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Rollins Students, *from left*, Jessica Hall, Mike Fanning, and Brooke Rogers, with Vivek at Quest Kids, Inc. of Orlando, a non-profit center specializing in the needs of children with autism, developmental disorders, and other related disabilities. Quest Kids is directed and staffed almost entirely by young Rollins College graduates.

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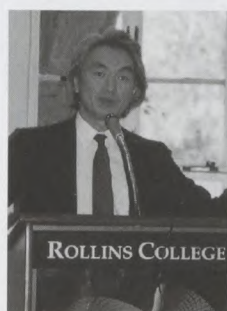


Rollins College President Rita Bornstein (r) joins with the College community to pay tribute to actors **Danny Glover** (center) and **Felix Justice** (l) by laying a stone in their honor on the College's Walk of Fame. Glover and Justice, who are longtime friends, were on campus Nov. 6 as part of Rollins' annual "Africanafest" celebration. They read poetry and writings of Langston Hughes and Martin

Luther King, Jr. in the Knowles Memorial Chapel. Glover has starred in such films as *Places in the Heart*, *The Color Purple*, *Silverado*, and the *Lethal Weapon* series. Justice has toured widely in his one-man Martin Luther King, Jr. show, *Prophecy in America*. The Walk of Fame, established in 1929, is composed of stones, bricks, and rocks from the birthplaces of more than 500 famous people the world over.



Robert Bellah, one of the country's leading experts on community, recently spoke at Rollins as a Thomas P. Johnson Distinguished Visiting Scholar. Bellah is the author of *Habits of the Heart* and *The Good Society*. Pictured are (l-r): President Rita Bornstein; Bellah; Sherry Magill, executive director of the Jessie Ball duPont Fund; and George Bedell, a duPont Fund trustee. The duPont Fund is a sponsor of Project Governance, a Rollins program that helped to arrange for Bellah's visit to Rollins.



World-renowned physicist **Michio Kaku** stirred up the pot during a riveting panel discussion "Cassini and the Future of Space Exploration" at Rollins on Oct. 3. Interest in the panel reflected the wide controversy surrounding the Cassini mission to Saturn and filled Bush Auditorium. Kaku raised questions about scientific flaws and dangers associated with the launch of the Cassini Probe. He

was joined by Stephen Edberg, NASA outreach coordinator for the Cassini project, and Ross McCluney of the Florida Solar Energy Center. The Cassini Probe took off from Cape Kennedy with its payload of 72.3 pounds of plutonium on Oct. 8. Kaku also spoke on "Einstein's Legacy: Science in the Next 100 Years." He is author of nine books, including *Visions: How Science Will Revolutionize the 21st Century*. *Visions* is based on interviews with 150 top scientists in fields like DNA research, space travel, computers and robots, and quantum physics.

J-Term:

A Rollins Tradition Laid to Rest

The faculty voted unanimously to scrap the Winter Term, known as the "J-term," at a special meeting Oct. 7. David Kurtz, professor of mathematics and chair of the Academic Affairs Committee, and Dean of the Faculty Steve Briggs presented possible two-semester calendars. Each calendar included revised teaching loads and graduation requirements to compensate for the loss of the Winter Term. The faculty adopted Briggs' proposal and appointed a task force to implement it.

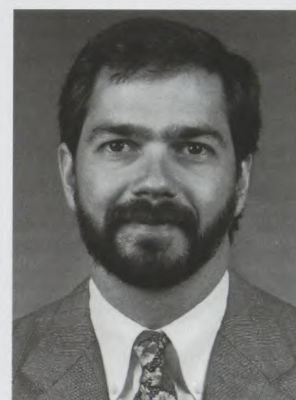
J-term was not mandatory (students need only take J-term three out of four years) and therefore could not be counted as class time for financial aid purposes. As a result, the Spring Term had to be lengthened, making for a long year, which in turn contributed to faculty burnout. Furthermore, the June finish caused problems for students seeking summer employment and for those interested in attending summer school.

Lower academic standards and inadequate length also provoked the ire of J-term opponents. Others attacked the "learning erosion" that occurs for a student taking a two-term course like organic chemistry or Spanish, when that course is interrupted by the J-term hiatus. The new calendar addresses these concerns by eliminating a formal J-term and maintaining maximum flexibility. With the start of school pushed back a week in January, students still have the option for trips or service-learning projects between the two semesters.

"If the premise is to move away from Winter Term, then we need to bring something back for students," said Briggs. "The period of time before the spring semester could be used for a deliberate emphasis on career and educational planning. It could also be used for internships."

Briggs hopes to change current policy so students could take up to two internships in the summer without additional tuition costs. He also stressed the need to make the goals of each major and course "explicit and intentional," with an explanation of how Rollins' courses differ from those taught at a State University.

The Winter Term had been a selling point for the uniqueness of Rollins. In the term's golden age, it was a five-week affair, bringing the likes of Sinclair Lewis and James Cagney to campus. In more recent years, it provided an opportunity for study abroad.—SLB



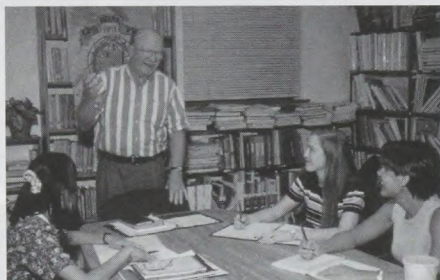
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—Steve Briggs, Dean of the Faculty

M.A. in corporate communication and technology debuts at Hamilton Holt School

The Hamilton Holt School will offer a new master's degree this year for managers, aspiring managers, and others who wish to learn more about corporate communication and technology.

The M.A. program can be completed in about two years. Rollins faculty will emphasize a liberal arts approach to the study of corporate communication and technology, as well as critical thinking, writing, oral communication skills, and collaborative learning. Ten required courses constitute the core of the program, examining areas like Internet commerce, communication ethics, new communication technologies,



JULIE SMITH

and communication and work teams.

Saturday classes designed for adult learners will meet in the new 11,000-square-foot Olin addition. Complete with video conference rooms, state-of-the-art computer labs, and ethernet connections to the World Wide Web, the \$2.5-million Electronic Research and Information Center will be open to students in the program 24 hours a day.

To receive more information about the new Master of Corporate Communication and Technology degree, please call the Rollins College Hamilton Holt School at 407-644-1328.

Visit the art treasures of Rome, Naples, Pompeii, Palermo, Syracuse, and more

Dr. Arthur Blumenthal, director of the Cornell Fine Arts Museum, will lead a small group on a tour of the art treasures of Southern Italy and Sicily from April 27-May 9, 1998. "This is your opportunity to travel with a renowned art expert to a rich area of the world, not just famous for its art, but considered the premier archaeological museum of Europe," said Faith Farrell of Educational Discoveries, Inc., coordinator of Cornell trips abroad. The last trip, a tour of Northern Italy, Florence, and greater Tuscany, was a tremendous success.

The itinerary includes three days in Rome, two days in Naples and the Campania, and five days in Sicily. The small group will travel on a deluxe air-conditioned motorcoach, staying in first-class hotels. Among the many attractions, the group will visit the Colosseum, St. Peter's and the Vatican, the Spanish Steps, the Sistine Chapel, Roman and Greek archaeological sites, and Byzantine architectural marvels. Dr. Blumenthal, a specialist in Italian art, has lived and worked in Italy, speaks Italian fluently, and knows the artistic background. And best of all, there is still plenty of room on the trip. For an itinerary, contact Faith Farrell at (407) 628-1161, Winter Park, Fla.—SLB



Kudos



BEVERLY BROSIUS

Moments after receiving her bachelor's degree in May of 1996, Marilu Lao's excitement was captured on film by Associate Vice President Larry R. Humes. The photograph appeared on the cover of the July issue of the *Rollins Alumni Record*. And this fall, editor Mary Wismar-Davis was presented the Florida Magazine Association's coveted Charlie Award for the year's best use of a single color photograph on a magazine cover. The FMA is represented by nearly 200 business and non-profit magazines printed throughout the state. An English major from Alliance, Ohio, Lao works as a marketing representative for a financial planning firm in Tampa, Fla.

The *Rollins Alumni Record* also received a 1997 Design Excellence Award from the Florida Magazine Association for "Best Use of Photography."



NEWS to NOTE

ROLLINS' VERY OWN LIVE, ORIGINAL

Many would sooner try to answer the famed Buddhist riddle, "What is the sound of one hand clapping?" than try to tackle, "How do you make the sound of a helicopter being sucked into the fuselage of a jet with a cardboard box and your mouth?"

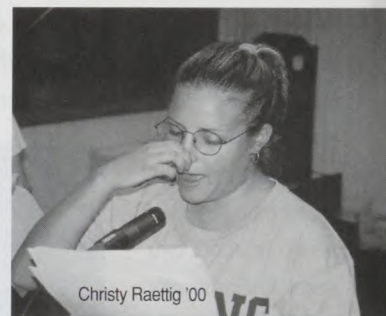
This is the type of question confronting the cast and crew of Darkness Visible Radio Theater, Orlando's only live, original radio drama, as they prepare to perform *LUV I-4*. The student-written play consists of a collage of colorful monologues from fictitious, disgruntled drivers stuck in a rush-hour traffic jam on Orlando's Interstate 4. The play comes to a startling climax when a news helicopter monitoring the traffic jam is sucked into the fuselage of a passing jet. The show airs Tuesdays at 9 p.m. on Rollins College's own 1300-watt station, WPRK, 91.5 FM.

A small group of students writes, directs, acts, and produces the weekly episodes, broadcast live from 9 to 10 p.m. from the basement of the Mills Building. William Boles, an energetic young English professor, directs the troupe, which kicked off its season Sept. 2.

"We have a gifted troupe and a strong series of plays this season," said Boles, between sprints back and forth from recording studio to sound booth. Having spent three years performing live radio drama during his graduate work at the University of Tennessee, Boles occasionally breaks in on the mike to



Emily Gill '00



Christy Raettig '00



portray a satirically rude cab driver with a Brooklyn accent. "I'm proud of these students. They're extremely professional," Boles said after the show.

How do you make the sound of a helicopter being sucked into the fuselage of a jet with a cardboard box and your mouth?

The cast has performed plays by current students Destin Berthelot '99, Marcos Stafne '99, and Geof Hoofnagle '98. Berthelot's play, *The Mystery of the Stuff that Happened*, was performed at the North Florida Young Playwrights Festival this past summer.

Other student troupe members include Lindsey Averill '00, Peter Dietrich '99, Rob Frase '01, Emily Gill '00, Holly Hammond '98, Michelle Murray '00, Christy Raettig '00, Tisha Samuels '01, Ali Watlington '00, Doug Richards '98, Tyler Thomas '99, and Courtney Jacobs '00.

Boles, who specializes in contemporary British and American drama, said the troupe's aim is to present material

RADIO DRAMA



Sophomores Christy Raettig, Ali Watlington, and Lindsey Averill

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that will not only entertain their listeners but also provoke them. His lively band of provocateurs achieves this on many different levels, from fictitious ads about an Ebola virus weight-loss clinic to trenchant characterizations of youth culture.

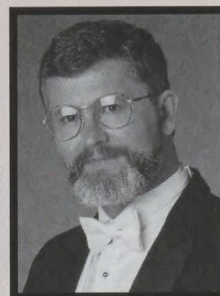
The program found external validation when Chapters Bookshop and Café invited the group to perform at their weekly Artist Repertory Theatre.

Does a cardboard box sound like a helicopter being sucked into the fuselage of a jet? You'll have to tune in sometime. —SLB



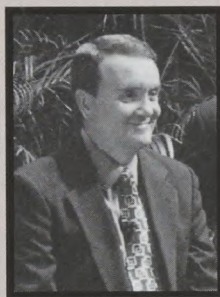
FACULTY BRIEFS

This fall, the New York City publishing firm of Lawson-Gould produced three Vivaldi editions by Department of Music Chair **John Sinclair**. The works—*Salve Insecta*, *O Quam Vaga*, and *Plena Nectare*—are part of the publisher's Choral Series and are written for four-part chorus of mixed voices with keyboard accompaniment. Also, Sinclair was in Los Angeles last November to conduct members of the LA Philharmonic in recording a soundtrack of music performed in the Candlelight Processional at Disney's EPCOT theme park each holiday season. This will be his second year conducting a portion of the performances at EPCOT Center.



John Sinclair

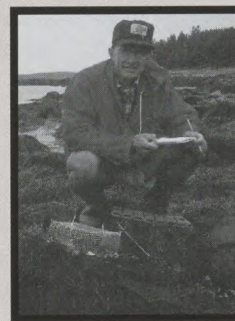
Rick Foglesong, politics professor and director of Rollins' Project



Rick Foglesong

Governance, developed a citizen dialogue program this fall on Orange County's sales tax issue. He assembled a ten-organization coalition to support public deliberation on the issue, and served as executive producer and moderator for a two-hour citizen forum that was aired on Orlando's PBS station.

Biology Professor **David Richard** is on sabbatical on Swan's Island, Maine, where he is investigating the predator-prey relationship of mussels and dogwhelks in the intertidal zone of the Atlantic Ocean. Richard has been monitoring traps containing both organisms that are bolted to rocks below the tide mark. His work has already provided insights into the *in situ* chemical signaling that attracts nearby whelks to where a whelk is feeding on a mussel. In addition, he has observed several defense mechanisms utilized by the mussels to avoid predation. Richard will continue his work through January to see if climatic changes affect the relationship between these two organisms.



David Richard

At the annual conference of the Florida Art Education Association held in Orlando this fall, **Becky Savill**, education coordinator for the Cornell Fine Arts Museum, was presented with the Museum Division Art Educator of the Year award for her outstanding dedication to educating Florida's youth. Each year, Savill introduces about 2,000 Central Florida students to the treasures of the Cornell Museum.



Maurice "Sucky" O'Sullivan and Steve Glassman

Maurice "Sucky" O'Sullivan, professor and chairman of the Department of English, and co-editor Steve Glassman of Embry-Riddle University have just published *Crime Fiction & Film in the Sunshine State: Florida Noir*. The book, published by Popular Press, provides an insightful look at mystery novels and films based in Florida.

Thanks to a \$1.6-million grant from the V. Kann Rasmussen Foundation, the Associated Colleges of the South is launching an exciting new initiative that will prepare students for environmental citizenship in the 21st Century. Rollins and the 13 other members of the

ACS consortium will work together to fashion new environmental studies courses. Representing Rollins in this project is Dean of the Faculty **Steve Briggs** and environmental studies faculty members **Barry Allen**, **Lee Lines**, **Joe Siry**, and **Bruce Stephenson**.

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How Rollins is coping with difficult market trends in undergraduate education... Alumni are key

Much to Penn State's chagrin, *Time* magazine reporter Erik Larson chose his alma mater as the focal point for an incisive examination of Ivy League tuition practices. His article, "Why Colleges Cost too Much," lambastes the Penn price tag, citing "a combination of forces—inflation, hubris, competition, the Chivas Regal effect (the price=quality mentality of the '80s), perhaps even conspiracy" as the reasons for the staggering cost increases at Penn.

