoral leadership and directing the program of campus ministries. Included in his responsibilities will be leadership of the student discipleship program and coordination of the chapel program.

“I am very excited to have Rev. Gruendyke serve as campus pastor,” said Walt Campbell, dean of students at Taylor. “His emphasis on preaching the Word of God and strong relational skills make him a great fit for Taylor University.”

Gruendyke graduated from Wheaton College in 1982 and holds a master’s of divinity degree from Talbot School of Theology. He and his wife Nancy have three daughters: Margaret, age 7, Kelly, age 5, and Abby, age 4. —Jim Garringer

Fort Wayne plans to offer MBA

Taylor University plans to begin offering a master of business administration (MBA) degree on the Fort Wayne campus. The Taylor University board of trustees and faculty announced that the MBA program will begin in Fall ’03, pending accreditation.

Dr. Larry W. Rottmeyer ’78, professor and director of the business program on the Fort Wayne campus, will administer the program. Taylor Fort Wayne recently received a $100,000 gift from Star Financial Bank, Fort Wayne, Ind., for continued development of the MBA program.
Remembering 9/11

As the one-year anniversary of September 11 approaches, I am praying about how best to respond to the tragic events that have shaken our sense of national security, military superiority and financial stability. We have experienced tragic human losses of significant magnitude on our soil in the past. The War of Independence took many of the brightest and best as blood formed the foundation for the freedoms we now treasure so deeply. The Civil War pitted brother against brother in a cause that Abraham Lincoln believed must be won to prevent the dissolution of not just our political but spiritual union. But not since Pearl Harbor have we, as a nation, faced such uncertainty or been so conscious of our vulnerability.

For this generation, the assumptions about what it means to be an American in America and the world changed dramatically as a result of the attacks in New York, Washington D.C. and Pennsylvania. Gone is the notion that war is something that happens elsewhere. As the headlines of a local newspaper read: "America Attacked, Casualties Grave," we came to experience what so many in much of the world face on a daily basis. We are now at war, invading Afghanistan, killing or capturing Taliban soldiers and suspected Al Qaeda terrorists. Despite these efforts, we remain aware that future terror attacks are likely. Now with the news of the buildup of chemical, biological and perhaps even nuclear weapons by the nation of Iraq, the expansion of war efforts appears imminent. And while the U.S. economy falters due to the impact of terrorist actions, recovery is complicated further by unfolding revelations of corporate terrorism as millions of individuals envision their financial investments and retirement funds on the verge of collapse.

In the midst of these new realities, I am more determined than ever to find God in and through all that surrounds us. In response to my search for how best to remember the tragic events of 9/11, I am sensing the Spirit of the living God, whose Son conquered death and the grave, declare You shall remember the name of the Lord your God, Psalm 20:7b. God Jehovah, who in the Hebrew language is described as God our Provider, God our Victory, God our Peace and God our Hope, remains firmly seated on His throne. With Isaiah, in his time of national calamity, we need an eternal vision – In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord, Isaiah 6:1.

In the President's Chapels on both of Taylor's campuses this year I am sharing a teaching series from the Psalms of Ascent. In Psalms 120 – 134, I find a wealth of insight on how the people of God, in search of the presence of God, find the peace of God in uncertain times. These opening verses of Psalm 127 are a focus for my 9/11 remembrances.

Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it; except the Lord keeps the city, the watchdogs watch but in vain. It is vain for you to rise up early, to sit up late, and to eat the bread of sorrow; for so He gives His beloved sleep.

As we trust in the name of the Lord our God, rather than military horses (continued on page 4)
and economic chariots, Psalm 20:7a, we are liberated to weep with those who weep, Romans 12:15, providing comfort, care and hope. As we rely on that Name that is above every name, Philippians 2:9-11, we access the wisdom and receive the courage to chart a righteous course through these perilous times.

Many will remember 9/11 with memorial gatherings similar to those planned at Taylor University for the evening of Sept. 10 and throughout the day on Sept 11. Others will find places of private reflection choosing quiet solitude as the most appropriate memorial. And some will do what is at hand rather than let these horrific acts disrupt one more day. Such is Lisa Beamer’s decision. Her husband Todd was among those who died trying to re-take the jet over Pennsylvania. Todd’s sister Melissa ’89 and brother-in-law Gregg ’88 are both Taylor University alumni. In responding to a question posed by Stone Phillips of NBC’s Dateline about how she will remember, Lisa indicated that she would not attend memorial events but “keep rolling” taking her son to his second day of preschool honoring her husband’s now famous rallying cry.

However we choose to remember, let us grieve the loss of lives, celebrate the courage of selfless heroes and renew our resolve to prevent and alleviate suffering wherever terrorism raises its twisted specter. And as we look beyond 9/11 let us determine to put our trust in the name of the Lord our God embracing the Great Commission, Matthew 28: 18-29, and living the Great Commandment, Matthew 22:37-40. With the help of the Holy Spirit may we, because of these tragic events, make influencing the eternal destiny of both friend and foe our highest calling. With such resolve, the blood of our martyrs and of our Living Lord will not have been shed in vain.

—by President David J. Gyertson

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Fall sports

With September comes the return of the mighty Trojans. From tennis to football, Taylor teams anticipate another good season of competition.

Women’s Tennis: Coach Dara Syswerda’s Lady Trojans are looking to improve their third place standing in the MCC. The vast majority of last season’s club will take the court this fall as the team lost only one senior to graduation. Top players returning include number one singles player Holly May, Renee Stoller, Heather May and Abby Cox. Syswerda is also excited about her incoming freshman class, which has the potential to have an immediate impact on the team.

Men’s Tennis: Coaches who return five of their top eight can usually look forward to a successful season. Coach Don Taylor is afforded this luxury as seniors Jake Parrish and Justin Taylor take the courts this fall for the Trojans. Parrish was a member of the number one doubles combination for the past two seasons and has alternated at the one and two singles spots.

Volleyball: Coach Angie Fincannon will be trying to replace four seniors who led their team to an MCC Championship and a spot in the National Tournament. Second Team All-American Kim Martin will return for her senior year to lead the squad. Martin led the team in kills and digs last season. Juniors Jennifer Hale and Taryn Eitmontas will be counted on to help fill the leadership roles. Four returning sophomores and a small but talented recruiting class should put the Lady Trojans in position to challenge for the MCC crown again.

Senior Kim Martin will provide strong leadership for the volleyball team.
**Women's Soccer:** Replacing five seniors won’t be a simple task for Coach Ed Meadors, but when you have your top two scorers returning, the job is a little easier. Seniors Hannah (Fielden) Heth, Gwen Ludemann and Sheri Jardine will lead a very experienced set of underclassmen including leading scorers Melissa Strohmaier and Dana DiSanto.

**Men's Soccer:** The Trojans lose four seniors from the 2001 squad including All-Conference picks Tim Knipp and Greg Yatooma, but return their top two scorers. Junior James Hornaday, who set a single season scoring record last year, will lead a potent scoring attack along with Matt May. Coach Joe Lund will look to lone senior Jonathan Rupp to take the leadership reins. Caleb Earnisse returns to direct the defensive side of the ball. A number of players possibly will have to adjust to new roles, including the back line of Drew Rundus, Andy and Tim Howard. The measure of the team’s success will be the ability to create and defend in the midfield, supplied by all new players from last year’s squad.

**Women's Cross-Country:** After handling the assistant’s duties for four years, Cindy Callison takes over the reins of the Lady Trojans’ program. She will find her top three performers from last season returning, though the loss of three seniors will create a leadership void into which someone will have to step. That someone could be junior Jennifer Kamps. Kamps was the “Mad-dogs” number one runner in 2001 and will be joined by sophomores Katie Spencer, Christy Conrad and Laura Roe to form the nucleus of the team.

**Men's Cross-Country:** Coach Troy Friedersdorf will have many things on his mind as he enters his first season at the helm of the Trojan harriers, but leadership should not be at the top of the list as he will find seven seniors on his roster. Nine of the top ten runners return, along with several very talented underclassmen. Josh Vanderwalker, John Wachtman, Scott Cleveland and Brett Grover should be at the front of this group.

**Football:** Head Coach Steve Wilt and his 17 seniors head into the 2002 campaign with great anticipation. Jeff Walton moves from fullback to his original quarterback position to lead the offense. Nine other starters from last fall will join Walton, including seniors Josh Kijanko, Jason Minich, Chris Atkinson and Joey Heth. On the defensive side of the ball, three-year starters Wes Nicley, Brock Ricks and Mike Kenney will lead a squad with seven starters from 2001. Wilt is also very encouraged by his underclassmen that have shown they are ready to step into pivotal roles.

For more sports news go to www.tayloru.edu/upland/athletics.

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to attend specialized courses about free market economic business topics and observe businesses operating in the free market in the United States. The program, led by Professor Jim Coe, took place July 19-26.

In addition to the courses taught by Taylor’s business professors, the Russian students participated in a wide variety of events including attending an evening concert performed by the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra, visiting a local farm, touring Eli Lilly, visiting an Ametech facility, touring the Mercantile Exchange in Chicago and attending a jazz concert at the Shedd Aquarium in Chicago. —JG

**Performing Artist Series**

For more than a half century, Upland has benefited from the outstanding cultural opportunities afforded to the Taylor community through the Performing Artist Series. The planned events for 2002-03 include: Indianapolis Jazz Orchestra on Sept. 27, 2002; piano duo Coalter and Whang at Homecoming, Oct. 26, 2002; Robert Sims on MLK Day, Jan. 20, 2003; Fortepianist Penelope Crawford on Feb. 15, 2003; and cellist Peter Rejto on April 12, 2003.

**Faculty Updates**

Paul Rothrock (biology and environmental science) presented a paper entitled “Phylogeny and Character Evolution in the Eastern North American Members of Carex Section Oxales” at the Botany 2002 meetings held at the University of Wisconsin, Madison.

Rachel Smith (art) served as guest editor for the Summer 2002 issue of CIVASEEN, the publication for Christians in the visual arts, on the theme “Coming Home.”
News Briefs

Taylor Fund — helping Taylor to help students

Over $125,000 has already been raised toward this year's Taylor Fund goal of $1.36 million by May 31, 2003. This money is used to help cover the difference between the cost of educating students and the funds raised by tuition. Of the total costs for providing a Taylor University Upland education, a student's required fees covers 80 percent, and the remaining 20 percent is covered by gifts, conference income and other sources.

Phonathon set to begin

As part of the Fall 2003 Phonathon, TU students will be calling alumni from Oct. 28-Nov. 14. Phonathon plays an important role as the University works to achieve the yearly Taylor Fund goal.

Visual Arts Center progress is online and on time

The Modelle Metcalf Visual Arts Center construction is on schedule, and is to open in spring 2002-03. Included in the facility will be art and humanities classrooms, an art gallery and a computer graphics lab.

