Christ above all
"Our lives have been formed, sometimes by passive absorption, sometimes through active infusion, by an environment that sets Christ as its standard. There is no way for any one of us to walk out of here unaffected by the reality of “Christ above all.”

These words from senior class President David Shifrin's address at Vespers before commencement, spoken on behalf of this year's graduating class, are true also for the thousands who have been a part of Bryan College over its 75-year history as a Christian liberal arts college.

In his address, David expressed what it means to practice loving God with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength when he spoke of his passion for Christ and His kingdom and when he talked of his striving toward the challenges of a Christian life well-lived. Daily I am reminded that Bryan's desire to educate the mind, inspire the heart, and challenge to service is being fulfilled as we develop leaders in many vocations who are making a difference for the Kingdom of Christ.

My ultimate goal as president is to ensure that Bryan's mission of educating students to become servants of Christ to make a difference in today's world is strengthened and enhanced through all facets of our college. Bryan College excels in her purpose because we remain faithful to our founders' vision and realize that only God's wisdom stands the test of time, and we can expect to have His blessing only if we are faithful to His Word.

On that firm foundation, we look with great anticipation to the launching of a new school year and to what God has in store for the returning and new students in this exciting 75th Anniversary year when we expect record enrollment of 750 on our Dayton and Chattanooga campuses.

Let me urge you to be part of this year's homecoming activities Oct. 1-2. Among many other exciting events, you're invited to the unveiling of the life-size statue of William Jennings Bryan on the Rhea County Courthouse lawn, where you'll enjoy the sound of a 200-voice Bryan College and community choir and eat from the 75-foot cake that will be made especially for the occasion.

This fall marks a major milestone in our college's history with the launching of our first on-line distance learning courses, created and taught from a biblical world and life view by our faculty. These courses will be available to qualified home school students for dual enrollment credit as well as to other students who desire college credit.

In addition, the Bryan Center for Critical Thought and Practice, after its successful inaugural seminar this spring, looks forward to several outstanding 2005-2006 seminars. Remember to subscribe to the Center's complimentary periodical, Illumine, by sending your mailing address to alumni@bryan.edu. Also, if you're not yet receiving the college's e-newsletter E-lumine, a monthly update on the exciting stories of students, alumni, faculty, and campus activities, send your e-mail address to alumni@bryan.edu.

Join us this year in jubilant celebration of God's goodness to Bryan College for 75 years and in the vision for Bryan's bright future in faithfulness to our Lord Jesus Christ.

Stephen D. Livesay
A Bryan College education is special, the college declares, because of its foundation on God’s Word and commitment to academic excellence.

Three seniors, who received their degrees May 7, spoke of their experiences at Bryan, which address the quality of the college’s program. Their words should be an encouragement to alumni and a challenge to prospective students.

Anneli Horner, president of the Student Government Association, received the Bachelor of Arts degree in Communication Arts. Anneli is from Aurora, Colo., and joined the Bryan staff as assistant director of the Worldview Teams in June.

Harold “Bimbo” McCawley is a department manager at the La-Z-Boy plant and owns several businesses in Dayton. He received the Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration: Business Management through the Aspire degree completion program.

David Shifrin, president of the Class of 2005, spoke at the Vespers service the night before graduation. David received the Bachelor of Science degree, with high honors, in Biology.

**The College Experience**

“For some of us, our years at Bryan have been predominantly an extension of our high school education. For others, their time here has represented a vast change in their lives.”
“Many graduates are about to embark on second and even third careers. Many have lived in the surrounding dorms while others have driven many miles to come to further their education here on the hill.” - Bimbo McCawley.

“Our lives have been formed, sometimes by passive absorption, sometimes through active infusion, by an environment that sets Christ as its standard. There is no way for any one of us to walk out of here unaffected by the reality of ‘Christ above all.’” - David Shifrin.

A Bryan College Education

“What was the purpose? To get a degree? To enable us to get jobs and maybe better society? Yes, partly. But there is a deeper purpose: it is to teach, equip, and mentor students to grieve over the way of the world, and yet to hope, and believe, that the reality of reconciliation through the Grace of Jesus Christ is true.

“An education at Bryan College has not hidden us from sorrow; it has not sheltered us from doubt or disenchantment. Our education at Bryan has, in fact, required us to confront the reality of pain to express the reality of salvation.” - Anneli Horner

“There is much discussion these days about leaders and managers. According to popular teaching, leaders have the visions and set goals for the people and organizations to follow. Managers handle the day-to-day marshaling of resources under their charge.