Whatever the reasons, tuition at private colleges has increased twice as fast as the overall cost of living over the last 20 years, creating a number of problems for admission departments around the country.

According to David Erdmann, Rollins' dean of admission, "Student choice in the 1990s is driven by cost, the availability of financial aid, and the availability of majors—engineering, business, and ed-

ucation being the three most popular.

"The defining market trends are price sensitivity and an eye toward return on investment. These trends are even

stronger in Florida—traditionally a public university state. The benefits of a liberal arts education are hard to quantify, and Rollins faces a tough combination of market forces," he said.

Still, the average number of applicants has increased 15 percent over the last few years, and

the Office of Admission continues to find innovative ways to attract them. Rollins begins with what Erdmann calls the "key communication points."

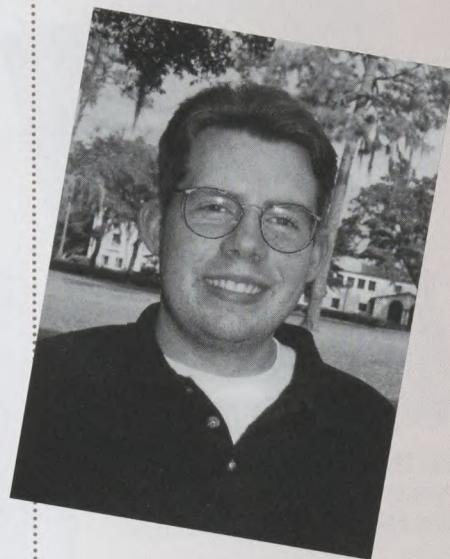
"The marketability of the College stems from a unique combination of attributes

that makes us special in the South. When we talk about Rollins, we start with reputation and location. *U.S. News* ranks Rollins as the #2 comprehensive university in the South and #1 in Florida," Erdmann said.



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— David Erdmann,
Dean of Admission



John "Chet" Wiskowski
Freshman
West Palm Beach, Florida

While attending Benjamin School, John was president of the junior class and the drama club, and anchor of a weekly in-school television program, *The Chet Show*. His "Odyssey of the Mind" team won a gold medal in regional state competition.

"I knew I wanted to go into business, and I believed the best route would be to attain an undergraduate business degree. I researched all schools that offered a 3-2 accelerated management program, and I didn't want to go up North. Rollins fit my needs perfectly, so I applied and was accepted Early Decision.

"Dr. Taylor, our program adviser, is terrific. He teaches our Rollins Conference class and helps us with course selection and our five-year program of study. My biggest problem is picking from all the available opportunities. I developed an interest in drama at Benjamin, and I've already become involved with technical support in Rollins' Annie Russell Theatre. I've been elected Residence Hall Council representative and volunteer at the help desk for Information Technology.

"I've made friends in my dorm who I know will be friends for life, even though we're all different and from different places. I was away last weekend and couldn't wait to get back. This is my home now."

The South is a world of big universities, many of them public and many of them conservative. As a small liberal arts college of national reputation, Rollins College is unique. Minutes from Orlando, the College is both Southern and cosmopolitan, poised on the edge of a cultural and economic epicenter.

"Then we talk about what it means to be small," Erdmann said. "The opportunities for student participation far outweigh those at a larger institution. I tell applicants that Rollins is a great place to be a participant both in and outside the classroom. More than 50 percent of the student body participates in either intercollegiate athletics or the performing arts. That's what it means to be small."

Indeed, Rollins boasts an impressive 12-to-1 student-to-faculty ratio that allows for a level of student/faculty interaction not possible at big universities. "When alumni talk about their Rollins experience, they talk about the wonderful relationships they had with faculty," said Cynthia Wood, executive director of the Alumni Association.

Though the College markets itself as a unique school in the South, recruitment efforts are national. Erdmann and his crew recruit heavily in the Northeast, where the tradition of small liberal arts colleges is more entrenched.

"Alumni around the country also play a major role in admission efforts," Erdmann said. "Our alumni work very closely to identify prospective students who would complement the College community." For any school, personal endorsements and anecdotes from alumni

are ways high school students learn about different colleges.

At Rollins, however, the Alumni Association recently assumed several very direct and vital roles. "First of all, the Association will serve the admission efforts of the College by promoting a strong legacy program," said Gerald Ladner '81, president of the Alumni Association Board of Directors.

This means the Association will have alumni contact potential 'legacies' (students with a relative who attended Rollins), introduce those candidates to the College, share their experiences, and then, if the students are accepted, support them when they arrive on campus.

The Alumni Association also works in conjunction with prominent alumni to set up events for local high school guidance counselors. "The Alford family recently donated use of the owner box at Fenway Park," Erdmann said. "We were able to invite a group of college counselors from around Boston to a baseball game, as a way of introducing them to Rollins and building goodwill. It's a great way to let people know about the College."

To do this, the Alumni Association identifies what Ladner calls 'lightning rod' alumni who are in a position to introduce prospective students, their families, and high school counselors to Rollins by hosting an event in their area.

Any alum can do this, Ladner said. "Playing a part in the recruitment effort is a great way to get involved, and anyone who knows the admission process, our message, and can commit their time and talent is in a position to help us out. Once



Valerie Shaw
Freshman
Wichita Falls, Texas

Valerie was salutatorian at Wichita Falls High School and finished third in the state in Class 4A women's tennis doubles. Her team ranked second in the state.

"My father graduated from Amherst College in Massachusetts, and he really wanted me to go there. But I wanted to be in a warmer climate. In the South, there are few small, liberal arts colleges with national reputations, and I didn't want to go to a place where I would just be a number. So Rollins was the logical choice.

"My classes are great. I have to spend a lot of time on my studies, and I use my computer all the time. My peer mentors are also great. They told me about the premed program, and they're so friendly and happy to help you do things. People here seem to accept you for who you are. You don't have to get all dressed up to go to class, and there aren't any prejudices. Everybody's upbeat.

"I don't plan to continue my tennis. I'm thinking about running for student government, and joining a sorority and the Jewish Student League."

that commitment exists, the rest is details."

Sam Martin '67 and Tom Donnelly '63, members of the Alumni Association Board, have employed their own international networks to assist the admission office in recruiting international students.

International students represent only one way in which the College continues to diversify itself, another important component of the modern admission effort. "I am proud to say that this institution has made a significant commitment to ensuring a diverse student population, both in terms of financial aid dollars and personnel," Erdmann said. Dr. Leslie Miller, assistant dean of admission, devotes much of her time to

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bringing in minority students. She visits area schools, writes personal letters beyond the standard correspondence, and works with alumni to encourage potential minority applicants.

In 1985, students of color constituted only 5 percent of the student population; this year, 18 percent of the incoming freshmen are minorities and 7 percent are international students, meaning that one in four students hails from an ethnic heritage other than Anglo-American.

Admission efforts at Rollins continue to flourish in a difficult climate, and alumni involvement constitutes an essential component of that success. Another is The Campaign For Rollins, which will fund the new Harold and Ted Alfond Sports Center, the Olin Library addition, and the Cornell Campus Center.

"A successful campaign will greatly assist us in attracting new students. The sports complex will appeal to prospective students, the Olin addition with its technological enhancements will catch the eye of their parents, and the Campus Center will bring us something we need as a community," Erdmann said. "Each of these projects will appeal to a different constituent group at a different level, and in this market you have to appeal to all of your constituents to be successful," Erdmann said.



Dr. Rita Bornstein and Ninomiya Kinjiro, a bronze statue given to Rollins by an alumnus in 1946 and the subject of international debate. The statue was returned to Okinawa on the fiftieth anniversary of the end of World War II.



BY RITA BORNSTEIN
President, Rollins College

President's journey to Asia reaffirms "tangible ties of friendship"

In 1931, Wu-Fei Liu came from China to study at Rollins for a year. Here she perfected her English and learned to swim. She returned for a visit in 1993, staying with her former roommate, Dorothy Shepherd Smith '33. Wu-Fei later wrote, "I was much delighted that I was able to make that visit to my mother school after sixty years. This visit will be kept deeply in my memory forever."

Since its founding in 1885, Rollins has encouraged international study, work, and travel in other countries to promote cross-cultural understanding, lasting friendships, and world peace. In 1889, Rollins initiated a Latin American Studies Program, and in 1896, welcomed students from Cuba whose education had been interrupted by the war for independence from Spain. Our Australian Studies Program, the oldest in the U.S., has enabled us to send students and faculty to live and study in Australia since 1974. These and our many other study-abroad and service-learning programs are often characterized by participants as transformational.

We also bring the world to Rollins through our visitors and faculty from other countries; the experiences of our own faculty who teach, study, and travel abroad; and our daily interactions with our international students. Today's International Stu-

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Rollins and the WORLD



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dent Organization continues the tradition of the 1930s Cosmopolitan Club, whose purpose the 1932 Rollins Catalogue described as "the cultivation of friendships between persons of different nationalities, and the promotion of international goodwill."

The promotion of international goodwill is urgent today in

ation in 1935 while arguing for American membership in the League of Nations: "The greatest international issue confronting the American people is whether they will or will not cooperate with the other nations of the world to make war less possible, and in general to promote human welfare."

China was an extraordinary learning experience, with numerous Rollins connections.

The story of this journey really begins in the 1980s when a student stopped by the president's office, then inhabited by my predecessor, Thaddeus Seymour. This student had noticed the three-foot-high bronze Japanese

where he was stationed after World War II, and that it had never been returned. The statue had been taken by United States Marines from the bottom of a well, where it was hidden by Okinawans during the war to protect it from destruction. How, the student wanted to know, could Rollins keep and display a war tro-

"For a small college, Rollins has a long reach, and Rollins people feel at home everywhere in the world. Our experiences in Asia reaffirmed for me the importance of international travel, study, and work. This longstanding Rollins tradition enlarges our understanding of other cultures and of ourselves, and nurtures the relationships between people on which a peaceful world depends."

a world both more connected and more fragmented by technology, business, and tourism; a world where the disparity between the haves and have-nots is growing, and intercultural cooperation and peace are easily shattered. Rollins' eighth president, Hamilton Holt, eloquently made the case for international cooper-

This summer, in the spirit of international understanding, my husband and I made a journey to Asia. Our primary purpose was to participate in the dedication of a peace monument at Shogaku Gakuen, a school in Okinawa, Japan, with which Rollins shares cultural and educational ties. Our trip through Japan and

figure displayed in the Warren Administration Building and read the plaque describing how the statue came to reside at Rollins, a gift from alumnus Clinton Nichols '34.

The student was distressed to learn that Nichols had received permission to take the Japanese statue home from Okinawa,

phy taken from another country, especially one now on friendly terms with the United States?

That question set in motion a series of events which led to a request in 1994 from the Ryukyu America Historical Research Society in Okinawa that Rollins return the bronze statue. At first, we declined to do so, having

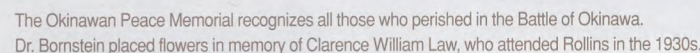
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A visitor to the Warren Administration Building today

In November 1995, President Emeritus Seymour traveled to Okinawa to represent the College at a ceremony welcoming Ninomiya Kinjiro to its new home at the Shogaku school.

While at Rollins, our Okinawan guests toured the campus

Our Okinawan visitors were also intrigued to learn that in the early part of the century, before he came to Rollins, Holt had been active in the Japan Society



Rollins and the World

of New York and had written articles and given speeches expressing his great admiration for the Japanese people and their culture. In 1909, the Japanese government honored Holt by decorating him with the Order of Commander of the Sacred Treasure. Because of this close connection between President Holt and Japan, as well as Rollins' growing relationship with the people of Okinawa, it was fitting for us to honor Mr. Nashiro by presenting him with the Hamilton Holt Medal at our 1996 commencement.

Upon their return home, officials of Okinawa Shogaku Gakuen commissioned a student to design a peace monument for their school. On June 24 of this year, surrounded by television cameras and newspaper reporters under a hot Okinawan sun, we unveiled the new "Peace in Friendship" Monument. The Monument bears President Holt's anti-war message along with its translation into Japanese, Chinese, Korean, and Russian. The Rollins College flag flew high above us, and the school band played the Rollins College Alma Mater. It was a thrilling experience.

The significance of the return of the statue and dedication



Above: Dr. Bornstein (2nd from l) and her husband, Dr. Harland Bloland (r), were entertained by Chargé d'Affaires, ad interim Rust Deming '64, and Kristen Bracewell Deming '62 in their Embassy home in Tokyo.



Left: A chance encounter in Kyoto introduced Dr. Bornstein and Dr. Patty Lindsey Harris '74.

of the new peace monument became profoundly clear to us after a visit to the Okinawan Peace Memorial. We learned that the Battle of Okinawa was the most destructive land, sea, and air battle in history. Over 250,000 civilian and military lives were lost, including that of Clarence William Law, who attended Rollins in the

mid-1930s. We laid flowers at the memorial site that bears his name. I have since learned that Professor Emeritus Edward Danowitz also took part in that battle.

The Battle of Okinawa decimated the island. One hundred fifty thousand Okinawan civilians were killed. Bombs and fighting flattened the landscape.

Cultural and historical treasures—temples, shrines, palaces, tombs—were destroyed. Precious artifacts were ruined or looted. Fifty years later, the Okinawans have rebuilt the island and are reclaiming their history. Our return of the statue and dedication of a peace monument bearing the anti-war sentiments



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of a Rollins president are two tangible ties of friendship across the Pacific—ties that may help to overcome the pain of war that still exists in both countries.

On our trip, we found other Rollins connections with Japan. We learned that historian George Kerr, a 1932 alumnus, now deceased, wrote what is still considered to be the best book in English on the history of Okinawa. We became acquainted with two Rollins graduates, Rust Deming '64, Chargé d'Affaires, ad interim (acting American ambassador) to Japan, and his wife, Kristen Bracewell Deming '62, at a luncheon in their beautiful Embassy home in Tokyo. We learned of the Demings' admiration for Japanese culture, and later found in *The Japan Times* Kris's weekly column, "Haiku Moments," where together with a Japanese professor, she translates haiku poetry into English.

