Letter from the President

Transylvania is stronger than ever

The 2002-03 academic year is off to a great start. Many of you have asked me about the state of the University, and I am glad to report a few of the many reasons that I’m so excited about the new year.

- Our first-year class is the largest ever, numbering 352 students, and our total enrollment this fall is at a record 1,109 students.
- Our students continue to be academically strong. Test scores and grade point averages of entering students remain very high, and the class includes more National Merit Scholars and Governor’s Scholars than last year.
- Our retention rate—the number of students who return to Transylvania—is one of the highest we’ve recorded in a quarter century.
- Our third-party endorsements are favorable. National publications, including Peterson’s Competitive Colleges 2002-03, cite Transylvania’s academic excellence, outstanding faculty, and exceptional value, and we continue to be ranked among the nation’s best liberal arts colleges by U.S. News & World Report.
- Our alumni continue to support us in record numbers. Transylvania’s alumni giving rate placed us at No. 11 in the nation among liberal arts institutions in the most recent U.S. News & World Report rankings.

There are many reasons for Transylvania to approach the future with confidence. Perhaps the most encouraging is our commitment to our Long-Range Strategic Plan, which will set the course for Transy’s future as we work to further the University’s mission over the next five years. Sustaining our quality requires that we continuously make enhancements and as the planning process continues, we will seek input from alumni, students, trustees, faculty, and staff. I encourage your thoughtful and creative participation in this process as we work together to make Transylvania the very best college possible. The plan will be completed in May, and you can read more about it beginning on page 10 of this magazine.

While it’s certainly gratifying to begin the 2002-03 academic year with such a high degree of success, Transylvania also faces a few challenges. Fluctuations in the stock market in recent months have affected the endowments of all institutions of higher learning, and Transylvania is no exception. Our endowment is vital to this institution. We depend on it to help support our operating budget, provide programs, facilities, and salaries, and keep tuition costs affordable.

So while Transylvania remains strong, we must rely even more on you, our loyal alumni and friends, to support the University through annual giving. I know we can count on you to help us maintain the quality of education we have established and to ensure the brightest possible future for our University.

Transylvania is a very special place and, with your continued support, I am confident we will carry on our tradition of excellence.

Charles L. Steenmeyer
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Photo by Mary S. Rezny
The 1903 Crimson yearbook includes these photos of Transy’s first women’s and men’s intercollegiate basketball teams. The “KU” on the men’s basketball and the women’s sweaters stands for Kentucky University, as Transy was called at the time.

The players gaze out from the yellowed pages of the Crimson yearbook, looking at you across a chasm of 100 years, the women in their long, flowing skirts, the men in knee-length shorts and tight, dark tee-shirts.

It was 1902, and Transylvania was fielding its first intercollegiate women’s and men’s basketball teams, just 11 years after the game had been invented in Springfield, Mass., by Dr. James Naismith.

Today, these storied basketball programs are celebrating their 100th anniversaries, making them among the oldest such programs in the nation. Over the decades, Transy’s teams have worn the crimson colors proudly, producing winning seasons, All-American players, tournament titles, and outstanding coaches. The highlights of their story reveal a remarkable basketball heritage.

Basketball as a newcomer

The beginnings were modest. During the 1902-03 season, the men’s team played four games and the women’s team just one. The men’s 3-1 record, good enough for the state championship, included two victories over Georgetown University and one over State College of Kentucky, later the University of Kentucky. The women lost to State College.

An article in the 1903 Crimson yearbook philosophized about basketball as a newcomer to the collegiate athletic scene:

“The game catches alike the man who says that baseball is too slow and uninteresting, and the man who says that football is too dangerous and exciting. Basketball strikes a happy medium and there is no game in which one can display more science and at the same time be in such need of absolute control of his head and muscles.”

The article also records the keen anticipation surrounding the women’s game against State College (Transy was known
as Kentucky University, or KU, at the time:)

“No event of the year, probably, caused more excitement in college circles than the game of basketball between the ladies’ team of K.U. and that of State College. Nearly five hundred people, overflowing with enthusiasm and college spirit, crowded the State College gymnasium to see the initial contest between ‘athletic girls’ of the South. Many attended the game just to see ‘if girls could play basketball,’ and the pluck and skill displayed by both teams certainly convinced all that the ladies may now come forward and strive for athletic honors as well as the boys.”

Transy’s early women’s teams certainly took advantage of the opportunity to vie with the “boys” for basketball honors. In fact, from 1902 to 1930, when the women’s team was disbanded until the late 1960s, the women’s record surpassed that of the men. By 1930, the women’s overall won-lost record was approximately 68-27, with one tie, while the men’s record was about 55-100. The 1922-23 state champion women’s team was 8-0 and allowed its opponents only nine field goals the entire season.

Perhaps the most well-known graduate of the Transy basketball programs played in these very early decades. Albert B. “Happy” Chandler, captain of the 1920-21 team that was 4-4, went on to become governor of Kentucky, U.S. senator, and commissioner of baseball.

Taking on the big boys

During the 1930s, the men’s team played Kentucky’s state colleges on a regular basis, enjoying success against the University of Louisville, Eastern Kentucky University, Morehead State University, and Murray State University.

Harry Stephenson ’46, head men’s golf coach and former basketball and baseball coach, athletics director, and physical education professor, played from 1936-40. He recalled a trip to Murray during the 1938-39 season, a 12-hour journey on two-lane roads.

“We left Lexington in cars at five in the morning and ate breakfast in Bardstown and lunch in Hopkinsville. When we got to Murray, we didn’t have time for a pre-game meal, so we went right to the gymnasium. Murray had a home winning streak of 30 or 40 games, and we broke that streak.” Transy won the game 43-32 on the way to a 12-7 season that included a 43-33 win over U of L.

Stephenson returned to Transy in the fall of 1948 as a professor and coach and played a key role in establishing the modern men’s basketball program when he hired a young C. M. Newton as head coach in 1951. Newton would coach the Pioneers for 14 seasons before leaving to become head coach at the University of Alabama.

Bob “Sugar” Anderson ’56 played his senior year under Newton and remembers him as a highly organized coach. “C. M. would scout our opponents and have pages and pages of notes on their players,” he recalled. “He would tell us exactly what to look for when you were guarding them.”

Among Anderson’s fondest memories was a game against nationally ranked Rio Grande University during the 1954-55 season. In his finest game wearing the crimson, Anderson poured in 29 points to lead Transy to a thrilling triple-overtime 96-94 win. “I got off a jump shot at the buzzer from the top of the circle to win the game,” he said. “I’ll never forget that night.”

Newton’s 1956-57 team finished 16-10 and won the Capital City Invitational Tournament in Nashville over the holidays, the first tournament trophy in Transy’s history, according to Stephenson. “That really started the program we have today,” Stephenson said.

Newton took his 1962-63 team to the NAIA national tournament, another first for Transy, and finished that year with a 20-9 record. When he left in 1968, Transy began another transition into the modern era when Lee Rose took over the men’s team and new head coach Pat Deacon began the revival of the women’s program, dormant since 1930.

Reviving the women’s team

Pat Deacon began her career at Transy with a bang when her 1970-71 team crafted a 9-1 record that included wins over the “B” teams of UK, EKU, and U of L. The lone loss was to Morehead’s varsity team.

These were the early years of reestablishing women’s basketball at Transy, and the program initially suffered from a lack of funding. “We didn’t have uniforms that
first year,” Deacon recalled. “We wore gym suits and pinnies (tie-on vests). We had no buses, scholarships, trainers, or officials. Each coach had to bring one official to the games.”

Pat Hocker Riddle ’72 played for Deacon’s first teams and remembers loving the competition in spite of the lack of support.

“We were kind of a ragtag group, but we practiced hard and played hard,” she said. “Sports were an important part of all my younger years, so I thoroughly enjoyed playing and would have loved to play on the level the women’s game is today.”

Since high school basketball was also just being revived, Riddle was typical of some early women’s players in having no high school experience. She was, however, an excellent track and field athlete and soon became a field hockey player at Transy.

“I taught the basketball players to play field hockey,” said Deacon, Transy’s field hockey coach for 29 years. “That’s how they got their conditioning for basketball.”

Deacon would go on to coach basketball for 17 seasons, steadily improving the team’s records and coaching her final team in 1986-87 to a 21-6 record and the Kentucky Women’s Intercollegiate Athletic Conference championship.

Mark Turner ’77 took over the women’s program for the 1987-88 season and has since become the program’s all-time winningest coach with a 15-season record of 253-155. The 1996-97 team advanced to the NAIA national tournament for the first time and posted a 27-7 record, best in the history of the program.

One of Turner’s best players was Joretta Carney Crowe ’92, who completed her Transy career as the women’s all-time leading scorer with 1,670 points, a mark that still stands. Playing the center position, she used a turn-around, fade-away jump shot as her favorite weapon.

Coming out of a state championship program at Laurel County High School, Crowe had the opportunity to play at a
larger school. “I’m so glad I didn’t,” she said. “It wouldn’t have been the same. I loved the experience of being at Transylvania, and I wouldn’t trade those four years for anything.”

The Rose and Lane years

Lee Rose took the reins of the men’s program in 1968 and guided Transy through seven winning seasons, six of them with 20 or more wins, and seven straight appearances in the NCAA regional tournament.

John Snell ’70 played his first two seasons under Newton and his final two under Rose. The 1968-69 team finished 20-7, the men’s best record to that time, and owned a 78-64 win over Middle Tennessee State University and a 73-72 victory over Austin Peay University. Everett Bass ’72 and Jim Hurley ’69 were key players on this powerhouse team.

“I started out that year as a reserve, then became a starter,” said Snell, a 6-foot-6 guard who ran the offense and played the point in the team’s zone defense. “The win over Middle Tennessee in McAlister Auditorium was an incredible ballgame. It was the only time I remember the crowd lifting the players up on their shoulders. That was so exciting.”

When Rose left for the University of North Carolina–Charlotte in 1975, Don Lane became head coach and would remain at Transy for 26 seasons, retiring in 2001 as the program’s all-time winningest coach with a 509-241 record.

Lane’s last team, which finished 27-2, was the most remarkable team in Transy’s history, achieving the school’s first No. 1 national ranking, its first national Player of the Year (Collier Mills ’01), its first national Coach of the Year, and its first No. 1 seed in the NAIA national tournament.

Earlier, Lane’s most successful team was the 1987-88 squad, which fashioned a 26-4 record on its way to the NAIA national tournament. Among the starters on that team was a sophomore guard named Brian Lane ’90, the coach’s son, who took over as head coach in 2001 upon his father’s retirement.

Reflecting on his long career, Don Lane said, “The greatest pride I have in my Transylvania career is that we took young men who were interested in coming here to get an education, and basketball was important to them, but it wasn’t the only thing. This program at Transylvania has been a model for many other schools.” Lane gave much of the credit for that accomplishment to his top assistant coach, Ron Whiston ’67, who was with Lane for all 26 seasons, serving as academic advisor among many other roles.

Daniel Swintosky ’94, Transy’s second all-time leading scorer with 2,000 career points, played for several of Lane’s best teams. Ironically, one of his sharpest memories involves a game in which he did not play because of a back injury.

“We were playing in the first round of the NAIA tournament and John Mark Stuart got fouled on a three-point shot at the end, but there was no call,” he remembered. “The next year at the tournament, when I was playing, John made a game-winning play in our first-round victory, so that was poetic justice.”

Another key player in that second-round victory was Vince Bingham ’98, a first-year student at the time. As a senior, he became a first-team All-American (see sidebar), the first Transy player to win that honor.

Bingham looks back on his playing days with a sense of pride at being part of Transylvania’s heritage.

“It’s a real honor to be among the great players Transy has produced,” he said. “Just being a Transylvania basketball player—I think there’s something special about that in itself. And I like the fact that Transy has always recruited a lot of in-state players like myself.”

A proud heritage

Returning to the pages of the 1903 Crimson, the photos of those long-ago players and coaches give silent testimony to their enthusiasm and dedication, qualities that would become hallmarks of Transylvania basketball.

It’s doubtful that those student-athletes had any conscious thoughts of beginning what would become, 100 years later, a proud tradition and a model program in college basketball. On the other hand, a writer in the 1903 yearbook was confident that a strong future was in store for Transy’s teams and for basketball itself:

“It is certain that basketball is firmly established in the University, and we have among our players some of the best material to be found in the land.”

A century later, that same spirit still imbues the Transylvania men’s and women’s basketball programs as they begin their second century of exciting competition.

All-American lineup

Transylvania has produced three first-team basketball All-Americans, in addition to numerous second team, third team, honorable mention, and Academic All-Americans.

Vince Bingham ’98 made the NAIA first team in 1998 after becoming Transy’s all-time leading men’s scorer with 2,109 points.

The following year, Marcia Webb ’99 was named to the NAIA first team after finishing as the number five all-time women’s scorer with 1,570 points and the leading shot blocker with 139 rejections.