“In our Christian life, God must be the leader of our lives, our families, and their future. God will set the direction, He will establish the priorities, and He will provide the resources. All we must do is be the manager. And that, my friends, sums up the opportunity we’ve been afforded as graduates of Bryan College.” - Bimbo McCawley
The “Real” World

“It’s not that we are leaving college for ‘the real world,’ because we live in the real world now. I despise this phrase for it implies that our lives prior to this day were a rehearsal, a childish game, and it demeans the story of our growth.

“Our lives here were very real because we loved here, our hearts were broken here, our ideals shattered and our worldview challenged here. After today, we will fight new idols, new shades of chaos and realize—I pray—that all of the world is real, and it is because we have lived in the real world while at Bryan that our decisions mattered and our lives have changed.”
- Anneli Horner

“So now we take our newly minted degrees and run off to real life—which, Dr. [Peter] Held [vice president for student life] has assured me, isn’t that bad. We have been on both the giving and receiving end of ministry and I hope that we will make the most of it. Our highest aim is to glorify God and enjoy Him forever, says John Piper. With that comes nothing short of a royal decree commanding us to use our every fiber to pursue God and exhort others to pursue Him. Love as Christ loved—unconditionally and with joy—and enjoy life. Please friends, have fun. - David Shifrin

A Shared Heritage

“To our teachers and professors I want to say ‘thank you’ for your time, your commitment, and for pouring into our lives. You have taught us the foundations for our chosen majors, and so much more than that. You have taught us through your lives of faithfulness and grace, and we know this because you welcomed us into your homes and made us a part of your family.

“You taught us so much about grace when you forgave us our mediocrity, helped us pick up the broken pieces of our effort, and renewed the challenge to try again. You gave us something we desperately needed—truth incarnated—and you have helped us believe in God. Thank you for your commitment to us.

“To our families: Thank you for your support, thank you for letting us go.”
- Anneli Horner

“Consider then, where these few years factor into our lives, how we can claim the people at Bryan as our Christian ancestors. The women who keep our campus spotless and beautiful live out the idea that a job well done is worth the time spent. Our profs, whose open-door policies taught us time lost from work to a student who needs to talk isn’t really lost. Matt Benson’s endless vision casting and big ideas remind us that there is no reason not to aim high for the sake of the Kingdom. Dr. Livesay’s humility in admitting to us that mistakes were made showed us the mark of a true man and leader. With passion, intensity, and decisiveness he has taken hold of this school and drawn it into a new era, and shown us that one who leads well does so with Christ-like humility and vigor, while standing proudly by his work.”
- David Shifrin

Bryan President Dr. Stephen D. Livesay presents Verena Bender Hekman, a 1955 graduate, with an honorary 50th Anniversary diploma. Twenty-one Golden Graduates participated in the weekend’s festivities.

You gave us something we desperately needed...”
- Anneli Horner
Farewell

“I want to thank you, Class of 2005, for all your hard work, your dedication to academic excellence, leadership, to love and forgiveness.

“We have learned a great deal together, ‘neath the red and gold. May we be a people who are broken but hopeful, known as those who cling to our faith in the reality of our personal, loving, just Savior, Jesus Christ.” - Anneli Horner

Bryan President Dr. Stephen D. Livesay added his commendations to the class:

“I commend you to unlock the secret of a successful life—of yielding yourselves each day to God’s word and His hand of guidance.

“I commend you to God’s providential hand for care and keeping.

“I commend you to honoring the motto of your alma mater—Christ above all—for as you live out that motto, you honor Bryan College and all who have gone on before you. As you do so, you give encouragement and support to all who continue on in the ministry of Bryan College—that Bryan would remain faithful to her mission for the next 75 years, should the Lord tarry.

“I commend you to living lives of excellence—lives of leadership in the vocation to which you are called and for which you have been prepared.

“And finally, and most significantly, I commend you to the greatest of commandments—to love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, all your strength, and all your mind, and to love your neighbor as yourself.

“May God bless you richly in the years to come.”

“We have been on both the giving and receiving end of ministry and I hope we make the most of it.”