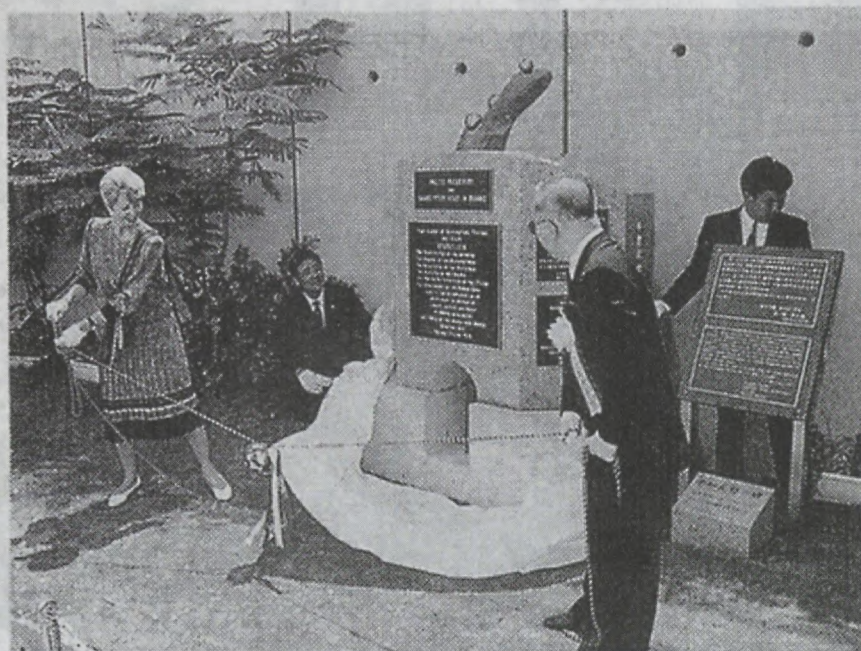
The day before we departed Japan for China, we had an unexpected encounter with a Rollins alumnus. Having lunch at a Kyoto restaurant, we struck up a conversation with the family at the next table. To our surprise and delight, traveling with her husband, in-laws, daughter Lauren, and two

young sons, was Dr. Patty Lindsey Harris, who attended Rollins from 1970 to 1973. We enjoyed the Harrises' company for the rest of the afternoon on a tour of the city.

I have often talked about the

pleasure of such chance meetings with Rollins alumni. For a small college, Rollins has a long reach, and Rollins people feel at home everywhere in the world. Our experiences in Asia reaffirmed for me the importance of

international travel, study, and work. This longstanding Rollins tradition enlarges our understanding of other cultures and of ourselves, and nurtures the relationships between people on which a peaceful world depends.



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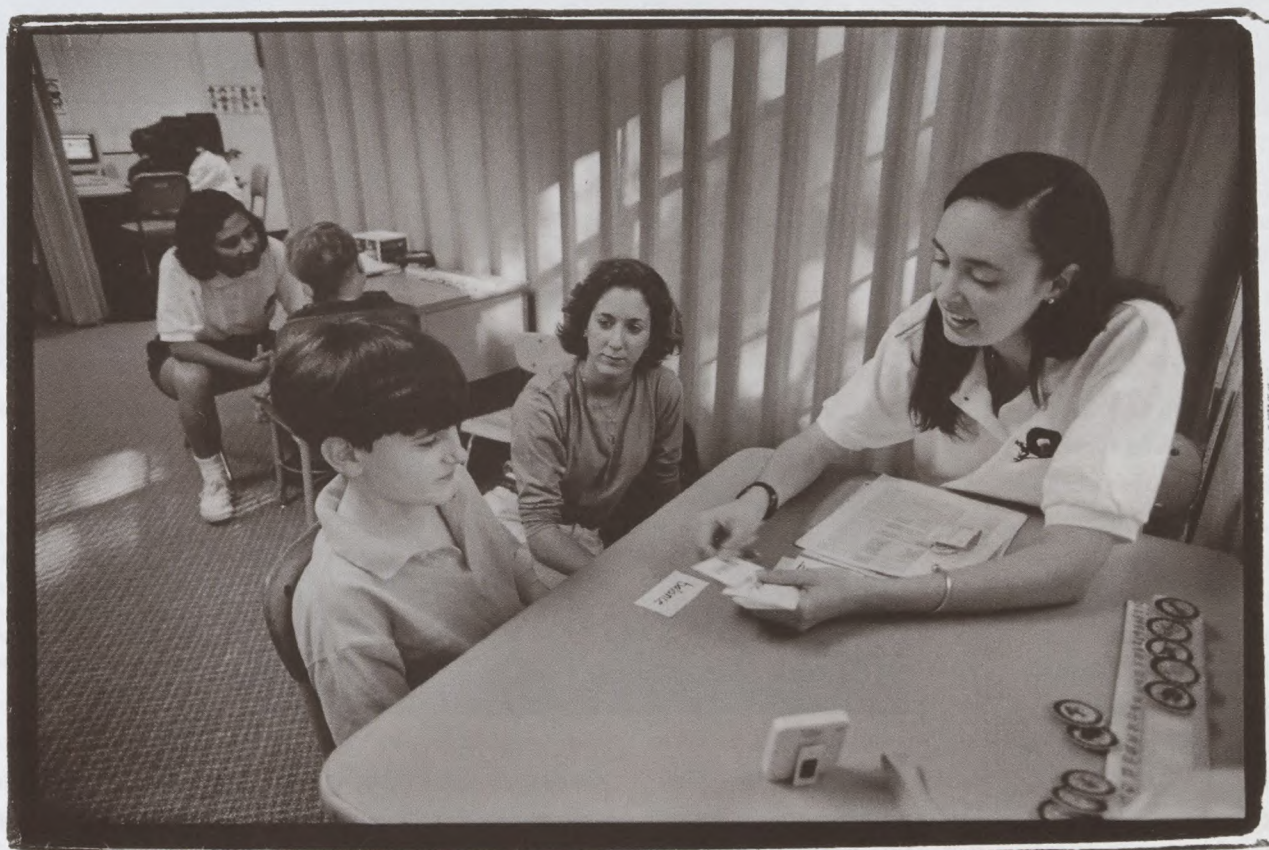
Above: The Japanese media captured the unveiling of the Peace in Friendship Monument.

Left: Masaichiro Nashiro, vice president of Okinawa Shogaku Gakuen; Dr. Bornstein; and Masajiro Nashiro, chairman of Okinawa Shogaku Gakuen Educational Foundation, frame the Monument's replica of Rollins' plaque bearing Hamilton Holt's words.

Quest Kids has Rollins alumni opening up a new world for

STORY BY ANN MIKELL
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Quest Kids



"This generation is one of the first waves of children receiving such early intervention."

—Cristina Whitehouse '95

Together the adjoining rooms are scarcely 30 feet from wall to wall, but four-year-old Murphy wears a path between them like a long-distance runner in training. His round, padded little tennis shoes pat a tap-tap-tap in quick succession on the thinly carpeted floor as he heads for the chalkboard, hands flailing. He touches the wall precisely, then turns and scampers back to the other room, marking the same spot on the wall each time he reaches it. Back-and-forth, back-and-forth he goes—tirelessly, intently repeating the same action. “He will run like that for hours unless you stop him,” says his instructor, Cristina Whitehouse.

In a corner of the room, Michelle Margioni, who is teaching him to follow directions, attempts to engage him with Barney the Dinosaur on TV. “Murphy, can you come here, please?” Murphy sits and watches—momentarily. As a reward, he gets to take a break, and he’s up and running again.

Getting him to focus attention on other more useful pursuits has become a full-time challenge for the staff at Quest Kids, Inc. of Orlando, a non-profit center specializing in the needs of children with autism, developmental disorders, and other related disabilities. The 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. day center, unique in Central Florida, is directed and staffed almost entirely by young Rollins College graduates who are products of the behavior analysis program that psychology professor Maria Ruiz has operated at Rollins for the past 17 years. Though young in years, the direct-care staff of Quest Kids collectively has had years of experience working in the field of behavior analysis.

Murphy is one of 18 children enrolled at the center, located in a wing of Orlando’s Trinity United Methodist Church. For the children and their parents, the center has

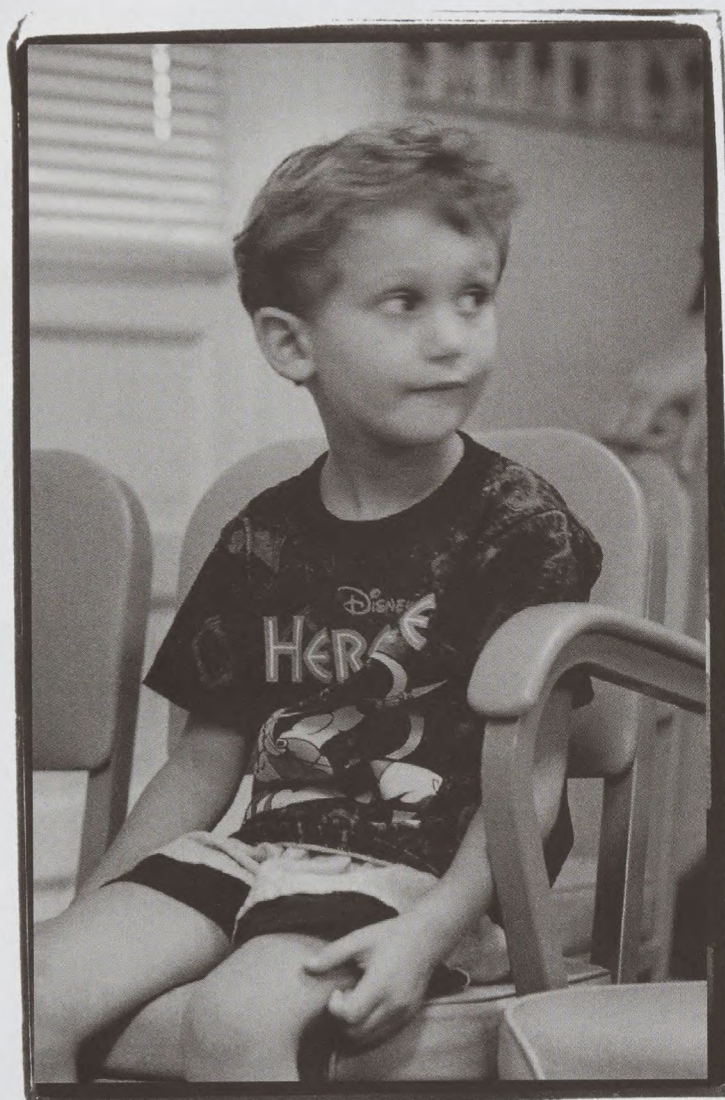
become a valued source of support, where the emphasis on early intervention and language acquisition is transforming behavior and offering hope where there was little before. For the Central Florida community,

are beginning to tap into its resources.

“What you can do with this degree is so exciting,” said Chata Dickson ’94, who has directed the center since Feb. 1 of 1997. “It’s an honor to be able to work

with families and really make a difference.” With her are staffers Cristina Whitehouse ’95, Kimberly Nix ’96, and Karla Valentine ’96. Rollins alumnus Nick Berens ’97, who has been working at the center as an intern, is now a part-time employee, while program consultant Eb Blakely teaches in Rollins’ evening degree Hamilton Holt School. Blakely worked with the young alumni when he directed Threshold residential center in Goldenrod. All four alumni are specialists in early intervention, and all are state Certified Behavior An-

alysts who work together to make the children as independent and functioning as possible. That is the underlying goal—to help them build the basic, fundamental skills they need in order



Above: Nicholas

Left: In foreground, Rollins alumna Cristina Whitehouse works on a reading program with student Patrick as Rollins PSI student Brooke Rogers observes. In background, teacher Mari Fahling works with Daniel.

Quest Kids has become a major resource for bachelor’s level Certified Behavior Analysts who are graduates of the Rollins program. The center’s outreach program also extends to public schools in the area, which



Karla Valentine with student Vivek

for learning to take place.

Quest Kids staff began working one-on-one with Murphy in August, helping him focus on foundational skills as basic as sitting when asked, standing up, making eye contact, and asking for what he wants. "Can you say eat, Murphy?" coaxes Whitehouse, who works most closely with him. "Can you say you want to go?" she asks. "Good! Murphy. Good!" As reinforcement for his good behavior, he's given breaks, which he spends playing with toys and watching movies.

A Behavioral School

The behavioral approach used at Quest Kids is derived from psychologist B.F. Skinner's operant learning principles, which Ruiz teaches in her PSI—Personalized System of Instruction—classes. Students, paired individually with teachers, proceed in small steps to master each step before moving on to the next. Instructors offer constant positive reinforcement, responding to the successes of their young students rather than the failures.

Murphy's program consists of at least 10 trials a day per task, carefully recorded in cells with notations such as "go" "eat," "drink," "stand," and "eye contact." A graph lined in peaks and stair steps charts his progress. "Murphy, look at me," Whitehouse instructs. "Good!" she says. "That's how we gauge whether the procedure is working," she explains to observers. "Here you can see these behaviors declining. Cry. Hit. Kick others. There have been none of those in the past week."

Like Murphy, 8-year-old Tommy had trouble staying on task when his parents enrolled him in the program. His constant repetition of the same phrases—

"I'm happy. I'm happy."—interfered with his ability to communicate and distracted those around him. Now, says his mother, he is reading, playing well with his brother, Collin, and, in general, expressing himself more effectively.

"We hadn't tried the behavioral approach," said his mother, "but we're extremely pleased. I've seen a lot of

been linked to genetic phenomena, prenatal and postnatal trauma, toxins in the environment to which the unborn are exposed, and in some rare cases, reactions to the common diphtheria-pertussis-tetanus immunization. Some autistic people have degrees and design things. Some live independently and hold down jobs. Some can't care for themselves. In reality,

everywhere there's a behavior to change. "You must learn the function of a behavior before you learn how to teach them," she said. The child who scratches and hits when he wants to leave the table, is taught instead to ask for what he wants. "We go under the assumption that behavior is determined by the environment. By manipulating the environment, we can

"You see lives being changed. It was something I wanted to be part of."

—Kimberly Nix '96

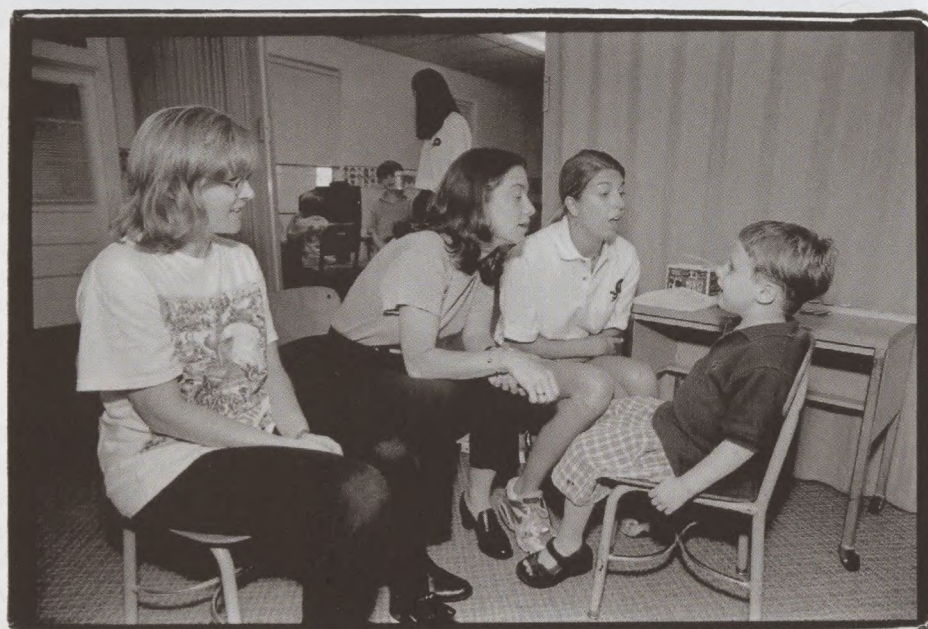
progress—some dramatic. They give me tips and clues on things at home. Now we're working to generalize what he has learned here to his classroom at Lake Como Elementary. Cristina and I meet with his teachers to strategize."

