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A new Kentucky state historical marker has been placed on the Transylvania campus to honor George Shannon, at 18 the youngest member of the Lewis & Clark Expedition and a student at the University upon his return from the 1803-06 trek to the American Northwest.

The marker was unveiled during an evening program at the Lexington History Museum in November that featured a talk on Shannon by James Holmberg, curator of special collections at the Filson Historical Society in Louisville.

Shannon was enrolled at Transylvania from 1808-10, practiced law in Lexington, served in the Kentucky legislature, was a circuit judge, and eventually moved to Missouri, where he died in 1836. He was well thought of by William Clark, who described him as “one of the most active and useful men we had” during the historic journey to the Pacific Ocean.

“Without the broad-based education I received at Transylvania, I do not believe I would be nearly as successful at NASA,” he says. “A good physicist does much more than just good science. Writing technical papers, making presentations, knowing your audience, and being an effective manager are examples of areas that benefit from my liberal arts education.”

That’s why Johnson was happy to return to his alma mater in November as the featured speaker at Transylvania’s Science Day. The program attracts high school students from around the state to take part in presentations and discuss career opportunities in the science, mathematics, and computer fields.

Johnson, a double major in physics and chemistry at Transy, is manager, in-space propulsion technologies for NASA’s Marshall Space Flight Center in Huntsville, Ala. His work involves solar sails and advanced ion and plasma propulsion.

Johnson was the principal investigator for the Propulsive Small Expendable Deployer System mission, is a two-time recipient of NASA’s Exceptional Achievement Medal, and holds two patents. He was also a technical consultant for the movie *Lost in Space*.

During Science Day, Johnson gave students an overview of the NASA program he manages and stressed how his liberal arts education helps him do his job.

“I also discussed the new propulsion technologies NASA is developing for the next generation of robotic, deep-space spacecraft,” he says. “We will soon see the first flight of a solar sail and the frequent use of ion propulsion for missions to the outer solar system.”
Senior art and English major Sarah Walker spent six weeks of her 2005 summer in the Philippines facilitating art projects for children and adults. In addition to building the confidence of her pupils, Walker’s efforts resulted in an art exhibition at Transylvania and a book titled *A Brilliant Idea*, which features illustrations by some of her students.

A native of Owensboro, Ky., Walker first traveled to the Philippines as part of the May term 2004 course Service Learning in the Philippines. Funding from a Kenan Grant allowed her to return in the summer and conduct projects that specifically related to her academic interests.

“When I went with Transy’s May term group, we mostly did work involving construction and public health,” she said. “As I’m not studying to be a construction or health worker, I wondered how my art skills could be used to benefit an economically impoverished community. I thought that going back to Mactan could help me to explore that question and that going alone would force me to really contemplate what I want to do with my life.”

In collaboration with Window on the World, Inc., and Island Ventures, Walker led art workshops at two elementary schools, mentored members of the Young Women’s Outreach Corps, organized a multi-island disposable camera project, and sponsored a public art show at the Island Ventures training center in Lapu-Lapu City.

“Many people were excited to get to work with the American visitor, to be singled out for their artistic talents, or to discover talents they didn’t know they had,” Walker said. “When I worked with the Young Women’s Outreach Corps, many of the women said that our workshop and public art show made them feel more confident. Island Ventures hopes to integrate art into some of their future community development projects.”

The exhibit *Mactan, Pangan-an, Olongo, and Me*, which was featured in the Susan P. Shearer Student Gallery from November 14-December 2, showcased art by Walker’s students as well as photographs she took during her visit.

Walker wrote *A Brilliant Idea* for her students at Buagsong Elementary School, who created collages made of trash to illustrate the book. The story follows a young litterbug named Ian whose interaction with a talkative bird inspires him to have fun while cleaning up his neighborhood. The project showed children ways to use local resources to make art instead of relying on traditional materials, which are expensive on the island, and communicated important lessons about proper garbage disposal.

The book can be purchased at [www.lulu.com](http://www.lulu.com). Proceeds from the book and sales from the art exhibit are being used to support art and community development programs in the Philippines.
Transylvania has enhanced its curriculum with the creation of majors in art history and music technology, bringing the total number of majors offered to 27.

Art history will bring a new intellectual slant to the Transy program, says art professor Nancy Wolsk, who directed creation of the major and whose academic specialty is Renaissance art.

“The contemporary approach to studying art history looks at how artists are shaped by their culture, which has to do with historical, political, social, and intellectual conditions,” she says. “The artist is not separate from that, but is a part of it. So it’s a great interdisciplinary area. Art history also teaches students to think analytically in a visual way.”

In addition to art history courses that cover areas such as ancient, gothic, Renaissance, modern, and non-Western art, the major may encompass courses from anthropology (archaeology), history (photography), or philosophy (aesthetics).

Wolsk said that study abroad programs and May term travel courses have helped to stimulate student interest in art history.

“I credit study abroad with creating a demand for art history,” she says. “Students would go abroad and study Renaissance art in Florence and come back to Transy and want to know more about the context of that art.”

The major will prepare students for graduate studies in the discipline as well as career options such as museum curator, arts administrator, teacher, publisher, interior designer, or gallery manager or owner.

Music technology is a growing academic field in which Transylvania has the opportunity to take a leadership role, says music professor Scott Phillips, who oversaw creation of the major.

“There is an increasing demand in the academic and professional music worlds for liberally educated people who are not only fine musicians, but who also know how to manipulate music in digital form with either computers or electronic instruments,” says Phillips, whose master’s and doctoral programs included courses in music technology.

Phillips stresses that the major will have a liberal arts context, since the student must first be a musician and fulfill requirements all music majors complete, such as ensemble work, lessons, composition, and recitals.

Besides courses like Introduction to Music Technology and Audio Recording Technology, students in the major will study music history and theory along with computer science subjects. The curriculum will prepare students for graduate study in music technology and career paths in areas such as studio engineering, software development, teaching, and performing.

Even if a student’s career is focused on the technical side of music, his or her musicianship will be important, says Phillips.

“The best studio engineers are phenomenal musicians because you’ve got to be able to hear and know how the music should sound, how you want it to sound,” he says. “Being a musician is critical to being successful in this field.”
Turner was winningest coach in women’s basketball history

Mark Turner ’77 got involved in women’s basketball at Transylvania when the program was still on the comeback trail after nearly four decades without a team. When he stepped down in November after 18 years as head coach, he had the satisfaction of having played a key role in the program’s modern-day renaissance.

“I was very pleased to see the student-athletes become more competitive each year, to witness the tremendous improvement in the game overall, and to enjoy a steady increase in the respect that fans gave our teams and their appreciation of women’s sports in general,” says Turner.

The 312 wins under Turner were the most of any Transy head women’s basketball coach. He compiled a Transy career record of 312-175 that included winning records in 16 of his 18 seasons and 20 or more wins in four seasons.

Turner joined the team in 1982 as assistant coach under Pat Deacon, whom he credits as being a great role model, then became head coach in 1987. Deacon had taken over the team in 1971 and was responsible for resurrecting the program after its demise, which began about 1930.

“Mark and I worked very well together,” recalls Deacon. “I was always impressed with his demeanor and the fact that he expected good work habits from the players. He knew the game very well, and I was very supportive of his taking over the head coaching position from me.”

Turner’s 1996-97 team set the record for most wins (27) in the program’s history while advancing to the first round of the NAIA national championship. The 2002-03 team posted a 23-5 record (highest ever winning percentage at .821) after starting the season with a 13-game win streak, another school record. Those Pioneers defeated heavily favored Auburn University Montgomery in the first round of the NAIA tournament before losing to Vanguard University. Turner was twice named NAIA regional coach of the year.

Turner successfully guided the Pioneers in their transition from a scholarship NAIA program to the non-scholarship NCAA Division III and participation in the Heartland Colle-giate Athletic Conference. He was named HCAC coach of the year in 2003 after Transy won the regular season conference crown with a 12-2 record.

Turner coached two national All-Ameri-
cans in Marcia Webb ’99, named to the NAIA first team, and Tari Young ’03, a third-team honoree. Young has great memories of the run to the NAIA tournament her senior year, fueled by Turner’s coaching expertise.

“Coach Turner collaborated with Coach (Jill) Meiring and Coach (Henry) Ray to come up with a scatter-press defense that led us through that sea-son,” Young says. “We didn’t have a lot of height, so we used that hurry-up defense to create turnovers.”

Besides Turner’s skills as a coach, Young recalls his supportive attitude toward the players and the program overall.

“Coach Turner recognized that, although we were athletes, we also had our personal lives,” she says. “He tried his best to accommodate that while still keeping Transy basketball competitive. He didn’t make the game your life where it wouldn’t be fun. He always kept it entertaining.”

Turner said the decision to step down was a difficult one. “Transylvania is a special place, and I’ll always treasure the people here whose lives I’ve touched,” he says.

President Charles L. Shearer noted that Turner’s contributions to Transylvania came not only from his role as head coach for women’s basketball, golf, and cross country, but also as a physical education instructor, director of men’s intramurals, and an active alumnus.

“I want to express the appreciation of the University for everything Mark has done to advance his alma mater,” said Shearer.

“Mark’s teams always represented Transy-lania in an exemplary fashion.”

Kearns Goodwin returns to Transy to discuss Lincoln

Nearly 10 years to the day of her first lecture at Transylvania, Pulitzer Prize-winning historian Doris Kearns Goodwin returned to discuss her latest book, Team of Rivals: The Political Genius of Abraham Lincoln, on November 13, 2005.

Kearns Goodwin originally spoke at Transylvania in 1995 through the University’s Kenan Lecture Series. Her most recent appearance in Haggin Auditorium was part of the Herald Readers Book Club Series, sponsored by the Lexington Herald-Leader and Joseph-Beth Booksellers. Kearns Goodwin shared some of her favorite book passages and reflections on her research and answered questions from the audience.

The visit occurred as Team of Rivals was enjoy-ing extensive critical praise from nationally-known publications, including the New York Times, Boston Globe, L.A. Times, and Wall Street Journal. It has since become a bestseller.

Kearns Goodwin won the Pulitzer Prize in history for No Ordinary Time: Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt: The Home Front in World War II. She is also the author of the bestsellers Wait Till Next Year, The Fitzgerals and the Kennedys, and Lyndon Johnson and the American Dream.
**Around Campus**

**Transy athletes recognized for service**

The Transylvania athletics program received the National Association of Division III Athletic Administrators/Jostens Community Service Award in December. The honor was accompanied by a trophy and a $1,000 contribution to the college’s general scholarship fund. Transylvania was recognized for its ongoing participation in the College for Living program, which serves cognitively delayed adults. Student-athletes have taught classes in basketball, field hockey, kick ball, parachute, and relays.

**Accounting students honored**

Seniors Trista Johnson, Becky Reiling, and Julie Potter received the Kentucky Society of CPA's Education Foundation Scholarship in the fall. The award is given for high academic performance and a commitment to the principles of the accounting profession. Potter also received the Kentucky Government Finance Officers Association Scholarship, an award given to students preparing for a career in state and federal government finance.

**Miller edits African Arts journal**

Art and women's studies professor Kim Miller edited the journal African Arts, Volume XXXVIII, Number 3, on the topic of “Trauma and Representation in Africa.” The issue included an article written by Miller titled “Trauma, Testimony, and Truth: Contemporary South African Artists Speak.”

**Publications staff wins awards**

“Celebrating 225 Years,” a publication honoring Transylvania’s quasquicentennial, won a Grand Award and Transylvania magazine received an Award of Merit in a competition sponsored by the Kentucky chapter of the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education. The Transylvania publications staff consists of Director Martha Baker, Publications Writer/Editor Bill Bowden, Graphic Designer Barbara Grinnell, and Publications Assistant Katherine Pearl.

**Martin selected as Derby Princess**

Senior accounting major Amelia Martin was named a 2006 Kentucky Derby Festival Princess in January. Criteria for selection included poise, intelligence, personality, campus and community involvement, and a 3.0 GPA. Martin will act as an ambassador for the Derby Festival, attending nearly 70 events over a two-week period, visiting local schools to discuss volunteerism, and appearing on NBC’s Today Show. She will also receive a $1,000 scholarship.