Collier Mills ’01 was not only an NAIA first team member, he was the national Player of the Year, finishing seventh on the all-time scoring list with 1,774 points.
Modern Living

Students turn dorm rooms into fashionable retreats, high-tech havens

by William A. Bowden and Katherine Yeakel

When Janet Morrissey Goodloe ’74 attended Transylvania, the most sophisticated piece of electronic equipment she owned was the 8-track tape player in the glove compartment of her Datsun. Her dorm room was sparsely and spontaneously decorated, and her linens were exactly like all the other linens on her floor because they were provided and cleaned by a service. Few students had televisions in their room, and Goodloe wasn’t one of them.

“There was one girl on third front that had a TV,” she recalls. “On Sunday, we’d all walk to a little store called the Hinky Dink and buy snacks. Then we’d sit in her room on Sunday afternoon and watch movies.”

Fast forward to September 2002. Janet’s daughter, Jessie Goodloe, arrives on campus from their home in Decatur, Ga., with all the modern amenities of a typical college student, including a stereo, palm pilot, cell phone, and laptop computer with DVD player installed. Her roommate, Caitlin Clark from Danville, Ky., brings the TV and VCR. Over the summer Jessie and Caitlin, who are both first-year students, discussed the design theme for their room to make sure their bedding and decorative items matched.

“When I go into my room, I want to be able to relax, and having the room put together will really make that difference for me,” Jessie said.

From dull to distinctive

Once plain, utilitarian quarters where college students slept and studied, dorm rooms have evolved into highly personalized, meticulously planned spaces. They serve as sanctuaries where students can find refuge from the demands of college life, and high-tech headquarters for a myriad of electronic tools and gadgets.

Walking through Forrer and Clay/Davis halls, it’s not uncommon to see rooms with carpeting and overstuffed couches and chairs. Posters cover walls and photos of friends and family members take up shelf space. Christmas lights and plants add to the decor. Several rooms feature miniature home entertainment centers complete with TVs, VCRs, DVD players, stereos, computers, and video games. Food stations that include microwaves and refrigerators help students survive between meals in the dining hall.

By the time students settle in, a space often looks less like the ordinary dorm rooms many alumni remember, and more like a comfortable guest room in someone’s home.

Planning ahead

Many students are like Jessie, who started planning her room shortly after graduating from high school. She shopped a little at a time, gathering items such as memo boards, decorative boxes, a desk lamp, a coffee maker, and plates and utensils for eating.

Tyler Rankin moved into Clay Hall this fall, along with his roommate, Aaron Frank. Tyler and Aaron, both first-year students, were classmates at Eastern High School in Louisville, making it easy to coordinate planning for their new Transy home.

In addition to the beds and study desks
provided by Transy, their room features a couch and recliner, along with a microwave oven, refrigerator, air purifier, and carpets. To stay in touch, Tyler brought both a cell phone and a cordless phone. His computer doubles as a stereo. “I just download songs from the Internet and play CDs or Internet music.

No one had microwaves or refrigerators in their rooms, Tom recalls, and the Forrer dining hall and the Rafskeller were the only places to eat on campus. “A few people brought rugs to go on the tile floor, but that was about the extent of decorating in those days,” he said.

Moving in has become a lot more complicated since the college days that many Transy alumni remember, and usually requires vans and sport utility vehicles to haul the loads of items today’s students bring with them. Reflecting on his son’s moving in experience compared with his own, Tom thinks in terms of millenniums: “I arrived in the twentieth century and he arrives in the twenty-first century.”

First-year student Tyler Rankin has a room in Clay Hall that holds a couch and recliner, whereas Betsy Sumner Maxwell ’66, Linda Eubanks Gallagher ’66 (deceased), Joan Powell Cook ’66, and Nancy Taliaferro Jupp ’66 lounged on beds or the floor in a Forrer Hall room during the 1962-63 school year.
After a life-threatening dog attack, Caress Garten ’71 has become an outspoken advocate for victims.

David Wheeler

On December 18, 1992, Caress Garten ’71 limped up the stairs of the Indiana State House in Indianapolis and asked the janitor where she could find the legislative services office. He pointed the way, and Garten began her mission.

Only weeks earlier, while walking around an Indianapolis public park, Garten had been viciously attacked by two pit bulls and left for dead by their owner. In the hospital, where she had several surgeries and a blood transfusion, she learned that the maximum penalty for the crime was a $12.50 leash license violation. At that point, Garten—a Transylvania history graduate—knew how her past and her future would intersect. The attack had temporarily changed her life for the worse, but she would help to permanently change state law for the better.
At the State House, Garten, whose leg was still bandaged from surgery, met with a group of women to write the first of several pieces of legislation aimed at curbing animal attacks in Indiana. The group consisted of a police officer, a media relations professional, a State House employee, a woman who rescued greyhounds from racing tracks, and a U.S. Humane Society director.

“The Humane Society of the United States has put a little bit about my story and the legislation on their national Web site,” she said. “They feel it’s an important story to be told. From day one, when I was attacked, there was a Humane Society director who followed my story.”

The first Indiana law that Garten helped write, which went into effect in 1993, holds the owner of a dangerous dog responsible for an unprovoked attack off the dog owner’s property. The second, which went into effect in 1994, includes dangerous dogs in Indiana’s lethal weapons statute. The third, signed into law in March, allows police to arrest an individual who owns dog-fighting paraphernalia along with scared dogs.

“In most states, they usually have to catch you at the fight,” she said. “This is very difficult to do because the fights are very secretive. And that’s why Indiana’s law is one of the strongest, if not the strongest, in the country.”

In addition to helping change state law, Garten has told her story at colleges across Indiana and on national television. In May, Garten appeared on Court TV, and in October she was a guest on the Hour of Power, a nationally broadcast television ministry led by Robert A. Schuller. She has been interviewed for newspaper articles and has written articles herself, including “A Walk in the Park?” in the magazine Indianapolis Woman. In November 2001, she published a book about her journey that gained national attention.

“I think we all look for our purpose in life,” she said. “I could always write and speak, and it was usually on the borderline of politics. I also had a gift with little children, but I could never figure out how it fit together.”

The title of her book, however, demonstrates how perfectly her talents and circumstances fit together. Drawing attention to the fact that children are the number-one victims of dog attacks, she titled the book On Behalf of Innocents. “I’ve been with a lot of children who have been hurt by dangerous dogs,” she said. “The ones who survive are often so terribly injured that they don’t recover from it well. Many are facially disfigured.”

But despite the subject matter, Garten’s book is positive. “This is a book about politics and faith,” she said. “It has a depressing subject, but a good ending.”

Not only is Garten’s book selling well, but her number of interview requests is surging. “What has caught people’s attention with this book and with these laws is that there is a proliferation of really dangerous dogs in this country,” she said. “It used to be that the dog fighter would keep the best dogs and destroy the rest. And now, for a couple of decades, they have been routinely giving them away, or selling them for much less money.”

Because of the Whipple dog-mauling case in California earlier this year, which made dangerous dogs a nationwide media and conversation topic, Garten has even more outlets for her story, which, among other themes, underlines the importance of the individual. That theme might have been diminished if not for her Transy education.

“I think Transylvania translated something very important to me: that I was capable of making a difference,” she said. “And it would be my choice as to when that possibility came along. The school definitely gave me the opportunity to be a leader and to believe in myself.”

Quotations on the jacket of Garten’s book illustrate just how much of a leader she has become. Former Vice President Dan Quayle says Garten’s mission to change the law “proves that in the United States of America one person can make a positive difference.” U.S. Senator and former Indiana governor Evan Bayh says, “Her successful effort to hold owners of vicious dogs accountable for any aggressive behavior has turned Caress Garten’s personal nightmare into a community victory.”

That victory was something Garten anticipated even on her first day at the State House. Months after her first visit, a friend described the building as “an Italian prince’s palace.” But Garten disagreed. “The Indiana State House is a cathedral. And I felt very deeply that day a sense of mission, that if I tried it would happen, that we live in a wonderful country, and that there was a great God watching over me.”

It took only two hours to write that first piece of legislation with the group of women at the State House. “They would always turn to me at the end of each statute in the law and ask if I agreed with it,” she said. “It was up to me. And in the most remarkable two hours of my life, the law changed in Indiana—and brand new law is hard to achieve.”

When it was written, Garten remembers standing up and thanking everyone for coming. “I told them I felt that I’d waited all my life to meet them, and they said they’d waited years to meet me. That was because so few people live through an attack like this—or want to do anything about it.”

A Good Place to Start
Long-range plan gets boost from QEP

By Katherine Yeakel

- New state-of-the-art athletic and recreation complex
- More space for performing arts
- Increased funding for student research projects
- Additional classroom space
- More students studying abroad
- Enhanced technology resources
- Late-night gathering place for students

Less than 10 years ago, the items on this list were only ideas—needs recognized but yet to be fulfilled. Through Transylvania’s long-range strategic planning process, these objectives were achieved in the form of the Clive M. Beck Athletic and Recreation Center, the Lucille C. Little Theater, the Kenan Fund for Faculty and Student Enrichment, the Cowgill Center for Business, Economics, and Education, the study abroad program enhancement resulting in 40 percent student participation, the addition of six general-use computing laboratories, and the development of the 1780 Café. The 1991 and 1997 long-range plans, created by a committee chaired by Board of Trustees life member Theodore Broida, gave Transylvania the impetus and focus to implement these and other changes.

Now, under the leadership of committee chair and Board of Trustees member Byron Young ’61, Transylvania trustees, faculty and staff members, and students are composing the 2003 Long-Range Strategic Plan. As committee members examine the five subject areas identified for this plan, they will be able to draw confidence from the success of the two previous plans and ideas from the Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP), an innovative project undertaken as part of the University’s accreditation review by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS).

“Not everything in the QEP will be in the strategic plan, but the fact that we have the QEP completed gives us at least 25 percent of the work already accomplished.”

Charles L. Shearer
President

A successful trial

Transylvania was one of eight institutions chosen to test the effectiveness of the pilot review program that includes the QEP. “That’s a real feather in our cap,” said Shearer, who is very familiar with SACS standards, having served six years as one of the 77 elected commissioners, and most recently as vice-chair of the Commission on Colleges.

The University further distinguished itself with its approach to the QEP. While several institutions focused on one topic selected by administrators, Transylvania took a broad approach and solicited opinions from a variety of sources.

“We took the opportunity to go to all of our constituents—whether it be
students or faculty or alumni—and ask them the question, “How do you view Transylvania in strengths and weaknesses and what potential do you see for improvements in the future, especially in the area of student achievement?” said Interim Vice President and Dean of the College David L. Shannon.

Through surveys and focus groups with students, faculty, staff, trustees, and alumni, committees scrutinized all aspects of the University and developed 18 recommendations for improving student living and learning on campus. The QEP advocates changes such as adding new social spaces on campus, constructing a modern-style residence hall to help “decompress” the current living spaces, offering life skills courses to prepare students for life after graduation, and implementing a convocation plan that would ensure students take advantage of lectures and cultural events offered on or near campus. While not all of the QEP’s recommendations will be incorporated into the long-range plan, the research and discussion prompted by the QEP has already proved beneficial to the campus.

“I think the students learned a lot about decision-making here on campus,” said Brad Sullivan, a senior who served on the QEP steering committee. “We learned things about programs and planning we didn’t know before, and it helped us feel like we actually had a voice in what happens.”

**The near future**

Faculty and administrators are already working on some QEP recommendations. One of these items is the implementation of a convocation program, said philosophy professor Jack Furlong, who co-chaired the QEP committee with Dean of Students Michael Vetter.

Through the proposed program, students will either be required to attend or receive credit for attending events such as lectures, plays, art exhibits, and musical performances, and the University will work to better integrate these experiences into the classroom. An example of this effort was this year’s convocation. The theme was explored through a panel discussion with four Transy professors and then carried into the classroom as part of the Foundations of the Liberal Arts course.

“One thing that came out of the plan is that there should not be this disconnection between the academic and other portions of college life,” said Shannon. “The convocation is an example of an activity that is extracurricular in that it happened on a Sunday evening, and yet it’s going to be directly connected to the whole experience of how to be a good student and a good learner.”

**Long-range plan**

The 2002-03 Long-Range Strategic Planning Committee will explore five subject areas: student enrollment, academic/student life enhancements, faculty/staff resources, physical plant (space and buildings), and financial resources. The first four of these categories draw issues directly from the QEP.

For example, the Student Enrollment Committee will develop strategies to enhance diversity on campus, a need addressed in four QEP recommendations.

“There is research showing a connection between the satisfaction of students and the depth of experience that students get in diverse atmospheres on college campuses,” Furlong said. “In other words, diversity isn’t just an aside, a kind of social perquisite to the academic program; it increases the effectiveness of the academic program and the satisfaction students have with it. That’s something we aspire to here.”