Murphy and Tommy both exhibit classic characteristics of autism, a pervasive developmental delay typically marked by deficits in communication skills and social skills, as well as aggressive behavior, excessive stereotypical behavior such as hand-flapping and rocking, or routinized behavior of the sort made known to millions by actor Dustin Hoffman in his Oscar-winning portrayal of the autistic brother in *Rain Man* with Tom Cruise. Hoffman's character couldn't make change, but he could count the number of missing toothpicks in a box, memorize names in the phone book, count cards at the Vegas Black Jack table, and multiply five- and six-digit figures and square roots to the exact decimal. He grew agitated when his routine was broken and threw tantrums unless he could see *The People's Court* on TV each afternoon.

It is estimated that 15 in every 10,000 individuals suffer from the disorder, Blakely said. Some possible causes have

most of those served will need lifelong support of some kind. "There's no cure," he said, "but we can make a tremendous difference in their lives by teaching them

change behavior with the use of positive reinforcement and rewards that cause behavior to increase in the future. We work with parents to determine their



Quest Kids Director Chata Dickson, center, works with Kimberly Nix, right, in her session with Daniel. They are joined by his mother, Marianne, who works closely with Daniel's teachers.

early, by making them as independent and functioning as possible."

As part of their training, Dickson says, staff look at a given behavior and ask why it happens—and this applies ev-

goals for their children, whether it's sitting at the table to work on a task, or eating with the family."

With that approach, parents have been seeing behavior change—children

learning to stay on task, learning to read, learning to communicate. Parents, in turn, are learning to reinforce what their children are learning in the classroom by keeping notes and journals and offering learning tips and suggestions.

"You may think it scary to apply a science to human behavior, but it's a powerful tool for making our lives better," Dickson said. "Some of their behavior problems come from not being able to communicate. If you teach them to com-

out, one step at a time. We set them up for success with the use of prompts and rewards, make it fun for them."

Learning One Step at a Time

When eight-year-old Patrick's family enrolled him at Quest Kids, they were having trouble getting him to go out with his family. Very routine-oriented and sensitive to lights and sound, Patrick would get nervous and fussy and cover his eyes

parking lot and remained calm, was getting to leave. We got him in the door the third time. Eventually, he learned to say, 'I want to go, please' instead of screaming."

Concerned over his nutrition, they used that same approach to try to help Patrick overcome food aversions. For a while, he discontinued all but french fries. Then he'd give up on that and eat only cookies. Now, through prompting, shaping, reinforcing a little at a time, Patrick is up to eight foods. The patience required, however, can be excruciating.

Quest Kids originated largely through the efforts of Patrick's parents. "My husband and I ran around four years to find resources for Patrick," said his mother. "Our belief is that parents shouldn't have to do this. There should be a center for families with developmentally disabled children, one that offers scholarships and funding so parents are not denied because of cost."

With that in mind, Mary, herself a cognitive therapist, and her husband, a hospital administrator, started looking into their own program. They had met Blakely, Dickson, Nix, and Whitehouse at Threshold and decided their training fit Patrick's needs. Threshold, however, is primarily a residential facility, and they were looking for a day program. Once they found an available space in the wing of the church, they spoke to Blakely and Dickson, and the three young women began their work. In November of '96, they started with four children, then with Blakely's support, they went to the non-profit Quest, Inc. of Orlando, the umbrella organization, to ask for more funding. "We want this to be a springboard," Mary said. "We're sold on it, and I think we can make a big difference in the community."

Quest Kids, with appropriate funding, could handle about 50 students. With 18

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Director Chata Dickson works with Michael, age 4, to teach him fine motor imitation.

municate, the negative behavior tends to fall off. If you don't intervene, though, no positive learning takes place. The idea is to get to them before bad habits set in because as adults, they're at risk for severe behavior problems requiring medication or physical restraints."

"Some of these kids do things that I can't do," she said. "They memorize things we couldn't. There are spikes in their ability in certain areas. We address what they're having trouble with, space it

when the family would go to McDonald's for an outing. With the use of "prompting," taking small steps at a time, they succeeded in helping Patrick overcome his fears.

"We first got him to go with us to the McDonald's parking lot," his mother, Mary, recalled. "If he stayed calm, we'd leave. The next step was getting him to go from the parking lot to the door. Some call it 'systematic desensitization.' The reinforcement for him if he stayed in the

Training a new generation takes class... Rollins program a resource for behavior analysts

Anyone who takes psychology at Rollins—and those who don't—no doubt have heard of Professor Maria Ruiz's PSI classes—personalized system of instruction. They are rigorous. They are demanding. They are effective. If you want to learn psychology, sign up for a PSI class.

This is *Introduction to Psychology and Behavior Analysis* rolled into one—behavior management applied to students, and it is one of the stronger programs at Rollins at the bachelor's level. The methods used in PSI class are the same as those instructors use to teach autistic children, and they undergird the behavioral analysis program that Ruiz has overseen since she joined the Rollins faculty in 1980.

The program at Rollins has operated for 17 years as a major resource for bachelor's level behavior analysts for the Central Florida community. Graduates are making their influence felt especially at Quest Kids for autistic children, which is directed and staffed almost entirely by young Rollins alumni.

"I'm trying to supply the basis for those going into behavioral technology," said Ruiz, who is professor of psychology and department chair. The field is particularly big in Florida—the only state that has an examination for behavior analysis, which is used widely in servicing the needs of special populations, including the autistic. Behavior analysis is a growing field, and it is unique among the various branches of applied psychology in that it integrates professionals who have received rigorous behavior analytic training at the undergraduate level.

The PSI labs basically give introductory psychology students an opportunity to learn the discipline at a more extensive level. For senior level seminar students, the labs serve as a practicum that allows upperclass students in the advance course to put learning principles into practice. Upperclass students work as peer tutors for freshmen taking *Introduction to Psychology*. There are 10 managers, each with three students. Students go at their own pace and work until they have mastered the material. The process involves testing and retesting and individualized instruction with a peer tutor.

PSI, or the Keller Plan developed by F.S. Keller, is based on psychologist B.F. Skinner's belief that for learning to take place, students should proceed in small steps and master each step before moving on to the next. The teaching environment and the tutor provide the positive reinforcement, responding to the students' successes rather than their failures.

Ruiz's workshops take place in Rollins' own psychology labs in the Johnson Center of the Bush Science Center, where research is conducted in physiological, operant, and sleep research. On workshop days, teams of senior student man-



Professor Maria Ruiz, who oversees the behavioral analysis program at Rollins, works with students, (l-r), Katie Robinson, Holly Fortier, Katie Murphy, and Lauren MacDonald.

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agers lead freshmen in a review of operant learning principles. Students are introduced to the lab's disease-resistant Sprague Dawley rats, conditioned to press a bar where water is dispensed. They learn words such as "operant conditioning" and "stimulus." More importantly, they learn that words such as "reinforcer," "shaping," and "extinction" are far more than mere theory. When applied in special learning environments such as PSI and Quest Kids, they can change lives.

Ruiz's clinical experience and teaching in the field began when she studied at the University of Florida, where she earned her doctorate in psychology. She has recently been elected to the Peer Review Committee for the state of Florida. The PRC is an advisory committee to the Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services, Developmental Disabilities Division, and the regulatory body for the development and implementation of behavioral programming guidelines for the state, including the CBA Professional Certification Program.

Ruiz was drawn to the field of behavioral psychology because it seemed to be guided by the direct organism and data. The theories were secondary. "People learned by observing. I found something compelling about that process," she said. "What was primary was being able to know the subject, whether children, animals, patients in a mental hospital. With the behavioral approach, the observation held a real front-line place."

"At Rollins, I always had a vision of where we'd go, and we've been sending students out there since 1981. We are proud of our graduates."

Quest Kids

currently enrolled, there are 10 on the waiting list. One-on-one training is not only intensive, but expensive to maintain, and scholarships are needed to make opportunities available to economically disadvantaged children.

Patrick has been working with the staff of Quest Kids now for three years and has made "unbelievable strides," Mary said. Before, he couldn't talk, couldn't even be in a room with people. Now, he attends the center each day for six hours. His mother is there three days a week, working on programs and the parent handbook. They've been to Johns Hopkins, trying to expose themselves to what others are doing.

Parents say that interaction remains one of the keys to the Quest Kids program—and that is its mission: To unite parents and professionals as a team to integrate school, home, and community experiences into a comprehensive program for each child.

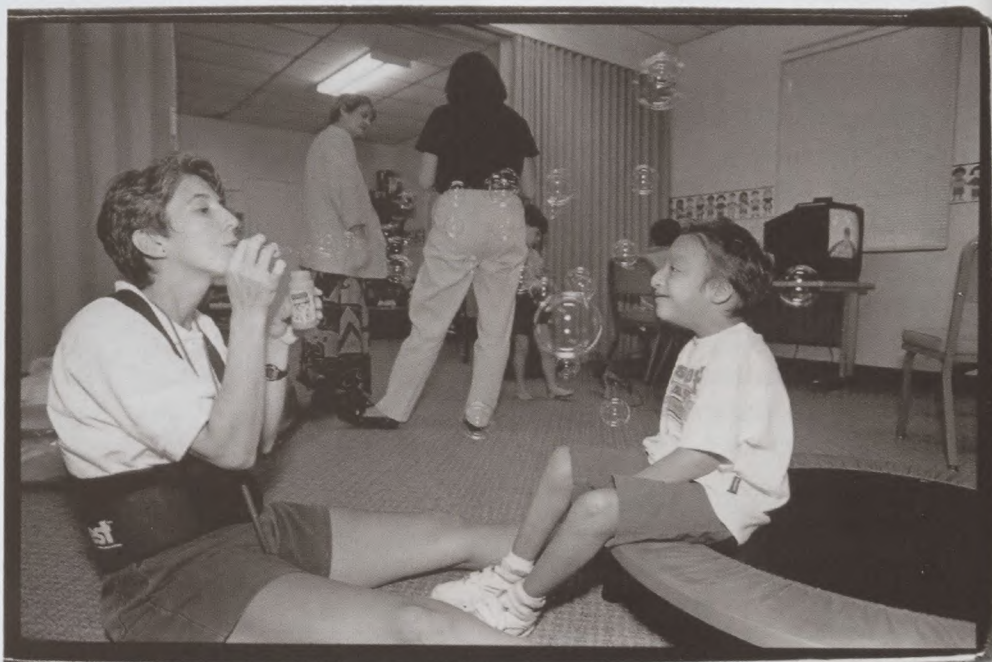
On the Home Front ... Parental Realities

"Parents have a lot of issues, and they need a lot of support when they first get the diagnosis," said Blakely, who works closely with them. "What do you say to someone who has all these hopes and dreams for a child. It's devastating. Parents have told me they go through stages: denial, thinking there's nothing's wrong; that maybe the child will grow out of it. After denial, there's anger. They feel guilty and worry that it happened during pregnancy because they drank or smoke, or had the flu bug. They lie awake at night, flipping through their experience, asking 'How could this happen?' They blame themselves and think they've done something wrong. We help them work

through that and tell them, 'It's not your fault.' Once they accept it, they become mobilized, then look for services. They come to the realization that maybe their kid will always need help."

One frustration comes from not knowing what kind of help is available. Orlando is fortunate. The community

many directions, trying to placate everyone. In having a special needs child, sometimes Matthew feels I love Daniel more. So this has been good for Matthew too—to know that he can make a difference communicating. They fight, chase each other, but they're great together."



Karla and Vivek show that learning can be fun for both teacher and student.

has speech therapists, occupational therapists, and more than one early intervention program. There are services in the public school system, he said, but nothing quite like the intensive one-on-one attention and home programs offered at Quest Kids.

Mary Anne, whose son Daniel attends the center, says the program has been good for the entire family. Her other son, Matthew, often goes with her to the center. "Sometimes I feel torn in

Community Outreach

For the Quest Kids staff, grounding for this approach to behavioral training began in Ruiz's PSI class—Personalized System of Instruction—at Rollins. After taking Ruiz's learning course, Dickson, Whitehouse, and Nix worked as behavior managers and peer tutors in the PSI lab while taking Ruiz's senior seminar on behavioral technology. Ruiz encourages stu-

dents to sit in on sessions at Quest Kids to observe the staff at work.

On a recent weekday, five students stopped by to observe Karla Valentine working with little Vivek, who does not speak. Vivek's loving, gregarious nature warmed the hearts of those around him. He pointed. He hugged. He thrived on the attention. Students watched intently as Valentine instructed him to come, sit down, and make eye contact. Vivek used to point to everything he wanted. Now he's learning to sign.

Although Ruiz remains an ardent supporter of behavior technology, she concedes it has its critics. "Behavior technology is big in the state, and Florida is a leader," she said. "Critics, who are frequently misinformed, claim it's manipulative, punitive. But behavior, whether we like it or not, is influenced by reinforcers in the environment. It's a wise thing to understand—how reinforcers work. That's what behavior technology is about. These approaches are always submitted to analysis. They're data-based and driven. There are no assumptions here. Behavior analysis is about applying behavior in the best way. That works for the child. When you understand how it works, you can do incredible things."

Some parents have been so pleased with the results that they are now wanting 30 to 40 hours a week of training for their children. Dickson and Blakely co-instruct parent training sessions, as well as workshops for those wishing to become Certified Behavior Analysts. Dickson also has been working with staff in the Orange, Lake, and Seminole county schools. "Some public schools are starting to tap into us," she said.

"I feel the contacts I made at Rollins really allowed us to do this and take off with it," Dickson said. "You can do a lot in psychology with a BA," she said. "Florida

is the only state that has an examination for behavior analysts. The University of Florida, Florida State, and others have behavioral programs, so the state has certification that allows us to consult with primary and secondary schools."

Ruiz serves on the Peer Review Committee for the state of Florida, an advisory committee to the Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services. The committee has input over the guidelines implemented for the CBA Professional Certification Program, which has been in operation in the state since 1981.

For Karla Valentine, who graduated from the Holt program, her career aspirations "fell into place" when she took the learning and behavior analysis class with Eb Blakely and began working at Threshold outside of class. "What's exciting is really working with people. These are real-life applications that make a difference in someone's life. It's an incredible team effort that shows how much you can learn."

Cristina Whitehouse conducted an independent study and honors research with Ruiz in the PSI Lab, and knew then that she wanted to work in the field. "I jumped on that opportunity," she recalled, "and that led to a summer research job. This generation is one of the first waves of children receiving such early intervention," said Whitehouse, who places high value on applied learning.

Kimberly Nix shares those sentiments. "The world opens up to the children using these principles," she said. "What really took with me was that it was not just theories. You see lives being changed, and it was something I wanted to be part of."