**Scholarship honors energetic volunteer Joyce Swango Holmes ’55**

From her days as a Carroll County High School student and through her years at Transylvania, Joyce Swango Holmes ’55 stayed busy. At Transy, she served as Phi Mu secretary and Panhellenic president, traveled with the choir, and was a member of the Student Council and Student Christian Association, among other groups. After graduation, Holmes continued to be involved with the community where she resided, serving countless organizations in the Greater Cincinnati area until her death in November 2003.

Now, thanks to gifts from Holmes’s husband, Harold “Bud” Holmes ’55, and her sons, Steve Holmes ’79 and John Holmes, high-achieving, well-rounded Transylvania students may become the beneficiaries of the Joyce Swango Holmes Scholarship.

“Joyce always had close ties with her Kentucky roots,” said Bud Holmes, a member of Transylvania’s Board of Trustees. “The three of us thought it would be great for her to have this kind of recognition within her home state, especially in a way that supports education.”

To be considered for the scholarship, students must have a demonstrated financial need and at least a 3.0 grade point average. Candidates should also be multidimensional students, ones who are actively involved in extracurricular activities. The scholarship is intended to be a three-year award based upon the student remaining in good standing with the University and continually meeting the established criteria.

Committed to making the community in which she lived a better place, Holmes volunteered for a wide variety of causes, frequently assuming leadership roles. She was past president of the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra Association board, CSO Women’s Committee, May Festival, and the Cincinnati Opera Guild. She also was a former chairwoman of the Cincinnati Antiques Festival and the WCET Action Auction. She helped found the Classical Music Hall of Fame and oversaw the rejuvenation of the historic Betts House, the oldest surviving building in the city’s lower West End.

In recognition of her efforts, Holmes was named woman of the year by both the Cincinnati Post and the Enquirer, received the Post-Corbett Award, and was designated a Kentucky Colonel. Transylvania presented her with the Morrison Medallion for outstanding service to the University in 1991.

For information on supporting the scholarship, contact the development office at (800) 487-2679 or (859) 281-3692.
Class reunions offer a unique opportunity for alumni to reflect on their time at Transylvania and reconnect with their classmates and their alma mater. Each reunion class also commemorates its milestone by raising funds to support Transy’s programs.

“It’s critical that alumni give to the Transylvania Annual Fund every year, but it’s especially important during your reunion year,” said Chris Arnett ’91, chairman of the Alumni Executive Board and co-chair of his class reunion gift committee. “Classes like mine, whose reunion coincides with Transylvania’s 225th anniversary campaign, have an even greater opportunity because we can not only maintain our gifts to the annual fund but also kick it up a notch and make an additional pledge to the capital campaign. That’s what I’m doing.”

Reunion giving sets the tone for overall giving, according to Natasa Pajic ’96, director of alumni programs.

“A class reunion often inspires alumni to surpass their regular levels of annual support,” she said. “Planned gifts such as annuities, life insurance policies, and trusts also count toward the class reunion gift.”

Arnett pointed out that the class of 1991’s reunion gift participation rate and fund-raising goals are significantly higher than five years ago.

“We’ve had 15 years to become established in our careers, so now is the time to get serious about our relationship with Transy and what that’s going to include, be it volunteering, providing financial support, or—hopefully—both,” said Arnett, who is franchise service director for Choice Hotels in Orlando. “We know about the programs and scholarships that Transy is able to provide every year because of our support. With the 225th anniversary campaign, we’ll be able to see the results of our support in very tangible ways through the renovation of the Brown Science Center labs and construction of the new residence halls and tennis complex, along with the recently completed Haupt Plaza and Glenn Building.”

Arnett also encouraged members of the reunion classes to make plans to join the fun at Alumni Weekend 2006, set for April 28-30. Each reunion class will be recognized for the total dollars raised and class participation at the Alumni Celebration Luncheon.

For additional information about reunion class giving, call the development office at (800) 487-2679. You may also give on-line or see the progress your class has made toward its gift by visiting www.transy.edu and clicking on Giving to Transy, then on Reunion Giving.

Members of the class of 1955 had a 100 percent participation rate in reunion giving for 2005. Shown at the Barr Society breakfast during Alumni Weekend 2005 are, front row, from left, Grace Spradling Mitchell, Margaret Hicks Milburn, LoAnn Fields Blankenship, Jane Crabb Evans, Jane Cocanougher Harmon, Betty Reneau; second row, Norman Parks, Joyce Walters DuMars, Mary Ackall Khayat, Carol Marling Wright, Joyce Yandell Allen, Cathy Williams Boone, Pat McCutcheon Cloar, Autumn Stanley, June Loveland Kachtik; back row, Cy Rowell, James Sparks, Stan Smith, Bill Walton, Dinsmore Nisbet, Bill Cuzner.

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**Blasts from the Past**

**Left**, Liz Meitzler shows Lisa Taylor her “jaws” at Alpha Omicron Pi’s annual Dance of the Decades, which had a 1970s theme this year. Proceeds from the dance benefit the Markey Cancer Center and AOII’s Adrienne Dantin Memorial Fund.

**Right**, the Pioneer Voices sing “When I’m 64” for the annual Evening at the Cabaret in Carrick Theater. Titled “The Beatles in Review,” the program had members of Transylvania’s choirs performing “Revolution,” “Hey Jude,” and “Let it Be,” among other Beatles’ hits.
Alumni Annual Fund gifts can increase dramatically through trustee challenge

Alumni have the opportunity to see their gifts to this year’s Transylvania Annual Fund increased substantially, thanks to a $100,000 challenge gift pledge from the University’s Board of Trustees.

New and increased gifts from alumni will be matched dollar-for-dollar, resulting in a 100 percent gain, while gifts from first-time donors will be doubled, yielding a 200 percent bonus, up to the $100,000 pledge limit.

“This challenge gift has the potential to have a major impact on our annual fund,” said Vice President for Development Richard Valentine. “Our overall goal is $1.2 million, with a 53 percent alumni participation rate, so every gift is vital.”

Chairman of the Board William T. Young Jr. encourages alumni to take advantage of this trustee challenge.

“Alumni participation in the annual fund is critical to our success in attracting outside grants and the attention of foundations,” said Young. “These organizations are very much influenced by the support of a school’s alumni as continuing contributors. Transylvania is one of the top universities in the country in terms of its alumni giving rate, which is currently 53 percent. We need to maintain that position, and that’s one reason the trustees have offered this challenge.”

Valentine sees many benefits to the trustee challenge. “It can generate a significant increase of dollars for the annual fund, create new donors, bring back past donors, and celebrate those who are increasing their gifts,” he said.

The annual fund also can be viewed as the “silent scholarship fund,” said Valentine. “Almost every student attending Transy receives some sort of assistance...most of them know they are the beneficiaries of alumni support. This sets an example for them as future donors.”

Valentine added a special thanks from the University to the trustees for creating this generous challenge pledge. “Transylvania’s trustees are simply the best, and we are grateful for this latest show of their deep commitment to the University’s interests.”

For more information on the annual fund or other forms of support, contact the development office at (800) 487-2679.
Women’s soccer makes finals of HCAC tourney

The women’s soccer team advanced to the finals of the Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference tournament for the second year in a row, losing 2-0 to regular season champion College of Mount St. Joseph in a battle for the conference’s automatic bid to the NCAA Division III championships.

The Pioneers posted an overall record of 10-8-2 during an up-and-down season that included four wins in mid-season to stay in the hunt for the league title. Transy finished 4-2-1 in HCAC play, good for third place, then defeated Manchester College 1-0 in the tournament semifinals.

“We’ve been right in the mix the last two years, and with our younger players gaining experience, we should contend for the league championship again next season,” said head coach Michael Fulton.

First-year forward Brittany Farris tied for team best with 10 goals for the season, and had a total of 21 points. She was named the HCAC Freshman of the Year as well as a conference Player of the Week. Sophomore forward Brittany MacGregor also had 10 goals, along with 22 points.

They were joined on the All-HCAC first team by sophomore defender/midfielder Toni Cannon, third leading scorer for the team with 12 points, and sophomore goalkeeper Ally Tucker, who had 80 saves and a goals-against average of 1.13.

Sophomore goalkeeper Ally Tucker sends a free kick on its way during a match last season. Tucker was one of four Pioneers named to the All-Heartland Conference first team.

FIELD HOCKEY GETS MOST WINS IN SIX SEASONS

A veteran field hockey team that included 15 returning letter winners posted a 6-14 record that marked the program’s most victories in six seasons.

With the exception of Bellarmine University, an NCAA Division II power, the Pioneers competed against only Division III schools for the first time in school history. Included in the victory total were two wins over Earlham College and wins over Ohio Wesleyan University, Sweet Briar College, Randolph Macon Woman’s College, and Sewanee – The University of the South.

“We want to be in a position to get an at-large bid to the NCAA Division III tournament in the near future,” said head coach Jill Meiring. “Playing the best Division III teams in our region and winning will get us there.”

Transy’s balanced offense featured six players who scored two or more goals, led by sophomore forward Brittany Amos with nine goals and three assists and senior Kay Kay Speer with five goals and four assists. Senior goalkeeper Taylor McGinnis played every minute in goal during her four years at Transy, posting 171 saves this past season.

Senior forward Kay Kay Speer advances the ball during a match last season. The team’s six victories were its most in six seasons.
The volleyball team made significant progress this season with a 12-17 record, posting more wins than in the program’s previous three years combined. The Pioneers were 1-7 in Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference play, good for seventh place.

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Defensively, junior outside hitter/libero Ashley Koch led the team with 555 digs and first-year outside hitter Christine Luerman was the team’s second-leading blocker with 56.

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Men’s soccer dominates HCAC

The men’s soccer team once again dominated the Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference, winning the regular season and tournament titles to earn their second straight NCAA Division III Championship appearance.

In fact, the Pioneers’ recent seasons have been the most successful in school history. Transy has now won three HCAC tournaments in a row and four of the last five, along with three of the last five regular season titles.

“Every year, we set goals of winning the conference and the tournament and getting into the NCAA Championships,” said head coach Brandon Bowman, who was named HCAC Coach of the Year for the second straight season. “Our players have bought into that and worked hard to reach those goals.”

Transy finished 12-3-4 for the past season, including 6-0-1 in HCAC play. It was the fourth time in five years that the Pioneers were unbeaten against league foes.

Five Pioneers were named to the All-HCAC first team, led by junior forward Brad McLean, Transy’s top scorer on the season with eight goals and four assists for 20 points. He was joined by sophomore midfielder Matt Karaffa, second leading scorer with 16 points; junior forward Matt Burton, third with 10 points; junior midfielder Jordan Skeeters; and sophomore defender Matt Vogel.

Karaffa and Vogel were also named to the National Soccer Coaches Association of America/adidas All-Great Lakes Region team.

First-year back Ryan Wood and sophomore back Ryan Dale keyed a strong Transy defense that allowed just 12 goals on the year while scoring 43. Junior goalkeeper Marc Frank had a 0.39 goals-against average and all Transy keepers combined for 12 shutouts and a 0.57 goals-against average. Conference opponents scored just three goals against the Pioneers for the season, including the playoffs.

Women’s tennis is sixth in HCAC

The women’s tennis team capped the season with a sixth place finish in the Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference championships at the West Indy Racquet Club in Indianapolis.

Under head coach Chuck Brown, the Pioneers got strong performances from junior Jessica Hanson in No. 2 singles, senior Mayme Boehmann in No. 3 singles, and the No. 3 doubles team of junior Carrie Shewmaker and first-year player Denise Sachtler. Hanson won fourth place, as did Shewmaker and Sachtler, while Boehmann was fifth.

Sophomore Erin Milliken finished seventh in No. 1 singles and joined with junior Ashley Lowe to take fifth in No. 1 doubles. Milliken was named to the All-HCAC team.

The Pioneers fashioned a modest 2-6 regular season record, with the wins coming over conference rivals Bluffton College and College of Mount St. Joseph.

Sophomore Erin Milliken was an All-Heartland Conference performer for the women's tennis team.
In the beginning, there were only 10—a handful of incoming students chosen for their academic excellence and demonstrated leadership to receive full scholarships from Transylvania’s merit-based scholarship program, the first of its kind in Kentucky and an anomaly throughout the nation.

“Being part of the first group was unique in a few ways as there was no precedent,” said Vince Tanamachi ’86, a graduate of the University of Louisville medical school and a physician with Norton Healthcare in Louisville. “We were scrutinized a little more by other students who were trying to figure us out, and professors also were perhaps expecting more from our group, which was natural. Regardless, being a (Thomas Jefferson Scholar) was an advantage in many ways, and any pressure or scrutiny were certainly worth the experience.”