Visitors to the Taylor website can stay updated on the progress at the Modelle Metcalf Visual Arts Center, see pictures of the interior and watch a time lapse slide show of the construction that literally allows the viewer to watch the walls go up. Go to www.taylor.edu/taylor/tomorrow/. W

Online giving now available

A link at www.tayloru.edu/upland provides donors with a convenient way to support TU. Donors have the opportunity to designate their gift. Questions? Please call 765-998-5310 or 4956. W

Role reversal and stewardship

When I was child growing up in a single parent home, my dad was a wonderful role model in many ways, some that I came to appreciate only late in life. One of his virtues was his uncanny ability to stretch a dollar. Although too young to fully grasp the subtleties of Dad's money management genius, the lesson of saving and conserving one's resources has stayed with me. Truthfully, we were quite poor. Dad opened a business he could operate from home in order to care for me. And although I grew up poor, I never knew it. As far as I was concerned I always had everything I needed or thought I wanted, and I cannot recall a single instance when I might have felt we were less blessed than any of my friends.

Of course I also learned that these lessons were really lessons in stewardship and were the natural outworkings of a biblical lifestyle. The lack I never felt as a child merely typified the Christian's life when appropriate stewardship is applied to one's resources. The "I shall not want" personal contentment of Psalm 23 is precisely what we all experience whether we are in prosperity or in poverty. That is God's reward for observing wise stewardship.

Three attitudes toward money are spoken of by Jesus in the Gospels. Actually, Jesus said more concerning wealth, possessions and stewardship than He did about evangelism, as recorded in the Gospels, illustrating the importance of our understanding of wise stewardship.

First of all, we can have an attitude of spending. In the fifteenth chapter of Luke, we read the story of the spending attitude and its consequences in the account of the prodigal son. Spending and the mismanagement of debt is a plague on today's society. Recently I read a statistic that indicated three out of four people owe more than they own. That translates to bankruptcy, and sadly, that statistic includes Christians.

Second, we can keep it all, but again Luke chapter 12 presents the rich farmer who planned to build more barns to store his crops only to lose them in the end. Certainly Jesus did not advocate hiding or burying our wealth.

Finally, a third attitude we can clearly discover in the Gospels is that we can give it away. Jesus extolled the virtue of the widow who gave out of her poverty all of what she had, Mark 12. The question of how much to give away is a subject for another day, but for the period from 1967 to 1997 the average charitable giving of all Americans plunged from 2.1 percent to 1.6 percent of personal income.

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The Greeks used two words to describe human economic activity. On the one hand they spoke of “oikonomía” to denote the work of a steward whose responsibility was to manage an estate for an owner in such a manner that it would continue to bear fruit and provide benefits for those living and working upon it. On the other hand they used the term “chrematisike” to describe the pursuit of self-enrichment, and creating wealth strictly for one’s own use and enjoyment.

Jesus never condemned the creation and gathering of wealth. An appropriate interpretation of stewardship is a key to creating wealth that does not corrupt but expands and is a blessing in God’s kingdom. For example, there are two biblical heroes who amassed great fortunes but with very different results. One is the example of David passing on a great inheritance to Solomon to further the work of the Kingdom of God. The second example, Solomon to Rehobom, had a much different result, 1 Chronicles 22-28.

Space does not permit a more exhaustive treatment of the whole area of stewardship, but suffice it to say that wealth is a gift of God and that God owns all of His creation. The abundance that many of us enjoy is not a reward, but is our freedom through redemption in Jesus Christ. Clearly, our response can be biblically supported that we are to preserve life, spread the Gospel, use our spiritual gifts, bless God’s people and give our possessions freely. In the process we are to be good stewards or managers of the resources that God has given to us.

There is a card with this issue which we are asking all of our readers to return indicating whether they would like to continue to receive Taylor magazine. As costs for publishing, printing and postage continue to soar, we are attempting to purge our list of names and addresses that no longer are interested in receiving the magazine. Please take the time to return the card to us indicating your desire. We would also encourage you to consider enclosing a small gift to help defray the cost. If you cannot send a gift but still desire to receive the magazine, we will still send it to you at no charge. Others who are able to make gifts enable us to share Taylor magazine with as many as desire it.

The roles have now reversed. God has given me a profession in stewardship, and for a quarter century it has been my calling to teach and share with others the blessings of generous giving. I will never be at the level of stewardship of my dad, but I will always remember his example, and hope that I can do for my children and grandchildren what he did for me.

—Harold P. Hazen

Harold P. Hazen serves Taylor as the vice president for university advancement

To learn more about how you can help Taylor promote her mission to educate young men and women, call 1-800-882-3456 ext. 4956.

Most ambitious capital campaign in TU history nearing completion

The Taylor Tomorrow Campaign was launched in October 1996 as a $75 million, seven-year campaign. With completion expected before the original Dec. 2003 goal, the total stands at just over $72 million.

TUF W library ground breaking

The design and development phase of the new Calvin English Library on the Fort Wayne campus is nearly completed. The funding for this $85.4 million facility is fully identified. Ground breaking is planned for Fall 2002, and it is anticipated that the building will be completed and ready for occupancy prior to the start of the 2004-05 school year. Floor plans and artists’ sketches are available at www.tayloru.edu/taylor/tomorrow/.

G.I.F.T. - Get Involved For Taylor

The largest matching gift in Taylor’s history provides an unprecedented opportunity for strengthening the University. The Lilly Endowment, Inc. will give $3.5 million to Taylor if the University is able to match those dollars by Dec. 31, 2003. According to the match, nearly $3 million must come from alumni. These funds will support faculty development, encourage creative scholarship and enhance the quality academic programs that have made Taylor University a leader in Christ-centered higher education. Remember — your GIFT counts twice! Call 1-800-882-3456, ext. 4956 for details.

More information about Taylor University Advancement is available online at www.tayloru.edu/upland/giving/.
"The Lilly Endowment matching grant provides an unprecedented opportunity to strengthen the Taylor experience by supporting faculty development, encouraging creative scholarship and enhancing the quality academic programs that have made the University a leader in Christ-centered higher education. Will you link hands with us by investing in Taylor's future?"

Your GIFT will count twice!

The Lilly Endowment launched a one-time, non-competitive matching grant initiative to encourage contributions to all Indiana colleges and universities, and a $3.5 million grant has been awarded to Taylor University ending Dec. 31, 2003, and is subject to the following matching grant provisions and categories:

Up to $3 million from alumni ($250,000 of which may be from other interested individuals or organizations not included in any of these three categories);

Up to $250,000 from parents, grandparents, family members and students; and

Up to $250,000 from faculty, staff and retired Taylor employees.

To give a GIFT contact:
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Give the Experience

"We still give that others might have the Taylor experience"

"Over 50 years ago the blessed experience of a Christian education at dynamically Christ-centered Taylor was ours. We still give that others might have the Taylor experience and to help reach a world that greatly needs Taylor's new generation of graduates ..."

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(Buscher '49 Beattie '50)
Head, Heart and Hands

“Taylor University is a covenant community on a journey of Christian discipleship that is Christ-centered, biblically anchored, Liberal Arts grounded, whole person focused, vocationally equipping, world engaging and servant leadership motivated. The goal of the Taylor Experience is to produce disciples able to do God's work throughout His creation, ministering the redemptive love of Christ to a world in need through lifetimes of learning, leadership and service.”

This visioning statement, designed to guide the twenty-first century implementation of Taylor University's mission, contains a list of seven core values that make up the Taylor Experience. This issue of Taylor magazine features some of the outstanding aspects of Taylor's whole person education. The following pages present examples of Taylor's intellectual, spiritual, physical, social and vocational programs. The section concludes with a profile of Dean of Students Walt Campbell — one of the many individuals at the University who works diligently to help students grow and mature in every aspect of college life.
One of the distinguishing characteristics of New Testament Christianity is a focus on the sanctification, i.e. the setting aside for holy purposes, of the whole person. Disciples who were both wholly and holy Christ’s characterized the covenant communities of the first century. In order for the members of the early Church to embrace successfully the challenge of transforming an antagonistic world, their total being – body, soul, mind and spirit – had to be ready for the demands the Christian life presents.
The Apostle Paul was diligent about developing whole Christians capable of presenting the whole Gospel to the whole world. In 1 Thessalonians 5, he issues a series of exhortations providing a checklist of essentials for Christians and their culture. His benediction in verse 23, and the promise contained in what follows, highlights the call to complete surrender.

And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly: and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Faithful is He that calls you, who also will do it!

As a Christ-centered, biblically anchored and Liberal Arts grounded extension of the disciple-making mandate of the first Church, Taylor University takes seriously the challenge of preparing whole persons capable of taking the whole Gospel to the whole world. At Taylor, disciple making is a 24/7 commitment designed to address the mental, physical, emotional and spiritual dimensions of God’s human creation.

The disciplines of the tough mind, begun in the classroom, call students to understand and then apply the truths of Christ in every arena of living. From dorm rooms to the Dining Commons, across the campus and into the local communities, Taylor students pick up the call to let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, Philippians 2:5. The mission is not just to know but also to know Him and make Him known through the sanctified mind seeking to understand God’s work and Word in every dimension of life.

Such discipleship, however, demands more than just thinking clearly. It requires living purely. The sanctified mind requires the circumcised heart where the Holy Spirit helps the soul embrace the love of God for a needy world. The Great Commission’s “go” must be accompanied by the Great Commandment’s “love” in order for discipleship to be life transforming and world changing.

The development of the total person requires embracing the full work of the Holy Spirit. The fruit of Paul’s exhortations in 1 Thessalonians 5:14-22 present themselves. A range of experiences at Taylor including chapel, social service, recreation, athletics and residence life complement the academic program challenging the student to develop the tender heart and the disciplined body as well as the tough mind.

This maturing of the sanctified soul produces, in many of those connected to and influenced by Taylor University, an extraordinary passion for service, mission and outreach. I am challenged regularly by the lifestyles of students, employees and alumni seeking to minister to a needy world as a primary mission for their personal and vocational callings. The persistent call to be servant leaders, which is the heartbeat of the Taylor experience, and the multiple means to effect that call through programs such as Taylor World Outreach, produces whole disciples committed to reaching the entire world with the redemptive love of Jesus Christ.

Disciplined bodies, sound minds, fruitful souls and unquenched spirits are the assets of the mature disciple. The demands of a covenant community committed to being whole person focused are demanding and can, at times, be daunting. However, God’s call is clear and His promises are sure. Faithful is He who calls you and He will do it! — President David J. Gyertson
One does not have to be a pre-med major at Taylor to appreciate the rigorous demands placed on students. With a cheerful disposition and a firm resolve, the Taylor faculty continually push themselves and their students toward excellence.

There’s a reason why Taylor University is ranked as the number one co-ed comprehensive college in the Midwest in 2002 by *U.S. News and World Report*. Taylor attracts and nurtures students and faculty who are serious about learning.

This is not a new occurrence. The 1921 Taylor University yearbook notes, “First Honors at Yale University and First Honors at Columbia University have recently been attained by Taylor men. At the University of Michigan seven out of two hundred Seniors made all ‘A’ grades for the first semester, 1920-21, and of these, two were from Taylor University.”

The University today has built on the firm foundation laid in the early years and continues to pursue academic aims with distinction. The freshman class of 2001 boasted an average GPA of 3.66, and nearly half of them were from the top 10 percent of their high school class. They joined a group of upperclassmen of similar caliber.

Today’s high achieving students are led by a group of first-rate professors. Over 90 faculty members hold doctoral degrees and came to Taylor having studied at institutions such as Indiana University, Princeton, Michigan State, The Juilliard School, Florida State, UCLA, Penn State, Dallas Theological Seminary, Notre Dame and Rutgers. Faculty members publish books, lead student research teams and pursue further learning themselves. A recent standout for professional achievement is Dr. Richard Squiers, chair of the earth and environmental science department, who was named a Fulbright Scholar.