Much has changed over the last 20 years in the treatment of developmental disabilities, Blakely observed. "Before, they were educated at home; now, they're

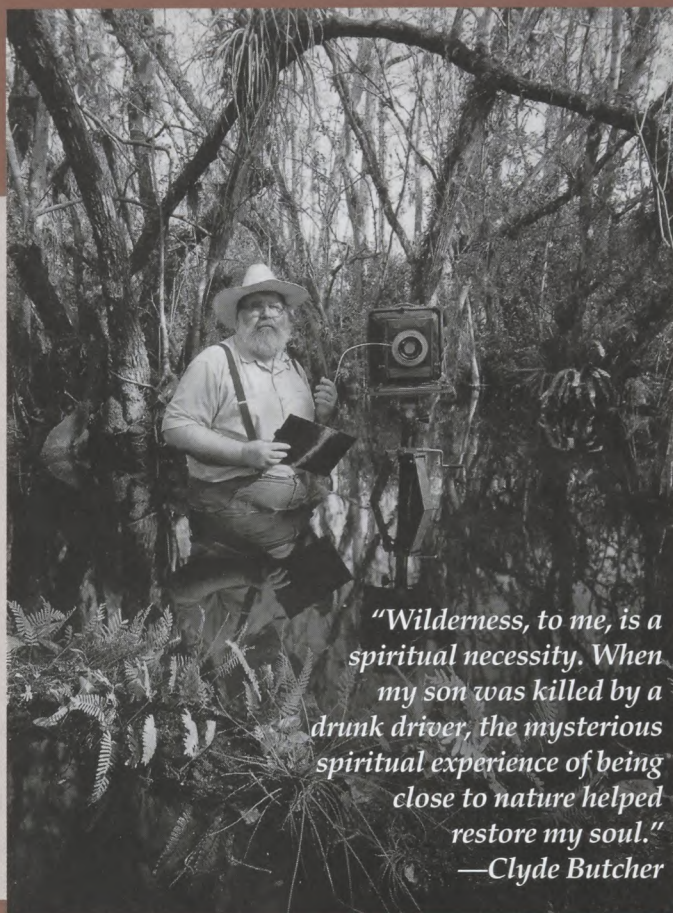
in school. In the past, there was no treatment. They'd be institutionalized." The 1970s and '80s brought a different perspective, however, and a different approach that made it possible for the autistic and others with developmental disabilities to live and work in community—in small group homes, sheltered workshops, and semi-independent living.

A Hope for the Future

Still, Ruiz said, much more remains to be done. Centers need staffing and building; parents need to know about the help available for their children, and students need to be reminded of the opportunities awaiting them in the field of applied psychology and behavior analysis. Behavioral training programs, such as Rollins', reach well beyond the campus and require continuous support. Ruiz, for one, holds no reservations about the benefits.

"We've got it here—the beginning of something—and training opportunities. We're getting kids jobs," she said. "Florida is the premier state in the country in behavioral analysis, with behavior analysts at the bachelor's level. We have top-level quality control, and we're doing incredibly important work." ■





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—Clyde Butcher

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CLASS NEWS

Class News Editor: Seth L. Brown

30 Damaris Otwell Wilson was honored posthumously by one of her former colleagues, Dr. Joseph Marsh, president emeritus of Concord College, when he dedicated the gift of a new 48-bell carillon to her and several others. One of the bells bears an inscription of her name and others "en relief." The formal dedication happened in October. Damaris was the dean of women at Concord for over 20 years. During her tenure at Concord College, a new women's dormitory, Wilson Hall, was named in her honor.



33 Jeanne Bellamy Bills was elected by the Community Coalition for Women's History to the Miami Centennial Hall of Fame as the first woman member of the *Miami Herald's* Editorial Board, and the first woman chairman of the Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce.



38 Marion Galbraith Merrill sends sad news of her husband's passing. She is currently living in a retirement home in Hockessin, DE, and keeps very busy.

42 Sylvia Haimowitz Hecht was honored by Fordham University with a Professional Achievement Alumni Award. Currently, Hecht is president and director of Science Development Programs, Inc. The not-for-profit company provides consultation for 16 New York-area public and private schools on after-school science enrichment programs. Sylvia's non-profit consulting evolved from her work with music and technology programs at Fordham's Lincoln Center Campus. To find out more, look her up in the 1997-98 edition of *Who's Who of American Women*. **Daphne Takach Powell**, an emeritus professor at Rutgers University, keeps herself busy with volunteer activities. She serves on the Board of Trustees for South Brunswick Public Library. In 1996, she was named Trustee of the Year for Middlesex County. For 10 years, she has taught people to read for Literary Volunteers of America.

45 Judith Sutherland Galbraith recently moved into John Knox Village, a life-care facility in Pompano Beach, FL. Her apartment boasts a fascinating view of the Ft. Lauderdale skyline, but Judy still misses the Keys on occasion.

47 Pat McGehee Bush and husband Bill savor the wandering life, spending summers in the Washington, DC area, wintering in Florida, and traveling abroad. Both daughters and their husbands currently reside in the Washington area, allowing the couple to spend time with their four grandchildren. The couple plans to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary in September. "It's hard to believe that it was 53 years ago that I was a Rollins co-ed and he was a naval aviator at Banana River in Florida."



48 Patricia Underwood Williams married John W. Oliver in March of 1997 and moved to Santa Maria, CA. A professional artist and president of the Huntington Beach Art League for 10 years, she still finds time to enjoy her extracurricular pursuits of music, gardening, and travel. Former husband Charles S. Williams passed away in June of 1995. **Alice Dye** of Delray Beach, FL, was recently elected president of the American Society of Golf Architects at the society's annual meeting in Toronto. "This is a great honor for me," Alice said. Known as a golf course architect and as a proponent of women's golf, Alice has been instrumental in the design of more than 40 courses with husband Pete. An exceptional golfer, she holds more than 50 amateur titles and was named Florida Senior Women's Golfer of the Year for five consecutive years.

49 William Koch, mayor of Gulf Stream, FL, and chair of Bethesda Memorial Hospital, received an unexpected gift from his hospital board. The board presented Koch with a gray-black mailbox

shaped like a shark, with a doormat proclaiming, "A grump lives here along with a wonderful person." Koch responded, "The wonderful person is my wife. I am the grump." He good-naturedly posed for a photo for the town newsletter and showed the mailbox to the commissioners, who, according to a Gulf Stream newsletter, "could not contain their laughter." The shark was sent as a lark after the hospital board found out that zoning changes in Gulf Stream would soon require new mailboxes to be white on white posts.

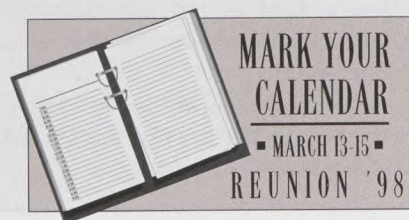
Patricia Meyer Spacks, Shannon Professor of English at the University of Virginia, has been named a Phi Beta Kappa Visiting Scholar for 1997-98. She taught at Yale and Wellesley College. Her books include *The Poetry of Vision*; *The Female Imagination*; *Gossip*; *Desire and Truth: Functions of Plot in Eighteenth-Century English Novels*; and *Boredom: The Literary History of a State of Mind*. As a participant in the Visiting Scholar Program, Pat will travel to eight institutions: Williams, Loyola, Rhodes, Bates, Gettysburg, and Swarthmore Colleges; the University of Missouri; and West Virginia University. **Olga Llano Kuehl-White** has moved to a new home in Tampa to be closer to the 18th hole of the Palma Ceia Country Club, where husband Jeff spends his life.

57 Winter Park High School inducted **Dick Williams** into the school's Sports Hall of Fame, as a "multiple-sport athlete," according to *Orlando Sentinel* columnist Bill Buchalter.

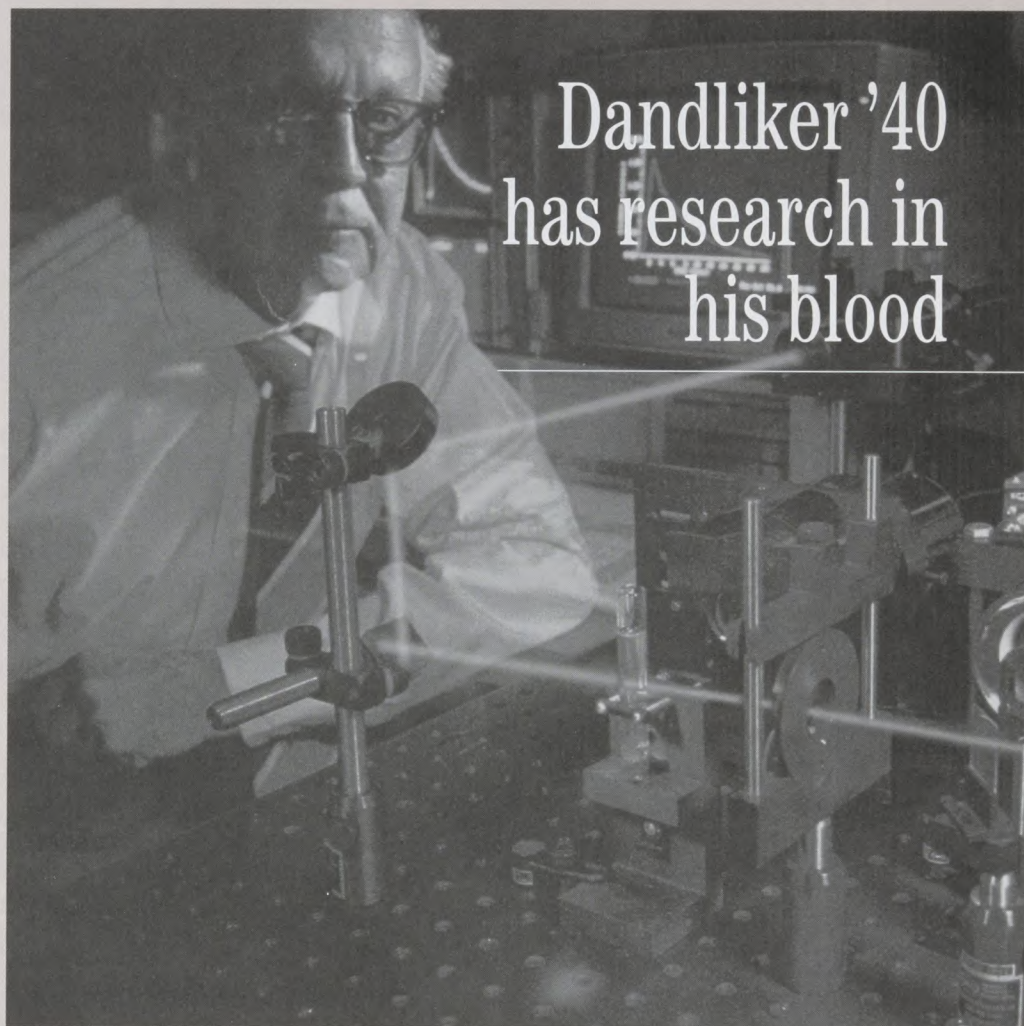


58 Gladys Musselwhite Black does a lot of volunteer work with the elderly. Other volunteer work includes running a school of enrichment through her church for eight years. She also cares for her elderly mother-in-law. **Todd Persons** just sold his business, Persons & Berinati, to Massey Services, a client of theirs for a number of years. The father of five, Todd reports that his 18-year-old son, the fourth child, started his freshman year at the University of Florida this fall, and daughter Amanda, 14, is attending Trinity Preparatory School in Orlando.

59 Leonard Victor Wood is a circuit judge in the 18th Judicial Circuit in Sanford, FL. **Dick Anderson** is happily retired since August. He still lives in Altamonte Springs, FL with wife Lois.



1997 DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS AWARD



Dandliker '40 has research in his blood

"The Conference Plan was wonderful for the sciences, but especially for languages," he said. "I learned French and German, and when I went to graduate school at Cal Tech, I easily passed the French and German exams. I needed them for graduate research, especially German."

Dandliker revered President Hamilton Holt. "It made an impression on me when he erected an anti-war monument on the quadrangle lawn made out of a World War I shell casing. After Pearl Harbor, he had to take it down, because pacifism was no longer popular. That's what war does to people."

Although Dandliker never won the Nobel Prize himself for his distinguished work, he worked with several Nobel Prize winners,

including Rollins classmate Donald Cram '41. ("We knew each other very well, but at that time, I didn't know he would become a Nobel Prize winner.") Two of his graduate students at the University of Washington in Seattle won Nobels, as did his mentor at UC-Berkeley, Norman Calvin. Dandliker spent a year-and-a-half working with Nobel winners Dan Campbell and the great Linus Pauling, who developed the smallpox vaccine.

Pauling, Dandliker remembered, "was wonderful to discuss problems with. If you told him the facts about any subject, he could tell what to do with them, even if he knew nothing about the field. His leads were always valid; he had such wonderful insight."

"In fact, when Watson and Crick discov-

In the age of HIV/AIDS, hepatitis B and C, and other blood-borne pathogens, we may give a quiet word of thanks to Dr. Walter Dandliker '40, who developed the tools that help detect contaminants in the blood, water, food, and soil. His pioneering work helped make American blood banking so safe that we take it for granted that blood transfusions during surgery won't introduce new diseases into our bodies. Rollins recognized Dandliker's achievements this past summer with the 1997 Distinguished Alumnus Award.

An Orlando native, Dandliker went to Rollins because it was nearby and economical to attend as a day student. As a science student, he had a limited social life. "I came in in the morning and went home around 5:30 p.m., and then

spent the evening doing homework. I knew I was missing something, but there was no way around it. However, I made a lot of good friends and had a couple of nice girlfriends."

His favorite professors were Dr. Guy Waddington in chemistry and Dr. Lawrence Kinsler in physics, "recent Ph.D. graduates of Cal Tech who couldn't find jobs during the Depression, so they taught college for a short while." Both went on to fame during World War II—Waddington for pioneering work in petroleum hydrocarbons and Kinsler for writing an early book on sonar, which revolutionized submarine warfare.

Dandliker was truly a well-rounded student who loved the Conference Plan that infused education at Rollins.