This year marks the 20th anniversary of the graduation of Tanamachi and the other scholars from the initial group, who though small in number, had a noticeable impact on campus.

“Students who had come to Transylvania before the scholarship program began, who just missed it, wanted to prove that they were as good as or better than the recipients,” recalls history professor emeritus Paul Fuller. “I found that created a friendly competition that was good for one’s classes. It encouraged everyone to do a better job—the students first and most importantly, but also the professors.”

The late William T. Young introduced the idea of a completely merit-based scholarship program, as compared with programs that factor in financial need, early in his 23-year tenure as chairman of Transylvania’s Board of Trustees.

“He thought that bringing these exceptional students to Transy would invigorate the campus and promote an even higher standard of academic performance,” said President Charles L. Shearer. “He also hoped the merit-based scholarship concept would spread, helping to keep Kentucky’s best students in the state. Today, nearly every college and university in the Commonwealth has some type of merit-based program.”

After the original 10 Jefferson Scholars arrived in 1982, Transylvania increased the number of annual scholarships to 25 and recruited transfer students to expand the first class. In 1987, the Transylvania Board of Trustees rechristened the program in honor of Young.

The William T. Young Scholarships, which now cover full tuition and fees, are currently worth about $84,000 over four years.

The following profiles show how receiving the scholarship and spending four years at Transy shaped the lives of eight alumni—a small sampling of the hundreds who’ve used the scholarship program as a springboard for exciting, meaningful careers.

If you’ve reached for a product to alleviate a headache, muscle pain, or a cold, there’s a good chance you’ve encountered a brand that Angela J. Vann ’94 has managed.

Since completing her MBA at Duke University, Vann has worked at Bayer Healthcare in Morristown, N.J., managing brands such as One-A-Day vitamins, Aleve, Bactine, Flintstone Vitamins, and Alka Seltzer Plus. About two years ago, she became global brand leader, Aspirin.

“I’m now responsible for the strategy for Aspirin all around the world. I help guide the different countries as to where we want Aspirin to go in the future, what kind of new products we’re working on, how we communicate the product to consumers, and what the brand stands for.”
A double major in economics and finance at Transy, Vann spent two years following graduation as a financial analyst for a brokerage firm in Florida before deciding to take her career in a different direction. She began to pursue her MBA at Duke, where she learned about brand management, a line of work that sounded appealing and familiar.

“It reminded me a lot of when I was membership director for Phi Mu at Transy, working and coordinating with many different people. I was responsible for recruiting new members, but I wasn’t an expert at making signs, choreographing routines, writing skits, and creating posters. I worked with people in the sorority who were good at those things, and together we created a unified program to help sell ourselves to new students.

“As a brand manager, you’re responsible for developing advertising, producing the product, handling the budget, managing public relations, and working with sales people. You may not be the expert in any of those elements, but you work strategically and pull all the pieces together in order to do well.”

When Steve Banfield ’90 went through the grueling eight-hour interview process at Microsoft in 1992, he had an ace up his sleeve.

“At the opening of every meeting, they said, ‘Tell me about Transylvania University,’ ” he recalls. “I’d explain what the name meant and tell them how it was the oldest school west of the Alleghenies. I was able to break the ice and establish a rapport with people, which opened all kinds of doors for me.”

Those doors have since led Banfield to success with RealNetworks and to his current position as senior vice president and general manager, Sony Media Software, in Los Angeles.

Banfield came to Transylvania from Ashland, Ky., proud to have received a full scholarship and determined to live up to its promise.

“There was a lot expected, both from the faculty and the other students,” he said. “You were seen as someone who had achieved something. It was a really positive thing because it positioned you to step up to that responsibility.”

Banfield landed his first job with a major technology company while still completing his computer science major at Transy. He worked part-time at IBM in Lexington writing mainframe computer programs.

From IBM, Banfield went to NCR in Atlanta and then to Microsoft, where he worked in developer relations and later as program manager for multi-media systems for Windows 95.

“You see those credit screens as the software loads—my name appears there in every copy of Microsoft Windows 95,” he said. “I’ve had my name embedded in well over 200 million computers.”

Banfield earned an MBA from Harvard University, then joined RealNetworks in 1998 as group program manager for the company’s RealPlayer. In 1999, he was promoted to general manager of consumer products, and under his leadership, the division shipped three releases of RealPlayer, plus the RealOne Platform and RealOne Player, and substantially grew the company’s user base from 30 million to 285 million.

Banfield held executive roles at Sony Pictures Digital Networks and Sony Connect before accepting his current position with Sony Media Software. The division produces applications that allow professional and amateur users to edit and create music on PCs. Among the award-winning titles are Vegas, ACID Pro, and Sound Forge.

Revenues for the division have been growing at about 30 percent a year and are projected to make a 40 percent jump this year. That success has led to partnerships with other parts of Sony. For example, the millions of Sony Ericsson Walkman mobile phones have software that Banfield’s team built. The division also created an application that makes it easier for PlayStation Portables (PSP) users to transfer photos, videos, and audio files from their PCs.

Banfield traces his leadership skills back to his time at Transylvania.

“I learned how to motivate people as skilled and accomplished as I was, to motivate them in a way that encouraged them and engaged them. I learned what it meant to get the best out of people.”

For Jeana K. Foley ’90, a full scholarship to Transy meant freedom.

“I could enjoy myself more,” she said. “I didn’t feel like I was there for anyone else, for my parents, or to get a job to pay them back or cover student loans. There was nothing external motivating me other than my own interests and passions. It was a pure educational experience that allowed me to follow what I excelled in.”

Foley majored in English and took a minor in studio art, incorporating many art history courses into her curriculum. After graduating from Transy, she took more art history classes at the University of Kentucky and then earned a master’s degree in art history from the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill.

An internship with the National Portrait Gallery in Washington, D.C., became a full-time job when the project on which Foley was working received funding for an exhibition. She helped produce a photography show featuring Civil War photographer Matthew Brady and had an essay included in the Smithsonian publication Matthew Brady and the Image of History.

From the National Portrait Gallery, Foley went to the Smithsonian’s National Museum of American Art as an exhibition researcher. Among other endeavors, she worked on the pan-Smithsonian photography project, which yielded the book At First Sight: Photography and the Smithsonian. The Smithsonian holds more than 13 million images spanning over 150 years, and the book includes a selection of these, featuring photos of Amelia
Earhart, Abraham Lincoln, Frederick Douglass, Greta Garbo, Babe Ruth, and P.T. Barnum, among others.

Throughout her professional life, Foley found her Transylvania education served her well.

“...in the museum world, you encounter a lot of people with name brand degrees, Ivy League degrees, and I always felt comfortable working with them,” she said. “I’m glad that I went to a smaller school. The contact that I had with my professors really made a big difference in what I took away from it.”

Two years ago, Foley decided to take her life in a different direction and became a full-time mother to her son, Oliver.

Kyle Monhollen ’95 didn’t experience the full benefit of his William T. Young Scholarship until after graduating from Transy. With his college tuition paid, Monhollen was able to use the money his parents had saved for his education to attend graduate school. He spent a year in Boston expanding his portfolio, and then began work on an MFA in painting and sculpture at the San Francisco Art Institute.

A career in art wasn’t what Monhollen, a Union County, Ky., native, had envisioned when he first came to Transylvania’s campus. Although he’d taken many art classes in high school, he’d planned to become a doctor or perhaps an architect, but with support from art professors Jack Girard and Dan Selter, his viewpoint began to change.

“That’s one of the wonderful things about a liberal arts education,” Monhollen said. “You’re exposed to all these other subjects that you might have had some interest in. I realized art could be more than just an activity. It could be a career.”

Monhollen completed his MFA and worked as a gallery preparatory before landing a three-year appointment as sculpture resident/lecturer at the University of California–Davis. He’s now a staff research associate at UC Davis, managing the budgets, materials, safety, and other aspects of the university’s sculpture labs, and a part-time instructor at Sierra College in Rocklin, Calif.

The insights concerning art that Monhollen gained at Transylvania now benefit his students.

“I was being supported academically and financially to make that decision, to realize artists were an important part of our society, as much as people who would be doctors, lawyers, or economists,” he said. “I’m able to tell my students this is a valid part of our culture and it should be supported any way you can.”

Robin J. Bowen ’90 says her “Robert Frost” moment came in the middle of a high school physics test. The Taylor County, Ky., native had given up on attending Transylvania, believing the financial burden would be too much for her family. She’d already sent her letter of regret, but the Transy director of admissions delayed filing the document, knowing that Bowen was at the top of the wait list for a full scholarship.

During the physics exam, Bowen was summoned to the counselor’s office and told she’d been awarded the scholarship.

“Basically the dream had come true,” she said.

At Transylvania, Bowen found the academic community she’d been craving.

“In high school, I was considered one of the geeks, which was lonely in a way,” she said. “They teased me because I set the curve. At Transy, that was not a problem. Everyone appreciated and understood my passions for learning and exploring.”

Bowen graduated with a degree in history and spent eight months helping a family friend start a business in her hometown before accepting an internship with U.S. Senator Mitch McConnell’s office. The three-month internship turned into an eight-year career as a legislative assistant, during which time she earned her law degree from American University.

“It was a great experience. Literally I could learn something in class one night, and apply it the next day at work.”

After leaving McConnell’s office, Bowen worked as a lobbyist for the American Insurance Association and clerked for the Honorable Eugene Siler of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit in London, Ky. She then returned to Washington and joined the law firm of McDermott Will & Emery LLP. She is a member of the firm’s Alcohol Beverages and Products Practice Group, focusing on trade practices, labeling, advertising, formulation, and taxation of alcohol beverages as well as federal regulation of non-beverage alcohol.

Bowen says the opportunity the Young Scholarship gave her not only affected her life, but that of her family. Her younger relatives, seeing her success, have set higher goals for themselves.

“It’s still amazing to them that the kid who used to run up and down Brushy Fork in Taylor County now works in Washington,” she said. “That confidence went from me through my family. They said ‘if she can do it, we can do it.’ That ripple effect is not something obvious when you’re presenting the scholarship, but it’s what I’ve come to appreciate most.”

Chris Sauer ’95 majored in economics at Transylvania, but the liberal arts curriculum allowed him to make connections outside of his subject area, particularly with philosophy professor Jack Furlong.

“To me he exemplifies what makes Transylvania special,” Sauer said. “He is a world-class intellectual, but dedicated to being a good teacher. He probably had more influence on teaching me how to think and how to approach problems critically than just about anyone.”

Sauer has put those analytical thinking skills to good use, earning advanced degrees from the University of Michigan and Columbia University, working in the White House, and navigating the financial markets in New York City.
Chris Sauer ’95 works at Groton Partners in New York City.

A native of Owensboro, Ky., Sauer had planned to attend Notre Dame before the William T. Young Scholarship convinced him to stay in his home state. Almost 10 years after its introduction, Transy’s merit-based scholarship program hadn’t lost any of its luster when he arrived on campus.

“It definitely meant recognition,” he said. “People knew it was a unique award. To receive this from a top quality school was a big statement of confidence in you.”

After graduating from Transy, Sauer earned a master’s degree in public policy from the University of Michigan and spent two years working in the Office of Management and Budget at the White House during the Clinton administration. As the analyst in charge of Social Security reform, Sauer ran financial models to show the consequences of potential changes, such as raising the retirement age.

“It was a very exciting time,” he said. “Social Security was one of the president’s central issues. If I had been working on another issue, it might have been interesting, but it wouldn’t have been nearly as exciting and I wouldn’t have had as much exposure to cabinet level people.”

Sauer left Washington and earned his MBA from Columbia University Business School. He worked for four years at Lehman Brothers in New York City, concentrating on natural resources and then consumer retail. Last year he began doing general corporate advisory work concentrating on natural resources and then consumer retail.

“Four years at Lehman Brothers in New York City, concentrating on natural resources and then consumer retail, wouldn’t have had as much exposure to cabinet level people.”

Cooper has worked on a number of projects, some of which have led to changes in how health programs are run in Tennessee and across the country.

“Early in my career, I did a series of studies on the effects of early newborn discharge,” he said. “We found that when you waited two weeks to see babies after early discharge, many of them got sick. As a result of those studies, the time between discharge and follow-ups was shortened.”