Beyond increasing the number of minority students and faculty members on campus, the QEP advocates curriculum changes as well.

“Right now we have a number of courses that involve issues of race and ethnicity, but they’re not connected,” Furlong said. “You can’t just bring up the question and let it go. If there’s one thing we know from research on changing attitudes about race and ethnicity, it must be hit a number of times and on increasingly complex levels.”

The Physical Plant Committee will address the QEP’s suggestions for more specifically designated areas for various types of student activities, including...
socializing, studying, interacting with faculty members, and holding organizational meetings. The most pressing concerns involve the residential life facilities. The majority of students who live on campus reside in Forrer and Clay/Davis halls, dorms designed decades ago with the mindset of accommodating the most students in the least amount of space.

Residence halls built in recent years offer more privacy and common living spaces where students can socialize with each other and with guests. Modern dormitories often feature “pods” where five to 10 students have bedrooms connected to a living room and kitchenette.

Adding a new residence facility to Transy’s campus would help “decompress” the existing spaces, allowing the conversion of dorm rooms into lounges and more options for private rooms, Vetter said. Such an improvement will play a vital role in future recruitment of students.

“A plan for future residence hall facilities will be developed that will address whether part or all of the Clay/Davis complex will remain and, if so, whether there will be a different configuration as to how the space is used,” said Shearer.

Three other new buildings or renovations proposed by the QEP would allow for the creation of a campus service center, learning center, and coffee shop. The service center would house the campus ministry, counseling, community service, health services, and student organizations. It would put all these services in close proximity to the residential life facilities, provide the health services office with separate reception and exam rooms, and give student organizations such as the student government and activities board a better place to host activities.

The learning center would centralize all career and professional advising as well as provide the opportunity to pool the technology and personnel resources of services such as the Writing Center and Foreign Language Lab to offer students extended hours and better equipment.

Continuing the idea of connecting what happens in the classroom with other portions of student life, the coffee shop would be a place for students and faculty members to interact informally. The long-range plan’s physical plant committee will look at ways to introduce a coffee shop to campus and move the bookstore, currently located in the basement of the Mitchell Fine Arts Center, to a more visible location where the public could easily find it. The two projects may be combined, but that’s still uncertain, Shearer said. Other outdoor meeting spaces will also be considered, especially those that could be produced by renovating Haupt Plaza.

“We’d like to see spaces on this campus where a faculty member and a student could sit down and continue a discussion started in class, or where several students can sit down and talk about a project, or several faculty members can sit down and argue a point,” Shannon said.

One issue that didn’t come up in the QEP, but will definitely play a prominent role in the long-range plan, is the University’s financial future, especially the size and usage of the endowment. Because of the stock market decline, the endowment has decreased. With a lesser amount to draw from, the University is using a larger percentage for operating expenses, about eight percent, Shearer said. Ideally, the endowment will be increased to the point where operating expenses use up just five percent or less annually.

The long-range planning committees will continue to meet and refine their recommendations until the plan is presented to the Board of Trustees in May.

A solid foundation

Like the QEP, the long-range strategic plan will address a variety of issues pertinent to Transylvania’s future and continued well being. One thing that not only helped the QEP development process, but will also aid future efforts, is the fact that the University is already in such good stead.

“By and large Transylvania has most of its ducks in a row,” Furlong said. “What we need to focus on now are the subtleties—the improvements that will take us up a notch in intensity and academic excellence.”

“I think the students learned a lot about decision-making here on campus....It helped us feel like we actually have a voice in what happens.”

Brad Sullivan, senior
Member of the QEP Committee
President of the Interfraternity Council
As a child growing up in Morehead, Ky., Lucille Caudill Little '28 created her own imaginary theaters using leaves and pine needles. Decades later, Little’s generosity built theaters and artistic spaces of far greater magnitude, including Transylvania’s own Lucille C. Little Theater.

Through donations of time, talent, and money, Little left an indelible mark on the artistic communities of Central and Eastern Kentucky. Now that mark has become her legacy. Little died October 9 at the age of 93.

“Lucille was an extraordinary patron of the arts and was very generous to so many organizations,” President Charles L. Shearer said. “She was very special to Transylvania. We loved her and will miss her tremendously.”

Born Lucille Caudill, one of five children of Rosetta Proctor Caudill and Daniel Boone Caudill of Morehead, Ky., Little showed a fondness and aptitude for the performing arts at an early age. By the time she was 10, she was studying at the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music in the summer. As a Rowan County High School student, she participated in speech, drama, and music programs. She graduated in 1928 from Hamilton College, a women’s school associated with Transylvania, took classes at Transy, and finished her bachelor’s degree at The Ohio State University. She went on to pursue her education and interest in the arts at several schools, including the prestigious Julliard School of Music in New York City, which awarded her a scholarship to continue her voice studies.

She sang at the 1933 World’s Fair in Chicago and regularly performed in recitals and with a radio orchestra, but soon grew tired of the New York music scene. She returned home to teach music at Morehead State University, where she helped found the school’s theater department.

In 1937, she married W. Paul Little, whom she had met at a cotillion in Mount Sterling, Ky., years earlier. While her husband achieved financial success as a real estate developer and horse breeder, Lucille Little made strides to improve Lexington’s arts scene. She helped inaugurate the UK Fine Arts Building’s Guignol Theatre in 1950 in the title role of Euripides’ Medea, and directed Studio Players’ first production, The Play’s the Thing. She was a founder of the Lexington Children’s Theatre, the Lexington Philharmonic, the Living Arts and Science Center, and ArtsPlace.

The Littles had no children, and after her husband’s death in 1990, Lucille Little began to look for ways to use her multimillion dollar estate to help arts and education in the region.

“Her overriding concern was allowing students to develop their own inner sense of creativity and providing them with a space that would enable them to do that,” Shearer said. “She saw performing in plays as an all-consuming experience that forced students to pull from their own life experiences and to realize things they couldn’t otherwise. She believed drama helped you create an inner window to your soul.”

With its flexible seating and staging capabilities, the $2.75 million Little Theater fulfilled Little’s vision and created much-needed rehearsal, performance, construction, and storage space for the drama program.

“The Little Theater—a testament to her love of live performance—not only provided a home for the drama program, but also a playground for creative endeavor,” said Transylvania drama professor Tim Soulis.

“Her generosity opened our potential to make the stage a meaningful arena for the academic, social, and imaginative life of a vibrant college atmosphere. Her gift has enriched us all.”

Little was a member of Transylvania’s Board of Trustees and was awarded an honorary doctor of humane letters degree from the University in 1994.

“We will always be grateful for her kind generosity and enthusiastic spirit,” Shearer said.
Seven new faculty members join Transylvania

Seven new faculty members with divergent interests and backgrounds began teaching at the start of the 2002-03 year. Members of the group have research areas that run the gamut from corporate responsibility, to women’s health in developing nations, to ethnicity and social identity.

“Our expectation is that these people will continue the excellence in teaching that characterizes Transylvania,” said Interim Vice President and Dean of the College David L. Shannon.

Christopher Begley (anthropology/sociology/communication) was most recently a staff archaeologist and assistant director of the University of Kentucky Program for Archaeological Research. He is a 1988 graduate of Transylvania, where he earned a bachelor’s degree in sociology/anthropology. He earned his M.A. and Ph.D. in anthropology from the University of Chicago. His areas of research interest include complex societies, ethnicity and social identity, and interregional interaction as seen in geographic areas such as the Ohio Valley, Mesoamerica, Lower Central America, and Amazonia.

Bonnie F. Bowers (psychology) was most recently a visiting assistant professor of psychology at Centre College. She earned her B.S. from the Indiana University School of Business and her M.S. in psychology and Ph.D. in philosophy of experimental psychology from Virginia Commonwealth University. Her research interests include children’s collaboration on cognitive tasks, children’s social emotions, and grandparents who are raising their grandchildren.

Sandra B. Conners (business administration) was most recently an instructor with the department of math and statistics at Mississippi State University. She earned her bachelor’s degree from Harvard University in biochemical sciences, her M.A. in business administration with an emphasis in marketing from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, and her Ph.D. in business administration from Mississippi State University. Her areas of research interest include teaching corporate responsibility and marketing in less-developed countries.

Lissa Ellen Cox (philosophy) was most recently a visiting lecturer at the University of Cincinnati. She earned her bachelor’s degree in philosophy and history from Miami University of Ohio, and her M.A. and Ph.D. in philosophy from DePaul University. Her area of specialization is twentieth-century continental philosophy ethics, and her research interests include feminism and social and political thought.

Kathleen Snell Jagger (biology) was most recently a professor of microbiology and public health at DePauw University. She earned her B.A. in zoology from DePauw, her Ph.D. in microbiology from the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine, and her M.P.H. with an emphasis in international public health from the Harvard School of Public Health. Her research interests include women’s health in developing nations, the impact of aging on the immune response to vaccines, and epidemiology of emerging infectious diseases, including AIDS.

Katherine Janiec Jones (religion) earned her bachelor’s degree in religion from Davidson College and her M.A. in religion and her Ph.D. in philosophy of religions from the University of Chicago. Her research interests revolve primarily around the comparison of Indian Buddhist and Western philosophical concepts of the mind. She is the recipient of a Bingham Start-up Grant, a one-time award given to a promising new faculty member.

Scott L. Phillips (music) was most recently a graduate teaching assistant at the University of Iowa. He earned his B.A. in communications with a music minor from Brigham Young University, his M.A. in music education from the University of Central Florida, and is a Ph.D. candidate at the University of Iowa. His areas of research interest include music attitudes of school students and the development of accurate singing in children.
Transy sees record class, strong retention and enrollment

The 352 members of the class of 2006 bring Transylvania’s enrollment to 1,109, which is considered maximum capacity in the classrooms and residence halls.

Also contributing to the record-breaking enrollment is the University’s success in retaining students.

“Our attrition rate from fall 2001 to fall 2002 was 8.6 percent, which is the lowest for more than five years,” said President Charles L. Shearer. “This confirms that students are satisfied with their Transylvania experience.”

The entering class is three students larger than the class of two years ago, which set a University record for size, according to Admissions Director Sarah Coen.

This year’s new students bring strong academic credentials, with an average ACT score of 26 and an average high school GPA of 3.6. Sixty percent graduated in the top 10 percent of their class. There are 43 Governor’s Scholars, nine National Merit Scholars, four Governor’s School for the Arts participants, 139 National Honor Society members, and 102 Beta Club members.

“The majority of our new students continue to take the most challenging high school curriculum available,” said Coen. “So we think they’re well prepared for Transy’s rigorous academic program.”

The class is ethnically and geographically diverse, with a higher number of Asian and Hispanic students as compared with last year and 94 students from outside Kentucky—significantly more than average. Within Kentucky, there are twice as many students from the Louisville area as last year, which Coen attributes to a focused effort by the admissions team and the help of alumni.

“This was the second year of organized effort by the Pioneer Alumni Recruitment Team (PART), and alumni referrals were up significantly,” said Coen. “PARTners play a vital role in Transy’s admissions plan.”

Coen encourages alumni to refer prospective students or request fee-waived applications by contacting her at (800) 872-6798 or (859) 233-8242 or by e-mail at scoen@transy.edu.

Susan M. Brown is the new library director at Transylvania, succeeding Kathleen Bryson, who retired after a 32-year career at the University.

Brown came to Transy from the Kentucky Virtual Library, where she served as associate director. Previously, she was associate librarian at The Colorado College.

Brown received her B.A. in English from Hiram College and her M.S. in library and information science from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Andy Ralston has assumed the position of associate director of annual giving. He had worked in Transy’s admissions office since 1999, most recently as assistant director of admissions.

Elizabeth J. Fugazzi has joined the staff part-time as coordinator of institutional research and assessment and administrative aide to the president. She comes to Transy from the Fayette County public school system, where she had been director of general administration and assistant to the superintendent.

Wheeler named Knight fellow

As part of Transylvania’s continuing effort to hire more minority faculty members, Tiffany R. Wheeler ’90 has become the latest recipient of a Knight Fellowship.

Funded by a grant from the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation, the program was originally designed to allow the University to hire a minority doctoral candidate to teach for one year while the candidate finished his or her dissertation.

In order to recruit Wheeler, the University received approval to alter the program, so that Wheeler, who is just beginning her doctoral work, could join the Transylvania education department. The fellowship will be renewed each year until Wheeler has completed her doctorate in education at UK; Wheeler will then teach at Transylvania for as many years as she receives the fellowship.

“Tiffany is a fantastic person, and she’ll do a good job,” said President Charles L. Shearer. “The students are going to love her.”

Wheeler is a Michigan native and was Transylvania’s first minority applicant to be chosen as a William T. Young Scholar. She was most recently a distinguished practitioner in the College of Education at Murray State University. She earned her M.A. in education from UK and was one of the first 12 teachers in Kentucky to achieve national board certification. Her areas of research interest include literacy and multi-cultural education. Wheeler was a member of the Transylvania Board of Trustees for one year, before she joined the faculty this fall.
Chemistry professor reaches out to high school teachers

It was the car explosions that really captured the attention of students in chemistry teacher Diane Johnson’s 10th grade class.