-David Shifrin

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Anneli Horner

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Traditional: Eva Holder
Aspire: Cheryl Goins

Most Progress
Julie Daniels

Faithfulness and Loyalty
Olivia Fessler

Eva Holder
Paul Downer and Anneli Horner
Cheryl Goins and Dr. Bob Andrews

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ryan’s 75th anniversary celebration continues with three events this summer and fall, with thought turning toward a Homecoming spectacular.

From July 15 to 17, Bryan College and the Dayton Chamber of Commerce teamed up to present the annual reenactment of the 1925 Scopes Evolution Trial, which led to the founding of the organization that established Bryan College.”

“In the trial, a national organization was established to found a college in his memory. Five years later, Bryan College opened its doors.”

In addition, festival organizers are planning to recognize founders and incorporators of the college, and to hold a book signing for John Perry, co-author with Dr. Marvin Olasky, of a new book on the Scopes Trial, *Monkey Business: The True Story of the Scopes Trial*.

The Staley Distinguished Christian Scholar Lecture series Sept. 19-21, will feature presentations by Dr. John Woodbridge of Trinity Evangelical Divinity School. Dr. Woodbridge will speak on the theme “Lessons from our

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**1920s**

**July 1925:** William Jennings Bryan came to Dayton to support the prosecution in the historic Scopes Evolution Trial. While in Dayton, Bryan expressed his dream for a college that would put Christ above all. On July 26, 1925, the Great Orator died peacefully in his sleep from a stroke.

**September 1925:** A national committee of over fifty Bryan supporters formed the Bryan Memorial University Association, designed to establish a university to honor the Great Commoner.

**November 1926:** After considering locations in Washington, D.C., and Miami, the Bryan Memorial Association purchased Matthews Hill in Dayton for $6,654.33. Groundbreaking for the university was held on November 5, 1926.
Evangelical Heritage.”

Dr. Cornelius said sculptor Cessna Decosimo is making progress on the life-size statue of William Jennings Bryan, which is to be unveiled during the homecoming Oct. 1. In addition to Bryan alumni and friends, state and national government leaders have been invited to the program on the Rhea County Courthouse lawn.

Dr. Cornelius said the statue will be unique in that it is the only one to depict Mr. Bryan as a young man, about the time of his successful congressional campaigns.

Homecoming festivities will include a 25th reunion for the Class of 1980. Class members are invited to contact Tom Branson or Tim Cox to help make plans for the event.

A highlight of homecoming will be the alumni awards and concert Oct. 1, when the Alumni of the Year are named, and the college Chorale presents a scene from “The Ballad of Baby Doe,” an opera which features William Jennings Bryan.

Alumni Coordinator Warren Cole invites alumni to nominate individuals for Alumni of the Year recognition by visiting the Bryan web site at www.bryan.edu/1371.html and filling out the nomination form on line.

Homecoming will conclude with an alumni worship service Sunday morning in Rudd Auditorium, with Dr. John Oliver speaking. Dr. Oliver, professor of practical theology at

1930s-40s

September 1930: William Jennings Bryan Memorial University began classes at the former Rhea Central High School.

Fall 1934: Students helped in the construction of the first floor of the Administration Building. Although the rooms were not finished, they were usable in time for fall classes.

April 1947: The White Chapel, originally an army chapel on a base in Tullahoma, Tenn., was assembled on the Bryan College campus. In addition to accommodating chapel services and weddings, The White Chapel, which was demolished in the 80s, provided housing and classroom space.

1950s-60s

1952: The Administration Building was finally completed.

Sprinl 1955-Fall 1956: Students organized the Common Cents Campaign, which aimed to raise one million pennies for the completion of a library. In October 1956, the H.A. Ironside Memorial Library was dedicated.

1959: Bryan was approved for teacher certification.
Friday, September 30
Alumni Golf Tournament: 12pm
Classes of 1934-1960,
Cluster Reunion: 6pm
Class of 1980 25th Reunion: 6pm
Women’s Volleyball Game:
Evening
Parents’ Reception: 7pm
Alumni Gathering: 7:30pm
Alumni Soccer Games: 9pm
Alumni Basketball Shootout: 9pm