Receiving the full scholarship from Transylvania gave Cooper a boost of confidence that stayed with him through college and beyond.

“Having this opportunity, knowing that Transylvania believed in me enough to make this kind of investment, encouraged me to shoot higher than I might have otherwise,” he said. “As I began to prepare for medical school and facing those challenges, I drew on that confidence.”

As a high school senior in Portland, Mich., Patricia Fedewa Kreke ’88 was set to study engineering at Michigan Technological University. Then, a visit to Transy’s campus and the offer of a full scholarship altered her college plans and ultimately the course of her entire life.

“Receiving that scholarship really changed the direction I was moving,” said Kreke, who’s now an associate professor of chemistry and chair of the Science Department at Mount St. Mary’s University in Maryland. “The environment at Transy was wonderful. I fell in love with it. It’s what inspired me to want to teach at a small liberal arts college.”

After graduating from Transylvania, Kreke earned her Ph.D. from the University of Tennessee at Knoxville, and she completed post-doctoral research at UT, working at the Oak Ridge National Labs. She then came to Mount St. Mary’s, where she’s taught for the last 10 years.

Kreke has made strides to attract more women to science, obtaining a grant to provide scholarships for women interested in the subject at Mount St. Mary’s. She received a faculty award for working with the college’s Women in Science Organization, which she created. With her students, Kreke draws on what she learned at Transylvania.

“What I brought here from Transy is a real love of faculty-student interaction, the idea that the faculty member is there to mentor the student and work with the student,” she said. “I also gained a love of learning, of teaching yourself as well as interacting with other people as you learn.”

Bill Cooper ’87, an associate professor of pediatrics and director of the Center for Child and Adolescent Health Research at Vanderbilt University, discovered his love of pediatrics in medical school, but his interest in research started at Transylvania.

“I had an independent study research program in chemistry working with professor Gerald Seebach,” he recalls. “Asking and answering those questions was just fascinating, and I really enjoyed it.”

Cooper continued to conduct research while attend-
Biology professor Peggy Palombi finds that her students have a better learning experience when she asks them to take a slightly unorthodox slant toward the material.

In her Animal Physiology class, for example, she first divides students into small groups and has them engage in basic discussions about the characteristics of certain muscles that are uniquely suited to perform specific functions in different animals.

Then comes the twist when she has them speculate on what would happen if that same muscle were asked to perform another function. They might imagine, for instance, an insect’s flight muscle being asked to produce the contraction in a human heart.

“That seems very strange to them at first,” says Palombi. “Why would I use a flight muscle to create a heartbeat? The point is not that you ever would, but that by taking something out of its normal context, it helps them discover its fundamental properties. It’s the same with the students—if you step them out of their normal situation, they’re less likely to memorize information and more likely to think in depth about it.”

That kind of creative approach to teaching helped Palombi win the 2005 Kentucky Professor of the Year Award from the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement and Support of Education (CASE).

“Peggy Palombi has found innovative ways to make biological science relevant to non-majors, while also challenging our students who go on to pursue careers in research, teaching, and medicine,” said President Charles L. Shearer. “In addition to her classroom and lab work, she is a caring, thoughtful adviser who guides students through their college careers. We’re so thrilled that her dedication has been recognized with this top award.”

This marked the fourth time in the past five years—and the fifth time since 1996—that a Transylvania professor has won this honor. In fact, more Transy faculty members have won this award than have faculty members from any other Kentucky college or university.

The U.S. Professors of the Year program, co-sponsored by Carnegie and CASE, honors the most outstanding undergraduate professors in the nation—those who excel as classroom teachers and influence the lives and careers of their students. The honor is considered one of the most prestigious awards given to university faculty.

Her own unique path

Palombi took an unusual route to her academic career. After earning her undergraduate degree from Oberlin College with a double major in mathematics and East Asian studies, she worked as an insurance actuary before returning to school to study neurobiology and pharmacology. She earned a master’s degree from Northwestern University and a Ph.D. from the Southern Illinois University School of Medicine.

Palombi joined the Transylvania faculty in 1997 when she received a Bingham Start-Up Grant, a one-time award given to promising new faculty members. Her outstanding abilities in the classroom have since been recognized with a Bingham Award for Excellence in Teaching and a Monroe Moosnick Professorship in the Natural Sciences.

Palombi’s approach to teaching combines the hard science requirements of her discipline with a liberal arts focus on developing the whole student.

“I think the primary goal of a liberal arts education is to help students become thinkers—to become intellectually engaged both in the classroom and out,” she said. “Students who switch from being passive learners of material to having an active curiosity about themselves and the world around them will lead rich lives in whatever career they choose.”

She has even used final exams to put
this principle into action, as when she asked students in an Animal Physiology class to use their imagination as a framework for the factual information she was looking for.

“Professor Palombi had us design an animal to fit a specific niche in a specific habitat and describe a few physiologic adaptations that would help it survive, such as gathering food, circulating nutrients, and secreting wastes,” recalls Shelly Ferrell ’01, a physician and graduate of the University of Louisville School of Medicine. “When we discussed our answers after the exam was over, we had all come up with uniquely creative animals. This kind of question allows a student to show what he or she knows and how to apply it.”

**Staying involved**

Palombi has been an active faculty member, serving on several committees within the college and becoming involved with outside organizations dedicated to improving science teaching in colleges and universities.

She is a member of Faculty Institutes for Reforming Science Teaching (FIRST II), a group sponsored by the National Science Foundation, and of Project Kaleidoscope, an initiative to promote leadership in science and mathematics education. She is also Transylvania’s liaison to the Kentucky Biomedical Research Infrastructure Network (KBRIN), which sponsored an eight-week summer research workshop at Transy, funded by the National Institutes of Health, that Palombi coordinated.

The KBRIN workshop was an example of Palombi’s commitment to giving Transy students exposure to research opportunities. It was structured for students interested in possible careers in bio-medical research and included visits to potential graduate school destinations such as Emory University and the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill.

In addition to involving students in her own research into age-related changes in the central auditory system, Palombi has collaborated with her colleagues in Transy’s biology program to introduce more research possibilities in the various courses.

“Independent and student/faculty research projects are very valuable, but you can also teach the ideas of research in the classroom through more open-ended projects, as opposed to using only the ‘cookbook’ approach where the outcome is already known,” she says.

Advising is another area where Palombi has excelled, helping students find their way through the myriad possibilities that biology offers, from careers in laboratory research to medicine and teaching.

Sometimes her advising helps students find a path of study outside of biology or even the natural sciences. In those cases, she may use her own non-linear career path as an example of following your true interests.

Sandy Everett ’04 came to Transylvania with the intention of majoring in biology and pursuing a career as a veterinarian. The drama opportunities at Transy brought out her interest in the fine arts, and she eventually switched her major pattern to drama.

“Dr. Palombi encouraged me to explore my options in the theater program, but I was hesitant for fear of disappointing my family,” recalls Everett. “She taught me to make the most of every decision because I was the one who would be affected. Her concern for her students’ success in life sets her apart.”

Although the Carnegie/CASE award is an individual honor, Palombi credits Transylvania and the biology program in particular for giving her the proper context for success.

“I feel very strongly that I’m representing other people on our faculty who do just as well or better than I do,” she says. “I’m very pleased the school asked me to stand up and represent them. The dialogue that we maintain as faculty members helps us all become better teachers.”

“Professor Palombi never teaches the same class in the same way. Scientists are experimentalists in their essence, and her students know that they and she are part of that experiment—in the laboratory and in the classroom.”

William F. Pollard
Vice President and Dean of the College
When athletes and spectators gathered for the XX Olympic Winter Games in Torino, Italy, GE Energy provided the power, heat, and lighting for all competitive and non-competitive venues throughout the city and the surrounding Italian Alps. GE Energy’s partnership with the Olympic Games, which continues through 2012, is part of an overall global expansion the business has realized in recent years. As president, GE Infrastructure Technology International, Inc., Mary Rankin ’74 has played a pivotal role in the business’s transformation, overseeing the licensing of technology to other gas/steam turbine manufacturers outside the U.S. and the transfer of that technology.

“It’s the best job I can imagine,” she said. “You get to interact with several different functions. You’re not just in finance, not just in engineering, not just in manufacturing. You interact with all of those, plus legal and commercial. It’s like a microcosm of the entire business, so I get to have many different experiences and learn about buying companies, joint ventures, different cultures, and legal principles. It’s a constant learning job.”

Rankin’s liberal arts education at Transylvania could be regarded as a progenitor of her current position, where practically every aspect of business intersects. She majored in two diverse subjects, English and business administration, had an active social life through her sorority, Delta Delta Delta, and satisfied her love of music by performing with the band and orchestra.

“I knew I wasn’t going to major in music, but I really enjoyed playing,” she said. “That was something extra that Transy offered me, and it was very enriching.”

A native of Monticello, Ky., Rankin chose Transylvania because she wanted to attend a small liberal arts college in her home state. She planned to major in English from the start, thinking she’d later attend law school, but when that option became less appealing, she decided to add a business administration major.

“It offered basic skills that could be applied to almost anything you want to do,” she said. “You learn about finance, how organizations work, and legal concepts.”

Taking energy around

Mary Rankin ’74 helps GE license and transfer technology in the global market

BY KATHERINE C. PEARL

A further testament to her diverse Transy experience, Rankin’s two favorite faculty members taught neither English nor business.

The late Ben Burns ’41, former dean of Morrison Chapel and humanities professor emeritus, helped her through a family tragedy her first year at Transylvania, and she got to know history professor emeritus Paul Fuller by working as a secretary in the history department. She was a member of the group of students who toured Europe with Burns and Fuller one summer.

“We visited Spain, France, Italy, Germany, England,” she recalls. “It was a great experience because it was all Transy students and professors.”

Rankin had a job waiting for her in the marketing department at Armstrong Cork in Pennsylvania when she graduated. Her next career move brought her back to Kentucky, where she eventually came to work for the Belden Corporation in her hometown.

Rankin worked in quality control and production control before becoming plant controller. During that time, she began to pursue her MBA through Vanderbilt University’s executive program.

“For two years, all I did was work and study, and that was about it,” she said. “But I made some great contacts there and met some really smart, well-rounded people.”

After seven years with Belden, Rankin took a job as a customer service manager with General Electric in Hendersonville, Tenn. She worked for GE in Fort Wayne, Ind., and Owensboro, Ky., before joining GE Energy in Greenville, S.C.
With 2004 revenues exceeding $17 billion, GE Energy is one of the world’s leading suppliers to the energy industry, providing a comprehensive range of solutions across the energy value chain from supply and conversion to delivery, utilization, and services. The business focuses on developing technologies for enterprise and asset management, producing automation and information management tools, and delivering large-scale services to design, deploy, and maintain these products for utilities worldwide. From its first steam turbine in 1901, GE’s installed base of steam and heavy-duty gas turbines has grown to over 10,000 units, representing over a million megawatts of installed capacity in more than 120 countries.

Rankin handles the licensing and transfer of GE Energy technology to other gas/steam turbine manufacturers outside the U.S.

“It’s a niche job, a mixture of legal, business, and technical knowledge,” she said. “I’m not an expert in any of those, so I work with the lawyers, engineers, and commercial people. We have very good teams that we’ve put together.”

A typical day will find her answering questions about the transfer of technology, taking into account government rules and regulations, such as export goals and whether the technology is strategic.

“Just about every day, I have phone calls with other parts of the world, where we’re deciding how to do licensing and negotiating contracts,” she said. “That entails a lot of off-hours calls because the time zones are so different. I also get calls from internal people, wanting to know about ways to do things. We’re constantly working on systems to improve the control of technology transfer.”

Since Rankin accepted her current position in 1997, GE Energy has experienced some dramatic changes.

“We’ve gone from primarily supplying gas turbines, steam turbines, and generators accompanied by a small parts and service business to becoming a full-line energy company providing products and services from well-head to consumer,” she said. “GE Energy acquired multiple businesses worldwide and globalized its employees to participate in a world market, including China, the world’s fastest growing economy.”

Travel is a frequent component of Rankin’s job. She’s visited China, India, Russia, South Korea, Australia, and much of Europe, and hopes to soon travel to Africa. One of her best experiences occurred in St. Petersburg, where the client arranged a tour of the city.