“Most of the movie special effects we worked on were car crashes with cars blowing up,” said Johnson, who teaches at Lewis County High School in eastern Kentucky. “Anytime you blow something up, they like that.”

If that sounds like an unusual way of teaching chemistry, it’s also the perfect introduction to SAT Chem: Supporting Appalachian Teachers of Chemistry, a program created and directed by Transylvania chemistry professor Carl Heltzel, with help from fellow Transy chemistry professor Jerry Seebach.

The overall goal of SAT Chem is to assist high school chemistry teachers in Appalachian Kentucky by exploring new approaches to teaching. One anticipated result is that college-bound students will become better prepared to succeed at that level.

The “cars” in Johnson’s class were models, being used by her students as they completed a unit titled Movie Special Effects. The unit is part of Active Chemistry, a prototype curriculum that emphasizes inquiry-based learning coupled with real world applications.

“Rather than the traditional lecture and a test, inquiry-based learning asks students to complete a series of activities that guide them through the learning process so that they arrive at the fundamental fact on their own, with the teacher acting as a guide rather than a lecturer,” said Heltzel.

The activities in Johnson’s class included using hydrogen gas to mimic the car explosions so popular in Hollywood action movies, along with a look at polymers used to make fake wounds and the chemistry behind all the blood and gore that goes with them.

“We taught a lot of the chemistry after the fact—that is, after they had done the activities and the testing,” says Johnson. “This is the opposite of the traditional approach of learning the chemistry first and then doing a lab to verify what they had learned. It’s learning on a need-to-know basis—I need to know this chemistry to be able to do this activity.”

This inquiry-based learning method is at the heart of SAT Chem, which grew out of Heltzel’s observation that some students who had done well in high school chemistry struggled to repeat that success on the college level.

Heltzel has partnered with the Appalachian Rural Systemic Initiative to create contacts with teachers and school systems, and has organized summer workshops and school-year follow-up sessions. Grants from the Kentucky Council of Post-Secondary Education and from the E. O. Robinson Mountain Fund have helped pay for the project, and a major grant from the National Science Foundation is funding a related book.

Heltzel is one of four professors—the other three are at the University of Tennessee, The Ohio State University, and the University of Massachusetts—to head up writing teams that will create the chapters of the book, which will be marketed to school systems nationwide. Johnson is one of the writers on Heltzel’s team.

Gary Freebury, a retired chemistry teacher who lives in Kalispell, Montana, is the consulting chemist for It’s About Time, and he wrote part of the original chapters of Active Chemistry. He was in Kentucky when Johnson’s movie effects class was videotaped by the publisher and has worked with Heltzel on the workshops. He taught high school and college chemistry for 39 years.

“I was an old, traditional teacher,” says Freebury. “About 15 years ago we realized we were not reaching everyone, and we wanted to develop a program that would be flexible and allow the kids to enjoy chemistry.”

Part of Freebury’s mission has been to break down the artificial barriers between high school and college teachers.

“A fear that the high school teachers have is that they are always being measured by the college professors,” he says. “I’ve tried to show that’s not true, that college teachers can learn from the methods of high school teachers as well.”

For Heltzel and Transylvania, that has been a bonus of his work with SAT Chem.

“I’ve spent a lot of time rethinking how I teach,” he says. “This program has brought me in touch with some nationally recognized educators. The experience is certainly going to impact the way I teach at Transy.”

—WILLIAM A. BOWDEN
Concert band strikes a chord ‘Down Under’

Even though it’s half a world away and has a seasonal calendar completely the opposite of Kentucky’s, Australia didn’t seem that foreign to Transy concert band member and first-time international traveler Michael Morgan, a junior business administration major and music minor.

“A lot of it reminded me of Kentucky,” the Lexington native said. “The countryside looked about the same.”

The continent’s familiar feel and friendly atmosphere were major reasons music professor Ben Hawkins chose Australia for the concert band’s first international trip.

“It’s a foreign country, but enough like home that people who haven’t traveled can be comfortable while still getting the experience,” Hawkins said.

Band members visited Brisbane, Surfer’s Paradise, Sydney, and the capital city of Canberra, and performed three concerts during their two-week tour in May.

The trip gave band members valuable experience in adjusting quickly to different venues, Hawkins said. While the audiences were delightfully attentive and appreciative, the performance conditions were sometimes challenging.

Amy Musterman, a senior from Somerset, Ky., remembers one outdoor concert where a gust of wind swept away the trombone players’ music sheets. A friendly member of the crowd collected the errant sheets, placed them back on the stands, and monitored them for the rest of the performance.

In addition to a few wild moments on stage, band members had many interesting encounters with the local wildlife.

Several whales put on an impromptu, awe-inspiring exhibition as the group watched from an overlook less than 150 feet away.

“Everybody was just standing there with huge smiles and eyes as big as saucers,” Hawkins said. “It was very special.”

Musterman said she enjoyed visiting the animal sanctuary and getting to interact with kangaroos and koalas, even when the koala she was having her photo made with decided to leave an unwanted souvenir on her shirt.

“When we started out, I wanted to do three things: learn how to throw a boomerang, see a kangaroo, and visit the opera house,” Musterman said. “I got to do all of those things. We got the whole Aussie experience.”

Hawkins said he hopes the concert band will be able to take an international trip every third year.

Parents Council works to enhance Transy library

The Transylvania Parents Council is working hard to meet its goal of raising $88,000 for library enhancements. To accomplish that, Parents Council members and other Transy parents conducted a phonathon in October.

“We concentrate on the library because it benefits all students,” said Scott Poe ’71, who with his wife Anne serves as co-president of the Parents Council. “It’s vital for Transy’s library to provide the most up-to-date and useful books, journals, computer programs, and other reference materials.”

Last year’s library fund-raising effort was a big success.

“We surpassed our goal of $84,000, and, most significant-ly, received gifts from more donors than ever,” said Dolores Roberson, director of parent programs. “We’re looking forward to another successful effort this year, and we hope all parents will contribute.”

In addition to fund-raising, Parents Council members serve as goodwill ambassadors for the University, help recruit new students, and assist the Career Development Center in identifying internship and job opportunities for students and graduates.

The council consists of 34 parents representing 19 Transy students. They come from Kentucky, Alabama, West Virginia, Indiana, and Ohio.
Convocation gets academic year off to an insightful start

The content of Transylvania’s fall convocation—“Sex Games and Mind Frames: Perspectives on the Selection of the Human Mind”—was enough to get many students’ attention, but the format of the session was equally important, according to David L. Shannon, interim vice president and dean of the college.

“A convocation is an opportunity to present a model for the way important issues and topics are addressed on a college campus,” he said, as he opened the panel discussion involving four Transylvania professors before a large and attentive audience in Haggin Auditorium on September 8.

“That discussion should be both passionate and respectful. And we hope that it will continue long after you leave this auditorium.”


Much of the discussion that followed tried to make sense of the evolution of the human mind, focusing especially on why humans have such an affinity for creative and artistic expression when other intelligent mammals such as dolphins do not. Miller’s book suggests that finding a mate is the most important human activity, and that the creative nature of our minds has evolved to support that quest.

“Miller’s thesis is that males are the ones who evolved the interesting mental traits and females helped them do it,” said Upchurch. “In humans, sexual selection seems to go in both directions.”

Anthropology professor Barbara LoMonaco said Miller’s book was another example of trying to explain all human behavior in terms of biology. “As anthropologists, we believe that culture is more than just icing on the cake of biology.”

LoMonaco also attacked Miller’s view of males being the ones who innovate and females the ones who approve by their sexual selections. As an example, she cited ancient cave art: “Miller assumes that the creators of such art were male, since most famous artists have been men. In fact, anthropologists have no way of knowing who created the art.”

Philosophy professor Jack Furlong also veered away from Miller’s male-centered selection model. “Patriarchy is anything but natural to the human species, even though it is so pervasive,” he said. “Good scientific reasoning supports not sexism but sexual equality.”

A lively audience question and comment session followed, moderated by communication professor Gary Deaton.

First-year student Eric Nybo liked having professors from different disciplines discuss the issues. “I appreciated the collaboration of specialists from different fields attacking the same question and presenting divergent viewpoints. It was much more interesting than if one person were to speak on the issue. I didn’t see a lot of this approach in high school. It was new and very intriguing.”

The fall convocation was presented by, from left, anthropology professor Barbara LoMonaco, philosophy professor Jack Furlong, psychology professor Meg Upchurch, and biology professor James Wagner.

Transylvania remembers September 11

A candlelit circle of peace in front of the Haupt Humanities building late in the evening on September 11 brought together Transylvania students, faculty, and staff members. Earlier in the day, members of the Transy community had commemorated the anniversary of the attack on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon with a bell ringing ceremony led by President Charles L. Shearer, a collection for the American Red Cross Afgani relief fund and The Humanitarian: Center for Culture and Diversity, and prayers, readings, and meditations on the Bible and the Koran in Old Morrison Chapel. A panel discussion titled A Year of Learning: Perspective on 9/11, with education professor Angela Hurley, history professor Kenneth Slepyan, religion professor Trina Jones, and political science professor Sakah Mahmud was held in Haggin Auditorium before the circle of peace was formed.
Dining at the Crossroads

When Transylvania students, faculty, and staff entered Forrer dining hall for the first time this fall and contemplated their choices, they found themselves at a crossroads—to be exact, Crossroads Ultimate Dining by Sodexho.

A $350,000 renovation and redesign of the campus’s main dining facility over the summer created a new dining experience, which features a large, open area with an enticing variety of food stations where smokehouse burger—are cooked on the liked the best last year is still here, but many dishes are prepared right in front of the customer.

Prominent among those stations is the International Bar, where a chef creates stir-fried and sautéed entrees as diners customize their ingredients. A typical serving might be chicken with vegetables in a sauce, served over a bed of garlic mashed potatoes. On another day, you might see a grilled Caesar salad being created to order.

A classics area offers six vegetables, a starch, three entrees, and a bread. A carving station, used mostly for dinner, may offer pork loin, rotisserie chicken, or ham. At the grill, hamburgers with toasted buns, a Texas toast grilled cheese sandwich, or a specialty sandwich—grilled chicken or smokehouse burger—are cooked on the spot.

The pizza station is a popular area and is the pride of Denny Bridges, director of dining services. “There’s not a pizza in town as good as ours,” he says, referring to the pepperoni and cheese, Mexican salsa with chicken and jalapeno peppers, and other pizza varieties being offered.

A deli station features subs and sandwiches, while a soup, salad, and fruit bar offers more choices. The dessert bar serves warm cobbler and cold pudding, along with peroni and cheese, Mexican salsa with chicken and jalapeno peppers, and other pizza varieties being offered.

“I definitely like the food a lot better,” said junior Wil Milford. “A lot of the stuff I liked the best last year is still here, but they’ve added a lot more. It’s really nice to have someone right there cooking it for you, and you can go directly to what you want instead of standing in line for everything.”

President Charles L. Shearer chats with one of his advisees, first-year student Mayme Fisher, at the International Bar in the newly renovated Forrer Dining Hall.

Art professor Nancy Wolsk is a fan of the redesign, which involved removing two walls to create the open space. “The space has an openness where you feel it’s clean and light, and it seems to me a more social space.”

The open look and feel was one of the main goals of the renovation, according to Bridges. “For the first impression when a person walks in the door, we wanted them to see everything we offer, and I think we accomplished that.”

GSA’s third year at Transy has unique focus

Art is not always something that can be categorized, explained, or agreed upon. And just as the definition of art can defy expectations, so can the identity of the artist. Organizers emphasized the latter message during this year’s Governor’s School for the Arts on Transylvania’s campus.

A joint program of the Kentucky Center for the Arts and the Education, Arts, and Humanities Cabinet, GSA gives high school juniors and seniors the opportunity to explore their talents in creative writing, dance, drama, instrumental and vocal music, musical theater, and visual arts. The 201 students who attended the intense three-week session from June 23 to July 13 were chosen from over 1,100 applicants and represented 48 counties and 88 high schools across Kentucky.

This year’s GSA program “centered on expanding students’ horizons about who can be an artist,” said Frank X Walker, president of the National Conference of Governor’s Schools and director of Kentucky’s GSA. “We were really focusing on an inclusive philosophy, and I think that was illustrated by some of the guest artists we had.”

The list included a modern dance company called Cleveland Wheels, which has a performing member who is wheelchair bound, and a Washington, D.C., based hip-hop group called the Wild Zappers, whose entire complement is deaf.

“They were able to perform by turning the music up really loud so they would feel the bass and be able to stay with the rhythm,” Walker said. “This allowed them to perform at an incredibly high professional level.”