From faculty to freshmen, the tradition and heritage remains strong — Taylor University is a top choice for those who are serious about academic success.

—Katharine MacHarg ’02

Read more online at www.tayloru.edu/upland/magazine/
SPIRITUAL OPPORTUNITIES AT TAYLOR UNIVERSITY

Since its founding in 1846, TU has been offering tremendous opportunities for spiritual growth. Supporting that effort today is the new campus pastor, Rev. Randall Gruendyke. The following article pays tribute to the work of his predecessor, Dr. Richard Allen Farmer, who returned to Texas to pursue ministry opportunities there.

For three hours each week, Taylor’s campus closes down, and the buildings seem unusually quiet except for one. At 10 a.m. every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, students can be seen coming from every corner of campus to meet together at Rediger Chapel/Auditorium for a time to “set one’s day aright,” according to Taylor’s recently departed and much loved campus pastor, Dr. Richard Allen Farmer.

Chapel is a popular event on Taylor’s campus — one that allows Taylor to provide its students with a “spiritual education” as well as an academic one. “I believe in chapel,” says Farmer, who feels chapel was an integral part of his college and graduate school experience. “I think chapel gives us a wonderful opportunity to remember who we are, and why we are here and what in the world God expects from us — an opportunity to hear His words, an opportunity to sing His songs and an opportunity to reflect deeply about the things of God, about the character of God and about the will of God.”

Farmer also sees chapel as a time for students not only to receive God’s Word, but also to respond to it. As an institution, Taylor believes that this response should be voluntary, which is why chapel attendance is expected, but is on the honor of each student. “I think it’s the ideal way,” says Farmer, “because you don’t present your I.D. card when you go to church.”

Student and chapel worship planning assistant Rebecca Mong ’04 agrees. “I think [the honor system] contributes to keeping each other accountable,” she says, “and it really promotes the community. I appreciate that we’re treated as adults and that we choose to worship in chapel.”

This may be why, year after year, Taylor chapels continue to draw enthusiastic and high attendance. Farmer calls it the “chapel mystique” and attributes Taylor’s success to both good programming and the tradition of connecting with the Taylor family. “It’s the whole family idea,” he says. “It’s like coming home for dinner at night.” “Also,” says Farmer, “something of value is being offered. If people are being fed, they will always come to the table if they know they can expect good food. Quite frankly, in our chapels, I think we offer good food.”

Farmer says he will miss preaching at Taylor, although he is already scheduled for return visits. “When I preach here, there are always faces. I know that I have a thousand people out there who want to receive the Word of God.”

Farmer is grateful for the personal growth he has experienced from his participation in Taylor chapels over the last three years. “Having to prepare sermons for this particular audience has strengthened my commitment to solid biblical preaching, has strengthened my commitment to the church and,” he says, “has strengthened my commitment to working out my faith so that it is a real vibrant faith, not just some theory.”

—Nell Larson ’02

Read more online at www.taylornu.edu/upland/magazine/. Richard Allen Farmer will be on campus as the special artist during the Oct. 4-6, 2002, Parents Weekend. Read a profile of the new campus pastor in the news section of this issue.
Athletic opportunities at Taylor University

Some students had P.E. 101 at 6:30 a.m. Others won the intramural soccer championship. Some students spent grueling hours practicing in the Odle Gymnasium. Yet probably no one expected to put all that training to use in the way the following three graduates did.

Jason Borowicz ’97, Justin Heth ’00, and Andy Krider ’99 have all recently spent time playing American-style football overseas. Borowicz helped coach the Czech Junior National and National football teams and played quarterback for the Brno Alligators. Justin Heth played linebacker and tight end and Andy Krider played quarterback and safety for the Gallarate Kings, an Italian football squad.

“Although all the travel and learning three different systems for each team I worked with was difficult, the influence I received in return, not just with the players on the teams, but on people all over the Czech Republic, made it worthwhile. I saw this as a chance to serve players and to share my faith,” states Borowicz.

When he was not on the field, he studied Czech, helped lead a summer camp where people of all ages worked to learn English and opened his home to teammates and neighbors to watch rebroadcast NFL and college football games.

“I’m interested in doing God’s work,” Borowicz emphasizes. “The point isn’t so much the activity as it is drawing close to God.”

Two other Taylor University alumni who also felt that they could not pass up the unique opportunity to play American-style football in Europe were Justin Heth and Andy Krider. Like Borowicz, the two felt that playing football in Europe was phenomenal and that their time there made a difference. “Our teammates were surprised when we were not interested in stereotypical “football player partying,” says Heth. “They told us, ‘You and Andy are not like other Americans that play football in Italy; when you leave you will be remembered.’”

Borowicz, Heth and Krider are pleased with the chance they had to grow and develop while at Taylor. While most grads put the physical training they received at the University to use in more conventional ways, these three are incredibly thankful for the opportunities they have been given.

Read more about Borowicz, Heth and Krider’s football adventures in the Fall 2002 online magazine.
Social opportunities at Taylor University

The Loop, intramurals, the wing, Airband. Life at Taylor is good. The social life is legendary. Steve Austin, director of student programs, is one of the people at Taylor who takes student development seriously.

Taylor University is known for its unique social atmosphere and dynamic community. "The social element here has just as much to do with the education of students as any other element," says Steve Austin '95, director of student programs since 2000. Austin describes his role at Taylor as "a lifestyle, not a job." He continues, "Being a part of students’ lives is what I’m called to do."

Austin came to Taylor as a student with the primary intention of playing sports, and was not really looking to grow spiritually. However, through relationships with close friends and the impact of campus ministries, Austin’s own relationship with Christ grew and matured. He has seen similar transformations take place in the lives of students because of Taylor’s focus on "whole person" social development.

Austin was the hall director of Swallow-Robin from 1995 to 2000. He saw tremendous changes in students from their freshman to senior year because of programs offered by various student organizations, residence halls and wings. "Interacting on many different levels makes a student more aware of who they are and who they’re becoming," he says.

Austin found that Taylor’s residential campus contributes to a sense of community. "There’s a reason why people don’t move from wing to wing, why they stay in the same hall and why they study and hang out in the same places every night," he said. Students are given personal attention by hall directors, personnel assistants, faculty and staff and encouraged to become part of the Taylor community.

As director of student programs, Austin oversees Taylor Student Organization (TSO) and Habitat for Humanity. Events as diverse as Airband and the National Student Leadership Conference achieve this goal every year. TSO’s events are social in nature, yet educationally driven as well. "TSO provides programs that, while social, also challenge students to think deeply, grow spiritually, make them uncomfortable and make them laugh," Austin said. He has found that there is great value to carefully planned activities that provide "settings for the community to come together to share in a common experience."

—Katharine MacHarg '02

Read an expanded version of this article online at www.tayloru.edu/upland/magazine/. Read also "Social Life on the Taylor Campus" by President Milo A. Rediger in the November 1956 Taylor magazine and more than 40 other stories that have been written over the years on the social life at Taylor. To find these type in "social" in the text search area of the online magazine at www.tayloru.edu/upland/magazine/search.asp. What story tops the list? A story on Ivanhoe.
Vocational opportunities at Taylor University

Students in each academic department at TU are provided with exceptional training that will benefit them when they graduate and look for jobs. The following story highlights one department that prepares students with exceptional job skills as well as offers them a tremendous opportunity to participate in service projects.

Down in the basement of Nussbaum Science Center, members of the computing and system sciences (CSS) department are at it again. They are fusing high tech and high purpose. Beyond class work and job searches, Taylor students are giving their time to projects they hope will make the world a better place to live.

Knowing the history of the department helps one understand the emphasis on service that exists today. Taylor began working with computers in 1967, when an IBM 1130 and Professor Wally Roth arrived on campus. Then in the late 1970s, with the growth of the department, Taylor initiated the computer science major — a solid program of study that continues to be well respected. Also at that time, the Computer Assistance Program, CAP, was created with the assistance of Gus Vandermeulen of Grand Rapids, Mich., and John Kastelein, computer center director, as a way for the students and faculty to use their expertise to serve others. The main purpose of CAP was to offer consulting and development assistance to missions groups and church-affiliated agencies with their computing needs.

Today that same service-oriented mindset toward computer work is the motivation behind the department’s latest projects, one of which is a software package requested by Wycliffe Bible Translators. Under the direction of Dr. Art White, Taylor students have totally rewritten the “Wordsurv” software to help language surveyors do their work. The program has been tested and is now being distributed worldwide.

Another current example of computer ingenuity put to good use is the TU Sat I project, which utilizes code written by computer engineering students. The satellite, Indiana’s first, is designed to provide low-cost e-mail service to missionaries living in remote parts of the planet.

Also on the minds of many in the computer science department is the creation of a new software package, Kardia, that would function as a comprehensive administrative system for missions organizations. Taylor

The Ehresman brothers, Nathan ’05 and Luke ’04 and hundreds of other TU students enjoy the challenges offered by computer science.

is leading an effort to develop a new program that will handle everything from accounting to personnel to payroll to mailing lists for missions agencies. While programs like this exist, they can be expensive and cumbersome. The TU team is working to create a system that can be easily modified to meet individual needs and one that can be offered to missions agencies free of charge. “Kardia will have a huge impact on the next seven to 10 years of missions work,” explains Tim Young ’94 of LightSys Technology Services. “Many missions are eagerly watching the progress these students are making.”
Luke Ehresman attended the 2001 International Conference on Computing and Missions, ICCM, and was inspired to start Kardia. Ehresman explains, “Kardia was formed at ICCM when many people were talking about the need for cooperation between missions organizations on software projects. Every missions organization needs this software in some form or another, and it only makes sense that we all work together to create it and share it among ourselves.” Operation Mobilization donated over eight years worth of research: LightSys modified the design to fit many missions needs; and all that was lacking was manpower to make it happen. The CSS department was up to the task. Faculty member Dr. Bill Toll spearheaded an innovative class that allows students to develop professional-quality projects that will be implemented worldwide. This class will allow the legacy to continue on to other projects for missions.

ICCM itself is another example of the leadership Taylor has taken in the field of computing. Initiated at the University in 1989, ICCM focuses on the community of Christian technologists and encourages those who attend to learn from each other, to discuss how to be more effective and to learn about advances in technology and missions computing opportunities.

The computer science program turns 25 in 2003 and it is not resting on its laurels. The current departmental projects, ambitious as they are, constitute just a small part of an ever-expanding list of impressive service-oriented undertakings. One wonders how the students have time to even consider service projects. The department has a nearly 100 percent graduation hiring rate for computer science majors, is considered one of the best in the region and is constantly upgrading to keep pace with rapidly changing technology. Seniors regularly head off to jobs with companies like Compaq-Digital, Sallie Mae and Eli Lilly where they often are offered hefty starting salaries. It seems that students would be far too busy pursuing their academic and professional careers to consider slowing down for service projects. Yet computer scientists from Taylor University consistently demonstrate that they are serious about having tough minds, tender hearts and hands outstretched in competent, caring service.