“The guide turned out to be a professor of Russian literature at one of the universities there, so she had a passion and knowledge about St. Petersburg that gave me a completely different perspective on it than my other team members,” she said. “As a consequence, I loved St. Petersburg and they hated it.”

When she’s not globetrotting, Rankin resides in Greenville, S.C., with her husband, Norman Dam, and her two sons, Rankin Price, 14, and John Proctor, 12.

She credits Transylvania for giving her a good foundation for success in her future endeavors.

“It made me a broader thinker, and gave me familiarity with many subjects,” she said. “We had to take a humanities course, for example, and in that we learned about art, architecture, and philosophy. When you’re working with different cultures, it’s good to have that kind of knowledge. It can help you build relationships with people to get things done.”
Pat Barnes ’73 taught her students how to use the library during a 28-year career teaching 4th-6th grades in Kentucky’s Boone and Pendleton counties, but now she is the library, in a manner of speaking. Barnes became director of the Cynthiana-Harrison County Public Library in Cynthiana, Ky., last October and is thoroughly enjoying the change of pace from her classroom days.

“When I retired, I didn’t want to quit working completely,” she says. “I hesitated before taking the director’s job, because I had worked part time and this was going to be an all-day job, Monday through Friday. It’s new and different. It’s like I’ve started a brand new career at 54. I’ve been very blessed that I could do this.”

Barnes supervises five full-time and four part-time staff members and has overall responsibility for the library’s operations, including staff scheduling, budgeting, acquisitions, building maintenance, fund-raising, and public relations.

That last item is one of her most important responsibilities, says Barnes. “The library board wants me to be out in the public eye so that everyone knows we have a library,” says Barnes.

That involves getting the word out about new offerings, such as the large photo collection the library recently received from an estate. Barnes plans to acquire a negative scanner and offer the historic prints of Harrison County buildings, weddings, birthdays, and other subjects to her patrons.

Barnes’ preparation for her new job actually began decades earlier when she earned a master’s degree in library science from the University of Kentucky in 1980. Her experience and increasing interest in technology also gave her a good foundation for dealing with those aspects of modern libraries that use computer technology for a variety of purposes, from cataloging and lending to photography manipulation and Web site marketing.

In spite of all her duties, Barnes contends that the job—at least so far—is less stressful than teaching. “That’s because I don’t have someone’s education dependent upon me,” she says. “The world isn’t going to stop if I don’t get the budget done at two o’clock today.”

Barnes says one of the big differences between her classroom days and now can be summed up in one word—freedom. “When you have a roomful of students, you are really tied down,” she says. “There is much more freedom in this job, to go to lunch at different places, or just go outside for some fresh air.”

There’s another sense of freedom that comes from having a retirement benefit from your primary career, says Barnes.

“I can enjoy this job because my whole life is not dependent on it. It’s much different from when you were 30 years old and you wondered how you were going to pay all the bills.”

Skip Redmond ’69 personifies his philosophy that “you’ll never grow old if you don’t slow down.” Since retiring from a 30-year career with the Internal Revenue Service in 2003, Redmond has been busier than ever as a partner in DeLori Candle, a Mount Sterling, Ky., based company that produces handmade scented candles.

“I loved my job as a criminal fraud specialist,” says the Lexington resident. “But I saw this opportunity and thought I would do something totally different.”

Redmond grew up in Mount Sterling, has rental property there, and is a volunteer firefighter.

“The fellow who started the candle company is a full-time paramedic,” says Redmond. “One night after a fire I saw his light on and went in to talk to him. He let me watch him make some candles, and I saw how much fun he was having.”

At that time, DeLori Candle was a one-man operation with a great product that nobody knew about. The candles are made of soy wax instead of petroleum-based paraffin, which means they produce no
soot when burned. They also are strongly scented throughout, unlike many candles which have fragrance oils only in the core.

“Every third day, my partner worked a 24-hour shift with the fire department, and he was making candles at midnight in his girlfriend’s kitchen,” says Redmond. “I was eligible for retirement, so I could take time to develop a marketing plan.”

He became a partner in June 2003 and retired from the IRS the following October.

Redmond’s marketing plan has brought tremendous expansion for DeLori Candle, which now makes 30,000 candles a year—five times more than when he became involved. They have hired a full-time employee to make candles, the operation moved from the kitchen to a storefront, and their candles are available in 75 retail locations in six states and on-line at www.deloricandle.com.

Redmond spends about 15 hours a week taking orders, purchasing supplies, making deliveries, handling customer service, marketing to new retail outlets, and occasionally making candles. In addition, he does consulting work with several tax attorneys and CPAs and is chairman of the finance committee at Crestwood Christian Church, Lexington.

Redmond anticipates steady growth over the next five years, while keeping DeLori Candles a hands-on company. “People tell us that we should be in the Atlanta and Chicago gift markets, but we don’t want to compromise product quality by overextending ourselves and losing our attention to quality and detail,” Redmond says.

The major difference between working for the federal government and running a small business is the lack of bureaucracy, according to Redmond. “I now have the opportunity to make mistakes quicker and learn from those mistakes quicker. I have the flexibility to do the work when it suits me, and it’s a lot of fun.”

Almost heaven

Fred Allen ’57 always tells people at the end of his guided tour of the Bourbon Heritage Center at Heaven Hill Distillery in Bardstown, Ky., “I’m not really a very smart person—it took me 70 years to find a job that would pay me to drink bourbon.”

Lest anyone get the wrong idea, Allen is talking about responsible drinking, and his actual intake during a day’s work consists of a few sips of Heaven Hill’s finest that is offered to visitors of age. It’s part of their tour and orientation to the time-honored art and science of distilling fine beverage.

Allen became a guide at Heaven Hill in 2004 after retiring in 1991 from his 28-year career as a teacher, librarian, and adult education director in the Bardstown city schools system and from a 12-year stint doing sales and customer relations work for an oil company. He also writes movie and play reviews for the local newspaper, the tri-weekly The Kentucky Standard.

Allen got his introduction to tourism and Heaven Hill through his three sons, one of whom, Paul Allen, the youngest, is a 1988 Transy graduate.

“All three of our sons had driven a tourmobile for Heaven Hill while they were in college,” says Allen. “It would hold about 48 people and they would drive them around Bardstown to see the tourist sites, then wind up at Heaven Hill for a distillery tour. I was a substitute driver for them.”

Because of that connection with the distillery, Allen was asked to be a tour guide when Heaven Hill opened its Bourbon Heritage Center in 2004. The center, which has won awards for its design, gives visitors a virtual tour of the industry that lasts a little over an hour and includes a bourbon tasting in a room shaped like the barrels used to age whiskey and transform it into bourbon.

“We want our visitors to have a good time, we want to educate them about what bourbon is, and if they’re going to be a drinker, encourage them to think about buying our products,” says Allen.

Allen works two or three days a week during the high season for tourism in Bardstown, generally March through Christmas, and sometimes works four days during the summer.

Allen was an English major at Transy, with minors in French and music, and he uses his French occasionally with international visitors. His teaching background undoubtedly helped him win an award recently for giving the best educational tour at Heaven Hill among the dozen or so tour guides.

South of the border

After nearly four decades working in city and state government, the non-profit sector, and private enterprise, Sue McDevitt ’66 has moved to Mexico to begin her life over as an artist.
“I’ve had very rewarding careers, but they all had a lot of stress involved with them,” says McDevitt. “I’m hoping the big change will be the alleviation of stress and doing what really has been my heart’s desire all my life, to be an artist and just live that out in my new life. I’m very excited about it.”

McDevitt retired in January from her position as project manager for the City of San Diego. She managed streetscape improvement projects in older business districts that needed revitalization. Before that, she worked for the State of California in its fair employment and housing program, as an administrator for non-profit community health organizations, and as a wholesaler and retailer in the nursery business.

All along, there was an artist in McDevitt strain- ing to break loose.

“I started taking art classes in 1992, at the Athenaeum School of the Arts in La Jolla, which is an art school for adults,” she says. “In 1999 I began working on my master’s degree in expressive arts therapy with the European Graduate School. I did this through their local affiliate, the Expressive Arts Institute of San Diego, and also spent three summers at the EGS in Saas-Fee, Switzerland.”

Watercolor is McDevitt’s primary medium, with landscapes and flowers her favorite subjects. She also does collage and multi-media works. She has been on art forays with master teachers to France and India. Her expressive arts studies have included music, dance, drama, visual arts, and creative writing. “I also play the dulcimer, sing, and play some piano, which I learned at Transylvania,” she adds.

McDevitt has pulled up roots and resettled in Bajamar, which is about an hour south of San Diego on Mexico’s Pacific coast. “I’m a guest resident in Mexico,” she says.

After setting up a studio in her new home, McDe- vitt plans to develop a Web site and sell her art main- ly on the Internet. She is also looking for social services agencies in Ensenada, the nearest town of any size, where she could use expressive arts thera- peutically to help those in need.

McDevitt is especially looking forward to doing landscapes of the area she’s now living in. “I’m feel- ing absolutely wonderful about my new life,” she says.

A matter of control

Michael Jeffrey ’68 enjoyed his 31-year career as a probation/parole officer for Virginia’s Depart- ment of Corrections, but his new career in the pri- vate sector as a licensed counselor and marriage and family therapist offers one big advantage that no government bureaucracy can hope to match.

“I’m no longer dependent on a governor or a general assembly to tell me how much I’m worth,” says Jeffrey. “I love being in control, handling my own money decisions, and determining for myself my value to clients.”

Jeffrey is one of five counselors and therapists employed at the Family Institute of Virginia, located in Richmond. He works with a variety of clients, from young people trying to figure out what to do with their lives to married couples searching for ways to communicate and heal their marriages.

A separate part of his practice is sentence miti- gation, in which he works with people found guilty of various crimes to help explain their situation to the judge who will pass sentence.

“I visit with the person in jail, maybe do a drug and alcohol assessment or mental health assessment, come up with a treatment plan, and go to court to explain the plan to the judge,” he says. The crimi- nals he represents range from drug offenders to mur- derers and those guilty of malicious wounding or alcohol-related homicide.

Drug problems are a specialty for Jeffrey. While a sociology student at Transylvania, he visited the federal narcotics hospital in Lexington (now a women’s correctional facility) and also met with members of the Kentucky Parole Board. When hero- in addiction became a prevalent problem in the late 1960s, he became an expert in the field during his years as a probation/parole officer.

Long before his retirement from state govern- ment in 2000, Jeffrey prepared for a second career by earning a master’s degree in criminal justice and an advanced counseling certificate, both from Virginia Commonwealth University.

One type of client Jeffrey now works with is aim- ing to do just what Jeffrey did—find a satisfying career after retirement from a primary career.

“Many people don’t know how to make the change,” he says. “If you understand what your abil- ities are and what you like doing, you can make that move.”
Students from art professor emeritus Florence Thorne's winter term 1993 class in visual arts gave a five-minute live art performance on Haupt Plaza in April. They dressed in 19th-century garb and covered themselves in potter's clay to bring to life a portion of Renoir's 1876 painting *Le Moulin de la Galette*. Pictured from left are Heather McIntosh '95, Regan Ladenburger '92, Todd Porter '95, Chris McClellan '94, and Bart Hanna '96.

**'35 John C. Chenault III and Mary Elizabeth Crouch Chenault '43,** Frankfort, Ky., celebrated their 66th wedding anniversary in September. They have two great-grandsons, Brandon Alan Lucas, born September 2004, and John Cabell Chenault VI, born March 2005.

**'35 Joan Ardery Chase** loves living in Whidbey Island, Wash., where her two daughters also reside. She visited her daughter and son-in-law in Austria in June, and she has welcomed her first great-grandchild.

**'35 Mildred Nisbet "Emma" Gould**, Chambersburg, Pa., and her husband, Glen, have two sons and five grandchildren. Emma is looking forward to visiting Transy.

**'40 Betty Van Meter Nutt** has retired from Professional Property Management, Inc., in West Des Moines and moved to Waukee, Ia.

**'52 Jean Morse Wallace**, Henry, Ill., retired from teaching last spring. In her last years of teaching, she received the Heissler Award from Illinois State University for achievement in English and the Lifetime Membership Award from the Illinois Association of Teachers of English.