GSA students also got the chance to learn about artistic inclusiveness from one of their fellow participants, Chris Stewart, a blind violinist from Owensboro High School.

This is the third year Transylvania has hosted GSA, and the first year students and instructors had the opportunity to use Transy’s new dance studio, one of the many amenities offered by the Clive M. Beck Athletic and Recreation Center.

“Being able to have a dance facility on campus really rounded out the experience,” Walker said. “We already thought Transy was a perfect match for us, and if there’s such a thing as more perfect, that happened once we had access to the Beck Center.”

President Charles L. Shearer chats with one of his advisees, first-year student Mayme Fisher, at the International Bar in the newly renovated Forrer Dining Hall.
Library Director Kathleen Bryson closes the book on a 32-year career

When Kathleen Bryson came to work as a cataloger at the Transylvania library in 1970, she found what she terms a rather dismal environment.

“The library walls were a horrendously dark gray-green color, the floor was black linoleum, the lights looked like dull silver spaceships hanging from the ceiling on long poles, and the only seating was at rows of long tables for eight to 10 people,” she recalled.

Fast forward to 2002, and Bryson, who began retirement September 1, proudly surveys a bright, inviting library that is bustling with activity while she ticks off a list of improvements that have been made during her tenure, both to the physical facility and the library’s resources.

“In 1972, an attempt was made to lighten the library up by painting the walls a light ‘hospital’ green and installing beige carpet in some of the public areas,” Bryson said. “But the biggest improvement, and one of the things of which I’m most proud, was the renovation and addition in 1985.”

Her other proudest accomplishment was bringing the library into the electronic information age in 1990.

Bryson began her career at Transy after receiving a master’s degree in library science from the University of Kentucky in 1970. Her undergraduate degree was in English from Hood College. Bryson was promoted from cataloger to library instructor in 1977 and to curator of special collections and University archivist in 1980, a position she held until being named library director in 1984.

Bryson helped plan and implement the 1985 project that added 10,000 square feet of space and eliminated the “ware-house effect” of the existing building.

“We dropped the ceilings, improved the lighting, and provided for more types of learning styles—casual seating, individual work space, and group study rooms,” she said. “It changed the overall atmosphere of the library by making it less restrictive—more relaxed and social. We sometimes get complaints now about the library being too noisy, and we realize that may irritate some people, but I think overall it’s positive. There are still plenty of places where students can go off and find a quiet corner. We even allow food and drink, which many libraries still frown on. But we want students to be comfortable here.”

Bryson also oversaw the 1990 project through which Transylvania became one of the first private colleges to convert its card catalog into electronic format.

“During Bryson’s career, resources other than books and journals became much more important components of the library.

“When I came here, the only non-book resources we had were a few Shakespeare plays on records,” she said. “Now we have computers, the Internet, videos, and much more.”

By providing access to more resources, technology has made small libraries like Transy’s more competitive with those at larger research institutions, according to Bryson.

“We now have access to the full text of 5,000 journals online,” she pointed out.

The availability of electronic resources also has increased the need for identifying which resources are valid.

“When we were dealing only with books and journals, the library exercised some control because we only purchased things that got excellent reviews and were appropriate for undergraduate students,” said Bryson.

“Today, students can go to an on-line search engine, put in a few terms, and come up with 999 hits—some of which may not be valid. We’re addressing that by licensing sites on the Library Databases page.”

A constant challenge during Bryson’s career has been teaching students to use the library effectively.

“Students don’t always recognize the kind of information they need,” she explained. “They may ask a vague question that on the surface seems to have a clear-cut answer, but as you begin to talk to the individual, you often find that they aren’t asking the right question to get what they need. That’s challenging—teaching students that they have this information need, then teaching them to find the resources that will fill the need.”

One of the best avenues for promoting the library’s resources is the Foundations of the Liberal Arts course that is required of all first-year students.

“Library instruction is retained better when it’s tied to a specific need in a course,” Bryson said.

Throughout her career, Bryson was active in professional organizations, including current posts as chair of the academic library section of the Kentucky Library Association and as an advisory committee member of the Kentucky Virtual Library.

“It’s been an interesting time to be a librarian,” she said. “There have been more changes during the course of my career than many of my predecessors saw.”

President Charles L. Shearer praised Bryson’s dedicated service to students, faculty, and staff. “Our library services and holdings improved significantly under her leadership, and we will miss her friendliness and professionalism.”

—MARTHA BAKER
Symposium extends vocation conversations to other DOC institutions

A symposium hosted by Transylvania’s Lilly Project in June positioned the University as a “sparkplug” for discussions about the meaning of vocation in the context of a liberal arts education, according to Lilly Program Director Charisse Gillett.

Faculty and staff members from 12 Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)-affiliated colleges and one Jesuit institution came together in Milwaukee for four days of collaborative conversations on the subject. The 2002 symposium and follow-up symposiums planned for the each of the next two summers fulfill one of the goals of the Lilly Project: to strengthen partnerships within DOC institutions. The DOC’s Division of Higher Education is co-sponsoring the events.

Transy received the $1.5 million, five-year Lilly grant for the theological exploration of vocation in September 2000. It allows the University to implement programs that help students examine how their values and commitments play a role in determining their life’s work.

“The beauty of this project, and what makes it unique, is that Transylvania is not only initiating conversations about vocation on our campus, we’re also extending the conversations by intentionally planting seeds on campuses of colleges that do not have Lilly grants,” said Paul Jones, professor of religion. “This gives us a larger context, broadens the parameters of our conversation, and invigorates our commitment to the college’s mission.”

Campus Minister David Carr ’81 noted that the symposium helped faculty members think about how the school’s mission and church ties affect their academic endeavors.

“An indication of the symposium’s success is that several of the Transylvania faculty and staff members who attended came back with a stronger sense of their own calling,” Gillett agreed. “They will share that in their interactions with students both inside and outside of the classroom.”

English professor Martha Billips said the symposium gave her a heightened awareness of her students’ searches for vocation.

“Students may not phrase it in that way, but most of them are, I think, engaged in that search,” she said.

Billips, who also serves as program director for Foundations of the Liberal Arts, initiated the conversation with FLA instructors at their summer seminar.

“I asked my colleagues to contemplate the nature of the liberal arts and vocation,” she said. “The ensuing discussion was very exciting, and we returned to it frequently during the two-week course of the seminar.”

Symposium participants from other colleges are having similar experiences, with several holding follow-up seminars on their own campuses.

Whitson named interim athletics director

Ron Whitson ’67, director of the physical education and exercise science program and a former long-time Transylvania assistant men’s basketball coach, has been named interim athletics director.

Brian Austin resigned as athletics director after six years to become senior associate athletics director at Dartmouth College.

A star basketball player for Transy from 1963-67, Whitson is 14th on Transy’s all-time scoring list with 1,534 career points. He retired from coaching in 2001 after 27 years as Transy’s top assistant. He was inducted into the Pioneer Hall of Fame in 1999.

In the classroom, Whitson was honored with a Bingham Award for Excellence in Teaching in 1995.

“We feel fortunate that Ron has agreed to serve Transylvania as interim athletics director,” said President Charles L. Shearer. “He brings a wealth of experience in administration and athletics, and we know he’ll do an outstanding job.”

Lucas named field hockey coach

Beth Lucas ’86 has been named head field hockey coach, replacing Alyssa Gates.

Lucas had served as assistant field hockey coach since 1998.

Lucas, a member of the Pioneer Hall of Fame, was a three-sport standout during her Transy playing career and was named female Pioneer Athlete of the Year as a senior. She was a four-time Offensive Most Valuable Player in field hockey and was MVP in basketball her senior year, finishing with 1,164 career points, ninth on Transy’s all-time list.

Beg your pardon

A photo caption on page 8 of the summer Transylvania magazine refers to Alpha Omega Pi sorority. The sorority’s correct name is Alpha Omicron Pi. Transylvania regrets the error.
Alumni who donate to the Transylvania Fund help support faculty salaries, scholarships, technology, and campus improvements. Above, history professor Frank Russell takes advantage of nice weather to hold class on Old Morrison lawn.

Gift programs are a perfect match

Matching gifts programs are an ideal way for Transy donors to significantly increase the impact of their contributions. Companies typically match donations on a one-to-one basis, but some double-match or even triple-match. In most cases, matching gifts come from funds set aside specifically for that purpose.

“I think people sometimes hesitate to ask their company about a matching gift because they think it’s going to rob from the budget,” said Bob Rouse ’80, a writer in the marketing division of the Lexington Herald-Leader. “But it’s normally a separate pot of money. Corporations want to match their employees’ charitable intent—they just need direction in where to send it.”

Rouse has sent letters to Herald-Leader employees who are Transylvania alums informing them about the matching gifts offer at the company.

“Matching gift funds are really just a pile of money waiting to be distributed, and I’d like to see all Transy alums step up and take from that pile.”

Toyota Motor Manufacturing, Kentucky, Inc. (TMMK) is an example of a business that actively encourages its employees to support their alma maters through its matching gifts program. The company has made higher education a philanthropic priority.

“We’re hoping that by matching their gifts we will encourage our team members to give back to the institutions that educated them,” said Nila Wells, administrator of the TMMK Employee Matching Gifts Program to Higher Education.

Since 1997, Toyota’s college-affiliated employees have donated more than $52,000, which generated more than $104,000 when matched by the company.

Taking advantage of a company’s matching gifts program is usually very simple. The employee requests a company form that they send with their donation to Transy, and the University does the rest. Some companies have instituted online or phone systems for this purpose.

“The bonus to donors is that matching gift dollars count toward an individual’s giving club or circle,” said Kara Little Covert ’90, director of development. “For example, a $500 gift combined with a $500 corporate matching gift would put the donor in the $1,000 President’s Circle.”

Covert said matching gift funds to Transylvania during the 2001-02 fiscal year totaled more than $93,000.

For more information, contact the Development Office at (800) 487-2679 or (859) 281-3692.

Alumni participation goal is 54 percent

Transylvania has set an ambitious goal for alumni participation in this year’s Transylvania Fund that, if met, will keep the University in its elite position among the nation’s leading colleges and universities for this measure of support.

The goal is 54 percent, which would surpass last year’s mark of 53 percent. If every alumni contributor from last year renewed their pledge and approximately 100 new gifts were received by June 30, 2003, the goal would be met, said Kara Little Covert ’90, director of development.

“This participation level is vitally important to Transylvania in so many ways,” said Covert. “It’s something that corporations and foundations review before they decide about their own level of support for Transy, and it’s a very significant factor in our national ranking among the nation’s top liberal arts colleges.”

“Matching gift funds are real money,” said Nila Wells. “The bonus to donors is that matching gift dollars count toward an individual’s giving club or circle.”

Giving levels added

Transylvania recently added two gift clubs to both its annual and lifetime giving levels, to recognize those individuals, organizations, and companies that have exhibited an extraordinary commitment to the University.

Here is the complete list (new levels in boldface):

**Annual Giving**

- $100 to $249 ...................... .Century Club
- $250 to $499 ...................... 1780 Club
- $500 to $999 ...................... Heritage Club
- $1,000 to $2,499.................. Presidents Circle
- $2,500 to $4,999 .................. Crimson Circle
- $5,000 to $9,999................... Founders Circle
- $10,000 to $24,999 ............... Jefferson Circle
- $25,000-plus ....................... Pioneer Circle

**Lifetime Giving**

- $10,000 to $24,999 ............... Third Century Founders
- $25,000 to $49,999 ............... Silver Benefactors
- $50,000-plus ....................... Gold Benefactors
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’30s

Eleanor Reed Schneider ’36, Huntington, W.Va., and her “Round Robin” group share a bond similar to the friendship portrayed in the movie Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya Sisterhood. Even though the original group of 10 has been reduced to five, they still keep in touch through their “Round Robin Letter,” phone calls, and a few reunions. Their children know each other from reading the letters. The “Robin” doesn’t get around very often these days, but the members are still close. They are Frances Lutes Bobbitt ’35, Newton, N.J., Mary Beth Quick ’36, Rock Hill, S.C., Mary Ingle McGill Shelton ’35, Ft. Worth, Tex., and Elizabeth Moody Wagner ’37, Lexington. Those who have passed away are Matilda Champion ’36, Pat Bruce Wilhoit ’35, Elizabeth Thomson Geckeler ’35, Lillian Goodan Stivers ’34, and Henrietta Mize McNutt ’35.

’50s

Theophilus M. Carroll ’54, Waukegan, Ill., has retired as senior pastor of First Christian Church in Gurnee, Ill., where he had served since 1988. He was ordained to the Christian ministry in 1953.

S. Bruce McWhorter ’54, Dayton, Ohio, is semi-retired from the University of Dayton and is doing some writing, research, publishing, private instruction, and travel. He is also continuing his private teaching in world masterpieces and has been elected to the 15th journal for biographical entry in Who’s Who in America, Who’s Who in the World, and the Directory of American Scholars.