Read an expanded version of this story in the online magazine. TU Sat 1 information is at www.tayloru.edu/sat1. Read online about the early years of the TU computer science department in the Winter/Spring 1982 magazine. Learn more online about the ICCM conference in the Fall 1999 magazine and also at www.gospelcom.net/iccm/. Information about Kardia can be found at kardia.sf.net, and LightSys can be found at www.lightsys.org.
Gray sweatshirt by Jansport, 50/50 blend, available in M, L, XL $31.95; 2XL $34.95; 3XL $37.95

Bistro mug, cobalt or black. $4.95

Taylor cap, adjustable, purple with gold inside. $16.95

NIV Thinline Bible. Extra thin edition (measures 5" x 8"), concordance, red letter edition, Taylor University imprinted on front. Available in black, navy, eggplant or burgundy. $19.99

Taylor teddy with navy T-shirt. $13.99

8" Purple, plastic travel mug. $6.95

Short sleeve T-shirt by Jansport, gray with maroon collar, cotton/poly. S-XL $14.95

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Walt Campbell’s work in student development has provided a model for effective whole person education.

Walt Campbell ’64 has spent 33 years working with students at Taylor University. The Parents Cabinet selected him for the Student Friend Award in 1984, one of his most cherished awards.

In the fall of 2001, he was given the Legion of Honor award, a recognition given to only 13 other alumni, including Jay Kesler in 1995 and Milo A. Rediger in 1975. The Legion of Honor award honors Taylor alumni who have attained distinction through national and/or international accomplishment and who have promoted the welfare of Taylor University. Campbell’s most recognized accomplishment is his creation of a well-developed and sophisticated student development program emulated by many Christian college campuses.

Yet Campbell is much more eager to focus on the lives that have been touched than the honors he has received and the programs he has created. “We are not just managing residence halls, keeping the campus safe and developing student programs,” he explains. “When you get involved in people’s lives, you are assisting them in their personal and spiritual development. Mentoring students is a high priority for me. Thinking through issues, praying about personal and family concerns and looking to Scripture for God’s wisdom is a very rewarding part of my work.”

As for his role as a disciplinarian, he explains that lots of patience and prayer are essential. He also believes that Taylor’s Life Together Covenant is a unique and important document. “You can always go to a school where no one cares for you personally or holds you accountable,” Campbell explains. “At Taylor, which is a very intentional community, we are nudging students toward maturity and growth at every turn. It is much easier not to confront, yet we are trying to help students realize that it is important to be a person of your word and to have integrity in every part of life.”
Compositions and Letters of Susan Marsters Smith:
The story of an antebellum Fort Wayne Female College student (1848-1849) comes to light.

LINK TO THE PAST
When Dr. Robert Lay was digging through the stacks of materials in the Lilly Library and Archives at Indiana University, Bloomington, Ind., in January 2002, looking for information on early Methodist circuit-riding preachers, he did not anticipate finding a link to Taylor's forgotten past. While researching a Reverend Hezekiah Smith, Lay noticed that Smith's wife, Susan Davis Marsters Smith, had been a student at Fort Wayne Female College in 1848-49 at the age of 29. The Smiths lived in Greencastle, Ind., and were very familiar with the Methodist Episcopal Church school founded there in 1837 — Indiana Asbury University — which today is known as DePauw University. The Greencastle school was all male, so when Mrs. Smith wanted an education, she looked to the Methodist Episcopal Church school founded in 1846 in Fort Wayne to serve women. This Fort Wayne institution, after facing financial pressures and almost merging with DePauw University in 1889, moved to Upland, Ind., and became Taylor University.

In the essays and letters of Susan Davis Marsters Smith, Lay uncovered a wealth of information on what turns out to be the earliest personal records of a Taylor student. Mrs. Smith's composition book and letters to her husband offer a firsthand account of the early Taylor we have always believed in — a place where character was developed in a caring environment, academics were pursued vigorously and the soul was nurtured. — Ed

Fort Wayne Female College (FWFC) welcomed its first eager students in 1847 as one of the few Midwestern colleges open to women prior to the Civil War. Founded in 1846 by the Methodist Episcopal Church, FWFC had more than a hundred students enrolled by its second year, though not all at the collegiate level. Neither were they all young and single. Susan Marsters Smith (1819-1905), whose composition book and letters were discovered at the Lilly Library, IU Bloomington, Ind., earlier this year, was married and in her late twenties when she enrolled in the fall of 1848. Susan was from a prominent eastern family. Her husband, Hezekiah, was a Methodist preacher and circuit rider from Kentucky. The two were married at the home of a friend in Pendleton, Madison County, Ind., on Oct. 25, 1840. He was 35; she was 21. Immediately following the ceremony the newlyweds rode horseback together to "Andersonstown" where Hezekiah began a rigorous schedule of itinerant preaching and Susan prepared their home for the anticipated blessing of children. When several childless years passed, Susan planned to further her education. Hezekiah was supportive; his work kept him away from home at least three weeks out of every month. Higher education would prepare Susan to teach and her students would become her children.

Fort Wayne lay far north of the Smiths' home, then in Greencastle, too far for a woman to ride alone on horseback. Susan traveled by steamboat with a young friend, Lois Bacon, also beginning her studies at the Female College. Both women had to pack sufficient clothing to last an entire academic year. Susan's first letter home to Hezekiah, dated Oct. 28, 1848, describes their arrival in Fort Wayne. After spending the first night in a hotel at a cost of fifty cents each, the two left their luggage with a desk clerk and made their way to campus where Susan presented a college superintendent with a note from her husband.

"After breakfast ... we came here and handed Mr. Johnson your note. He read it and told us that he would do the very best for us that he could and so he has. He went and hired a (man) to fetch our trunks.

Susan and Lois then visited a well-stocked dry goods store, purchasing candles and soap, paper and ink, textbooks, including a Latin grammar and a Blair's Rhetoric, a pattern and material for making a dress, and "a cheap bonnet," the bill totaling about $20. Returning to campus they settled their accounts — tuition was $5.37 per quarter, room & board was $15 — before settling into the room the two would share. Living quarters were tightly packed in the college's earliest days.
Susan’s letters do not describe the building that served as the college’s first residence hall and classroom building. She does mention 26 students in residence including the former FWFC president and math professor Alexander Huestis and his family, and refers to “the new building” (the cornerstone for the college’s first major building project was laid the previous year), “not yet done nor won’t be this winter.”

Susan’s 29th birthday was celebrated late in September 1848. Her “Birthday Reflections,” the first entry in Susan’s composition book, records the mixed emotions she felt at being far from home and husband on such an occasion:

While I am writing I feel solemn the reason I cannot tell ... All things that surround me at this time appear pleasant and the young ladies are all cheerful in their rooms. I alone am sad.

Another special occasion is described in the October letter previously cited.

We have to write (a composition) and read (publicly) every two weeks ... Last Wednesday for the first time in my life I read my composition in public. You can guess whether I was embarrassed or not. It was the eighth anniversary of our wedding day that I stood before the President of Fort Wayne Female College and read or tried to read my composition. No one is excused from writing or reading their compositions. The faculty is very strict with all. They draw us rite [sic] to the mark in every particular. This is what I like. I think that I am improving slowly [sic] in my studies.

Over the course of Susan’s studies at FWFC, her letters to Hezekiah do indeed improve in grammar and expression. In spring, a certificate (pictured here) signed by G.H. Round, the college’s second president, awards Susan “Two and a half quarters of Latin, Rhetoric, Algebra and Physiology,” and notes “that she has been very studious, prompt and punctual in all her classes.”

By today’s standards this ante-bellum student’s stay at college seems minimal — from September 1848 to April 1849. For Susan and Hezekiah the time away from one another probably seemed like an eternity. The challenge of Susan’s FWFC studies was more than sufficient in that era to support a fruitful career in teaching. Another decade passed before the couple finally received a blessing in answer to their prayers. Luella Francis Smith (McWhirter) was born Oct. 1, 1859. As she grew, her mother was her only teacher until, at age 15, Luella enrolled in her hometown college, Indiana Asbury (now DePauw University). Luella grew up to be a fine and influential woman, serving on the board of directors of the People’s State Bank of Indianapolis (the first woman to so serve) and as president of the Indiana Women’s Christian Temperance Union.

— Dr. Robert Lay, associate professor of Christian education

This letter from G.H. Round, FWFC’s second president, recognizes Susan Marsters Smith’s accomplishments. Photos courtesy of The Lilly Library, Indiana University, Bloomington, Ind.
1930
Inah May Masters died on April 11. She was a resident of Westminster Shores. St. Petersburg, Fl.

1942  60-year class reunion, Oct. 25-26
Rev. E. Martin Barney passed away in May 2002.

1947
Esther (King) Rupp died in her home in Fort Wayne, Ind., on June 28. She was a former missionary, schoolteacher and Brotherhood Mutual Insurance Co. employee. Her husband Andrew ’46 and children Timothy Rupp, Deborah Rupp ’76, Mark Rupp ’75 and Mary (Rupp) Shadowen ’79 survive her.

1950
In November 2001, Dr. William R. Hayden was honored by Windsor Baptist Church on the 50-year anniversary of his ordination into the Gospel Ministry of the American Baptist Church. He pastored churches in Ohio and West Virginia. Other areas of Christian service included dir of the Forward Program for American Baptist Churches of Ohio and associate dir of development for Northern Baptist Theol Sem in Chicago. Bill & wife Joan reside in Wellington, Fl. • James & Doris (Deane x) Morris are retired and live in Newberg, Or. They are involved in prayer ministries in their church.

1953
Hal Olsen, retired missionary, is reaching AIDS victims in Africa through a gospel tract he co-publishes in Kenya. This leaflet has been printed in English and Swahili and translated into French and Spanish as well. Hundreds of Africans have written saying they have received Christ through reading this leaflet, which is especially aimed at the terminally ill. Hal & wife Sally served for 34 years with Africa Inland Mission in Congo and Kenya. E-mail is Olsenhal@chartermi.net.

1954
John Wheeler was inducted into the National Christian College Athletic Association (NCCAA) Hall of Fame on June 2. He has served the NCCAA since 1983 in various leadership positions — board of directors, chairman of the finance committee and founder of the NCCAA Bobby Clampett/IBM Pro-Am. He & wife Jody live in Springboro, Ohio.

1956
Phyllis Osborn retires from TEAM this year after 43 years of service in Venezuela where she concentrated on a ministry in Christian ed. In recent years, along with Venezuelan co-workers, she has published 14 very well-received Bible learning games in Spanish. Temporary mailing address is PO Box 70148, Lansing, MI 48907-0148.

1960
William Reasner retired in July as the district superintendent for the Greater New Jersey Annual Conference, UMC. He & wife Judith may be reached at PO Box 127, Cape May Court House, NJ 08210. E-mail is billumbear@yahoo.com.

1961
Ron Bible retired after teaching and being a principal in Indiana for 30 years. He was recently named to Who’s Who Among American Teachers for the second time. Ron & Barbara live at 2030 Manito Trl, Huntington, IN 46750.

1962  40-year class reunion, Oct. 26
Raymond & Adrien (Chandler x’63) Durham reside at 1074 West Lake Rd, West Branch, MI 48661. E-mail is raydurham14@hotmail.com.