Saturday, October 1
Worldview Presentation for Alumni
and Parents: 9am
Class reunions: 9:15am
75th Anniversary Celebration: 11am
Join us as we celebrate 75 years of Bryan
College by enjoying a performance by the
alumni choir, unveiling the life-size statue of
William Jennings Bryan, hearing from
sculptor Cessna Decosimo and feasting on a
75 ft. long cake!
Men’s Soccer Game: 2pm
Alumni Softball Game: TBA
Alumni Dinner: 5pm
Alumni Award Presentation and
Concert: 7pm

Sunday, October 2
Alumni Worship Service: 10am
Speaker: Dr. John Oliver,
professor at Reformed
Theological Seminary,
Charlotte, N.C.
Homecoming Concludes

Alumni of the Year
It could be you...
The Bryan College Alumni Association
is looking for nominations for
Alumni of the Year.
Submit the name of a B.C. alum and tell why you have
nominated him or her to:

online: www.bryan.edu/alumni
e-mail: alumni@bryan.edu
mail: Alumni of the Year
Bryan College
P.O. Box 7000
Dayton, TN 37321

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Reformed Theological Seminary, “had many happy visits in the past [to Bryan] and opportunities to preach in chapels as well as in series of services,” he said in his note accepting the invitation.

Looking ahead, the 75th anniversary celebration will wrap up with a national symposium on the Scopes Trial March 20-21, 2006. Two of the 13 speakers will be Dr. Edward J. Larson, recipient of the 1998 Pulitzer Prize in History for his book on the Scopes Trial, *Summer for the Gods*, and Dr. Ronald Numbers, an authority on the history of creationism.

### 1970s-80s

**1975:** The Bryan soccer team captured the state tournament title and the NCCAA championship title under Coach John Reeser.

**1976:** Rudd Memorial Auditorium was completed.

**1978:** Dr. David Luther and his wife, Dr. Sigrid Luther joined the Bryan College music faculty.

**1984:** Woodlee-Ewing Dormitory was completed

**May 4, 1986:** President Theodore Mercer died just days before what would have been his 30th commencement.

### 1990s-2000s

**1999:** The Erwin D. and Lane Latimer Student Center opens.

**Feb 6, 2000:** Students, faculty and staff watch in horror as the Administration Building sustains heavy damage by a fire that began on the third floor. But the Lord made beauty from ashes. The building was reconstructed and a new Ironside Memorial Library opened 18 months later.
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James Morring knew a good deal when he saw it, so he decided to help himself and help Bryan College at the same time.

Mr. Morring came to Bryan when the college was located in the former Rhea County Central High School, and helped build the first floor of Mercer Hall (the Administration Building). “I took Bible and general subjects,” he said. “I didn’t really work toward a degree.”

Originally from Whitwell, Tenn., his family had moved to Pennsylvania while he was young. He was invited to come to Bryan by his cousin, Ralph Toliver, ’37, and lived with the Toliver family in Dayton. He also lived in the Octagon on campus, and in the Aqua Hotel where he worked to help pay for his education.

Although he left without earning a degree, he met Jeanette Lindsey, ’39x, who later became his wife. The couple was married nearly 65 years before Jeanette died in 1992.

From the construction job that took him from Bryan, he moved into factory work, then into sales, selling aluminum pots and pans. The outbreak of World War II diverted aluminum to the war effort, so he took a job at Oak Ridge, Tenn., helping manufacture materials for the atomic bomb.

After the war, he returned to selling pots and pans to support his family, which grew to include a daughter and son. The Korean War interrupted his sales job, so he decided to make another change.

“I was a born salesman, and I decided to go into something that there would never be a shortage of—paper,” he said, laughing. “A life insurance policy is paper, but what’s on the paper is important.”

He joined the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. in Chattanooga, Tenn., and became one of the first two agents in that area to reach the Millionaire’s Club for sales. He retired after 27 years with the company.

His time at Bryan made an indelible impression on his life.

“I’m convinced my life would have been very different if it hadn’t been for Bryan College. For example, I wouldn’t have met my wife, and I probably wouldn’t have been active in church much through the years, if it hadn’t been for my experience at Bryan.

“I feel good that Bryan has kept its motto of Christ above all, all these years,” he said. “The college has done a terrific job sending people to the mission field and educating students, regardless of what they are going into, to make a difference in the world.”

After his wife died, he sold some property and had assets available to invest. He was aware of Bryan’s gift annuity program, which aids the college while the donor receives tax benefits plus a guaranteed income for life.

“I thought, this is a good deal for me and a good deal for the college. Why not do it?” he said.