Robert L. Piper ’54, New Bedford, Mass., has retired as professor emeritus of political science after 28 years at the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth, having previously served as dean of Continuing Education and department chair. He was formerly on the faculties of Albion College from 1962-67 and Antioch College from 1967-72.

He was a graduate of Georgetown University.

Betty F. Puckett ’58, Owensboro, Ky., has been elected an elder in Owensboro’s First Christian Church.

From left, Jane Dodds Killman ’58, Sally Smith Pace ’58, and Mary Bethel Payne Robinette ’58 got together in May for their reunion in Grand Rapids, Mich.

Katherine “Kitty” Foley Roark ’62, Lexington, graduated from Lexington Theological Seminary in May 2002 with a master of divinity. She is pastor of Morgan Christian Church in Pendleton County, Ky.

Dawn Bristow Rohrs ’63, Ocean Grove, N.J., retired as national secretary-treasurer of Beta Beta Beta National Biology Honor Society at its biennial national convention held in San Antonio, Tex., in May. She was elected a national honorary member at that meeting.

William W. Mallory ’68, Lexington, has retired from the Extension Service after 33 years. He now has his own consulting business, TeamBuilders for Tomorrow, Inc., in which he provides workshops with “Low Ropes,” “True Colors,” and other team building activities.

Sharon K. Mills ’68, Washington, D.C., has graduated from the University of the District of Columbia School of Law.

William C. Prewitt ’68, Charleston, S.C., has purchased his first sailboat after 50 years of sailing. He expects to spend time porting in the coastal waters of the Carolinas.

Wyatt L. Gragg ’70, Louisville, now has a Web site on which to display a few pieces of his sculpture. His Web address is www.wyattgragg.com.

Lucinda A. Riley ’71, Falls Church, Va., has a son, Joshua, who graduated from McLean High School in June and is headed to a year in the Netherlands as part of the AFS program.

Gray wins top business award

Lois Howard Gray ’40 was honored by the National Association of Women Business Owners as the National Woman Business Owner of the Year, the highest award the association bestows. She received the recognition during the NAWBO national convention in Salt Lake City in June.

Gray, a member of the Transylvania Board of Trustees, became chairman of the James N. Gray Company, Inc., in 1972. She has since built the family construction business into a $335 million enterprise that employs 300 and was ranked No. 42 in Working Woman Magazine’s list of 500 top women-owned firms in the nation.

In 1980, she began pursuing international clients and has now completed nearly 250 projects for Japanese firms, including work on the Toyota plant in Georgetown, Ky. She moved the company to Lexington from her native Glasgow, Ky., in the early 1990s and presently serves as senior chairman.

Transylvania alumnae at the 2002 Quadrennial Assembly for Women, sponsored by the International Christian Women’s Fellowship, Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) and held in June in Louisville, included, front row, from left: Janet McGinnis Thomson ’60, Mary Bethel Payne Robinette ’58, Jean Dorsey Harper ’79, Marie Myers Lancaster ’60, Mary Teesdale-Taylor ’77; second row: Dot Couch Watson ’62, Janis Wright Bell ’57, Beverly Jouett Longo ’60; third row: Barbry Stone Clark ’67, Eleanor Reed Schneider ’36, Libby Tindall Miles ’55, Andy Stone Bales ’64; back row: Mary Haylee Scott Hancock ’63, Alpha Jo Scott Luallen ’60, Betty Hadus Reneau ’55, Betty Roe Britt ’55, Jane Roe ’50, Jeannie Meece May ’78.
**It isn’t especially unusual** for people to have an electric train set from their childhood stored in the attic, but owning an actual train station to display it in—well, that’s another story.

That’s just what Winfrey Adkins ‘66 had in mind even while still a student at Transylvania.

“I first fell in love with this building about the time I was attending Transylvania,” Adkins says, referring to the 1911 Louisville & Nashville Railroad passenger station in Versailles, Ky., the small town near Lexington where he was born, raised, and lives with his wife, Wanda.

A model train enthusiast since early childhood, Adkins dreamed of someday owning the old station and turning it into a historic attraction. His dream became a reality in 1987 when he and his wife purchased the building and transformed it into Nostalgia Station.

After restoring the depot to its original 1911 appearance, the couple built display areas for trains, toys, and railroad memorabilia whose vintage spans a century—from the 1890s to the 1990s. After adding a gift shop, they were ready to welcome visitors.

Nostalgia Station is a retirement project for Adkins, who spent 32 years with Community Trust Bank in Versailles. “I graduated from Transylvania in April of 1966 and went to work the same week of graduation,” he recalled. “I started as a teller and left in 1998 as a vice president and loan officer.”

You get the feeling the museum is also an affair of the heart for Adkins. “Winfrey’s had model trains all his life,” says Wanda. “When we traveled all over the country, we always stopped at train and toy museums.” Adds Winfrey, “I still have all my childhood trains.”

With a name like Nostalgia Station, you just know the memories are going to be flowing. In fact, that’s a big part of the museum’s attraction to its adult audience, which Adkins says is his largest visitor segment.

“We get a lot of people who grew up during the 1940s and ‘50s and some from earlier” he says. “They come to relive an era of their childhood and to see the trains and toys they once played with.”

What visitors to Nostalgia Station see is an eclectic collection of electric, windup, and outdoor trains of all varieties; a vintage toy display that features cars, dolls, and a Buck Rogers collection; and railroad artifacts such as lanterns, signal and telegraphic items, dining car silver and porcelain, and brass locomotive bells.

The electric train displays include the two most well-known brands, Lionel and American Flyer, along with more obscure names like Ives, Marx, Bing, Carlisle & Finch, Dorfan, and Hafner.

The featured train attraction is an original, eight-foot square Lionel layout that was displayed in Purcell’s Department Store of Lexington for several years in the mid-1950s. Another display is a replica of a 1926 Lionel department store layout that Adkins re-created, using an advertising picture as a guide.

Apparently, railroad artifacts are where you find them. Adkins discovered a beautiful brass locomotive bell half-buried in a front yard in Mount Sterling, Ky. “It was turned upside down and being used as a flower pot,” he said.

Wanda and Winfrey never know who’s going to drop by the museum. Wanda, who does most of the research on the collection, was surprised one day to be corrected on a point of fact while giving a tour.

“I was describing some of our pieces from Carlisle & Finch, a Cincinnati company that I mentioned as beginning in 1896,” said Wanda. “Someone in the tour group said, ‘We went into business in 1894.’ He then introduced himself by saying, ‘I’m Brent Finch, president of the Carlisle & Finch Company, and we’re still in business.’ Turns out they had heard we had some of their pieces in our museum and decided to have a look.”

Winfrey is a past president of the Bluegrass Railroad Club; the Bluegrass Railroad Museum, which displays actual railroad cars and engines at Woodford County Park; and the Woodford County Historical Society.

As much as he has labored over the creation of Nostalgia Station, Winfrey’s varied interests in history and collecting can hardly be contained within the walls of the museum. Over the years, he has owned collectible cars, including a Model T Ford, a 1932 V-8 Ford, a 1955 Ford Thunderbird, and 1955 and 1957 Chevrolets.

Since Winfrey has the heart of a collector, no one blinks an eye at what he has in the barn at his home—a 1947 American LeFrance fire engine. And why not? He has been a member of the Versailles Volunteer Fire Department since 1982.

“Some of the biggest fires I’ve fought were when I was still a student at Transy,” he said.

-William A. Bowden
Board, award recommendations sought

Alumni are encouraged to submit recommendations for several awards that will be presented during Alumni Weekend 2003 and for new members of the Alumni Executive Board.

Recommendations are sought for the Pioneer Hall of Fame, Morrison Medallion, and distinguished achievement and service awards. The Hall of Fame recognizes former athletes, coaches, and others who have made outstanding contributions to Transylvania athletics, while the Morrison Medallion is given to an alumnus or alumnna for outstanding service to the University. Achievement and service awards honor professional excellence and service to Transylvania.

Those recommended for the Alumni Executive Board should have a record of support and service to the University and be willing to serve a three-year term. New members are nominated by the board and elected at the annual meeting during Alumni Weekend.

For recommendation forms, contact the Alumni Office or submit recommendations to Mark Blankenship ’81, director of alumni programs, via e-mail at mblankenship@transy.edu.

We’re looking for alumni legacies

Do you have a son or daughter ready to begin their college search? Have you given their name and other pertinent information to Transylvania? The admissions office would love the opportunity to recruit alumni legacies. To ensure that your child is on Transy’s mailing list, please e-mail Rebecca Groh in the admissions office at rgroh@transy.edu or contact the alumni office. Alumni are also encouraged to request fee-waived applications for admission to give to their children, other relatives, or friends.

Around the world with an alum

Interested in visiting exotic locales in the company of a fellow alum? Then you’ll want to contact Mary Charlesworth ’40, who enjoys directing expeditions to the four corners of the world. Coming up in 2003 are two trips—to the Legendary Lost Civilizations of South America from March 3-15, and a train journey through China from May 9-23. For information on these and other trips, contact Mary at (540) 592-3755.

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L. Clark Taylor Jr. ’71, Chattanooga, Tenn., has been named president and chief executive officer of Ephraim McDowell Health.

Roma Howard Prindle ’73, Morehead, Ky., associate professor of music at Morehead State University, has been named the first director of the newly-established MSU Interdisciplinary Appalachian Heritage Program located within the Caudill College of Humanities.

Susan E. Yonts-Shepard ’73, Alexandria, Va., has been appointed deputy chief for programs and legislation for the U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service. Prior to her appointment, she was deputy director for strategic planning and resource assessment.

Stephen R. Healer ’78, Midland, Ga., is the senior manager of the Lockheed Martin Corporate Business Development field office in Columbus, Ga.

Melissa A. Penry ’78, Nashville, Tenn., has received the Excellence in Television Reporting Award from the Tennessee School Board Association and the Outstanding Series on Public Education Award from the Tennessee Education Association.

Nancy L. Alf ’79, Las Vegas, practices law with the firm of Alf & Associates in Las Vegas. In 2002, she graduated from Leadership Las Vegas and was re-elected to her second two-year term on the Board of Governors for the state bar of Nevada.

Sheila Jaynes Gurr ’79, North Fort Myers, Fla., has been awarded the professional designation of Certified Computing Professional. Sheila is employed as a programmer analyst at Health Management Associates in Naples, Fla.

’80s

Benjamin F. Nelson ’80 and his wife, Julia Helton Nelson ’80, have returned to Kentucky, moving to Julia’s hometown of Danville, Ky., after 16 years in Arlington, Tex. Ben works as senior director of training and development for Alliance Data Systems and commutes from Kentucky to Richardson, Tex. Julia stays at home taking care of their three children.

John P. LeMaster ’82, High Point, N.C., a cosmetic dentist in Kernersville, N.C., has received the prestigious Mastership award from the Academy of General Dentistry.

Lisa Vanover Graves ’83 is temporarily living in Manteca, Calif., serving the Silicon and Central Valleys since Y2K. She and her husband Bob have been the sole proprietors of Systems & Support since 1983. Their permanent home since 1986 is a 78-acre farm in Harrodsburg, Ky.

Carla Cornette Briscoe ’84 lives in Yorktown, Va., with her husband, Greg, and their three children, Andrew, 15, Christina, 13, and Daniel, who was born in January 2001. Carla taught anatomy, chemistry, and biology for eight years at a local community college before the birth of Daniel and now stays home with the baby. Greg is an inpatient psychiatrist at the VA Medical Center in Hampton, Va.

Melinda Gute Barfield ’85, Lexington, a partner in the law firm of Dinsmore & Shohl, received the 2002 Kentucky Outstanding Young Lawyer Award in June. The award is presented annually by the Kentucky Bar Association to an attorney under 40 years of age who demonstrates excellence in their legal practice, devotion to the bar, and service to their community.

Gregory J. Mitchell ’86, Louisville, has been promoted to the rank of lieutenant with the Jefferson County Police Department and is assigned to the Patrol Division, David District, which provides police service to the...
Dixie Highway/Cane Run Road area.

**Angela G. Ray ’86**, Memphis, Tenn., is an assistant professor in the Department of Communication at the University of Memphis.

**Greg D. Belcher ’88**, Apex, N.C., graduated in May 2002 with a doctorate of education in leadership from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville. He has served as senior pastor of Covenant Baptist Church in Apex for four years.

**Keith W. Johnson ’88**, Fort Wright, Ky., has accepted a position with the Technology Transfer Office of Cincinnati Children’s Research Foundation after 10 years of private practice with Taft, Stettinius & Hollister. The foundation is a division of Children’s Hospital, the second largest pediatric research institution in the country, and as in-house attorney, he will manage intellectual property.