1963
Dale & Janet (Spitzer ’62) Senseman live at 1271 Wilshire Ct, Circleville, OH 43113, where Dale is a professor at Circleville Bible College. E-mail is dlsentin@aol.com. They would love to hear from their TU friends.

1965
Charles & Cathern Paxton reside at 8323 W Mills, Indianapolis, IN 46241. Charles is the senior pastor at Camby Community Church. E-mail is pastorcharlie@att.net.

1966
Gary & Judy (Carlson) Jones have moved to Hilton Head Island, S.C., where Gary is the dir of student life at the Int'l Junior Golf Academy.

1969
Marilyn (Hay) Habecker has been teaching computer and reading to middle school students at Greece Alternative School in Peoria, IL. This school is a last chance school for students who have been expelled from other schools. Her e-mail is mhab@yahoo.com. • Gordon & Susan Mendenhall live at 8741 Ginnylock Dr, Indianapolis, IN 46256, where Gordon is an asst prof at Univ of Indianapolis. E-mail is gmendenhall@uiindy.edu.

Another fall semester has begun at Taylor and with this semester come new students, a new campus pastor and new challenges and expectations of what this academic year might bring. There are certain to be unforeseen triumphs for some and unexplained disappointment for others. Yet, in this covenant community called Taylor University, we have learned to “rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn,” Romans 12:15. As we stand together to serve the Lord this academic year, I covet your prayers for our leadership, our students and our alumni as we work together to support each other and bring glory to the Kingdom of God.

As a reminder, Homecoming Weekend is Oct. 25-27. Our theme this year is Illumination based on Philippians 2:15b, “... in which you shine like stars in the universe as you hold out the word of life.” Plan now to attend this special weekend at Taylor - we’d love to see you here! Marty Longer

Taylor, Fall 2002
• Jack & Celesta Rea x may be reached at PO Box 95266, TST, Kowloon, Hong Kong. Jack is the vp for academic affairs at United Wesleyan Grad Inst. E-mail is hearmoel22@hotmail.com.

1971
Stephen & Rochelle (Summers x’74) McBride reside at 641 Woodside Heights, Cincinnati, OH 45217. Stephen is an electrician for Ford Motor Co. E-mails are lynnemcbride@einei.rr.com and romechbride@einei.rr.com. Rochelle loves being a grandmother and Stephen is still running after all these years!

1972 30-year class reunion, Oct. 26
Robert Maxwell has been appointed senior partner in the law firm of Campbell, McCraine, Sistrunk, Anzhelco, Hardy, Maxwell & McDaniell in New Orleans. Bob primarily represents Ford Motor Co., and other automobile manufacturers in product liability lawsuits. E-mail is rmaxwell@camp-mcc.com. •
Dave & Julie (Bellows x) Reeves live at 1212 Holt Hills Ct, Nashville, TN 37211. Dave is a retired colonel, USMCR, who is now the owner/manager of Computer Renaissance. E-mail is rbzillc@ mindspring.com.

1974
Linda (Weis) Cooley has been named a partner for Krieg DeVault, LLP. After spending 15 years as an instrumental music teacher in Marion, Ind., Linda graduated from IU School of Law in 1992. Linda clerked for the Honorable Patrick D. Sullivan of the Indiana Court of Appeals after she received her law degree. Currently she practices in the areas of commercial and ERISA litigation and employment law and can be reached at lj@kallegal.com.

1975
Mark & Kim Terry live at 16001 Trenton Rd, Upperco, MD 21155. Mark is a project engineer with the Maryland Dept. of Transportation. Children are Keenan (5) and Ripper (2). E-mail is mrterry@sha.state.md.us.

1976
Louis Callien is now distinguished professor of education at Regent Univ Grad School of Education in Virginia Beach, Va. Previously he held an endowed position at Spelman College in Atlanta where he worked with Professor Christine King Farris, sister of the late Dr Martin Luther King, Jr. He was also named Mellon Fellow to the Salzburg Seminar this past winter at Schloss Leopolkiskron on The Continuing Challenge of America’s Ethnic Pluralism. He joined 25 professors throughout the world who engaged the topic for over a week on the site of one of the movie sets for The Sound of Music.

• Bill & Becky Lamb x have moved to 624 W Muhammad Ali Blvd, Louisville, KY 40203, where Bill is the pres and general mgr of WDRB-TV/WFTE-TV. E-mail is billlamb@fox41.com.

1977 25-year class reunion, Oct. 26
Gregory Gerig died at home in Fort Wayne, Ind., on July 2, 2001. Gregory was a facility mgr for St. Joseph United Methodist Church. He served as a missionary with Youth for Christ in Germany from 1981-87. He is survived by wife Patricia, children Jessica and Joel and parents, Emerald ’50 & Gwendolyn (Sommerville ’47) Gerig. • Jack & Michelle (Martin) Quick celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on May 28. Jack is a financial advisor for American Express and Michelle teaches vocal music for grades K-6.

Shumaker ’29 first of four Taylor generations

A beautiful lady sits quietly on the front porch enjoying the warmth of the sun. She brightens immediately as she is greeted. At 91, Mrs. Naomi Shumaker is the matriarch of a Taylor family now reaching four generations.

In 1929, Naomi McKibben of Columbus, Ohio, entered Taylor University. During her first semester she met and fell in love with Ernest Shumaker, a sophomore from New Bethlehem, Pa., and a player on an intramural basketball team. Ernest transferred to Ohio State University to finish his degree in finance and banking and married Naomi the next year.

The Shumaker’s one daughter Dawn and her husband Lee Kinzer attended Taylor in the mid-1950s. They came from Pennsylvania after meeting students in the Taylor Chorale. Dawn, already a registered nurse, worked toward a bachelor’s in nursing. Lee graduated in psychology and went to medical school. They set up a home and practiced in Markle, Ind., and were blessed with six children, five of whom chose to attend Taylor. Three of the Kinzers’ children married Taylor alumni.

The Kinzers’ son Michael ’78 also went on to medical school. His wife Ellen started at Taylor and transferred to complete a physical therapy program. When asked why the Kinzer family attends Taylor, Mike said, “Taylor has not lost its values like other schools, and has maintained strong academic programs.” Practicing medicine in Fort Wayne, Ind., Mike remains involved with the Taylor pre-med club. Mike and Ellen’s daughter, Erika, is this family’s fourth generation to attend Taylor. Erika is in her sophomore year, valuing most her friendships and professors. “The professors are great; they really care and want to see me do well.”

The Shumaker/Kinzer family is thankful for Taylor. Lee and Dawn explain, “From personal experience, we knew that Taylor professors would support our children’s faith and encourage what we had worked hard to instill in them. We chose to retire in Upland because we love attending plays, recitals and athletic events and have even audited classes. Upland and Taylor have been perfect places for us to invest our retirement years.”
They are involved in leadership at Church of the Open Door. Emails are JALqHmx@AOL.com and quickinnK12mn. • Stephen X & Fatsy Smithley may be reached at PO Box 4186, Lawrenceburg, IN 47025. Stephen is senior vp & CLO for American State Bank. E-mail is ssmithley@scidata.com.

1978
Commander Gary Carr is currently the command chaplain aboard the USS Kitty Hawk, the nation's only forward deployed aircraft carrier. In June he received his doctorate of ministry degree from Fuller Theol Sem. Gary, wife Karen (Brummeler x), and daughters Lesleigh (19), Lauren (16) and Lydia (14) live in Yokosuka, Japan. E-mail is lawrncarrjapan@hotmail.com. • Roger & Holly Christian live at 807 Ridge St., Easton, PA 18042, with their children Nova (17) and Ginger (11). The family attends Bethel Memorial Baptist Church where Roger is a trustee and active in the AWANA program. E-mail is rohome@usn.com. • Rick x & Carol Cornfield work for Family Life Ministries, where Rick is dir of Youth Action. Sons are Rick (15) and Steven (12). They live in Savona, N.Y. • Gene & Beth (Chaplin) Laird are the proud parents of Stephen (14), Heather (12), Scott (10) and Russell (7). Beth works part time at Green Local School System and is involved in Moms-In-Touch, Bible Study Fellowship and a neighborhood Bible study. The family lives in Smithville, Ohio. • Jim & Claudia (Hendee) Whitfield live at 2516 Maple Ave, Northbrook, IL 60062. Children are Rebekah (22), Celia (20), Jenna (18), Jacob (10) and Nathaniel (4). E-mail is whit@worldnet.att.net.

1979
Jill Dunham is an accountant for the Federal Trade Commission. Her address is 14062 Golden Ct, Woodbridge, VA 22193. E-mail is dunhamja@aol.com.

1980
Al & Jeannie (Swift) Wilgus live with their children Andrew (16), Amanda (14) and Jonathan (12) at 3150 Grant Ave, Rochester Hills, MI 48309. E-mail is jeanniewilgus@comcast.net.

1982
20-year class reunion, Oct. 26
Susan Eckley may be reached at PO Box 1044, Highstown, NJ 08520. E-mail is sbrenterprises@netscape.net.

1983
Clint & Dawn (Laibly x '84) Holden moved from Denver to Milwaukee where Clint is the dir of advancement for Heritage Christian Schools. Dawn is home with sons Kelly (12), Hobie (10) and Skyler (10). They live in Hales Corners, Wis. E-mail is cholden@asapnet.net. Jon & Wendy (Boalt) McNeese reside at 2507 Mt. Vernon Rd, Roanoke, VA 24015. Children are Samuel (5) and Madison (2). E-mail is wendymcneese@aol.com. Scott Preissler was awarded a doctorate in Nonprofit Leadership & Philanthropic Studies from the Union Univ. Scott & Andrea (Price '84) live in Noblesville, Ind. Jon & Susan Stocksdale are back in Kenya with Africa Inland Mission. They are at Rift Valley Academy serving missionary children and their families. Their children are Caroline (4) and Ben (2). E-mail is jon_stocksdale@aimint.org.

Business Alumni Council meets for the first time

With a stated aim of helping Taylor to "create a better partnership with the business community," the Business Alumni Council met Aug. 3 on the Upland campus to set up a constitution and determine how they can support the business division's educational objectives. Alumni from across the U.S. traveled to Upland, Ind., to begin this new group.

"The alumni energize our students, and our students energize them," according to James Coe, associate dean of the business division. Because the business division is pursuing national accreditation with the Association for Collegiate Business Schools and Programs, the division is doing a complete audit of Taylor's business academic operations. The new Business Alumni Council will be a vital part of that process.

At the Aug. 3 meeting Dr. Steve Bedi, vice president for administration and planning, shared the vision for the whole university. Marty Songer, alumni director, brought greetings from the University Alumni Council, and James Coe gave a brief devotion. After the first meeting, the council representatives will organize a meeting at least once a year in each respective region. The regional groups will determine who comes to Taylor University Upland to talk with students in the classroom. Feedback from previous business students (over 2,000 students have graduated from Taylor's business program) revealed that a highlight of the senior seminar had been the visits and sharing from business alumni. So these regional alumni will come to share in the classroom as well as at a general session for all business majors once a month during the school year.

"Our hope is that this Council will more closely connect our students with the needs and demands of real world employment," says Coe. "Alumni are an integral part of the educational process past, present and future." Business alumni interested in participating in the regional alumni councils may e-mail Dave Voris, president of the Business Alumni Council at Dave.Voris@53.com or Jim Coe at jmcoe@tayloru.edu.