**'59 Ann Quisenberry Hancock**, Wilmore, Ky., is the proud grandmother of two grandsons, Harrison and Hunter Hancock.

**'60 Dorothy Couch Watson**, Tullahoma, Tenn., received the PAL (Partnership and Leadership) award in September from the Tennessee Public Health Association for her service at a free health clinic.

**'64 John P. "Jay" Hunter** is retired and lives in Fayetteville, Pa. He and his wife, Dorothy, enjoy travel, golf, and family gatherings.

**'65 Linda Wheeler Floethe** and her husband, Ron, have moved to Big Canoe, Ga., located in north Georgia at the foot of the Appalachian Mountains. Lin, an attorney, practices from her home office.

**'66 John S. Conklin**, Glouster, Ohio, has been inducted into the Trimble High School Athletic Hall of Fame for his long-time contributions as statistician and scorekeeper.

**'67 Susan Kiger Mossman**, Boyne City, Mich., headed a soup kitchen in October in Charlevoix, Mich., preparing culinary delights based on the offerings at the old
Transy Den, a college hangout once located adjacent to campus on Fourth Street.

V. Willoughby Newton, Napa, Calif., is enjoying the northern California climate while earning her California teaching credentials to work with students who have mild and moderate disabilities. She is grateful for the friends she made at Transy.

Marsha Hart Jones, Dover, Ky., has owned an antiques shop in Old Washington, part of the historic district of Maysville, for almost seven years. Her Web page is www.keepsaketreasures.biz.

Susan Griffin Smith, Frankfort, Ky., was recently certified as an American Red Cross instructor as part of her volunteer work and her human resources consulting.

John H. Voss and Joy Cunningham Voss ’72, Lexington, have retired from teaching. They have one grandchild, Jack James, 2.

Paul L. Wertheimer, Los Angeles, was interviewed by the National Geographic Channel for the program “Swarms,” Fox Cable News: Coast to Coast with Ron Reagan concerning crowd control in New Orleans in Katrina’s aftermath, and Animal Planet: The Most Extreme for the program “Hissy Fits,” all of which aired in 2005. He has also been interviewed by The Discovery Channel for “Disaster Detectives,” a program concerning the 2003 E2 nightclub and station fire disasters, which will premiere in 2006.

Patricia L. Barnes, Berry, Ky., who retired from teaching in the Pendleton County Public Schools, has been named director of the Cynthiana-Harrison County Public Library.

Theresa Johnson Cartell, Alachua, Fla., has been awarded a master’s degree in library and information science from the University of South Florida and is the library media specialist at St. Francis Catholic High School in Gainesville, Fla.

Jane Chancellor Moore and Larry W. Moore ’74, Frankfort, Ky., own a publishing company, Broadstone Books, which issued The Furbrawl Poems by Steven R. Cope in 2005. In addition, they are managing an art gallery at the Kentucky Employees Credit Union in Frankfort. They have exhibited the work of one Transy grad, Jennifer Caroland-Shaw ’96, and hope to show more in the future.

Alumni identify mystery students

Transylvania readers identified the students in the above photograph from the 1939 Crimson, which ran in the fall issue. They are Geraldine Morgan Breckenridge ’42, left, and Mary Frances Orme Allison ’42.

Many thanks to the alumni who helped in the identification process. We heard from Wayne Bell ’40, Ann Horton Burns ’42, Martha Montgomery Howard ’41, Keith T. Hutchings ’42, Ann Moore Medaris ’42, Clifford J. Webster ’42, and Anne Orme Windley ’65.

Roper among Smithsonian’s ’35 Who Made a Difference’

What does Clyde Roper ’59 have in common with Microsoft chairman Bill Gates, astronaut Sally Ride, filmmaker Steven Spielberg, poet Maya Angelou, and trumpeter Wynton Marsalis? They all are listed among the “35 Who Made a Difference” in the November 2005 issue of Smithsonian magazine.

Roper, who majored in biology at Transy and received master’s and Ph.D. degrees in marine biology from the University of Miami, is recognized as the world’s leading expert on the giant squid. He has been a zoologist at the Smithsonian Institution’s National Museum of Natural History in Washington, D.C., since 1966 and has led two major expeditions to search for the elusive squid and to study the deep sea ecosystem. He is frequently seen on The Discovery Channel and National Geographic Explorer.

According to the Smithsonian article, “Roper even turns up, thinly disguised, as ‘Herbert Talley, doctor of malacology,’ in Peter Benchley’s 1991 novel, Beast, about a sea monster that terrorizes a Bermuda community.”

The magazine notes that Roper has spent his professional life deep in the ocean, pursuing an elusive monster that has never been captured alive.

“At least Captain Ahab had seen Moby-Dick,” it says. “Like that famously obsessive captain, the men and women we celebrate here have set out on bold missions of their own, forging ahead in the face of conventional wisdom—and often the advice of friends or colleagues—to pursue the work they love.”
Mary Catherine Welding, Louisville, has co-authored a book titled Teach Me to Read: A Practical Plan to Teach Early Reading Skills with Sammie S. Brian, M.Ed.


Gwen Mayes, Louisville, is director of reimbursement and government relations with ABIOMED, Inc., a cardiac assist device company based in Danvers, Mass. She has been commuting to Washington, D.C., with plans to relocate and open a Washington office in 2006.

David R. Gillham lives in Amherst, Mass., with his wife, Ludmilla, and their son, Alexander Pavlova Gillham, 2.

Amy Black Cross, Hilton Head Island, S.C., has joined the Charleston law firm of Buist Byars Pearce & Taylor as controller.

W. Preston Martin, Saint Cloud, Fla., is a real estate professional and developer in Central Florida. Some of his work can be seen online at CabanaKey.com. Preston would enjoy hearing from classmates through e-mail at PrestonSellsFlorida@yahoo.com.

John E. Oberst lives in Monmouth, Ore., with his wife, Sharon, and two children, Carla, 11, and Ian, 8. Monmouth was the last dry town on the West coast until November 2 when John led a ballot initiative that legalized the sale of beer and wine. He currently serves his community as chair of the planning and zoning commission.

Julie Munz Baumgardner, Chattanooga, Tenn., is the executive director of First Things First, a research and advocacy organization dedicated to strengthening families through education, collaboration, and mobilization. Her article “Lessons My Brother Taught Me About Life” was featured in the Fall 2004 issue of HealthScope. In October 2005, she was invited to speak at the White House Conference on Helping America’s Youth, convened by First Lady Laura Bush.

Carol Spears, Lexington, is in her 23rd year of teaching at Scott County High School in Georgetown. She is department head and teaches AP biology, Honors Biology, and Biology I.

Kimberly Reynolds Crum, Tampa, has been named director of human resources for the city of Tampa.

Deborah Jackson Cornish-Vermaire, Spokane, Wash., and her husband, Alec, adopted twin boys from Haiti in April 2005. Peter and Quentin turned two years old on October 12.

Sean B. Tipton, Takoma Park, Md., has been elected president of the Coalition for the Advancement of Medical Research, the nation’s leading advocacy organization for stem cell research. Sean is also the director of public affairs for the American Society for Reproductive Medicine.

Andrew T. Elliott, Fancy Farm, Ky., vice president of customer services for Computer Services, Inc., in Paducah, has been elected president of the Association for Financial Technology, a group of 57 companies that promotes high standards of professionalism in the planning, development, implementation, and application of technology for the financial services industry.

Douglas C. Abbott, Atlanta, has been appointed vice president of sales for the Americas region of Carlson Hotels Worldwide.

J. Todd Greer, East Bernstadt, Ky., is chief operating officer and general counsel at Elmo Greer & Sons, LLC. He and his wife, Elizabeth, have three daughters, Lila, 8, Eleanor, 7, and Ava Caroline, 2.

Leenata G. Maddiwar and her husband, Chris Adley, live in Northern Kentucky with their two daughters. They are both enjoying parenthood and their work as pediatricians.

Ryan S. Nunnelley, Lexington, is the compliance officer for Merrick Management, a physician practice management and professional services organization.

Ana-Claudia Everton has returned to the U.S. after living in Schweinfurt, Germany, for five years working as a contract dentist for the U.S. Army. She now lives on Long Island and works at the New York University Dental School.

Evelyn Freer Gee and her husband, Shawn, moved to the Atlanta area in June 2004. Shawn is a chaplain with the 53rd Transportation Battalion at Ft. McPherson, and their daughter, Madeline, was born in July 2005.

Joanna Gwinn-Estililives in Danville, Ky., with her husband, Robert, and their two children, Morgan, 8, and newborn Grace Katherine, and would love to hear from old friends.

David H. Windley, Brentwood, Tenn., managing director in healthcare equity research for Jefferies & Co., was recognized by the Wall Street Journal Best on the Street 2005 Analysis Survey as the top analyst in the pharmaceutical category.

Ellen Cohn Bloomfield, Lexington, is working on her master’s degree in leadership at Eastern Kentucky University. She teaches and serves as assistant athletics director at Henry Clay High School. Her husband and two daughters, Isabella and Riette, enjoy spending time on their family farm.

Dale Amburgey, Port Orange, Fla., has been promoted to director of operations for undergraduate admissions at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Daytona Beach.
Hitting his stride in music and development

Coming out with your debut CD while in your 50s might not be the typical path to musical accomplishment, but it seems to fit a comfortable pattern for Charlie Taylor.

“The best things have always happened to me later in life, when I could appreciate them,” says Taylor. That pattern includes moving to Nashville, not far from his western Kentucky roots, in 1985 and, just six years ago, joining the Vanderbilt University development office, where he is now director, regional development. He recorded and released his CD, Once Upon A Time, in 2003 and was gratified to see it listed in that year’s Grammy Awards Guide.

Taylor’s development work and musical aspirations have been the parallel tracks of his life. “I’ve been blessed to acquire the skills for development work and at the same time pursue my hobby as a songwriter and performer,” he says. “In a way, my development work supports my musical interests.”

Taylor comes by his fund-raising talents naturally. His late father, Charles P. Taylor Sr. ‘39, had a 35-year career with the American Cancer Society. He helped shape the growth of the then-fledgling organization and became one of the most respected and influential executives in the society’s New York City headquarters. A former member of the Transylvania Board of Trustees, he also assisted the University in fund-raising activities.

“My father gave me several opportunities in life, including the chance to attend Transylvania and an introduction to the non-profit health field,” says Taylor.

Taylor’s fund-raising and musical odyssey has taken him from his formative years growing up in Mayfield, Ky., to Westport, Conn., where he graduated from high school, to Texas, California, Florida, Georgia, and now Tennessee. Along the way, he has held positions of increasing responsibility with the American Cancer Society, American Heart Association, Arthritis Foundation, and Vanderbilt.

He has often felt the back-and-forth tug of the business-like world of his development career and the far less structured realm of musical creativity and performance. This was especially the case when Taylor spent much of the 1970s in Los Angeles, immersing himself in the musical culture of the area, before moving to Florida, where he plunged back into fund-raising.

“I had gone to L.A. to get into acting, but began hanging out with musicians and songwriters at the Whiskey A Go-Go and the Troubadour on the Sunset Strip, doing some performing and also taking a songwriting course at UCLA,” says Taylor. “I met musicians who had played for the Byrds and the Animals and Gram Parsons.”

After almost seven years of living in the Malibu region of L.A. and doing odd jobs while pursuing his musical interests, Taylor left for Florida with wife, Susan, and three-year-old daughter, Simone (their son, Trevor, was born in 1983), to work for the American Cancer Society. “I had a beard and hair down my back when I left L.A.,” recalls Taylor. Following a stay in Atlanta to work for the American Cancer Society and the American Heart Association, the Taylors arrived in Nashville in 1985.

After stints with the AHA and Arthritis Foundation, Taylor was lured to Vanderbilt through some contacts he had at the school. His work at cultivating major gifts finds him on the road as much as 70 percent of the time, especially during a current $1.25 billion campaign.

“A lot of people think Vanderbilt has all the money in the world because we have a $2.35 billion endowment, but Emory’s is $4 billion, Princeton’s is $10 billion, and Harvard’s is $23 billion, so we’re competing heads-up with schools that, in some cases, have 10 times our endowment,” says Taylor.

Because of its prominence in the recording industry, Nashville has provided fertile ground for Taylor’s musical interests. Once Upon A Time is the culmination of a near-lifetime of songwriting and performing, mainly in rhythm and blues, blues, and rock.