As a result, Mr. Morring has been able to triple his income from that investment over what he was earning previously, Development Director Jim Barth explained.

And Mr. Morring said that could come in handy.

“When I was in my 80’s, I said I would try for 90. After I reached 90, my doctor and I agreed that I ought to shoot for 100.”

And part of that effort is the financial preparation he has made with his Bryan gift annuity.
Enter Field looked like it had been turned into a school playground rather than a collegiate baseball stadium this spring as the Bryan Lions traded in their “player” roles and became coaches.

At the invitation of Coach Joel Johnson, teams from the Dayton Dizzy Dean Baseball League came to the college for clinics that offered instruction on hitting, fielding, throwing, and running fundamentals. Members of the Bryan baseball team took on the role of coaches, giving personal attention to the teams of 5- and 6-, 7- and 8-, and 9- and 10-year-old athletes from the community.

“It was a great opportunity to share with the community we live in,” junior Taylor Hasty said of the clinics. “The kids really seemed to enjoy it, and it was rewarding to see them get better in such a short period of time.”

At the same time, Coach Johnson was able to work with the Dizzy Dean coaches on drills to help their players.

“The kids really loved being on the college field,” Coach Johnson said. “We showed them where some of the guys had hit home runs, and they were in awe. My players really enjoyed the time as well.” Another exciting aspect of the clinics was to

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- Taylor Hasty
see the field full of players and their parents, building stronger relationships between the college and the community.

Alan Smith, president of the Dayton Dizzy Dean Baseball League, was equally enthusiastic.

“It was great. The kids loved it, the coaches loved it. As a coach myself, I really enjoyed seeing the college players interacting with my team. This is something we want to do again next year.”

While the clinics were designed to instruct young players on baseball fundamentals, Coach Johnson said it can have a benefit for his players as well.

“As any teacher or coach knows, you have to be prepared to teach someone else. These clinics made our players stop and think about things that are pretty much automatic for them as college athletes. I hope teaching fundamentals will sharpen my players’ attention to the little things that can make them better athletes in the long run.”
Dear Alumni,

Greetings from your new Alumni Coordinator!

My name is Warren Cole and as of this spring I am the new guy in the Bryan College Alumni Relations Office. I aim to change the direction of our Alumni Association. I have been looking at the past interactions of the alumni office and our alumni in hopes of devising better ways to encourage alumni to be steadfast in Christ as they continue to make a difference in today’s world.

Every day I realize how much potential this school has; Bryan is an amazing college filled with amazing students, faculty, and staff which created the best alumni in America. And we all believe that Christ is above all.

Things have changed since all of us went to school. Once there was an Octagon and White Chapel, and the cafeteria, library, and classrooms were in the same building. Because of a fire, the Lord blessed us with new buildings, and now a new entrance is on the way. This is our heritage, and we should be proud of it. Christ remains above all, and the Lord is continuing to bless us.

The problem I’ve discovered is that alumni do not know what is going on with their alma mater. I have heard over and over again from alumni that they have no idea what is happening, but the desire to know is there.

I want to focus on bridging the communication gap using resources we have here, and I also want to start up alumni chapters around the nation. If you’re interested in being involved with creating an alumni chapter in your area, please call me. I want to talk with you.

No one can argue the fact that we have graduated from a college that has dramatically shaped our lives, and the foundations that were strengthened in our lives at Bryan College are impacting us daily. I aim to cultivate those foundations, continuing to build upon them, so that even our 50-year graduates will be able to say that Bryan is continuing to change and shape their lives.

I invite you to join me in this effort. Start an alumni chapter. Call a classmate. Call, write, or email me (warren.cole@bryan.edu) and— together—let’s see good things happen at Bryan College!

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**a look at**

**Warren Cole**

**Graduated:**

2003

**Degree:**

B.A. in Business Administration

**Hometown:**

Wichita, Kan.

**College Activities:**

Student Government Association
Practical Christian Involvement
Intramural sports

**Experience:**

Human Resources
UnumProvident, Chattanooga
Small Business Owner
wcgallery.com

**Hobbies:**

Pottery, artwork, golf

**Favorite College Memory:**

Hanging out with the guys in the Rhea House.

**Contact:**

warren.cole@bryan.edu
R. WAYNE SNIDER, ’50, has retired from teaching history at Grace College in Winona Lake, Ind., after 50 years.