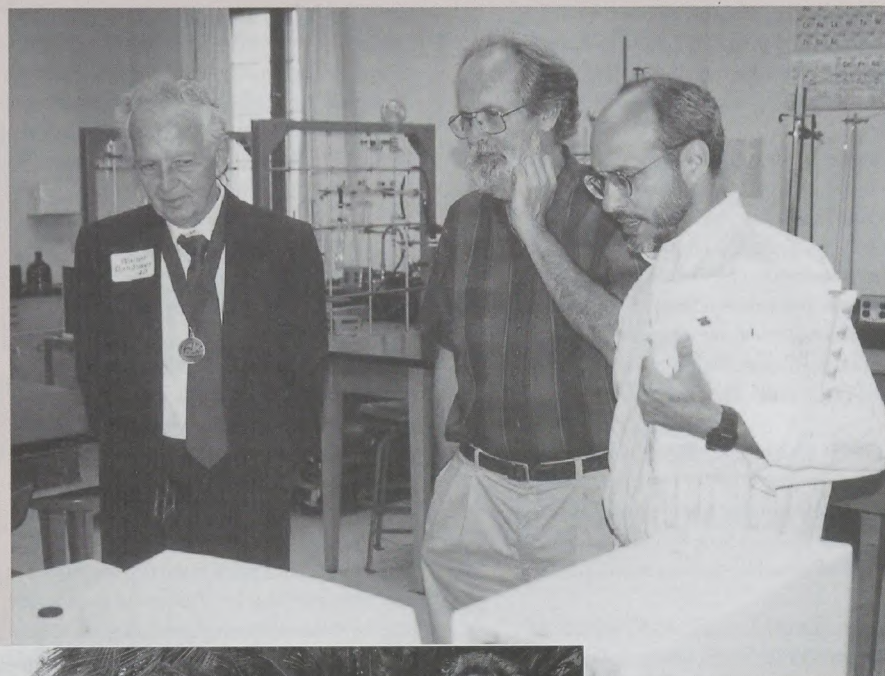
ered the structure of the double helix in DNA in 1952, Linus Pauling was extremely close to it himself. Had he seen the pictures the X-ray diffraction people made for Watson and Crick, Pauling would have known what it was. His son Peter was at Cambridge at the time and Watson would ask him, 'What's your dad doing?' He was afraid Pauling would get it first."

During World War II, Dandliker spent two years (1942-44) with Cutter Laboratories in Berkeley, California, which developed serum albumin, a blood substitute used for fighting shock after wounds because it could be injected instantly into wounded soldiers without fear of contamination by hepatitis or other diseases. He spent the next seven years (1944-51) on doctoral and post-doctoral work at Cal Tech, Berkeley, and the Harvard Medical School in biochemistry. In 1951, he "finally got a job" as assistant (and later associate) professor at the University of Washington. In 1958, he went to the University of Miami, where became a full professor in biochemistry.

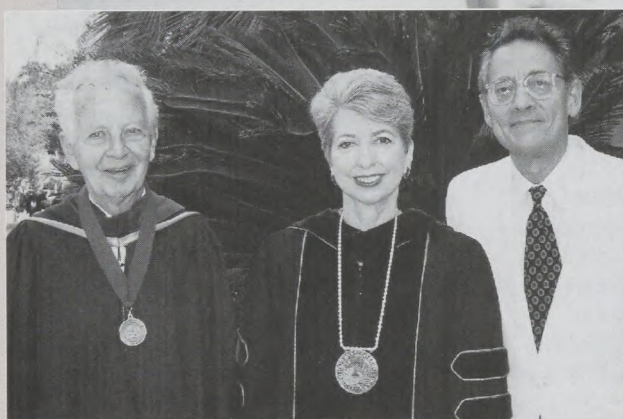
In 1963, a former colleague asked Dandliker to join a new team at the Scripps Clinic and Research Foundation (now the Scripps Research Institute) in La Jolla, California, which he did. While on the staff there, he developed the FPIA (Fluorescence Polarization Immunoassay), which was used to monitor the levels of therapeutic drugs in the bloodstream. He stayed at Scripps until in 1980, when he co-founded Diatron Corp. At Diatron, he and his colleagues developed SIGNALL technology, a new fluorescent measurement and imaging technique that is 100 times more sensitive than traditional methods.

"Immunoassays detect whether or not people are immune to certain diseases and whether pathogenic organisms are present; measure hormone levels and the level of administered blood; and monitor the contamination of water, soil, food, and air," Dandliker said. The techniques he helped develop use dyes to mark or label contaminants in these agents.

"This work was an add-on to work that began in the 1950s, but a lot of new technologies were developed after my wife and I published a paper in 1973 called 'Fluorescent Polarization of Immunoassays.' That had more impact than anything else I've done. It was in the public



A Chemistry professors Brian Ramsey (center) and Pedro Bernal show Dandliker newly installed lab equipment in the Bush Science Center.



◀ After receiving the Distinguished Alumnus Award during fall Convocation, Dandliker poses with President Bornstein and former classmate Ely Haimowitz, an internationally recognized concert pianist, who surprised him by flying in from Reno, Nevada for the event.

domain, so Abbott Laboratories commercialized and introduced the product in 1980, and it's been wildly successful. They sold 25,000 instruments worldwide, and as of 1995 they were selling \$1 million a day of the reagents, the materials you need to do the assays."

In 1992, Dandliker was honored by the American Association for Clinical Chemistry for "Contributions to Clinical Chemistry in a Selected Area of Research" for developing a new, highly sensitive, transient-state immunoassay. This was particularly valuable with the advent of HIV/AIDS and new strains of hepatitis. In 1995, Diacom was acquired by Hyperion, a biomedical engineering firm based in Miami. His latest research involves using synthetic DNA to develop even more sensitive "labels"

for identifying contaminants in the blood.

"The thing I like about the corporate world is that someone else raises the money to support your research," Dandliker said. In the academic world today, the hardest thing you do is seeking out money, and you have to spend a huge amount of time at meetings talking with people to try to secure funding. If you do get a grant, the institution takes a cut off the top—65% when I was at Miami—and you have to make sure that as soon as one grant runs out, you have another one ready.

Competent, bright people should be able to work in research areas of their choice without being encumbered by the funding process. Society needs that, because that's the way new ideas pop up." —Bobby Davis '82

60 Mark Tiedje acts as the media liaison for the College of Charleston's School of the Arts, handling graphics, public service announcements, and press releases. A former teacher and coach at Gardiner Area High School for 30 years, **Isaac Davis, Jr.** now owns and operates Bunkhouse Books, specializing in out-of-print and genealogical books.

62 David Talley can't say no when it comes to involvement and leadership in the community. As president of the Northern Palm Beaches Chamber of Commerce, he gets a lot of offers. Current commitments include serving as chairman of the board for Florida's affiliate of the American Heart Association and the Palm Beach County Convention and Visitor's Bureau, and member of the Board of Governors for Palm Beach County.

64 Fred D. Chappell, Jr. resigned after 12 years as the artistic director of "The Lost Colony" outdoor drama festival in Roanoke Island. He teaches acting and directing at Florida State University's School of Theater. Fred began his acting career in Florida.

67 Jane Blalock is hard at work establishing a separate Senior Tour for women golfers with 25 other "heavy-hitters" to supplement the LPGA Lilly Legends tour. Blalock announced her plans at her 18th annual clam bake fund raiser for the University of New Hampshire Athletic Program. She also devotes her energies to the Jane Blalock Co., a golf consulting firm, and to television sports commentating. **William Clarence Willmot (HH)** has been inducted into the University of Central Florida Brevard Campus's branch of Psi Chi, the national psychology honor society. An instructor at Brevard Community College, he has been listed in the Marquis Edition of *Who's Who in the Media and Communications*, a guide to the most influential people in the field.



68 Sandra Velasco-Jackson Jordan serves as creative director for Jordan Winery, working with her vintner/geologist husband Tom. **Dr. William Vogel** is currently the superintendent of schools for the St. Lucie School District, which serves more than 27,000 students. In addition, he has taught labor relations in the doctoral program at the University of Central Florida and has been selected to serve on organizational management study committees for 12 Florida school districts. A former world-record holder and national champion, Bill enjoys waterskiing, boating, scuba diving, and volleyball.



73 Jonathan A. Hunt, a management consultant for AT&T Solutions, is living in Lawrenceville, NJ with his new wife, Elizabeth, and five children.

74 Artist Jenny L. McNutt's paintings are currently on exhibit in group shows at Wesleyan University in Middletown, CT, in New York, and as part of the Fulbright Association's 20th Annual Art Exhibit in Washington, DC. Nortel CALA Inc. (Northern Telecom, Caribbean and Latin America) has recently appointed **Adis M. Vila** to the position of director of government affairs. Vila will be responsible for the strategic development and management of the Nortel government relations program for Latin America and the Caribbean, and will be based in the Nortel CALA headquarters in Sunrise, FL. She has a wide range of experience in private industry, government, university teaching, and law.

75 Bill Barker entered his third season as head coach of the women's soccer team at the University of Georgia. He previously served as head coach of the women's team at the University of Central Florida. While at Rollins, Bill played on two NCAA tournament teams.

76 Constance Peters Stuart Jones currently divides her time between residential real estate sales for William Pitt Real Estate, making instructional videos on platform tennis, coaching the Greenwich High School boy's varsity team, and acting as a team captain in two tennis cups. She plays tennis in the USTA senior circuit, where her national rankings are #1 for doubles and #13 for singles. In platform tennis, her doubles team is ranked #3 nationally in the senior's circuit. **Edward J. Lauth III** is president of AquaPenn Spring Water Company. His company recently announced plans to construct a new state-of-the-art bottled-water facility in Gilchrist, FL. The new facility will draw water from Ginnie Springs, known for its superior water quality. AquaPenn ranks in the top-10 bottlers of true spring water, and is known nationally via its "Pure American Spring Water" brand. **Thane Maynard** has been named director of education at the Cincinnati Zoo. According to classmate **Melissa Morris Mishoe**, a story about him in the May 1997 issue of *Cincinnati Magazine* mentions that he credits his youth in Winter Park with inspiring his current career interests. Melissa, speaking of her own life, finds it hard to believe her oldest child, Scott, is in college. Her daughter Elizabeth is thriving in the International Baccalaureate magnet program. Her youngest is in middle school. Melissa writes children's stories in her spare time, working with the material her life provides.

77 Phil Carlin sends word that his daughter Laura '01 came to Rollins as the first scholarship recruit of the Tars women's soccer team.



78 Carolyn M. Pecka Brooks, executive director for business development at San Diego-based Quest Diagnostics, writes, "My position at Quest

keeps me busy. Business trips take me to Dallas, TX, a couple of times a year, where I enjoy visiting with **Diana Mathes Waring** and her husband Charlie. My last visit was a mini-reunion with **Bill and Tracy Pickett McCalmont '79** and their classmate **Chris Domijan**. Trips to the East Coast are too infrequent, but I love the visits with **Pat Whelan Sitzler** and her three darling children. I am looking forward to our 20th reunion!" **Deborah Ann Arnold** recently was promoted to supervisory staff attorney for the Orlando Office of Hearings and Appeals, an appellate division of the Social Security Administration. She was a guest speaker at the national ABA convention in Orlando last year. **Susan Douglass Quirk '79CR** has returned to work in Atlanta after a summer in Cape Cod with her daughter Sarah (3), son Douglass (8 months), and husband Bill. **Diana Freeman Floyd**, her four children, and her husband, Rob, visited Susan at her beach retreat.

79 Sheikh Hussein Al-Banawi (below) traveled from Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, to visit with President Rita Bornstein.

Joanne Simila Catlin

was one of five women from Massachusetts to qualify for the 97th U.S. Women's Amateur at Brae Burn Country Club in West Newton. Husband Mike was JoAnne's



caddie at the tournament. Now living in Ashburnham, MA, she is one of the best female golfers in the state, having won the Oak Hill Country Club women's championship seven times, and reaching the state amateur semifinals two years ago. **Heidi Daniel** married Philip E. Meany Jr. of Grafton, MA, on May 31 in Washington, DC. Her sister **Kathy Daniel Sager '77** was a bridesmaid. Rollins graduates **Nancy Coleman Weststrate**, **Vicki Saiswick DeSantis**, **Mary Jones Payne**, **Kim Paul Leeker** and her husband **Joseph Leeker '78CR**, and **Graydon Cayce '78** attended. **Susie Spengler Rhodes**, who spent her freshman and sophomore years at Rollins, and **Margaret Keenan Moss**, who attended Rollins her freshman year, also joined the wedding-cum-reunion. The newlyweds honeymooned in Hong Kong and now live in Old Town Alexandria, VA. Heidi is editor-in-chief of *Washington Flyer* travel magazine. Husband Philip, a graduate of Holy Cross College in Worcester, MA, is president of Grubb & Ellis, a commercial real estate brokerage company. **Mimi Stefik Henderson** volunteers with the Florida Women's State Golf Association. She resides in Sarasota, FL, where she works diligently on her golf game. **Felicia Ann Hutnick** and husband John Kaiser welcomed their third child, Teresa Hutnick Kaiser, to the world on July 23. Felicia sends word that former Rollins tennis players **Nancy Yeargin Furman '77** and **Wendy**

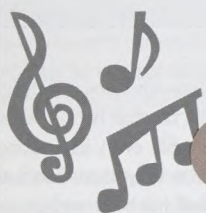
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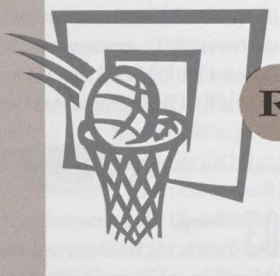
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BILL CALER '67

Rollins left lifelong impression on financial adviser

When Bill Caler attended his first Alumni Board meeting at Rollins last September, it was the first time in three decades he'd spent any appreciable time on campus. It was, he says, an exciting, albeit somewhat confusing, experience.

"Of course, there are many new buildings and even more under construction," he said. "I had to learn my way across campus from the Langford Hotel. But the school still has much the same feel as when I was a student. I was really impressed."

As impressed as he was when he began looking at colleges some 30 years ago. A native of Palm Beach, Caler liked what some of his older friends who were attending the College had to say about the school.

"Once there, I got involved in everything, which was one of the things I really loved about Rollins," he said. "There was the Kappa Alpha fraternity, there was student government, and there was athletics—tennis and soccer were my sports. Rollins is where I first learned to get involved in many different activities. And I think it made my experience there all the more worthwhile."

Caler majored in economics at Rollins, although he wasn't yet sure of his life's vocation. "I do remember taking my first accounting courses from Professor Ross Evans, who was quite a character. I guess that's where my interest in accounting got started. Also, Crummer Hall was built at

that time; we used their classrooms my senior year. You could sense the school was on the move even back then."

Following graduation, Caler moved to New York, where he worked in investments for the Bankers Trust Company. A year later, he started graduate school at the University of Virginia. His education was interrupted by the war in Vietnam.

"I spent 19 months in the Army, 13 1/2 of them as a radio operator in the Central Highlands of Vietnam. That experience was a postgraduate degree in life. Ironically, it was then, when I was halfway around the world, I realized I wanted to come back to Florida."

Following his discharge, Caler enrolled in the graduate accounting program at the University of Florida. Upon his graduation in summer 1972, he returned to Palm Beach, where he joined a firm of about 15 people. In the decade he was there, they built up the business and eventually merged the firm with Ernst and Young. Caler and several of his colleagues left there eight years ago to form their present firm, Caler, Donten & Levine, which helps its clients focus on the financial market and investments.

Looking back, Caler believes Rollins provided him a wonderful foundation for life. "Even though it was a small school, I got to know almost everybody over my four years there. I got to meet and deal with all types of people."