1984
Douglas & Trena Bleyaert are the proud parents of triplets born Dec. 30, 2001; their names are Rebecca Grace, Jonah Christopher and Olivia Hope. Douglas is dir of asset management for La-Z-Boy Inc. The family resides at 700 Hawksbridge Cir, Temperance, MI 48182. E-mail is bleyaert@buckeye-express.com.

1985
Chris & Susan (Cook) Kniola proudly announce the birth of Mason on Jan. 25, 2001; he joins Nicholas (8) and Laura (5). The family lives at 10922 Songbird Ln, Carmel, IN 46033. E-mail is scookie63@hotmail.com. • Christy (Buckmaster) Trefny lives with her son Hunter (4) at 14526 Battery Ridge Ln, Centerville, VA 20120. She is a division administrator for Science Application Intl Corp. E-mail is trefnyhl@aol.com.

1986
Linda Den Hartigh is technical services mgr for BRAIN North America, Inc. Her address is 9649 Windstar Dr, Alto, MI 49302. E-mail is linda.denhartigh@brainna.com. • Donald & Nancy (Cline ‘87) Starke reside at 8517 Baltic, Bremen, IN 46506, with children Edward (14), Ethan (11) and Eric (4). Donald is a therapist at Bowen Center. E-mail is dlstarke@slycuent.net.

1987
15-year class reunion, Oct. 26
Duane & Cheri (Passon ‘89) Birkey are the proud parents of Rachel (6) and Nicole (2). The family lives at HCJB, Casilla 17-17-601, Quito, Ecuador. • David Darrah is assst principal in York Suburban School District. He is enrolled in the doctoral program at Immaculata College, seeking a doctorate in educational leadership. He, wife Lynne, and children Bethany (7), Nathan (5) and Abigail (2), reside at 3610 N Sherman St Ext, Mt. Wolf, PA 17347. E-mail is ddarrah@ysbks.k12.pa.us. • Matt & Janie Piekarski reside at 1470 Ambridge Rd, Centerville, OH 45459. Matt is a sales engineer with Sumitomo Electric Carbide. Children are Corey (13), Alicia (11) and Alexander (3). E-mail is m_piekarski@prodigy.net. • Rick & Lane Sawyer moved to 3251 Chamberlain Cir, Ann Arbor, MI 48103. Rick is an vsp - corporate/commercial controller at McKinley Associates. E-mail is rsawyer@emckinley.com. • Randy & Ann Southern and children

1988
Amy (4), Brady (2) and Matthew (1) reside at 1205 W Passe Ave, Mt. Prospect, IL 60056. Randy’s latest book The World’s Easiest Guide for New Beekeepers was published in June. TU friends and acquaintances are encouraged to purchase copies by the bushel! E-mail is rsouthern@prodigy.net. • Jim & Sheila Wierenga joyfully welcomed Daniel James into their family on March 6. Siblings are Brett (10), Allison (9), Katie (7), Valerie (4) and Jenna (2). Jim

Sheila & Jim Wierenga ‘87 and family
continues in his law practice in Grand Rapids, Mich. Their home address is 3914 Grand St SW, Grandville, MI 49418. E-mail is jwlaw@iserv.net. • Dan & Cindi (Diener) Wilmot joyfully announce the birth of daughter Carmi Elizabeth on Sept. 23, 2001. Siblings are Philip (11), Rachel (9), Josh (8), Christy (6) and Julia (2). Dan is employed as a sixth grade teacher and Cindi has a home-based business with Partylite Gifts. The family lives at 1937 Smith Station Rd, Hanover, PA 17331. TU alumni are always welcome!

1989
Dave & Whitney (Anderson ‘88) Waller with Sydney and Mackenzie

family boat dealer, while Whitney is home with the children. Their address is 53317 Lillic Dale Rd, Eatonville, WA 98328. E-mail is skid@skidports@hotmail.com. • Mike & Kristy (Bradley ‘89) West have moved to 1972 Campbell Lake Dr, Parma, MI 48269. Mike is a production specialist at Michigan Automotive Compressor. Kristy is the lead teacher at Noah’s Ark Academy Christian Preschool. Their children are Elliott (7) and Mallory (3).

1989
Kent & Becky (Litwiller) Lehman happily announce the birth of Grace on Nov. 9, 2001. Sisters are Jessica (6), Sarah (4) and Krista (2). Becky enjoys being a stay-at-home and homeschooling mom. E-mail is beckylehman@starband.net. • Chad & Linda (Brubaker) Nelson reside at 670 Nelson Park Dr, Longmont, CO 80503. Linda is president of The Basis Group. Children are Hamilton (7) and Sophia (5). E-mail is indson@thebasisgroup.com. • Steven & Katherine (Durham) Palmateer live at 5600 Cribbins Rd, Clyde, MI 48109, with children Gregory (9), Lauren (7) and Sophie (1). E-mail is skgspalmateer@juno.com. • Sharmaine (Rolle) Sinclair graduated from the Unv of Miami in May with a master’s in special ed. She works with the Ministry of Education in The Bahamas in a local elementary school as the special ed resource room teacher. E-mail is sharmainesinclair@hotmail.com.
1990

William Baxendale is a professional services project mgr with ALLTEL Information Systems. His address is 8101 Stonebranch E Dr, Indianapolis, IN 46286. E-mail is asbbox@comcast.net. • Rob & Jill (Herman) Hadley are proud to announce the birth of twin daughters Annie Elizabeth and Emily Victoria on May 22; they join Robbie (8) and Hannah (1). Rob is a teacher at Whiteland HS and Jill is on maternity leave from Whiteland Elementary School. Their address is 1002 Sugar Maple Dr, Greenwood, IN 46143. E-mail is rjhadley612@msn.com. • Steve & Dana (Michel) Heiniger are the proud parents of Taylor Victoria born on Mother's Day, May 12. She was welcomed home by Colton (7), Jordan (5) and Teegan (2).

1991

Jeff & Kari (Parker ’93) Anama joyfully announce the birth of Kelsey Janeac on May 17. Proud grandparents are Richard (TU music dept) & Sharon Parker. Along with being parents, Jeff enjoys being the tech/media dir and head boy's basketball coach at Mona Shores HS and Kari enjoys being the principal at Southwood Elem School. Their new address is 545 Seminole Rd, Norton Shores, MI 49444. E-mail is anama@lycos.com. • Scott & Dawn Carr are the proud parents of Connor Christian born April 30; he joins Ciarra (1). Scott teaches chemistry at Anderson Univ. Their new address is 1214 Greendale Rd, Anderson, IN 46011. E-mail is scarr@anderson.edu. • Jody & Tracy Fausnight welcomed Joseph Lawrence into their family on Feb. 13, 2001. Tracy is a pediatric allergist at Penn State's Hershey Medical Ctr and Jody continues to work from home part time as a consultant

Dana (Michel ’90) & Steve Heiniger ’90 and family

The family lives in Fishers, Ind. E-mail is sheiniger@hsc.k12.in.us. • Nick & Carrie (Brown) Perrin are living in London, England. Upon completing his doctorate, Nick accepted a position doing biblical research at Westminster Abbey with Dr. N.T. Wright. Nick & Carrie are both involved in ministry at the Intl Presbyterian Church in London. After teaching for five years, Carrie now homeschools their sons Nathaniel (6) and Luke (5). E-mail is niki-perrin@westminster-abbey.org. • Ed & Kate Possing reside at 2814 Blaine Ave, Racine, WI 53405. Children are Caitlin (12), Olivia (8), Maxwell (6), Jacob (4) and Abigail (2). E-mail is kepossing@ad.com.

Jody ’91 & Tracy Fausnight with Joseph

for development and organizational planning with non-profits and Christian schools. They love to hear from Taylor friends. The family lives at 1609 Churchill Rd, Harrisburg, PA 17111. E-mail is jodyfausnight@hotmail.com. • Robert & Jodell (Hendrickson) Lawrence have moved to 9435 N CR 200 E, Frankfort, IN 46041. E-mail is jodellrob@hotmail.com. • Eric & Marti (Fleetwood ’92) Manko are the proud parents of Rachel born Aug. 29, 2001. Sisters are Elizabeth (7), Sarah (6) and Kallie (4). Erin is a senior program analyst for Limited Tech Services and Marti is homeschooling the children. Their address is 6551 Portsmouth Dr, Reynoldsburg, OH 43068. E-mail is emanko@juno.com. • Kenny & Romi (St. John ’91) Plath adopted Tori Nichole (4) and Selena Marie (3) on June 7. Kenny works as a work cell coordinator for Hayes-Lemmerz Int’l in Huntington, Ind., and Romi enjoys being home with the girls. Their address is PO Box 107, Urbana, IN 46990. E-mail is kpplath@konlin.com. • Ken & Angela (Hatfield ’88) Reiskytl reside at 8716 Oakdale Dr, Johnston, IA 50131; daughter Moorea is 3. E-mail is arciskytl@earthlink.net. • Todd & Dana (Stickel) Syswerda joyfully announce the birth of Thane Everitt on Jan. 3. Todd still enjoys teaching music at Indiana Wesleyan Univ; Dana is women’s tennis coach at TU. E-mail is tdsyswerda@bpsinct.com. • Brian & Julie (Heath) Vander Ark welcome daughter Lydia Marie. She was born on Nov. 29, 2001. They live in Palatine, Ill. E-mail is vanderark@hotmail.com. • Corinne Willis married John Jacobson on Sept. 2, 2001. TU participant was Heather (D’Arcy) Marshall. Corinne is a teacher and John is a carpenter. Their address is 100 Diplomat Dr Apt 4E, Mt. Kisco, NY 10549.