NAOMI (HILDEBRAND), ’55, and Roger WALKWITZ have traveled extensively in the past year, including an 80-day trip that took them from Florida to Canada, to California and back to Florida. Along the way they met alumni KEN, ’56, and NORMA (NANDREA), ’59, CAMPBELL; and CHUCK, ’53, and JANICE (BAER), ’55, THORNTON.

Roger and Naomi also traveled to Israel, the Philippines, and to Bryan for Naomi’s golden anniversary class reunion in May. They continue their Menorah Ministries.

ALAN JOHNSON, ’57, retired after 31 years as professor of biblical studies and Christian ethics at Wheaton College and Graduate School in 2000, but continues as an adjunct professor of Christian ethics in the graduate school. His commentary on I Corinthians was published in 2004 by InterVarsity Press. He and his wife, Rea, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Oct. 2, 2004, with 27 family members, including all 19 grandchildren present.

PAUL, ’72, and ANNETTE (HENDERSON), ’73, HAYWARD, who serve with TEAM as bookstore managers in Empangeni, South Africa, have decided to leave South Africa in August and return to the States for family reasons. They are praying for the Lord to supply a replacement so their bookstore ministry can continue.

DR. GERRY MATHISEN, ’72, is pastor of adult ministries at Green Bay Community Church, Green Bay, Wisc.

BRIAN, ’77, and Debbie SCHRAUGER celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary this past year. Brian is working on a book on understanding and surviving a pilgrimage of sorrow. Debbie’s housecleaning business is booming, and she is working to launch a line of greeting cards. The Schraugers live in Nashville, Tenn.

CHARLIE, ’79, and SHARON (WOY-CHUK), ’81, GOODMAN and their family are on home assignment with World Team this summer, but feel the Lord is leading them to end their ministry in Spain. They plan to return to Spain briefly to sell their house and say farewell to their friends and co-workers. Now, they are investigating other possibilities following their home assignment time.

Dave and JAN (WIGGERS), ’79, BOTHWELL, who serve with Wycliffe Bible Translators in Waxhaw, N.C., traveled to Kenya, Africa, to attend area meetings with co-workers, and Dave traveled to Australia, Papua New Guinea and Indonesia, where they had lived, to consult about JAARS support services.
DAVID TROMANHAUSER, ’80, and ANNA (BARTH) CAMMENGA, ’84, were married Jan. 1, at the Rhea County Courthouse in Dayton, Tenn. The Rev. RONALD RUARK, ’80, officiated the ceremony. The Tromanhausers live in Dayton.

DAVE, ’81, and KATHY (DAY), ’82, CLASSEN had several memorable travel experiences in the past year, including a family tour through the western United States and Kathy’s trip to England and Scotland with a friend. The family also took a missions trip to Bolivia in March. While there, they spent time with ELDON, ’79, and Becky PORTER, who serve as field leaders for their mission in Cochabama.

MONIQUE (PIERCE) COCANOUGHER, ’83, writes from Fort Walton Beach, Fla., that she and her husband, David, bought a new home in July, 2004 and spent several months remodeling. Dave works at Eglin Air Force Base in munitions testing, and Monique is a busy mom for their children, Caitlin, 15, and Robert, 10. She is active in their church’s adult choir and handbell choir.

LT. COL. BOE BARI‐NOWSKI, ’85, returned from Operation Enduring Freedom with the 75th Ranger Regiment and has moved to West Point with his wife, Laurie, and their three children, Madeline, 4; Silas, 2; and Elijah 3 months. He is an instructor at the U.S. Military Academy and plans to stay there for three years.

GREGORY, ’87x, and SUZANNE (SHEPPARD), ’92, BACON, with their children Lauren, 11, and in the fifth grade, and Jeremy, 8, and in the third grade, recently moved to a larger house in Lincoln, Neb. Gregory is starting his eighth year as director of international advancement at Back to the Bible, with frequent travel overseas. Suzanne started working for a lobbyist as his administrative assistant and is also doing the bookkeeping for their church.

STEVE, ’87, and LOIS (SILVEY), ’90, SNYDER began serving as missionaries in Brazil with South American Mission in January. Their children are Leah, Charlie, Jack, and Sarah. They may be contacted via email at slsnyder@samlink.org.