The 13-song album is notable for its supporting cast, which includes soul legends Spooner Oldham and Dan Penn, Jimmy Griffin of the group Bread, and other A-list players.

Scotty Moore, one of rock’s seminal guitarists, is featured on “Please Dear.” Moore was in the tiny Sun Studios recording room with Elvis Presley in 1954 when Presley began to merge various musical strands into what became rock and roll. Moore played lead guitar on such quintessential Presley hits as “Heartbreak Hotel,” “Blue Suede Shoes,” “Jailhouse Rock,” and many more.

Among its outstanding reviews, Once Upon A Time received an excellent write-up from Stereophile magazine, which included the album in its list of “Records to Die For” as a top-80 selection for 2003.

That’s a long way from Taylor’s Transy days, when he teamed with classmates Jerry Morse ‘66, Keith Windley ‘67, Bill Scott ‘67, Al Edwards ‘68, John Gaitskill ‘68, and Kelley Moseley ‘68 to form the band Little Hilton and the Artesians and play at sock hops and a Mt. Sterling radio station.

Transylvania gave Taylor both a taste of the music business and an undergraduate degree (history major), providing the basis for both his avocation and his primary career. “A liberal arts education is like having a Swiss Army Knife—you can use it in so many ways,” says Taylor. “I revere the opportunities I had at Transylvania.”

—WILLIAM A. BOWDEN
Amy Souder Bolar, Flemingsburg, Ky., a music educator for the Fleming County public school system, presented units at four national conventions in Phoenix, Atlanta, Philadelphia, and San Antonio. She received National Board Certification in 2003 and was a finalist for Ashland’s Teacher of the Year Award.

Stephen P. Mann, Dry Ridge, Ky., has joined the accounting firm of Rohrkemper Ossege & Combs in Cincinnati.

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Katherine R. Lobe has moved to Lilburn, Ga., and taken a job at Atlanta Magazine as a sales representative.

Nicholas T. Whitehouse, Brooklyn, has received his master’s degree in urban affairs and public policy with a concentration in community development and non-profit leadership. Nick is currently working as an interfaith community organizer at the Partnership for the Homeless in New York City.

Shannon A. Board, Cincinnati, is pursuing an MBA and master of arts in arts administration through a joint degree program at the University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music.

Colmon Eiridge, Cynthiana, has been named vice president for public policy for the Kentucky Association of Regional Programs.

Rachael E. McCartney, Brooklyn, received her master’s degree in social work in May 2005 from Columbia University and is a New York State licensed master of social work from the University of Louisville in May 2005.

Mary Ann Miranda, Nashville, is an attorney with the firm of Baker, Donelson, Bearman, Caldwell & Berkowitz.

Alexia Schempp Couch, Columbus, Md., is a staff development teacher in Montgomery County and is currently working on her administrator’s certificate. She just earned her National Board of Professional Teaching Standards certification in early adolescence mathematics.

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Nicholas T. Whitehouse, Brooklyn, has received his master’s degree in urban affairs and public policy with a concentration in community development and non-profit leadership. Nick is currently working as an interfaith community organizer at the Partnership for the Homeless in New York City.

Shannon A. Board, Cincinnati, is pursuing an MBA and master of arts in arts administration through a joint degree program at the University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music.

Colmon Eiridge, Cynthiana, has been named vice president for public policy for the Kentucky Association of Regional Programs.

Rachael E. McCartney, Brooklyn, received her master’s degree in social work in May 2005 from Columbia University and is a New York State licensed master of social work from the University of Louisville in May 2005.
As a student at Transylvania, Jeannie Simpson ‘94 knew she didn’t want to be a lawyer.

“I was dead set against it,” she said. “I didn’t think it suited me. I took an intro to legal systems course and that confirmed that I wasn’t at all interested in law.”

But after four years of teaching and learning in Japan, Simpson realized law school could open up a number of career options, from government, to policy making, to private practice. She began taking the necessary steps to apply, which was not very easy in a foreign country.

“I was in Tokyo without access to LSAT (Law School Admission Test) preparation materials,” she recalls. “I e-mailed political science professor Don Dugi for general advice on how to prepare, and the next week a courier arrived with a huge stack of practice tests from him.

“This scenario epitomizes what makes Transy remarkable. It’s not just the small class sizes or the well-rounded education you get from a liberal arts environment. It’s the professors... professors who stay in touch with students in college and after college, who support students on traditional education paths as well as students on more winding paths.”

Simpson’s path took her to Stanford University Law School (she was accepted both there and at Harvard University Law School), then back to Japan to work in the Tokyo office of Morrison & Foerster LLP. She recently returned to the U.S. to join Morrison & Foerster’s Palo Alto, Calif., office, bringing with her the knowledge gained from years of intercultural experiences.

When Simpson learned about the Japan Exchange and Teaching (JET) program while completing her political science major at Transylvania, she never imagined the impact it would have on her life. A William T. Young Scholar and Fulbright Award finalist, Simpson was eager to live abroad after graduation and considered several opportunities. The Sturgis, Ky., native settled on JET, a program that allows college graduates to teach in junior and senior high schools and serve in local government organizations, because it offered the best infrastructure and opportunities for immersion.

As the only foreigner in Ikawa, the town where she was assigned to teach, Simpson could thoroughly absorb the Japanese language and culture.

“The people were very kind and welcomed me,” Simpson said. “Looking back now, I think ‘Wow, I was really alone,’ but at the time it didn’t bother me. I loved teaching and planning programs for my students.”

In addition to her regular classroom duties, Simpson organized trips to the U.S. for two groups of her students, taking them to Washington state and Kentucky. Philosophy professor Jack Furlong

and Transy alumna Robyn Brookshire ‘95 played hosts during one of the visits. Traveling abroad with students wasn’t part of the job description for JET teachers, but Simpson noticed that many of her colleagues were embracing the idea. She collected what she’d learned from her experiences and those of her colleagues into a book, which was published through JET.

Simpson also acted as an interpreter/travel assistant for the basketball team from Lexington’s Tates Creek High School, which had traveled to Akita, Japan, to play top Japanese high school teams and the Chinese national high school team in competition. She stayed in touch with a couple of the Chinese players, one of whom recently reminded her how small the world can be.

“Last fall I got an e-mail from one of the players saying that he’d joined Morrison & Foerster,” she said. “He’d become a lawyer in our Beijing office. That was such a surprise.”

Simpson spent three years in Ikawa with the JET program, then moved to Tokyo and formally studied Japanese for two years. In addition to Japan, Simpson has visited New Zealand, Thailand, Korea, China, and Inner Mongolia, where she took a rugged horseback riding trip with a company called I Will Not Complain.

After graduating from Stanford and joining Morrison & Foerster, Simpson became involved with the firm’s newly established real estate practice in Tokyo. She moved back to the U.S. earlier this year so she and her two-year-old daughter, Sophia, could be closer to family and to firm up her credentials in real estate acquisition and development work.

“I wanted to make sure there were no moth holes in my experience,” she said. “In Japan, I was doing real estate finance work, as well as coordinating translations and working with the Japanese attorneys. Since the acquisition and development documents are covered by Japanese laws and regulations, they were handled by the Japanese attorneys. I wanted to return to a U.S. office to get sufficient experience in the acquisition and development areas of real estate practice.”

Through all her travels and experiences, Transylvania has remained a source of strength for Simpson.

“At the end of the day, it’s nice to know there are people who support your decisions, people who can act as sounding boards. Transylvania is a constant, the North Star that I can position myself by. I knew I could contact Dr. Dugi if I had questions or ask Jack Furlong for advice. They were always super supportive as I would begin taking the next step. Dugi didn’t remind me how I’d said I’d never go to law school. He just sent me the practice tests.”

-KATHERINE C. PEARL
work. She is a recreational therapist at Urban Pathways in New York City. While in her master’s program, Rachael worked on an independent folk recording.

Alexander M. Roig, Lexington, is a partner in the firm of Family Financial Partners, which specializes in financial and investment solutions for families.

J. Roy Coyle, Lexington, is a financial consultant at Wealth Planning Group, Inc. He can be contacted through e-mail at royc@wealthplanlex.com.

J. Austin McCubbin, Frankfort, Ky., is employed by the Kentucky governor’s Office of Advance, which handles the coordination of the governor’s public appearance events.

MARRIAGES

Kathryn Claire Martin ’79 and Robert Thompson, December 19, 2004
Leslie Carol Riley ’80 and Stephen Theodore Nyx, April 9, 2005
Susan Beth Marine ’92 and Karen Anne Harp, September 24, 2005
Heather Marie Ireland ’95 and Brett Holz, October 8, 2005
Timothy Joseph Bernardi ’99 and Cassandre Ann Kingsland, June 18, 2005
David Lloyd Greenburg ’99 and Rebecca Ward, May 25, 2005
Tracy Leigh Pervine ’99 and Phillip Shumake, December 17, 2004
Richard Hampton Scullick III ’99 and Misty Marie Ball, September 17, 2005
Mary Elizabeth Corcoran ’00 and Alexander Barnett Griffin, February 26, 2005
Daniel Ryan McDowell ’00 and Kathryn Lucille Odorizzi, July 16, 2005
William Craig Miller ’00 and Amy Lyn Kelsch, June 25, 2005
Rhianna Mize ’00 and Gregory Scott Davis, May 15, 2005
Tara Lynne Nicholas ’00 and Hanns-Georg Reck, September 4, 2005
Julie Jefferson Rambo ’00 and Scott Alexander Vinton, June 18, 2005
Chris Elizabeth Barnes ’01 and Matthew Stuart Hatfield, August 27, 2005
Jill Lynn Hailer ’01 and Jonathan A. Adelson ’01, July 10, 2005
Elizabeth Ann Harel ’01 and John Robert RoBards, June 3, 2005
Amanda Carol Lester ’01 and Jeffrey K. Hill, May 14, 2004
Traci Lynne Wilde ’01 and Brian Dundas, May 7, 2005
Tamara Jane Bentley ’02 and David Caudill, April 29, 2005
T. Wilson Dickinson ’02 and Carly Marie Hampton ’03, May 28, 2005
Jessica Leigh Lowry ’02 and John Gregory McNamara, August 6, 2005
Abigail Candare Angkaw ’03 and Joshua Taylor Goldsmith ’03, November 26, 2005
Keith David Cecil ’03 and Kara Ann Guiliani ’03, July 30, 2005
Alexander Matthew Roig ’03 and Jamie Satterly, January 7, 2006
Susan Elizabeth Wells ’04 and Charles Wilson Mitchell, July 30, 2005
Matthew Ryan Robbins ’05 and Leah Catherine Simpson, June 4, 2005

BIRTHS

W. Preston Martin ’81 and Laura Beth Martin, a son, Jacob Alexander Martin, November 1, 2005
Dianne L. Davis ’86 and Christopher Brann, a daughter, Elke Ingrid Brann, June 24, 2005
Carie Tur Kimbrough ’88 and Scott Kimbrough, a daughter, Michaela Ann Kimbrough, June 28, 2005
Margaret Duff Lindsey ’88 and R. Bruce Lindsey, a son, Robert Bruce “Robby” Lindsey IV, March 12, 2005
Jo Beth Henson Jones ’89 and Ricky G. Jones, a son, Jesse Duke Jones, April 28, 2005
Elizabeth Cawood Overman ’91 and Bill Overman, a daughter, Caroline Cawood Overman, July 7, 2005
Joanna Gwinn-Estil ’92 and Robert Estill, a daughter, Grace Katherine Estill, October 3, 2005
Jennifer Maxwell Payne ’92 and Charles Payne, a daughter, Abigail Rae Payne, November 21, 2005
Jessica Hockensmith Blair ’93 and Matt Blair, a son, Jackson Tate Blair, July 21, 2004
J. Scott Kreutzer ’93 and Jeanne T. Kreutzer, a daughter, Louisa Scott Kreutzer, September 28, 2005
Elizabeth Wilkinson Marlette ’93 and Marc L. Marlette ’93, a son, Matthew Hunter Marlette, October 11, 2004
Johanna Fister Norvell ’93 and Robert B. Norvell, a son, Levi James Norvell, December 20, 2005
Jennifer Miller Arnold ’94 and Sam W. Arnold IV ’95, a daughter, Campbell Anne Arnold, September 24, 2005
Carmen Hall Caldera-Brazoska ’94 and Wayne Brzoska, a daughter, Cayla Rose Brzoska, September 13, 2005
Mary Little Buzard ’94 and Chris Buzard, a daughter, Leah Katherine Buzard, November 2, 2005
Benjamin L. Mackey ’94 and Andrea Jones Mackey ’96, a daughter, Hazel Violet Mackey, October 31, 2005
Ervin Roberts ’94 and Pheli Roberts, a daughter, Cecelia Marie Roberts, and a son, Jon Carver Mills Roberts, September 22, 2005
Fonda Shaye Carter ’95 and Terry L. Carter, twins, Alexa Rose Carter and Jackson Reece Carter, June 9, 2005
Deanna Osborne Lee ’95 and Craig Lee, a daughter, Sarah Elizabeth Lee, September 12, 2005
Loren McBride Stinnett ’95 and T. Clay Stinnett ’95, a daughter, Ellen Clay Stinnett, July 26, 2005
Kristina Davis Christensen ’96 and John Christensen, a son, John Kenneth “Jack” Christensen, June 27, 2005
Kimberly McLean Cron ’96 and Jeremy J. Cron, a son, James Merritt Cron, August 27, 2005
Alumni on-line community to debut

The Transy alumni office is working with the Internet Association Corporation to build an on-line community for alumni. This will be a secure, password protected site that alumni will be able to access from www.transy.edu. Services will include an on-line alumni directory, class notes, events calendar and registration, photo album, and more. Through this community, alumni will also be able to sign up for a lifetime e-mail address. For more information, watch your e-mail and check the alumni section of the Transylvania Web site, or contact Natasa Pajic ’96, director of alumni programs, at npajic@transy.edu.