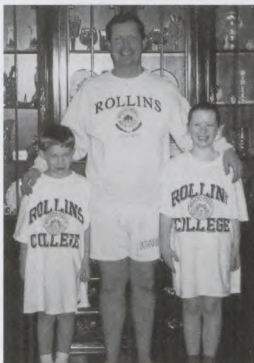
As a new alumni board member, Caler says he is particularly interested in helping to increase alumni participation, since it's a key factor to the overall health and success of the institution.

"Alumni are spread all over the world and many don't have the opportunity to visit the campus as much as they would like," he said. "You cannot go backwards. What I'd like to tell them is how much the school has progressed in recent years, how alive it is. I think Rollins has a lot going for it. It's an experience that's right for a lot of people, just as it was for me 30 years ago."—LH

White Prausa '82 also gave birth in 1997. When asked to comment on the crop of tennis babies, former coach Ginny Mack said, "What a team that would be!"

80 Gene Pembleton graduated from Virginia Commonwealth University with a master of social work degree in May 1996. He is presently

working on LCSW licensure. He is employed as a home-based therapist working with youth within the Juvenile Justice System in the City of Richmond, VA. **Michael Joseph Vonder Heide** is currently head of Telecommunications Services for Argonne National Laboratory. Friends can send him e-mail at mjvonderheide@anl.gov.



Pictured (l) are Brendan, Class of 2012, Mike, and Lauren Vonder Heide 2009.

81 Gerald Ladner recently joined the Zurich Group's U.S. strategic alignment team as Zurich regional manager in Atlanta. His position is a new one for Zurich, designed to foster cross-marketing opportunities among Zurich's separate business units in the U.S. In May, **JoAnne M. Terrell** earned her Ph.D. in systematic theology from the Union Theological Seminary in New York. Her dissertation, "Power in the Blood? The Cross in the African American Experience," will be published by Orbis Books in Sept. 1998. Currently, JoAnn is an associate professor of ethics and theology at the Chicago Theological Seminary.

82 Christopher Russo co-hosts an afternoon drive (1-6 p.m.) sports talk show, "Mike and the Mad Dog" (he's the latter), with Mike Francesca on New York City's most popular sports talk station, WFAN, "The Fan." The pair has worked together for nine years: "No matter what's going on in the world of

sports—the Tyson-Holyfield situation, the NBA finals, baseball, hockey, whatever—we are there for the public every day, talking sports and doing our best to keep them informed," Chris said. **Robin Yeuell** has been working as a crime analyst in the Crime Analysis Unit of the Norfolk Police Department since graduating from Old Dominion University in Norfolk, VA, last December. She writes, "I am also still rowing and competing with the Hampton Roads Rowing Club in Norfolk, and will be competing at the Head of the Charles Regatta in Boston in October."



83 George Diaz practices neurology in Miami Beach, FL. He is married with two sons. **Jane Gorrell** married Brian Michael Gallagher on June 21. The couple resides in North Carolina, where Jane runs the interior design firm Jane Hendrix Interiors, Inc. Her husband is a vice president at UPS Textiles. **Matthew and Alison Coles Aldredge '86**, and their three children, have moved to Southampton, NY, where Matthew teaches history at The Ross School,

ELIZABETH SERRAVEZZA '96

Entrepreneur discovered her niche at Rollins' Holt School

For the past 37 years, the Hamilton Holt School, offering Rollins' evening studies programs, has graduated leaders in a variety of disciplines. Included on that roster is Elizabeth Serravezza '96, who credits her Rollins experience with helping her discover her entrepreneurial niche: helping companies select corporate and convention gifts.

"When I enrolled in the Holt School, I thought I would eventually go into public relations," said the organizational communication major. "But then, I did an internship with Carolyn Planck and Rollins' Office of Donor and Community Relations and that was a great experience. It gave me a better appreciation for the City of Orlando and the business opportunities that were out there for someone who wanted to be an entrepreneur. I sort of found my niche by realizing that there was a major need in this community for corporate and convention gifts, not to be promotional, but to be more specialized."

Serravezza has about 15 major clients she works with on a regular basis. And thanks to the recent expansion of convention facilities in Central Florida, she says her new business is expanding rapidly.

Like her most recent business venture, Serravezza's path to Rollins was unique. A native of Atlanta, she originally attended the University of Georgia with the intention of earning a marketing degree. Macy's lured her away, however, to become a buyer for their Atlanta store. Serravezza also operated her own clothing store for almost a decade before

moving to Florida with her husband, Bill, who accepted a promotion with SunTrust.

"When we moved here, it was a different business climate and I had a child and didn't want to work the retailing hours with a family," she said. "I knew I needed to go back to school. It was a freeing and learning experience, particularly because Rollins has such an inviting, pretty campus. The professors are extremely talented and appreciate that Holt students bring years of experience to the table, making for a really nice classroom setting."

Serravezza said the fact that two decades had passed since she was in a classroom was intimidating at first. "I remember during my first test, I went into a complete panic attack. I couldn't believe it. But it's such a wonderful experience to go back to school, because as you get older, it expands your mind and energy level. The people at the Holt School were very understanding and helped me to overcome my initial anxiety."

Contrary to the perception that Holt students somehow don't enjoy the same quality of education as undergraduate "day" students, Serravezza believes she experienced the best of both worlds. "I felt really privileged to be in class with adults from diverse backgrounds of experience. But I used all of the facilities that the day students use. I used the library and took advantage of the Writing Center. I went to campus to study during the daytime, so I felt like I blended in just fine."



Serravezza believes the Holt School is beneficial to Rollins in that it brings a sense of maturity and value of education to the College. It also offers a segment of the Central Florida community a chance to experience a Rollins education they might not have experienced otherwise. "Since I've been in school, I have told so many people in business about the Holt School and the opportunities it offers."

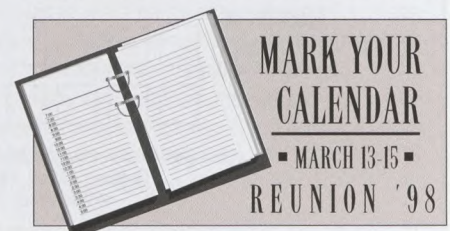
As one of the newer members of the Alumni Association Board of Directors, Serravezza says she hopes to feed the board with as much information as possible about the growth, nature, and importance of the Holt School. "I think that hosting alumni reunions this year for both the Holt School and the College of Arts and Sciences on the same weekend [March 13-15] will help to build some connectedness." —LRH

an independent school in East Hampton. The school was founded five years ago as an alternative to the American education experience. The curriculum is based on the study of cultural history. As they advance in years, the students move chronologically through the history of the planet. Matthew writes, "This year we are opening the high school and studying the entire world from 1500-1700. This is a fascinating project, not only for its challenge to 'normal' educational practices, but also for the effort of beginning a school itself. If you're interested, check out our Website at www.ross.org." Christopher Gasti spent the summer of '96 training at the Royal National Theater in London, after which he "Eurailed" around the continent, visiting relatives in Spain, France, and Austria. Last spring, he met up with good friends Bill Leavengood '82, Evan Press, and Morgan Smith Russell in Los Angeles. Currently, Christopher is performing on the SS Rotterdam's inaugural world cruise. He sends his

best wishes and good thoughts to Jason Opsahl '84 and the Opsahl family. Eric B. Lindwall is vice president of Strategic Marketing, a company he co-founded in 1992. He lives in Omaha, NE, and sends his regards to all of his Sig-Ep brothers. Daniel Overbey writes, "After 13 years as a Daytona Beach police officer, I've decided to pursue a career in law. My wife and I are both in our third year at Notre Dame Law School. We will be graduating in May '98 and moving to Chicago, where I have accepted a position in the litigation department of Katten, Muchin, and Zavis. Just to prove that law school isn't as hard as Turow said it was—my wife and I had one child in our second year, and we're expecting another in January of our third year!"

84 Anthony DeChellis lives in Phoenix, AZ, where he is a resident vice president for Merrill Lynch. He is married to Amber Lea Penberthy, a model for Wilhemina, Inc. The couple announces

the birth of son Anthony Alexander on Jan. 30. Nancy Lee Brown King of Orlando gave birth to her first son, Kevin Dale King, at Arnold Palmer Hospital on June 24. She works as a permissions manager at Harcourt Brace & Company. Husband Gary is a communications technician at Vista United Telecommunications. Krissie and David Feher also announce the birth of their first baby daughter, Samantha Lord, on June 5. Samantha weighed in at a healthy 7 pounds, 14 ounces. Currently, David directs racquet sports at North Jersey Country Club. The couple resides in Convent Station, NJ. Theresa M.



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Bender and husband Andy Surratt welcomed their second son, Michael "Briggs," into the world January 15. Young Michael weighed in at 9 pounds and stood a forbidding 21.5 inches tall. Big brother Tyler wanted to play with him right away! Theresa writes, "I really enjoyed meeting President Bornstein at the Boyd family reception in Tallahassee! Rollins, you are doing a great job!"

85 Bob Boyd and wife Trisha celebrated the birth of their daughter on March 13. Bob's law firm, which he started in 1995, now represents both Rollins College and ICUF (Independent Colleges and Universities of Florida) in tax matters. Bob writes, "I am primarily a lobbyist, but I also do administrative and environmental law. My firm not only lobbies for Rollins, we also won a significant tax case for the College." **Sandra Franck** has been working as an equity stage manager since graduation. She has lived in New York since 1987, stage-managing showcases, benefits, summer stock, an opera, and Off-Broadway plays and musicals. Her favorite year came when she served as stage manager for the national tour of The Who's *Tommy*. Most recently, she has worked on "corporate theater." She writes, "My current project is the purchase and transformation of a 2000-square-foot loft apartment in Chelsea." **Barbara Hewitt Christy** just ended her 13-year career in banking to join husband **Bill Christy's '97CR** four companies as controller. She recently enrolled in the Executive MBA program at Crummer. The couple has two daughters. **Christopher N. Kroha** became a father on Feb. 21 (see Class News for the Class of '87) and was recently appointed to the board of directors of Millennium World One and Millennium Mortgage and Trust. He and wife **Annette Nordine Kroha** reside in West Palm Beach, FL, with their daughters.

86 Jaymi Damron writes, "After eight years with KFC, I took the plunge and created Damron Consultants. We do medical and management consulting, and, so far, have been blessed with success. Unfortunately, I am on the road constantly, and barely have time to spend with my niece, nephews, and my 'baby'—a 73-pound Black Labrador mix named 'Kayla.'" **Emily O'Leary Egerton** will be entering a Ph.D. program in education leadership in the fall of '98. Currently, she is teaching elementary school. **Janice Carlyle Hirschfeld Epailard** lives and works in Brittany, where she owns and runs a lumber company with husband Bertrand. Their company does business throughout France and Europe. The couple celebrated the birth of their first daughter,



Claire Diana, on June 12. Janice looks forward to seeing any of her friends interested in a vacation in Brittany. **Stephanie Glance**, a former three-sport star for the Tars, has spent the last four seasons as an assistant basketball coach at North Carolina State. Peter and **Angela Claire Nardi Quigley** are pleased to announce the birth of their third son, Jonathan Richard, on Oct. 1. The *Rollins Alumni Record* sends condolences to **Dagmara Zeidenbergs** on the untimely passing of her mother. Currently, Dee is living close to Sunset Blvd. in order to be closer to the art and music scene in Los Angeles. She teaches fine arts to children at Mission:Renaissance, one of the largest art schools in the country. Dee also has spent many hours in the recording studio with her group "Festivall," completing six cuts for their new CD,

which they hope to finish by the end of the year. In what little free time she has, Dee creates and sells parrot earrings. Barnett Banks, Inc. announces the appointment of **Scott Wilmeth (I)** to the post of Regional International Sales Manager. Scott



joined Barnett from Rowica Sales & Service Company in Venezuela, where he was general manager.

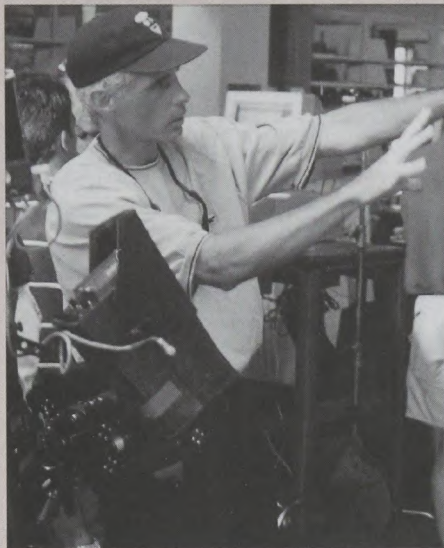
87 Teresa Ann Hubbard Brailsford of Summerville, SC, married George Lucien Brailsford Sept. 6 in St. Andrews Episcopal Church, Mount Pleasant, SC. **Mark Edward Eckert** lives with wife Bridget, and their three children in Denton, TX. He is president of Eckert Hyundai, Inc. **Annette Nordine Kroha** and husband **Christopher '85** proudly announce the birth of their daughter Windham Anders on Feb. 21. **Margaret Elizabeth O'Sullivan** happily announces her marriage to David Allan Parker on May 10 at the Knowles Memorial Chapel. She is a senior attorney for the Florida Department of Education in Tallahassee. Alex and **Shawn Edwards Stanton** announce the birth of their daughter Emily Ann on June 30 in Boca Raton, FL. Emily joins 5-year-old sister Kate and 1-year-old brother Matthew.



88 Philip Roofthoof and Sarah Chalmers-Brown were married at Cookham Dean Church, Berkshire, England, on Aug. 31. Their honeymoon was spent in Florida and the Cayman Islands. Philip works as financial controller of MSW Premier, a corporate travel management company for the film and entertainment industry, in London, and Sarah, as a business development PA with Innovex UK, Marlow, Berkshire. They live near Windsor, England. Philip hopes to catch up with some of his old classmates at the '98 Reunion, as well as with his brother who hopes to take time off for a few days

STEPHEN CAMPBELL '79

Rollins taught this Florida filmmaker there's more to life than what's viewed through the lens



If you've spent a fair amount of time in a movie theater or in front of a television set during the past decade, you've likely enjoyed the craftsmanship of Stephen Campbell '79. As a freelance cinematographer in Central Florida, he has participated in the filming of numerous motion pictures, television specials, and commercials. The liberal education he gained at Rollins provided him a good foundation for his vocation, he said.

"My professors had a strong influence on me. For those students who would listen, they had a way of teaching you how to see what is going on around you, not just what is on the page. In my line of work, what I try to do all day is solve problems. You create situations, then you figure out where you are in relation to what the director wants. You're constantly working against a time limit to produce a product that's going to make the director happy, you happy, and ultimately provide the viewer with a satisfactory product."

A native of West Orange, NJ, Campbell knew early on he wanted to major in English at a southern liberal arts college. Also, he increasingly realized he wanted to be involved in the business of filmmaking. "I did a lot of my own Super 8 projects in high school, but I didn't know what opportunities were out there in the real world."