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1990s

JAMES, ’90, and Andrea ARNETTE announce the birth of their second child, a daughter, Ashley Crae, on Nov 16, 2004. Ashley joins her older brother, Joshua, 2. The Arnette family lives in Charlotte, N.C.

PEGGY SHOE, ’91, is an assistant teacher for a high school career center in Hillsborough County, Fla., (the Tampa area). She also teaches a 6th grade Sunday school class at Bell Shoals Baptist Church in Brandon, Fla.

GEOFF and KIM (OVERTON) WYMER, both ’93, live in Columbia, Tenn., where Geoff teaches 8th grade math in a middle school of visual and performing arts. He also teaches the advanced guitar class and sponsors the school’s guitar club. Kim resigned as director of Sylvan Career Starters to stay home with their son, Ridley Sebastian, who was born Feb. 14, 2003.

KEN, 94, and SUSAN (DIEBOLD), ’92, HARRISON announce the birth of their fifth child, Kayleen Noelle, on April 9, 2004. Kayleen joins siblings Ashlyn, 7; Scott, 5; Graham, 4; and Aleah, 2. The Harrison family lives in Lancaster, S.C.

TEVON (NELSON), ’95, and Greg HUGHES announce the birth of their daughter, Siena Emerson, on July 25, 2004. Emmy weighed 5 lbs., 4 oz. when she arrived five weeks early. The Hughes family recently moved to Mooresville, N.C., where Greg manages sleep labs in Concord and Charlotte, and Tevon works for an interior designer. They work with youth and the AWANA program at their church, and are looking forward to coming to Homecoming this fall.

YURI WAK‐ABAYASHI, ’97, and George You were married Sept. 18, 2004, in San Diego, Calif. Yuri and George live in La Jolla, Calif., where Yuri works as a research associate at the University of California, San Diego, and George is a real estate agent.
JOHN, ’97, and SARAH (SMITH), ’04x, STONESTREET announce the birth of their daughter, Abigail Zoe, on April 23. Abigail weighed 8 lbs., 3 oz., and was 19 inches long. The Stonestreets live in Dayton, Tenn., where John is director of the Summit at Bryan College.

JOHN, ’97, and CRISTIE (SIMPSON), ’98, MONTGOMERY announce the birth of their first child, Zachary Todd, on Aug. 10, 2004. Zach weighed 8 lbs., 13 oz., and was 22 inches long.

SARAH HURLEY, ’98, wrote late last year to say that Polk County, Fla., where she teaches school, was severely impacted by three of the hurricanes that hit Florida last summer. She said that her children missed 14 days of school, which affected the educational process, but the students and teachers are very resilient. Three of her second-grade students had family members die because of the hurricanes. “I praise God that even though I am still going through reconstruction on my house and experiencing a lot of mold/mildew issues from the remaining dampness, I do have a house that is still standing and has a roof that doesn’t leak too much! God will continue to help throughout all of this. He always does help us in our time of need and seems to work things out so that everything is better than it was before each trial or tribulation.”

BRENTDA (NOLLMEYER), ’98, and Tony PEGG announce the birth of their second son, Andrew David, on Oct. 31, 2004. Andrew weighed 9 lbs., 7 oz., and was 22 inches long. He joins big brother Phillip, 2. The Pegg family lives in Minneola, Fla., where Tony runs an irrigation business and Brenda stays home with the children.

MANNY CARRIL, ’99, has been named director of the Rhea Family YMCA in Dayton, Tenn., succeeding GERRY HURLEY, ’91. Earlier, he served as sports coordinator and child care coordinator for the Y.

TRAVIS, ’00x, and CARRIE (MATTHEWS), ’99, WELDON live in Knoxville, Tenn., where Travis is a commercial roofing salesman for Firestone Building Products and Carrie is a stay-at-home mom, caring for their son, Wesley, 2.

RICHARD, ’00, and KRISTA (WALLACE), ’99, HETZEL announce the birth of their second child, Nathan Aaron. Nathan was born Sept. 8, 2004, and joins big sister Natalie, 4. The Hetzels live in Harrison, Tenn., where Richard works as director of technology at Silverdale Baptist Academy.