**Erin Patterson Roberson ’88** and **Roy W. Roberson ’89** have moved to Fayetteville, Ga., with their children, Tyler, 8, and Samuel, 5. Roy was recently ordained into the ministry at the Russell Christian Church in Russell, Ky., and is minister of involvement at the Heritage Christian Church in Fayetteville. Erin is an early intervention teacher at Fayetteville Elementary School.

**R. Paul Guillerman ’89** and **Ann Montalvo Guillerman ’90** have moved to Pearland, Tex. Paul has joined Texas Children’s Hospital in Houston as a pediatric radiologist. Nicholas, 14, is a sophomore in high school at The Clffwood School and Andrew, 5, attends Silverlake Elementary as a kindergartner. Their e-mail addresses remain the same.

**’90s**

**Stephanie Miller Broering ’90** and her husband, Tom, have moved to Brussels, Belgium, for two years with his company, Deloitte and Touche. Stephanie will transfer to New York and continue to work for Delta Air Lines, Inc. You can reach her by e-mail at stephanie.broering@delt.com.

**Edye F. Bryant ’90**, Lexington, has begun her fourth year with Fazoli’s Restaurant, where she is a Phase II management intern/trainer and will soon take over the Lexington area training class for associate managers. She has been actively involved in Kiwanis and their high school branch, Key Club, for 10 years and has been named administrator for the Kentucky-Tennessee District Builders Clubs, the middle school Kiwanis-sponsored youth program. She can be reached at zitiedye@aol.com.

**J. Todd Clark ’90**, Lexington, is vice president of Office Suites PLUS which now has 19 suites in seven states and employs four other Transy grads: founder/owner and Tran.
Making Every Vote Count

Growing up with a Republican father and a Democrat mother, Sarah Ball Johnson '91 listened to and took part in a variety of political discussions long before she was old enough to vote.

“I wouldn’t trade that for anything in the world,” she said. “It forced me to look at all aspects and make my own decisions. It taught me that there are two sides to every story; you learn about them through dialogue and research and come up with what your opinions are instead of just following the herd.”

That type of bipartisan, analytical thinking serves Johnson well in her position as assistant director for the Kentucky Board of Elections in Frankfort. The agency works to ensure that the 120 county clerks in Kentucky are following state and federal voting laws, maintains a voter registration database, and drafts legislation.

“Ninety percent of what we do is compliance,” Johnson said. “We take federal laws and make them into something that the average county clerk and the voter can understand. We don’t want a Florida here.”

Since going to work for the board in 1994, Johnson’s involvement in the electoral process has expanded from the state to the international level. She’s traveled to Slovakia, Kosovo, and most recently Macedonia as an election observer.

“It was so exciting to be in a place where they’re just beginning to understand what a democracy is, and they’re so excited about the first time in their lives having a say in who represents them,” Johnson said. “If I could just bottle that enthusiasm and bring it home, it would be nice, because I don’t think people here understand how precious it is to vote.”

While Johnson enjoys the different facets of her career, this isn’t what she pictured herself doing when she was a business administration major and communication minor at Transy. Johnson had plans to earn her MBA and work in human resources.

An internship with U.S. Senator Mitch McConnell’s office the summer before her senior year fueled Johnson’s interest in politics. The internship developed into a part-time job and then a full-time position, which Johnson began the day after graduation. She stayed at McConnell’s office for about three years until federal “motor voter” legislation created new opportunities at the state board that Johnson couldn’t resist. While working for the board, she earned her master’s degree in public administration from the University of Kentucky in 1999.

Despite the fact that her career took a different course than she planned, Johnson said she left Transy well prepared.

“Liberal arts is a good thing because you don’t get such tunnel vision,” she said. “You don’t get on a business track and never get exposed to anything else like you would at a bigger university.”

Johnson’s international excursions began after a coworker told her about his experiences observing elections overseas. In 1998, Johnson traveled to Slovakia, where she and representatives from other countries visited polling sites to report on issues of integrity and compliance. It was Slovakia’s first parliament election since the country peacefully seceded from Czechoslovakia in 1993.

Thousands of miles away from Kentucky, Johnson was surprised to hear the familiar sounds of Bluegrass music on a Slovakian street corner. One of the musicians explained that he and his friends had discovered Bluegrass on the Internet and admired it so much, they ordered sheet music and began performing as a Bluegrass band.

Johnson’s next international volunteer assignment took her to Kosovo in November 2001. During the election, Johnson was stationed at a polling place inside a Soviet-era gymnasium in Kosovo’s capital city of Pristhina. She was responsible for not only teaching the local officials the correct way to conduct the election, but also intervening when she saw a problem. Overall, the local people were extremely dedicated and capable, Johnson said.

Visiting the ravaged city gave Johnson an understanding of the Kosovars’ struggle that no news broadcast could provide. Bombed out buildings, blown-up cars, and bullet-riddled walls were common sights. Johnson remembers one man she talked with who had escaped an attack on his village because he was attending college.

“He was the only one left from his village,” she said. “His entire family was wiped out during one of the Serbian raids.”

Johnson, who resides in Springfield, Ky., with her husband, Joseph, said she will probably stay involved in the political spectrum whether it be in Kentucky or some other part of the globe. Working for the Kentucky board has been interesting since the 2000 election because many state and federal agencies are looking to the Bluegrass for help.

“Kentucky is a model state for election laws with our voter database and top down approach, which is the opposite of what Florida has,” she said. “We’ve spoken to a lot of state and federal groups about how we do it here and why we do it that way.”

- Katherine Yeakel
Jill Rose Fitzpatrick '93, Lexington, is in her fifth year of teaching eighth grade language arts at Turkey Foot Middle School. She coaches eighth grade girls basketball as well as high school volleyball. She is currently pursuing her master’s in education at Northern Kentucky University.

Kristina Davis Christensen '96, Goshen, Ky., is working on her master of education degree in interdisciplinary early childhood education at the University of Louisville.

Barton T. Hanna '96, Paris, Ky., has returned from serving as a global mission intern in Cape Town, South Africa, and is a program associate in the Disciples of Christ Division of Overseas Ministry. Upon his return, he spoke to several Kentucky groups about his experiences as a social worker for the Cape Town City Mission.

Tanzi D. Merritt '96, Lexington, was recently awarded the American Library Association’s 3M/NMRT Professional Development Grant, which fully funded her attendance at the American Library Association’s annual conference. She is also working on her master’s in business administration.

Rebecca Yowler Butler '97, Louisville, is working toward her master of divinity degree at Lexington Theological Seminary while serving as the youth minister at First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Jeffersontown, Ind.

Anne Hutcherson Martin '97, Lexington, has been promoted to financial services officer for Branch Banking and Trust’s Central Baptist Hospital office.

Amanda D. McMillian '97, Los Angeles, appeared in her first national commercial in August, making her eligible to join the Screen Actors Guild and expand her opportunities for more roles.

Carol Munson Caudill '98, Fort Thomas, Ky., is in her fifth year of teaching eighth grade language arts at Turkey Foot Middle School. She coaches eighth grade girls basketball as well as high school volleyball. She is currently pursuing her master’s in education at Northern Kentucky University.

Katy Karp '98, Georganna Speer Wheatley '98, and Leanne Smith Field '98 were part of the bridal party for her February 9 wedding.

Jason T. Childers '98, Lexington, has been named internships and outreach coordinator in the career services office at Centre College.

Rebecca Thompson Eilers '98, Louisville, is the State Farm Agency recruiter for Kentucky. Her husband, Kevin, is a State Farm agent.

Christopher Heath Hawkins '98, Lewisport, Ky., received his doctorate of medicine from the University of Louisville School of Medicine in May and will begin a six year residency in urological surgery with the Indiana University Department of Urology in Indianapolis.

Elizabeth D. Reuther '98, Louisville, has
Lobe wins international AOII award

Katherine Lobe ’02 received the Stella George Stern Perry Award at the Alpha Omicron Pi Leadership Institute in Nashville in June. Only one collegiate chapter president from the United States and Canada is selected for this prestigious award each year. Lobe is the first Transylvania AOII member and the second chapter president at a Kentucky college to receive this honor.

Lobe took on the leadership role of Transy’s AOII chapter during a difficult time. Two days after her installation into office, Adrienne Dantin ’02, a beloved chapter member, lost her battle with Hodgkin’s Lymphoma. Despite her personal grief, Lobe strove to comfort her sisters and keep them united. She was instrumental in fulfilling one of Dantin’s last requests, the establishment of a memorial fund that would assist women who might otherwise have difficulty meeting the financial obligations of joining the fraternity.

“In the midst of this horrific experience, Katherine’s light shined so brightly, it lit the path of healing for her grief-stricken sisters,” said Transylvania’s AOII chapter adviser Natasa Pajic ’96.

A business administration major and music minor, Lobe balanced her AOII duties with her work as an admissions assistant and performances with the Transy Concert Band. She was named the band’s outstanding senior member and graduated with a 3.5 GPA.

completed her first year as an elementary school counselor at La Grange Elementary in Oldham County, Ky. She has also been named head varsity field hockey coach at Preble County. She has also been the fraternity.

Robert L. Shrader ’98, West Palm Beach, Fla., received his master of divinity degree from Lexington Theological Seminary in May and is serving at First Christian Church in West Palm Beach.

Kara Beth Thompson ’98, Orlando, Fla., graduated from the University of Louisville School of Medicine and began her residency in family practice at Florida Hospital.

Mandye Masden Yates ’98 received her master of divinity degree from Lexington Theological Seminary in May and has been appointed co-pastor, along with her husband, Lee, of First Christian Church in Maryville, Mo. Mandye had been serving as student pastor of Bethany Christian Church in Nicholasville, Ky.

Amy V. Cates ’99, Nashville, Tenn., is attending Vanderbilt University Divinity School.

Shea Godwin Harper ’99, Lexington, has started her second year at the University of Kentucky College of Medicine. She received a student scholarship from the American Stroke Association for summer research in cerebrovascular disease.

Caroline L. Kaufman ’99, Fort Thomas, Ky., is in her final year of law school at Northern Kentucky University’s Chase College of Law. Her work is being published in the forthcoming edition of the *Northern Kentucky Law Review*’s General Law issue. She works part-time as a law clerk at Sirkin, Pinales, Mezibov & Schwartz in Cincinnati.

Michael G. Langley ’99 and Shana Stokes Langley ’99 are happily married and living in Glasgow, Ky. Michael is an agent for Kentucky Farm Bureau in Barren County and Shana is a child therapist for Life Skills, Inc., in Monroe County.

Laura Collins Leathers ’99, Lexington, received her master’s degree in higher education from the University of Kentucky in May and is working as the associate director of financial aid at Transylvania.

Whitney E. McCubbin ’99, Elizabethtown, Ky., graduated from the University of Kentucky College of Law in May.

Cara Caskey Osborne ’99, Cambridge, Mass., is currently a midwife at The Wellesley Birth Center and a researcher at Brigham & Women’s Hospital in Boston. She began studies for her Ph.D. at the Harvard University School of Public Health this fall.

Derrick A. Sottile ’99, Ada, Mich., graduated from Ohio Northern University Law School in May. During his final year, he was elected student bar association president.

Jennifer Dierolf Trent ’99 and her husband, Stuart, live in Palm City, Fla. Jenny works in commercial property management and Stuart, a 2001 graduate of the University of Kentucky College of Engineering, is a water/waste water engineer.

’00s

Adrienne Combs Harmon ’00 lives in Harrodsburg, Ky., with her husband, Wesley, and daughter, Alexis, whom they welcomed in May 2002. Adrienne is teaching third grade at Saffell Street Elementary School in Lawrenceburg, Ky.

Jenna Shaffer Watts ’00, New Albany, Ind., is attending the University of Louisville Law School.

Elizabeth Ann Jonczy ’01, Cincinnati, has completed her first year of a master of music program at the University of Cincinnati College Conservatory of Music. She attended the Aspen Music Festival during the summer as a mentor fellow.

Sean C. McNichol ’01, Lexington, has been assigned as a platoon leader in the 32nd Signal Battalion, U.S. Army, in Darmstadt, Germany.

Katherine J. Nelson ’01, Nashville, Tenn., has completed her first year at Vanderbilt Divinity School. She enjoys living in the Disciples Divinity House along with Heather R. Godsey ’99 and Kara L. Kleinschmidt ’00. Three more Transylvanians, Amy V. Cates ’99, Stephanie B. Barger ’02, and Wilson Dickinson ’02, have enrolled this fall.

Sara Sanders Sills ’01 and her husband, Dwayne A. Sills ’99, live in Louisville, where Sara teaches high school English at Mercy Academy and Dwayne is pursuing a master’s in accounting at the University of Louisville.

Jaime Voors ’01, Erin Montfort ’02, and Dave Huckleberry ’01 were part of the bridal party at their June 15 wedding. Sara and Dwayne can be reached at saraktransy@insightbb.com and dasills@insightbb.com.

Julie Staton Pearman ’01, Lexington, is a teacher at Stonewall Elementary School in Lexington.