Plan to Explore Alaska or enjoy the Shades of Ireland

The Transylvania Alumni Association, in partnership with Collette Vacations, is offering alumni and friends two exciting travel destinations during 2006—Alaska and Ireland. Both tours include round-trip air travel from Lexington, Louisville, or Cincinnati.

The Explore Alaska seven-night cruise features The History Channel's Steve Thomas, host of Save Our History. It takes place August 10-18 and includes 20 meals. Highlights are Juneau, Glacier Bay, Sitka, Ketchikan, Victoria, and the Inside Passage. Cost per person for double occupancy is $2,699.

The Shades of Ireland tour is September 19-28 and includes 13 meals. Highlights are medieval castle banquet, Cliffs of Moher, Galway, farm visit, Killarney, jaunting car ride, Ring of Kerry, Blarney Castle, Waterford Crystal, Kilkenny Castle stay, and Dublin. Cost is $2,999 per person for double occupancy.

For more information, contact Natasa Pajic ’96, director of alumni programs, at (800) 487-2679, npajic@transy.edu.

Transy Golf Classic set for May 15

Join Transy’s athletics department and the alumni office for the 2006 Transylvania Golf Classic, a four-player scramble set for Monday, May 15, at Marriott’s Griffin Gate Resort in Lexington. Lunch will be at 11:30 a.m., followed by a 1 p.m. shotgun start. Sponsorship opportunities are available.

For more information on the tournament or sponsorships, contact Cindy Jacobelli, associate director of athletics, at (859) 233-8663, cjacobelli@transy.edu, or Mark Blankenship ’81, director of development, at (859) 233-8402, mblankenship@transy.edu.

Get your Transy license plate and help support scholarships

Although 490 Transylvania alumni and friends living in Kentucky purchased or renewed their Transy license plates in 2004, the number fell short of that needed to reclaim the top spot among Kentucky’s independent colleges. With 551 license plates, Centre College held on to the number one position, according to the Association of Independent Kentucky Colleges and Universities. Rounding out the top five were Georgetown College (408), Berea College (171), and Kentucky Wesleyan College (152). The Kentucky Department of Transportation will release results of 2005 sales this fall.

Though most Kentucky residents renew vehicle registration during their birth month, you can get a Transy tag any time of the year. Take your registration and proof of insurance, plus payment for vehicle taxes and the Transy license plate, to your county clerk’s office; call first to ensure Transy plates are in stock. Transy plates cost $50 the first year and $25 in subsequent years, compared with $15 to renew a standard license plate. The $10 comes back to Transy in the form of a grant from the Kentucky Independent College Fund.

Transy led all Kentucky independent colleges and universities in license plate sales with 177 in 2002, the first year of the program, but slipped to second place in 2003 (418 plates).

Transy vs. Centre Baseball Challenge is May 3

The second annual Transy vs. Centre Baseball Challenge is set for Wednesday, May 3, at 7 p.m. at Applebee’s Park, home of the Lexington Legends minor league team. The game will take place just three days after Alumni Weekend 2006 (April 28-30). In the inaugural event, Transy defeated Centre 3-0.

The Bluegrass Alumni Chapter will host a family dinner for alumni and friends at the park prior to the game. For ticket prices, contact the athletics office at (859) 233-8548 or the alumni office at (859) 233-8213. Watch your mailbox and e-mail for more information.

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TRUSTEE AND RESIDENCE CENTER BENEFACCTOR

DON K. POOLE DIES

From left, the late William T. Young, then chairman of the Transylvania Board of Trustees, Don K. Poole, Doris Poole, and President Charles L. Shearer pose in front of the Poole Residence Center at the building’s dedication ceremony in 1990.

Don K. Poole, a Transylvania Board of Trustees member who gave the lead gift for construction of the Poole Residence Center, died December 21, 2005. He was 80.

A Lexington real estate developer, owner, and investor, Poole was known for his generosity. His business ventures began in 1944 when he opened Poole Motors on Main Street. He entered the realm of real estate during the housing shortage that followed World War II and eventually built more than 1,000 houses in parts of Zandale, Brookhaven, Southview, Cove Lake, Firebrook, Canoe Wood, and Headley Green subdivisions. His other Lexington projects included Hanover Towers Condominiums on South Hanover Avenue and the Downtowner Motel on East Main Street that was demolished in 1989.

In the 1970s and 1980s, Poole developed and operated 104 Long John Silver’s Seafood Shoppes in six states, plus Holiday Inns and Howard Johnson Motor Lodges in Ohio, West Virginia, and Florida. His other business endeavors included owning a horse farm, investing in Spendthrift Farm, being a major property owner in downtown Lexington, and acquiring major shareholder positions in banking operations.

Poole and his wife, Doris Wallace Poole, pledged $1 million to build Transylvania’s Poole Residence Center, which opened in 1990. The 19,000-square-foot residence center, located at the end of Kenilworth Court, houses 54 students.

“The Poole Residence Center was an excellent and much-needed addition,” said President Charles L. Shearer. “The suite-style accommodations offer students an inviting alternative to the traditional dormitory-style living arrangements, improving the overall quality of life on campus. We’re so grateful the Pooles supported this important project.”

The University awarded Poole the Transylvania Medal in 1995 in recognition of his outstanding service to the college.

OBITUARIES

Only alumni survivors are listed.


Clarelee Witte Arnold ’48, Corbin, Ky., died December 5, 2005. At Transylvania, she was a member of the a cappella choir and the quartet. She was a member of the Central Christian Church choir for over 50 years, sang at Temple Adath Isreal for Yom Kippur and Rosh Hashanah services for 25 years, and taught private piano lessons for over 15 years. She enjoyed sports, playing softball, basketball, and golf. Survivors include her husband, Clyde C. Arnold ’50, son Richard L. Arnold ’79, and brother, John Paul Witte ’56.

Ella Jean Kromer Perkinson ’48, Atlantis, Fla., died November 4, 2005. At Transylvania, she
she was a member of the a cappella choir, the Playmakers, and Phi Mu. She was a board member at Madison Avenue Christian Church in Latonia, Ky., a member and past matron of the Eastern Star, a member and former secretary of the Salvation Army Auxiliary and the Booth Hospital Auxiliary, a member of the Cincinnati Opera Guild and the Cincinnati Symphony guild, and a Kentucky Colonel. An accomplished porcelain artist, she was a member of the Dixie Porcelain Club in Northern Kentucky and the Gold Coast Porcelain Club in Florida. She received the Distinguished Service Award and the Moration Medallion from Transylvania for her support of the University.

Nelson Prewitt '48, Midway, Ky., died September 18, 2005. He was a farmer, a teacher, an estimator at Kawneer in Cynthia, Ky., and most recently, a property controller for the Kentucky Department of Parks. He was a member of Kappa Alpha fraternity, Transylvania’s Robert Barr Society, Midway Presbyterian Church, and the Midway Lions Club. Survivors include his sons, David H. Prewitt II ’76 and N. Lewis Prewitt ’78.

Rosalyn Eilenberg Rozen ’50, Richmond, Ky., died October 13, 2005. She served as a WAVES during World War II, rising to be one of the youngest chief petty officers in the U.S. Navy. She earned a master’s degree in counseling from Eastern Kentucky University and served on the Richmond Parks Board and the Transylvania Alumni Board. She was a past president of the Richmond Women’s Club and the current president of the Richmond Garden Club. She was a member of the Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., Garden Club, the Red Hat Society, Richmond Homemakers, and Richmond area arts club. Survivors include her daughter, Alycia I. Rozen ’76.

Arthur E. Hearron Jr. ’57, Kalamazoo, Mich., died April 2, 2005. At Transylvania, he was active in both vocal and instrumental musical groups and was a member of Delta Sigma Phi. He served four years in the U.S. Air Force. He received a business administration degree from Washburn University of Topeka in 1961, along with The Wall Street Journal Award, and worked for the Kansas State Health Department as a statistician for several years. He then earned an M.P.H. in biostatistics from the University of Michigan and worked for the Michigan State Health Department before joining the UpJohn Company, where he designed and analyzed drug trials. He and his wife supported many endowments for the arts at universities including the University of Michigan, Western Michigan University, and Transylvania.

Penelope Hebbert Hands ’65, Maryville, Tenn., died December 8, 2005. At Transylvania, she was a member of Delta Delta Delta. She worked for Pretty Please, Inc., a children’s clothing company in New York City, where she rose to the position of executive vice president. She was a member of the Episcopal Church. Survivors include her husband, James A. Hands Jr. ’64.

Thomas Hays Speed ’74, Charlotte, N.C., died October 2, 2005. Survivors include his wife, Elizabeth Bishop Speed ’74.

Mary Katherine Gilchrist Maxwell ’79, Lexington, died October 20, 2005.


Frank Rose ’42 and Tommye Rose cut the cake celebrating Transy’s 175th anniversary in 1955.

FORMER TRANSYLVANIA FIRST LADY TOMMYE STEWART ROSE DIES

Tommye Stewart Rose, widow of Frank A. Rose ’42, former president of Transylvania University and the University of Alabama, died December 28, 2005. She was 84.

The Roses joined the Transylvania community in 1951 when Frank Rose, at age 30, became one of the youngest men ever elected as a college president. During his tenure at Transylvania, the college launched its first major capital campaign of $1.5 million in honor of its 175th anniversary, hosted President Dwight D. Eisenhower at the 1954 dedication of Frances Carrick Thomas Library, and experienced an overall rejuvenation that continued long after his departure in 1957.

Tommye Rose attended Asbury College and graduated from the University of Kentucky. Active in civic affairs in Lexington and Tuscaloosa, Ala., she devoted time to the Transylvania Woman’s Club, Central Kentucky Women’s Club, International Book Project, PEO Sisterhood: Chapter F, Holiday Market, Junior League, Meals on Wheels, and various garden clubs. She was a member of the Central Christian Church in Lexington and the United Methodist churches in Tuscaloosa and Wilmore.

The University presented Tommye Rose the Irvin E. Lunger Award in 1992 in recognition of her special service to the college.

Correction

The obituary for M. Ray Schultz ’50 that appeared in the Fall 2005 Transylvania magazine incorrectly listed his home state. Schultz had resided in Cantonsville, Maryland, prior to his death. Transylvania regrets the error.

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.
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Transylvania players and fans celebrate the Pioneers’ thrilling 91-88 victory on March 4 over The College of Wooster in the second round of the NCAA Division III Men’s Basketball Championship, hosted by Transy in a packed Beck Center. Transy defeated Mississippi College 76-64 in sectional play at Wittenberg University the next weekend, then fell 74-61 to Wittenberg, a previous national champion, in the Elite Eight, ending the season with a 27-5 record and just one game shy of going to the Final Four. This was the first time a Pioneer basketball team had reached that national level in post-season play. *Photo by Denny Bridges*