JAMES, ’02, and VALERIE (BRAKE-BILL), ’01, WOLFE announce the birth of their daughter, Laura Grace, on Jan. 24. Laura weighed 7 lbs., 3 oz., and was 19 ¾ inches long. The Wolfe family lives in Tampa, Fla.
JASON, '02, and ALISON (VINER), '03, WASSER announce the birth of their son, Simon Charles, on Nov. 5, 2004. Simon weighed 7 lbs., 14 oz., and was 19 ¾ inches long. The Wassers live in Dayton where Jason is network administrator for the Bryan College information technology department.

JOSHUA CARDEN, '03, and MEAGAN DOUGHERTY, '04, were married Dec. 4, 2004, in Birmingham, Ala. The couple lives in Birmingham.

JONATHAN, '04, and BEVERLY (DAVIS), '03, BASHOR announce the birth of their son, Aiden James, on Sept. 19, 2004. Aiden weighed 6 lbs., 15 oz. and was 21 inches long.

ISAAC ANTANAITIS and JULIE SANTMIER, both '04, were married Aug. 28, 2004, in Gadsden, Ala. Bryan alumni in the wedding party included DEBBIE (LOCKHART) HUTCHINSON, '03; ANNA HANGER, '04; JESSICA (RUPP) CLARK, '03; KATE (STRUNK) COURTNEY, '04; MICHAEL CLARK, '03; ERIK PARKS, '04; and COLIN PLANK, '04. Musicians included HANNAH (PRATT) CARSON, '04; MELISSA MYERS, '04; and TIM OPELT, '04. Isaac and Julie are mission interns serving at Christ's Gift Academy, which ministers to AIDS orphans in Mbita, Kenya.

The Rev. HEBER BRUMLEY, '36x, died March 29 in Spring City, Tenn. Mr. Brumley served as a Church of God minister for 35 years and a public school teacher for 25 years. He is survived by his wife and two sons.

The Rev. LEWIS LLEWELLYN, '38, and a trustee emeritus of Bryan College, died March 11. He is survived by five children, SALLY LLEWELLYN, 68; LEE LLEWELLYN, '66x; DAVID LLEWELLYN, '66; Dr. RUSSELL LLEWELLYN, '62; and ROBERT LLEWELLYN, '70.

ROMELLE RILEY, '50x, of Verona, N.J., died Feb. 9. She is survived by her husband, Morton, and three sons.

OTHEL H. SULLIVAN, '50, of Apopka, Fla., died March 5. He was a retired teacher and farmer. He is survived by his wife, Mary Helen Sullivan, and five children.

The Rev. RANDOLPH CRISP, '52, died Oct. 27, 2004, just three months after his wife, Phyllis, died July 16. They lived in Martin, Ky. They are survived by a daughter.

DAVID W. HUEY, '53, of Bellingham, Wash., died in July 2004. He is survived by two daughters.

GLENN GRAHAM, '58, of Dallas, Texas, died Feb. 6. He is survived by four children.

MIRIAM “Bunny” WIGGINS, '60, of Bernville, Pa., died March 2. She is survived by her husband, the Rev. JIM WIGGINS, '60, and a daughter.

EVA KAY SINCLAIR, '66, of Dayton, Tenn., died March 14. She was a teacher in Rhea County schools for 38 years before her retirement. She is survived by two children.

Dr. KARL E. KEEFER, JR., '91, former academic vice president at Bryan College, died Dec. 17, 2004 in Charlotte, N.C. He is survived by two sons, TOM KEEFER, '70, and KARL KEEFER, III, '68.

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Tsunami Relief

Bryan students minister to a country in need

When the deadly December tsunami hit the shores of Thailand, Sri Lanka, Indonesia, India, Malaysia and other Eastern nations, most of us could only watch our televisions in sadness, praying for the millions of people so tragically affected.

But for a group of Bryan College students, faculty and staff, watching simply wasn’t enough.

During Spring Break, the group traveled across the globe to provide help to the people of India and deliver a financial gift from the college to Word for the World, an indigenous Indian organization whose ministry focuses on villagers, lepers, slum dwellers, and the physically challenged.

“We spent 10 days going into the makeshift homes of disaster victims, talking with them, praying with them, sometimes crying with them, and sharing the gospel,” said junior Amanda Held. “I feel encouraged by the fact that even after we have come home from India, we left having invested and contributed to a ministry that will be in Mandras long after the world has forgotten it and the relief organizations have pulled out.”

Another trip to India is planned for the fall.

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**“Let your light shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify your Father Who is in heaven.”**

- Matthew 5:16