Lydia P. Wilson ’01, Carlisle, Ky., is spending the 2002-03 academic year in Avignon, France, as a Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar. When she returns, she will resume her position teaching French at Pendleton County High School in Falmouth, Ky. She can be reached at wilson.lydia@excite.com.

Stella Gemma Loveland ’02, Richmond, Ky., is teaching at Russell Cave Elementary School in Lexington.

Rebecca L. Sanders ’02, Lexington, is an admissions counselor with Transylvania.

Marriages

Fred Park Hadley ’72 and Holly Butcher, May 25, 2002

Clifford O. Hagen ’86 and Kimberly Bicknell Quinn, April 14, 2002

James Todd Harris ’89 and Indy Kennedy, March 2, 2002

Mary Taylor Arnett ’91 and Matthew Stone, June 1, 2002

Elizabethe Mae Grugin ’92 and Tim Allen Scherrer, June 1, 2002

Phouthasone Niravong ’92 and Dhruv Bansal, September 2, 2000

Karen Marie Mullins ’93 and Jeff Botts, June 8, 2002
Mary Margaret Little ‘94 and Chris M. Buzard, July 13, 2002
Lory Dean Wilson ‘94 and Keith Wayne Faulconer, December 15, 2001
Leigh Kathryn Bowen ‘98 and Brian Christopher Lowe ‘98, June 8, 2002
Carol Denise Munson ‘98 and Travis Caudill, February 9, 2002
Jennifer Rebekah Dierolf ’99 and Stuart Ray Trent, June 15, 2002
Dwayne Andrew Sills ’99 and Sara Kathryn Sanders ’01, June 15, 2002
Whitney Lee Collins ’00 and James Daniel Fouts, May 18, 2002
Kimberly Suzanne Ehret ’00 and Adam Dale Jones ’00, June 22, 2002
Eugenia Graham Calkins ’01 and Todd Michael Harrison, June 1, 2002
Karesa Edwards ’01 and Eric Crockett, June 22, 2002
Julie Marie Staton ’01 and John Robert Pearson Jr., July 27, 2002
Stella Marie Gemma ’02 and Andrew Lee Loveland ’02, August 3, 2002
Anna Elaine Townsend ’02 and Kyle Kritzsch, August 3, 2002

Births
Kathy Poe Mings ’82 and Thomas Mings, a son, Carson Samuel Mings, May 9, 2002
James Drane Stephens ’83 and Jennifer Stephens, a son, Gabriel Justice Stephens, April 1, 2002
Carla Roberts Whaley ’83 and Tony Whaley, a daughter, Margaret Jo Whaley, February 16, 2002
Carla Cornette Briscoe ’84 and Greg Briscoe, a son, Daniel Fielden Briscoe, January 16, 2001
G. Scott Caudill ’86 and Laura Ann Caudill, a son, Jackson Cooper Caudill, February 16, 2002
Kimberly Watson Allen ’87 and William P. Allen ’91, a daughter, Caroline Summerfield Allen, May 21, 2002
J. Todd Clark ’90 and Maria Clark, a daughter, Anna Riley Clark, December 11, 2001
Traci Thompson Felix ’90 and Jerry Felix, a son, Justin Connor Felix, May 7, 2002
Anna Clark
Renée Deaton Fister ’90 and Kenny Fister, a son, Kristopher Fister, August 6, 2001
Laurra Harrison Klumb ’90 and Paul Klumb, a daughter, Lydia Gail Klumb, August 8, 2002

Former trustee Jack Graham dies
Jack Wallace Graham, a former member of the Transylvania Board of Trustees, died June 27, 2002. He was 82.
A native of Mt. Vernon, Ill., he was a businessman, investor, and entrepreneur. During World War II, Graham served as a pilot and was awarded the Purple Heart, Distinguished Flying Cross, and the Bronze Star. After the war, Graham returned to Illinois and became an active businessman, opening a car dealership, building three Holiday Inns, and serving as chairman of the Effingham, Ill., industrial development committee that attracted the World Color Press plant. He later purchased the Petty Company, which he developed into one of the larger printing firms in the country. In 1967, Graham bought a rundown dock in the harbor of Sarasota, Fla., and transformed it into a thriving restaurant and marina.
Graham was an avid supporter of Transylvania’s new Clive M. Beck Athletic and Recreation Center, and the brick and stone markers that herald the entrances to Transy’s campus were his idea. Transylvania presented Graham the President’s Award in March 2002.
“As a businessman, Jack had a talent for spotting potential areas for growth and improvement,” said President Charles L. Shearer. “He brought that same insight to Transylvania, where his support and input sparked significant enhancements to the campus.”
Graham is survived by his wife, two daughters, a son, and two grandchildren.

Catherine D. Stavros ’91 and James Heister, a daughter, Nina Kathryn Heister, May 4, 2002
Sonja Stephenson Keating ’92 and Thomas Edward Keating V, a daughter, Elizabeth Kincaid Keating, January 18, 2002
Emily Black Feinberg ’93 and Manley N. Feinberg II ’94, a daughter, Elizabeth Grace Feinberg, April 13, 2002
Stephanie Walsh Parker ’94 and Scott Parker, a son, Jack Parker, August 31, 2001
Duby Nagda Sharma ’95 and Sumeet K. Sharma, a daughter, Asha Rani Sharma, June 25, 2002
Lee Peters Hedrick ’96 and Les Hedrick, a daughter, Emma Kaylan Hedrick, July 2, 2002
Casey H. Clark ’97 and Kristie Henderson Clark ’97, a son, Camden Neil Clark, July 25, 2002
Brandon T. Franklin ’97 and Megan J. Franklin, a son, Cayden Marcus Franklin, June 9, 2001, and a son, Zaven Bryce Franklin, July 23, 2002
Sarah Gribbins Klucker ’99 and Robert L. Klucker, a daughter, Ashlyn MaryEllen Klucker, June 7, 2002
Adrienne Combs Harmon ’00 and Wesley A. Harmon, a daughter, Alexis Danielle Harmon, May 13, 2002

Obituaries
Only alumni survivors are listed.

George H. Hulan Jr. ’31, Shelbyville, Tenn., died April 24, 2002. At Transylvania, he was a member of the Kappa Alpha fraternity. He married Daisye Musgrave in 1932 and the couple returned to Shelbyville, Tenn., to work at the Musgrave Pencil Factory, which Daisye’s father founded in 1926.
Eudora Groves Russell ’31, Lexington, died June 29, 2002. She was a member of Central Christian Church and the Christian Women’s Fellowship. She enjoyed writing, painting, and gardening. At Transylvania, she was involved with the YWCA, Pi Kappa Delta, Chi Delta Phi, Lambda Omega, the Crimson and Rambler, and the band. Among her survivors is her husband, Arthur “Jack” Russell ’33, and her brother Wendell H. Groves ’34.
Dale E. Gerster ’36, Glenwood, Ariz., died August 1, 2002. He was a retired college professor who concluded his teaching career at Prince George’s Community College in Maryland. He enjoyed photography, model railroads, and music. While at Transylvania, he was a member of the philharmonic band, the symphony orchestra, and the YMCA Cabaret.
Margaret “Pat” Lewis Wylie ’35, Lexington, died June 28, 2002. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church and the Daughters of the American Revolution. At Transylvania, she was involved with Phi Omega Pi and Phi Mu Delta Chi. Among her survivors is her daughter, Mary Elizabeth Wylie Snellgrove ’64.
Helen Goodman Thompson ’37, Shelbyville, Ky., died June 24, 2002. She was retired, having been a co-owner of an insurance company and an employee of DuPont and an employment agency. She was a member of the Historical Society and the Daughters of the American Revolution. At Transylvania,
Trustee Lewis H. Ware dies

Lewis H. Ware ’27, a life member of the Transylvania Board of Trustees, died June 12, 2002. He was 97.

Ware was retired from the Ashland Oil Refinery Co., where he had been, at various times, a manager, executive assistant, and travel coordinator. He was a retired chairman of the board of Ashland Federal Savings Bank, a former president and board member of the Boyd County Community Chest and the Red Cross, and a former director of the Ashland Board of Trade. He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Ashland.

At Transylvania, Ware excelled in basketball, football, and baseball. He lettered in the three sports all four years at Transylvania and at various times was elected captain of those teams. He was an all-state quarterback and won the basketball tournament MVP award and an all-state quarterback and won the basketball tournament MVP award and was a member of Delta Sigma Phi and Book and Bones. Among his survivors is his daughter, Nancy Wesley Clipper ’69.

Carmen J. “Count” Biazzo ’43, Briarcliff Manor, N.Y., died July 15, 2001. At Transylvania, he played football and was a member of Pi Kappa Alpha.

Margaret Spiegel Buttermore ’44, Mary Alice, Ky., died August 7, 2002. At Transylvania, she was a member of the Student Council and Women’s Lampas and president of Delta Delta Delta. Among her survivors is her husband, Rodney E. Buttermore ’47, and her brother- and sister-in-law, Harry K. Buttermore Jr. ’41 and Betty Talbott Buttermore ’42.

John K. Oram ’50, Lexington, died July 27, 2002. He was the former owner of Oram Chevy Chase Florist, where he worked for more than 50 years, and a member of the Kentucky National Guard.

Marshall L. Fraley ’57, Pineville, Ky., died May 30, 2002. He was a graduate of the Lexington Theological Seminary and served as minister of the First Christian Church in Pineville for 22 years. Known as “the voice of the Pineville Mountain Lions” for his play-by-play announcing of football and basketball games, he was a school board member and longtime city councilman. He was a member of the Pineville Ministerial Association, the Pineville Library Board, the Kiwanis Club, and the Interfaith of Bell County Board. He volunteered with the Pineville-Bell County Little League and Senior Citizens of Bell County. He received the prestigious Hixon Award from the Kiwanis Club in 1999 and was the Pineville Rotary Club Man of the Year in 2000. At Transylvania, he was president of Delta Sigma Phi.

John Floyd Joseph Jr. ’61, Lexington, died August 7, 2002. During World War II, he served in the Army Air Corps. He was retired from the Federal Aviation Agency, a member of Centenary United Methodist Church, a former leader of Boy Scouts of America, and the former host of the locally produced television show Off Our Rockers. He received the Silver Beaver award from the Boy Scouts and the Kentucky Admiral Award. He enjoyed photography, astronomy, and woodworking.

Millard Jackson “Jack” McChord ’66, Lake Oswego, Ore., died July 24, 2002. He was the former president of Adel Medical Limited in Clackamas County, Ore., and most recently worked in management at Peco Manufacturing in Portland, Ore. At Transylvania, he was a member of Phi Kappa Tau. Among his survivors is his brother, W. Winfield McChord ’62.

James Denis Roche ’66, Versailles, Ky., died July 15, 2002. He was a member of St. Paul Catholic Church and the Irish Setter’s Club of America. He taught computer programming at the University of Kentucky and served in the Army National Guard. Among his survivors is his wife, Jean Hannigan Roche ’66.

Barbara Stivers Rea ’67, Lexington, died July 5, 2002. A former teacher and graduate of the University of Kentucky School of Law, she became an assistant commonwealth attorney in Fayette County and later served as chief bar counsel of the Kentucky Bar Association until her retirement in 2001. She was on the Board of Directors at Big Brothers/Big Sisters, the Board of Lawyers Helping Lawyers, past president of the National Organization of Bar Counsels, a member of the American Bar Association Center of Professional Responsibility, and the Kentucky Bar Foundation, and was licensed to practice before the Fourth and Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals, and the United States Supreme Court. She was also a member of Crestwood Elementary School District Board, the Kiwanis Club, the Nicholasville Kiwanis Club, the American Heart Association, and was a member of the National Education Association. She was a past member of the Pan Hellenic Council.

Charles “Chip” D. Fain III ’82, Nicholasville, Ky., died July 3, 2002. He was a founder of Fain, Mattingly, and Associates CPAs and was a past board member and treasurer of the Jessamine County Chamber of Commerce, a member of the Nicholasville Rotary Club, the Nicholasville Kiwanis Club, the Kentucky Society of CPAs, and the American Institute of CPAs. Among his survivors is his son, Nicholas S. Fain ’01, and his brothers Rodney N. Fain ’81 and Thomas C. Fain ’90.

Obituaries in Transylvania are based on information available in alumni office files and from newspaper obituaries. Please send information concerning alumni deaths to the attention of Elaine Valentine in the Transylvania Alumni Office, 300 North Broadway, Lexington, KY 40508-1797. Newspaper obituaries with complete listings of survivors are preferred.
Volleyball Is a Net Gain

Women’s volleyball became the sixteenth varsity sport at Transylvania this fall. In the first home game, played in the Beck Center before a crowd of approximately 400, Transy lost a close match to Asbury College 3-2. Kristin Hodges is shown hitting the ball past the Asbury blockers while Liz McComb, left, and Diana Arnett (12) look on.

Photo by Denny Bridges