1992

Stephen & Lisa (Walbridge ’93) Carr are the proud parents of Rachel Elizabeth born March 30. Stephen is the ass’t portfolio mg at Goezler Investment Mgt. The family resides at 5827 Mustang Ct, Indianapolis, IN 46228. E-mail is stephen.lisa@att.net. • Shawn Crooks married Nicole Stutts on June 15. Both Shawn and Nicole are police officers. The couple lives at 7018 Gold

Eric is a senior program analyst for Limited Tech Services and Marti is homeschooling the children. Their address is 6551 Portsmouth Dr, Reynoldsburg, OH 43068. E-mail is emanko@juno.com. • Kenny & Romi (St. John ’91) Plath adopted Tori Nichole (4) and Selena Marie (3) on June 7. Kenny works as a work cell coordinator for Hayes-Lemmerz Int’l in Huntington, Ind., and Romi enjoys being home with the girls. Their address is PO Box 107, Urbana, IN 46990. E-mail is kpplath@konlin.com. • Ken & Angela (Hatfield ’88) Reiskytl reside at 8716 Oakdale Dr, Johnston, IA 50131; daughter Moorea is 3. E-mail is arciskytl@earthlink.net. • Todd & Dana (Stickel) Syswerda joyfully announce the birth of Thane Everitt on Jan. 3. Todd still enjoys teaching music at Indiana Wesleyan Univ; Dana is women’s tennis coach at TU. E-mail is tdsyswerda@bpsinct.com. • Brian & Julie (Heath) Vander Ark welcome daughter Lydia Marie. She was born on Nov. 29, 2001. They live in Palatine, Ill. E-mail is vanderark@hotmail.com. • Corinne Willis married John Jacobson on Sept. 2, 2001. TU participant was Heather (D’Arcy) Marshall. Corinne is a teacher and John is a carpenter. Their address is 100 Diplomat Dr Apt 4E, Mt. Kisco, NY 10549.
Dust Ln, Indian Trail, NC 28079. E-mail is scrooks@cmpd.ci.charlotte.nc.us. • Steve & Lisa (Curless) Ford rejoice in the birth of Robert James on April 27. Their address is 600 Bough Ct, Wabash, IN 46992. • Tim & Lisa (Reany '91) Fulcher are the thankfhl parents of Lauren Avery born April 29, 2001; brother Ethan is 3. • Heidi Grueter is chaplain for the Arnold Palmer Children's Hospital in Orlando, Fla. She lives at 431 E Central Blvd, Apt 513, Orlando, FL 32801. E-mail is hgruetzer@aol.com. • Stuart Hite resides at 1829 Reider St, Warsaw, IN 46580, where he is the project coordinator for Whitman Co. E-mail is stuartthite@keonline.com. • Paul Lugauer married Shelley McIntyre on May 12, 2001, in Colorado. TU friends in attendance were Dan Rowley '93 and Steve Hiltt. E-mail is pmlugauer@yahoo.com. • Brian & Sabrina (Munson) Nowling reside at 4426 Montrose Pl, Fort Collins, CO 80525. Sabrina is a consumer lending mgr for First National Bank. Daughter Jordan is 6. E-mail is sbnowling@aol.com. • Chris & Ailsa (Berzon) Pujol have a son born June 12, Will Taylor. Brother Noah is 3. Proud grandpa is J. Richard Pyle '69. The Pujols live in Sugarland, Texas. E-mail is trojans92@es.com. • Brian & Susan (Styer) Scott are the proud parents of Bryson born March 9; he joins sisters Jordan (3) and Payton (5). The family resides in Fort Wayne, Ind., where Brian is employed with Central Soya and Susan is home with the children. • Dwayne & Jill (Snyder) Smith are happy to announce the birth of Scott Taylor on July 22, 2001; he joins twin brothers Luke and Kyle (2). The family lives at 4508 Smoky Pl, Columbus, OH 43230. E-mail is djnsmo@aol.com. • Todd & Anne Marie (Sarkela) Watne joyfully announce the birth of Sofia Marie on June 6; she joins Annatalisa (2). Todd is with Project CURE, a non-profit, Christian medical relief organization that collects medical surplus and sends it to countries in need. Anne Marie is home with the girls, but continues her singing with the choir of Grace Presbyterian Church. Last summer she was able to travel to Israel with the Internationals to perform for soldiers and communities in Israel. E-mail is toddwatne@hotmail.com. • Tim & Cheryl (Spellerberg) Ziegler reside at 758 N Acadia Rd, Valparaiso, IN 46385. Cheryl is the dir of Small-Fri Academy II. A Child Development Ctr. Daughter Katelynn is 5. E-mail is tzziegler@usa.com.

1993

Chris & Jill Balkema gratefully announce the birth of Luke William on March 26. Chris works for Caterpillar and Jill is home with Luke. The family lives in Peoria, Ill. E-mail is ebalke 3@hotmail.com. • Matthew & Janel (Jacob) Deck joyfully announce the birth of Lindsay Nicole on Dec. 30, 2001. The family lives at 14399 Forsythia Ln, Noblesville, IN 46060, where Janel is the dir of contributions for Grace Community Church. E-mail on July 29, 2001, on Long Island, N.Y. Both Eric & Liz work at Trinity Intl Univ. • Ryan & Stephanie (Smith) Martin proudly announce the birth of Anna Elizabeth on June 5, 2001; she joins Tucker on July 29, 2001, on Long Island, N.Y. Both Eric & Liz work at Trinity Intl Univ.

Elizabeth & Eric Hehman '94 with Taylor friends

on July 29, 2001, on Long Island, N.Y. Both Eric & Liz work at Trinity Intl Univ. • Ryan & Stephanie (Smith) Martin proudly announce the birth of Anna Elizabeth on June 5, 2001; she joins Tucker

Stephanie (Smith '94) & Ryan Martin and family

(3). The family lives at 1064 Walnut Creek Dr, Woodstock, GA 30188. E-mail is yst@bellsouth.net. • Matthew & Dianna (Hakeos) Ortiz are the proud parents of Madeline Marie born on Nov. 9, 2001. Their

Susan (Styer '92) & Brian Scott '92 and family

Matthew & Janel (Jacob '93) Deck with Lindsay

is jsdeck@insightbb.com. • Timothy & Michelle DeLaughter, along with son Ian (1), have moved to 815 E Cork St.
new address is 1357 Winding Way, Temperance, MI 48182. E-mail is mortiz@buckeyeexpress.com.

1995
James & Laura Blackwood happily announce the birth of Holly Marie on Aug. 23, 2001; she joins Anna (2). James is pursuing a doctorate in mechanical engineering at Univ of Alabama. Laura enjoys staying home with the girls. James & Laura are both HIS youth leaders at Hope Church. The family lives in Huntsville, Ala. • Timothy Dixon x passed away on June 20 after fighting a brain tumor diagnosed on Sept. 11, 2001. He leaves behind wife Susan (Mears) and children Rebekah (4) and Bethany (2). At the time of his illness, he was employed by PHD in Fort Wayne, Ind. • Norris & Keshia Jones live at 4615 52nd St Unit B, Kenosha, WI 53144. Norris is an administrator at Kenosha USD. E-mail is njones6395@msn.com.

1996
Justin x & Krista (McHolm) Burdine joyfully announce the birth of Maen Elizabeth born Jan. 15. Justin is senior systems administrator at Oakland Univ and Krista works part-time in the children’s ministry program at their church. Their new address is 27845 Lorenz St, Madison Heights, MI 48071. E-mails are justin@cyburdine.com and krista@cyburdine.com. • Will x & Elisabeth (Bowler) Hobbs have both completed their master’s degrees in recreation at Western Kentucky Univ. They have moved to 106 Vermilya Ave, Bloomington, IN 47401, where Will can continue his doctorate in outdoor recreation at IU. E-mail is we2hobbs@hotmail.com. • Steve Knudsen received his master’s degree in education and is teaching marketing and accounting at Delta HHS in Muncie, Ind. He also volunteer with Campus Life. • Greg & Sara (Smearsoll ’94) Siefert welcomed Charis Ellen into their family on Feb. 27. The family resides in Wheaton, Ill. • Richard & Sara (Shelley) Sorrell are blessed with a son Antonin Richard born Aug. 25, 2001; he joins Caleb (3). The family resides in Rogersville, Mo. E-mail is rssorrell@juno.com. • Kenyon & Laurie (Hunderfund) Sweeney have moved to 7940 Boot Hill Dr, Park City, UT 84098. E-mail is kjsutus2@aol.com. • Scott & Denise (De Boer) Thompson reside, with Reagan (1), at 8116 146th Ave, Cedar Lake, IN 46303. E-mail is denise_thompson26@hotmail.com.

1997
40-year class reunion, Oct. 26
Jodie Allen married Jeremy Flynn ’00 on Oct. 20, 2001, in Salisbury, Conn. TU participants were Lorie (Allen) Diller, Susan (Littleton ’98) Allen, Rachel (Caldwell) Wagner and James Allen ’00. The couple resides in Haslett, Mich. Jeremy earned his master’s degree in kinesiology and athletic administration at Michigan State Univ and is employed there as an academic advisor for crew, field hockey and volleyball. Jodie teaches preschool in Okemos, Mich. • Peter & Megan (Smillie) Edgar live at 1445 Bedford Rd, Hoffman Estates, IL 60195. Megan is a global inside sales rep for Anixter. E-mail is megan.edgar@anixter.com. • The “Bombshelter Girls,” Kathy (Anderson) Fields, Jana (Crooks) Keller, Jamie (Newell) Glaser, Tara (Lusk) Robinson and Julie (Palm) Frizzell, had a reunion in the great north woods of Minnesota. “From crazy college students to even crazier married women, their Taylor bond holds strong.” • Lisa Huber resides at 436 W Gladstone Ave Apt 153, Glendora, CA 91740. She is the pastor of adult ministries/women’s ministries at Pomona First Baptist Church. E-mail is lisa@fbepomona.com. • Andrew x & Jennifer (Hawn x) Matlock have returned to Indiana with sons Ryan (5) and Aaron (2). Jennifer is home with the children while spending as much time as she can educating parents and caregivers on properly transporting their children as a child passenger safety technician. Andrew is self-employed. Their address is 732 s broadband, Pendleton, IN 46064. E-mail is Jennifer@thematlock.com. • Jon Platek married Chrissy White on
Nov. 10, 2001, in Chagrin Falls, Ohio. John is a youth pastor at Parkside Church and Chrissy is an intervention teacher with the Berkshire Local School District. The couple's address is 500 Sycamore Dr Apt 217, Aurora, OH 44202. E-mail is jplatch@parksidechurch.com. • Melissa Redding married David Martin on May 17. Melissa is a technical support specialist for Nutagenesis Technologies. The couple resides at 2 Martin Dr, North Grafton, MA 01536. E-mail is bothmartin@hotmail.com. • Darren & Lynette (Miskel') Smith joyfully announce the birth of Ethan Paul on May 28, 2001. The family lives at 2428 Beincke Dr, Fort Wayne, IN 46808. E-mail is lynnettsmith@yahoo.com. • David Thompson continues to live in Philadelphia where he serves as the city dir for Mission Year in Philadelphia. If any Taylorites venture to the east coast he'll buy you a cheesesteak! E-mail is davethompson@rocketmail.com.

1998

Jon Easterhaus married Meaghan Rowan on July 15, 2001, at her home in North Conway, N.H. TU participants were Joel Davis, Brad & Kathy (Mansell '99) Bitner, Jeff Pearson, Chris Schmidt '96, Mike & Charis (Logan) Mohrland and Greg Frost. The couple lives at 1815 Sampson Dr, Tyler, TX 75701, where Jon works for Pine Cove Christian Camps and Meaghan is a nurse.

1999

Mindy Benteman and Aaron Lerch '00 were married in Topeka, Kan., on Aug. 5, 2000. TU participants were Karen (Halter) Dextrom, Susan (Kramer) Smith, April Lerch '03, Todd Bragg '00, Josh Benteman '03, Kristen Taylor, Jennifer Andrews and Amy (Tiemens '98) Wenner. Aaron works at Ratheon Tech Services as a software engineer. Mindy teaches music at The Orchard School in Indianapolis. E-mail is amlerch@yahoo.com. • Michael Bever has moved to 323 Wood Hollow Ct, Marietta, GA 30067. He continues to work for CNN. E-mail is michael.bever@turner.com. • Jonathan & Kimberly Chastain joyfully announce the birth of Gracie Olive on March 10. Jonathan teaches in the Brownsburg School Corp. The family lives at 33 Wynlawn Ln, Brownsburg, IN 46112. E-mail is jonchastain@hotmail.com. • Sarah Cipra x married Brian Kane on Sept. 8, 2001. Brian is dir of development and public relations at The Alpha Center and Sarah works for the city of Fort Collins in the city manager's office. Their address is 809 E Drake Rd #112, Fort Collins, CO 80525. E-mail is lookshot7@juno.com. • Josh Hawx and Andrea Wilson were married on Feb. 2. Josh is a producer for InSight Productions. The couple resides at 1048 E Richardson St, Farmer City, IL 61842. E-mail is madsquirrel76@hotmail.com. • Clifton Johnson married Amber Anderson on Sept. 8, 2001, in Decatur, Ill. Taylor participants included Josh Sprunger x, Ben Goshow, Chrischona Gibson, Mark Hamilton '97 and Greg Delich '00. The couple met when Amber, former editor of the Taylor magazine, interviewed Clifton about his work with Emmans Ministries in Chicago. Clif continues to work part time with Emmans and is a full-time student at the Univ of Chicago's School of Social Service Admin. Amber is the communication mgr for World Vision Chicago and continues to pursue freelance writing opportunities. Their current address is 4727 N Magnolia, Chicago, IL 60640. • Gino & Courtney Johnson-De Leon live at 11711 Bracesview #3304, San Antonio, TX 78213. Courtney is a realtor for Better Homes & Gardens. Children are Gloria De Leon (9) and Samuel Johnson (2). E-mail is cjbreakestate@yahoo.com. • Stephanie Kuroishi married Andrew Bailey on May 12, 2001, in Medford, N.J. Taylor participants were Sharon Thomas and Laurie (Comiskey) Dubois. The couple resides in Crossville, Tenn. They work at a Christian camp called

Aber '00 & Mindy (Benteman '99) Lerch

Stephanie (Kuroishi '99) & Andrew Bailey

Confrontation Point Ministries. Andrew is the program dir and Stephanie is the summer wilderness mgr. E-mail is kuroishia@angelfire.com. • Ryan & Laurie (Dunkerton) Mitchell, along with baby Madeline, have moved to 216 Quaker Ln S, West Hartford, CT 06119. Ryan is working at Central Connecticut State Univ as the asst football coach. E-mail is rymitchell60@juno.com. • Jennifer Pletcher married Cory Rodeheaver on May 12 in Muncie, Ind. TU participants were
Alicia Palmer '98, Jennifer Edwards, Emily Pattison, Joel Rodeheaver '02, Todd Syrwanerda '91, Carl Hass '03 and Kyle Romine '00. Living in Upland, Ind., Cory is the dir of technical theatre at TU and Jennifer is a program asst in the communication arts dept. They plan graduate school in the fall of 2003, where Cory will pursue an MFA in scenic design and where Jennifer plans to study either counseling or clinical psychology. E-mails are errodeheaver@tayloru.edu and jnrodeheaver@tayloru.edu.

Bethany Rice and Jacob Spenn were married on Aug. 4, 2001, in Orlando, Fla. TU participants

were Peter Brummund, Heather Creed '97, Jennifer Gast x, Joe Rea '97, Steve Saddington '97, Jon Spenn '04, Amy (Jefferies) Junker and Kathy (Roose) Yostal. Jacob is a civil engineer and Bethany is finishing a master's degree in order to be a physician asst. Their address is 13519 Desert Canyon Dr, Houston, TX 77041. E-mail is jacobandbethany@yahoo.com.

Brent Ringenberg has been promoted to senior in the Audit and Other Assurance Services Group with Greenwall Sponsel & Co., Inc.

Bobby Whisman is dir of middle school ministries at Two Rivers Church in Knoxville, Tenn. His address is 10641 River Lake Dr, Knoxville, TN 37922. E-mail is bobby@2rc.cc.

Jonathan & Jamie (Warwick) Willey have moved to 1746 Limerick Ct, Bowling Green, KY 42104, where Jonathan works with the men's hockey and baseball teams at Bowling Green State Univ. E-mail is jdwiley77@yahoo.com.

Erin Zimmerman and Josh Corwin '98 were married on July 14 in Petoskey, Mich. Dr. Gordon Zimmerman, Erin's grandfather and former academic dean at Taylor, conducted the ceremony. TU participants were Kristi Kelso, Becky (Niffin) Dale, Joya Landin, Angela Olinghouse, Mandi (Corwin '00) Uhlrich, Ryan Lambert '00, Talbott Behnken '98, Baron Rd, McLenn, VA 22106. E-mail is jonshelljenkins@earthlink.net.

Rachael Line has moved to 9116 Gasaway Blvd, Indianapolis, IN 46234. She works at Eli Lilly in clinical data mgmt-Diabetes Product Team. E-mail is linern@lilly.com.

Mark & Melissa (Campbell) Lora live at 2515 Spring Hill Ct, Indianapolis, IN 46268. Mark is pursuing a graduate degree in political science at Ball State Univ and Melissa is in her third year of medical school at IU.

E-mail is mark.lora@hotmail.com.

Ariana Rosado and Matt Guilford were married on Sept. 2, 2001, in Chicago, Ill. TU participants included Marissa Kostelny, Rachel (Goeking) Rea, Erin (Houle x) Harms, Heather Rattray '01, Andrew Draper, Jeremy Waterfall, Benjamin Rosado '06, Matt Poorman '03 and Mike Poorman '03. Matt works in public relations at the Y-12 National Security Complex and Ariana is an admissions counselor for the Univ of Tennessee. Their address is 309 Peterson Rd, Knoxville, TN 37922.

E-mail is ariana@roso@hotmail.com.

Jamie (Jorg) Spence, Julie Nor '01 and Mike Sandelin ran in the Boston Marathon on April 15. Here they are pictured with TU friends who came to cheer them on!
Taylor Sounds and Jazz Ensemble perform for Bahamian alumni

A trip to the Bahamas last spring by the Taylor Sounds and University Jazz Ensemble was made successful with the support of local alumni. Darnell Bain ’87 organized an authentic Bahamian dinner one evening at the camp where the groups were staying. Later in the week, guests at the Atlantis Resort were tapping their toes to the tunes of the Jazz Ensemble. Atlantis employee Michelle Roberts ’88 noted “The University is known for its standard of excellence and the Jazz Ensemble certainly lived up to that standard.” Both musical groups traveled to New Providence as part of a week-long ministry tour sponsored by Taylor World Outreach. Taylor boasts quite a number of Bahamian students and alumni, and the alumni stepped in to make this ministry experience for current students a meaningful and memorable event.

Memorials and Honorariums
June 28 - Aug. 15, 2002
To make a contribution to Taylor University in honor or in memory of a loved one, please include his/her name, together with the name and address of the person to receive the acknowledgement. The gift may be designated to a Taylor University program. The Taylor Fund is recommended as it is used to offset the difference between the tuition which students pay and the actual cost of their Taylor education. For more information call Joyce Helyer at 800-882-3456, x4956.

In memory of:
Alyce Cleveland
Loralee Songer
Mr. & Mrs. Ron Ringenberg

Arthur Ferree
Mr. & Mrs. David Petroni

Greg Gerig
Mr. & Mrs. Emerald Gerig

Don Odle
Loralee Songer
Mr. & Mrs. David Scudder

Esther Rupp
Dr. & Mrs. Vernon Petersen

Anne Sullivan
Mr. Glenn Rathke

Elizabeth Van Horn
Mrs. Ruth E. Rogers

Sandy Wiley
Capt. & Mrs. Bradley Oliver

Sam Wolgemuth
Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Perry

In honor of:
The Marriage of
Jon Stanley & Julie Parker
Mr. & Mrs. Bobby Tibbetts

Alumni and parents gatherings are underway
Representatives from the alumni office look forward to seeing many alumni and parents at Taylor gatherings throughout this year. Among the cities in which these events are being planned are Indianapolis, Chicago, Grand Rapids, Columbus and Cleveland, Ohio, Washington, D.C., Boston, Fort Wayne and Detroit. For dates and other information, please visit our website at www.tayloru.edu/alumni/gatherings. It is not too late to plan a get-together in your city. Interested alumni can e-mail alumni@tayloru.edu.

2001
John & Laura (Bayes) McConda reside at 353 Pembroke Ct, Schaumburg, IL 60193, where John works at Interchange Digital as an associate software engineer. E-mail is jmeeonda@hotmail.com. • Ben & Susan (Beebe) Thomas have joined the staff of Athletes in Action basketball and moved from their home in Massachusetts to Ohio; they will be traveling all over the world. E-mail is susanbeebe@hotmail.com.

2002
Jared Nishida works for American Express Financial Advisors as a financial advisor. His address is 7405 River Highlands Dr, Fishers, IN 46038. E-mail is jnjfsul@hotmail.com.

2003
Bethany Lasater x and Joshua Dennis ’02 were married on July 14, 2001, in Decatur, Ill. Joshua is a graphic designer for Crossway Books Publishing and Bethany is finishing her last few undergraduate hours at Wheaton College. Their address is 1515 Woodcutter Ln, Wheaton, IL 60187.

Bethany (Lasater x’03) & Joshua Dennis ’02
The author of the caption for Taylor President Monroe Vayhinger’s picture in the 1915 yearbook could not have been more prophetic.

“Every noble life,” reads the text under Vayhinger’s picture in the Gem, “leaves a fiber of it interwoven forever in the work of the world.” Now, quite literally, a memorial to Vayhinger will weave around the campus of Taylor University.

During the general session of the January 2002 meeting, the board of trustees decided to name the campus circle drive after former Taylor President Monroe Vayhinger, who led Taylor from 1908 to 1921. “The Loop” was given a new name.

It is very appropriate that his name was selected to adorn this well-loved part of the Taylor experience. President Monroe Vayhinger was the 17th person to be selected for the top position at Taylor University since her founding in 1846, and he led the institution for a longer period of time than anyone serving in the position previously. In the years following his administration, only three other presidencies spanned a comparable number of years: Robert Stuart’s tenure, 1931-45, Milo Rediger’s years of service, 1965-75 and 1979-81, and Jay Kesler’s presidency, 1985-2000.

Vayhinger was well educated and held a number of degrees, including one from what is now the University of Evansville in Evansville, Ind. He had worked as a teacher, administrator and pastor prior to his arrival at Taylor.

During his administration, the Upland campus expanded from 10 to 80 acres and the Helena Memorial Music Hall and Swallow-Robin Dormitory were constructed. Also during his tenure, and corresponding with a high point in the Prohibition movement in America, his wife, Culla, served as the president of the Women’s Christian Temperance Union (WCTU) in Indiana and relocated the WCTU state headquarters to Upland.

Following his presidency, he remained active at the University. The 1939 yearbook, paying tribute to his impact on the campus, contains this inscription:

To the memory of Dr. Vayhinger, president of Taylor University from 1908-1921, who has left inspiration and encouragement in the hearts and lives of those to whom he ministered.

Date-wise Taylor students average six outings with the opposite sex per month. Where do they go? Not far — usually to one of the college affairs. As for the steadies there is always the sidewalk circuit.”


“His magic was not far to seek—
He was so human! Whether strong or weak,
Far from his kind he neither sank nor soared,
But sate an equal guest at every board.

... and where 'er
he met a stranger, there he left a friend.

—J R. Lowell

The Taylor Loop was bestowed a fitting name — Vayhinger Circle. May the legacy of this encircling drive follow after the legacy of its new namesake. May those who walk its winding path find, now more than ever, a place where strangers become friends.
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