After a visit to campus, Campbell was sold on Rollins and knew he wanted to play baseball for Coach Boyd Coffie. In addition to playing one season on the baseball team, he played basketball for two years. The experience taught him that life, like sports, is a team effort. "That's one of the things you quickly learn in the movie business: nobody can do it alone," he said. "I've worked with some directors who think they can, and that everybody else is just there to push stuff around, but that's not the way it works. And when the project is done and the film is out, we all look at what we did. The guys who did the lighting look at the lighting, the guys who moved the cameras around look at that. It takes the whole team to make it work."

His senior year at Rollins, Campbell completed a thesis project combining his majors of sociology and English: a 40-minute documentary film on the Winter Park Police Department. "Nothing had ever been done like it before at Rollins. With the

support of Dr. John Weiss in sociology and Dr. Socky O'Sullivan in English, I was able to combine my majors into an introspective report on what the police did, along with a sociological perspective complete with bars and graphs."

After graduating from Rollins in 1979, Campbell flirted with graduate school, but instead went to work for a Central Florida company that rented film equipment. "I realized that the next best thing to working in films was to work in a job where I learned about the equipment used in making films."

In 1984, he was invited to work on a film crew making a documentary film about music superstar Michael Jackson. He returned to Orlando and began free-lancing the following year, but in 1987, he again was invited to document Jackson's 18-month tour through the U.S., Europe, Australia, and Asia. "It was one of those once-in-a-lifetime opportunities. I was one of his cameramen and I traveled on his jet with him and on the Orient Express, which went right through the middle of Europe. Michael is an unbelievable entertainer. He's a perfectionist and a professional to the point that he instinctively knows what he wants. That was an experience that gave me a taste of the road as well as the opportunity to meet a zillion influential people."

After the Jackson tour, Campbell returned to Orlando at a time when the Universal and Disney studios were rapidly expanding their Central Florida movie production. During the past seven years, he has participated in the filming of movies such as *Psycho IV*, *Doc Hollywood*, *Passenger 57*, and *Rosewood*. More recently, he served as a camera operator on ABC-TV's project *Second Noah*, and HBO Pictures' *From Earth to the Moon*, produced by film star Tom Hanks.

What does Campbell like best about working in the film industry?

"I enjoy being on the set and seeing how it all comes together, knowing at the time you are shooting that the film you are working on is a 'good one,'" he replied. "Seeing the final product is also exciting."

Campbell is married to Rollins graduate Pam Tracy '80. Although they knew each other in College, they didn't begin dating until Tracy returned to the U.S. from Singapore to attend graduate school. She has taken responsibility for home-schooling their four children.

Although they live only minutes from Rollins, visits to their alma mater are rare. There have been a few instances, however, when Campbell has returned to shoot film projects featuring Rollins' beautiful campus—a real pleasure, he says.

During his short but brilliant career, Campbell has had the opportunity to meet some of the world's most interesting people and has worked on some legendary projects. What was his most exciting, satisfying project?

"The next one," he said with a laugh.—LRH

from AMC (Cable) in New York. Philip has rejoined his former rowing club, Marlow RC, and hopes to compete at Henley Royal Regatta next year.

89 Rachel B. Adler married Scott Segall at the Clarion Hotel in Orlando. The couple now lives in Fayetteville, AR, where Rachel is a special education resource teacher. She would love to hear from her Phi Mu sisters. Husband Scott works as an account specialist for Eveready Battery Co. **John (CR) and Carmen Gonzalez Cento** welcomed their third child, seven-pound 11-ounce Antonio Solvatore on July 9. Big brother Giancarlo, 4, and his sister, Emanuela, 3, are very happy with their new brother. The family lives in Clermont, FL. **Craig and Susan Connolly Heidacher Comfort** (below) welcomed their daughter Kathryn Rothert to the world June 9.



The family lives in Charlotte, NC, where Craig is a manager for Chrysler Financial Corporation. After receiving her master's degree in mass communication from the University of Georgia in 1991, Suzy worked in advertising and health care. With the advent of young Kathryn, she plans to enjoy some time at home. **Charles G. Flender** and wife Kathryn welcomed son Richard Claibourne to the world on April 8. **Robin Keener** of Melbourne, FL, defeated Nicole Kuhne of St. Petersburg 6-1, 6-1 in the finals of the Women's 25 division of the Florida Classic at Lake Cane Tennis Center in Orlando. This victory was her 100th career singles tournament championship sanctioned by the United States Tennis Association, Florida Section. Excluding her 15-month maternity leave, Robin has averaged winning more than one tournament title per month during this decade, making her one of the most successful tennis players in the nation during the 1990s. She's a tennis pro at the Eau Gallie Yacht Club. **Sammie Mirza Krepp**, currently a sports sales manager at Katz Sports in Chicago, married Chad Krepp on May 24th at St. Alban's Episcopal Church in Washington, DC. **Virginia A. Booher '88** and **Elizabeth Smith** were bridesmaids. Sammie would love to get together with

other alumni in the Chicago area. Her new address is 3850 Normandy Lane, Northbrook, IL 60062. **Donna Stram** writes, "Hi all. Things have been going well for me. A few years ago, I moved back to Boston and started a little consulting company that specializes in pharmaceutical research studies. (I would call myself the CEO, except that, to be fair, I'd also have to fess up to being the receptionist, receiver, janitorial staff, and purchasing department.) Still, I think having clients instead of employers is just about the best thing going."

90 Thomas Curran moved to Dallas last summer to begin Dallas Theological Seminary. He married Andrea, a girlfriend from New Orleans, in January. Some Rollins friends in attendance were **Ellen Ruff, Hilary Jackson, Brian Ungerer, Paul Hughes, Steven Eckna, John Pokorny, Eugene Bernardo '89, and Chris Chesire '87**, who was also in the wedding. Tom writes, "In March, we found out that Andrea was pregnant and is due in October (honeymoon baby). So we bought a house in May and are getting ready for the new addition. We are very excited." **Pauline K. Grable** moved to Denver, CO. After four years of guiding high school students in the national parks of CO, UT, AZ, CA, WY, MT, and ID, Polly's interests have become dependent on mountains. She would love to hear from Rollins alumni who are nearby, or just passing through. **Donna Morrow**, following in the footsteps of her father, Rollins sailing coach Bud Morrow, and brother, Richard, is a licensed captain sailing charter vessels on the Atlantic Coast. Her home port is Annapolis, MD. **Matt Rose**, former Rollins tennis standout, is now the head tennis coach at Washington (MD) College. His team won the 1997 Division III National Championship. **David and Michele Martinez Roofthoof '92** are living in Darien, CT. David works as director and producer of studio operations for American Movie Classics in New York and writes a free-lance movie review column for the weekly *Darien Times Newspaper*. Michele is working as a costume designer in NYC. **Melissa Tellier**, a former Rollins cheerleader, pulled out the pom poms for the Grand Rapids Mackers of the CBA during the 1995-96 season. She recently completed her master's degree in education and teaches 2nd grade in Fort Worth, TX. **Andrea Minuti Wakefield** writes, "After five years of marriage, I am now the proud mother of two: Grier, 18 months, and Amanda, 5 months. I have put my teaching on hold to take care of my own children. Recently spent a weekend in Connecticut with **Pam Harvey '91, Meg Elias '91, and Joline Furman. Phil Zies** and brother **Peter Zies '87** formed Zies Brothers, P.A., a law firm specializing in the areas of business, real estate, estate planning, marital, environmental, and criminal law. Phil was admitted to the New York Bar Sept. 9. He married D. Lynn Baker on Oct. 11.

91 Mikki Caraker recently was featured on the front page of the *Dallas Morning News*' "Today" section. The article explored her thriving entrepreneurial business, "Runaround Sue." Mikki's new errand-running business seems to be the answer for the hectic pace of life in the late 20th Century. Mikki meets with repair people, picks up dry cleaning, goes grocery shopping, takes animals to the veterinarian, and shops for gifts. **Beth Blakely Meyer** writes, "I don't think I've written since I graduated—so here goes. I got married on Aug. 14, 1993, to John Meyer in Houston, TX. Alumni in attendance were **Marnie Wochna Sweeney, Sue Sanford Garrison, Judith Rhodes, Maria Gonzalez, Carolyn Irving, Tyler Todd '90**. On Sept. 11, 1997, I gave birth to our son, Ian Hampton. On Oct. 5, 1997, he died. John and I are sad, and do miss him, but we know that through our faith in Jesus Christ, we'll see him in eternity." **Scott Smith** currently runs Sonic Auto World, with dealerships in the Charlotte, Houston, and Chattanooga markets. Sonic recently expanded into Florida, buying Ken Marks Ford Inc., one of Tampa Bay's largest dealerships. **Ani Diane Hawkins Whelan** celebrated her first anniversary with husband Steven on Sept. 21. The couple recently moved to Ft. Meyers/Cape Coral from Sarasota, where Steven works as a territory manager for Crystal Springs Water Co. **Anne Taylor Lloyd** married Kurt Becker on Oct. 4 at Knowles Memorial Chapel in Winter Park. Alumni who attended the wedding included **Gina Paduano, Steve and Erin Higgins O'Donnell, Sean and Marnie Wochna Sweeney Calvert '90, Carolyn Botello LaFollette '89, Dave and Jill Mills Ciambella, Annabeth Bounds Maura, Jennifer Hosford '92, and John and Jill Slavens Wacker**. Anne works as a database development analyst for Ovid Technologies, Inc. Kurt is manager of an online system.

92 Kristi Forrester married Matt Ecklund (below) on July 5 at Saint Francis of Assisi Catholic Church in Colorado Springs, CO. Bridesmaids included **Lisa Landrum, Kriya Lendzion,**



and **Jeannie Infante '94**. Among the guests were **Amy Ragg Solak and Tracy Perkins '94**. The couple honeymooned in Austria and Germany. They currently reside in Colorado Springs. **Vicki Stanonis**



SNAPSHOTS

REGIONAL EVENTS



ATLANTA, GA

Many young alumni gathered for an Atlanta after-hours party on October 10, 1997 at John Harvard's Brew House. The event was hosted by Pete Bok '92.



A Pete Bok '92 and Louise Dietzen '89

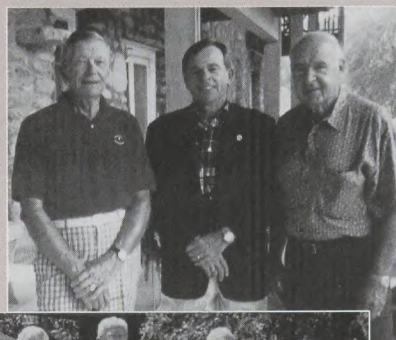
> (l to r): Eddie Ostervold '93, Sandy Sanders '92, Mike Gregory '92, and Pete Bok '92



WAYNESVILLE, NC

28 alumni and friends enjoyed a luncheon in August at the Waynesville Country Club, hosted by Bill Williams '50.

> (l-r) Host Bill Williams '50, Rollins Athletic Director Phil Roach, and Bill Gordon '51



A Alumni in attendance at the Waynesville event were Bill Williams '50, Peg and Bill Gordon '51, Agnes Hendrix Davis '49, David '55 and Florence Lussier Bowen '65, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Bass '55, Colin and Martha Barksdale Wright '49, Dave and Maggie Bell Zurbick '50, Leah Bartlett Lasbury '36, Mr. and Mrs. Jon Horvath, Jule Cushing, Scott Witherell '51, Ed Cushing '53, Mario and Joanne Horvath La Poma '65, Dr. George Spencer '50, Hank '50 and Mona Morris Moody '50, Mrs. Morris, Jim '51 and Mae Wallace Bryson '53, Gene Simmons '50, and Rollins Athletic Director Phil Roach.



REUNION '97:

In our *Alumni Record* coverage of Reunion '97, we inadvertently omitted class photos for the Classes of '52 and '56. Our apologies, and thanks to both classes for contributing to our most successful reunion ever.

Poynter and husband Brian announce the birth of son Alexander on June 3. Brian is executive director of the Zina Garrison All-Court Tennis Academy in Houston, TX. Vickie is an elementary school art teacher. Jorge and **Brigitte K. Capote**, a pair of registered nurses, are the proud parents of a different sort of pair. Alexia Teresa and Maximillion were born July 17, 1996. **Stacy B. Pierson, MD** is in her second year of pediatric residency at Scott & White Memorial Hospital in Temple, TX. She hopes to establish a group practice in either Houston or Florida when she finishes in July 1999. On Aug. 23, **Lorrie Roy** married Michael Crawford in Atlanta, GA. Alumni in attendance included (below, l-r) **Eddie Ostervold '93**, **Cara Crowley**, **Allison Conner**, **Lachlan Brown '94**, **Lorrie Roy Crawford**, **Andy Schwartz '93**, **Lauren Payne**, **Pete Bok**, and **Mike Gregory**.



93 Steven Burgoon married **Emily Akers** in Madrid. The couple currently resides in Vero Beach, FL, where Steven works for B&W Quality Growers and Emily teaches elementary school. Steven won the 1996 Spring-Invitational Tractor Pull in Fellsmere, FL. **Allison Gail Edwards** is attending the University of Miami Law School. She expects to finish her studies in December. **Gretchen Pollom** is currently a genetic research assistant at the University of Texas-Houston Medical School. She has applied to medical school for admission in the Fall of 1998. Gretchen recently visited **Brian** and **Grace Hernandez Corliss '94**, **Mike Karger**, and **Susan Nuese**. She reports that **Carolyn Quetel Olive** recently had a baby girl. **Stacy Sharp** and **Giles Van Prangh** recently became engaged. The wedding is scheduled for Aug. 22, 1998, in Farmington, CT. **Melissa Arden Smith** resides in Tampa, FL, where she works as community relations director for Tampa Preparatory High School. **Peggy Webster** is a mathematics teacher at Boys Latin High School in Baltimore. She writes, "I am also in charge of the yearbook, which is very exciting and keeps me busy. I will be going back to school to get my master of administration/supervision degree in the Spring of 1998."

94 Elizabeth Anderson is in graduate school pursuing her doctorate degree in psychology. **Nate Baxter** received his master's degree in

materials science at Georgia Tech in June and accepted a position with Intel, Corp. in San Francisco. **Robert '94CR** and **Beverley Buck Coleman '87** celebrated the birth of twins W. Teague and C. Cutler on Sept. 9. Robert works with B.R. Chamberlain & Sons, Inc. **Peter Crocker** reports that he is living with **Abbey Drozdale**. The pair recently started their own company, which distributes adult novelty items globally. **Mary Rachel Bergman-Kridler** is living in Hemet, CA, where she is involved in several exciting writing projects as a free-lancer. **Elaine Kelpien** received her master's degree in mental health counseling from Rollins in '97. After graduation, she opened a private practice in Winter Park. She currently is working full time in the marketing field for a computer services firm that partners with higher education. **Rob Sivitilli** graduated from the University of Chicago with an MBA in 1996 and is now working for the Real Estate Investment Banking branch of Chase Manhattan Bank in NYC. **Wayne Sorrell II** recently graduated from the George Washington University Law School with honors as a member of the *Law Review*. After clerking for a federal judge this fall, he will work for a Manhattan law firm. **Mike Spitzmiller** is working internationally for the Federal-Mogul Corporation and just finished a year-long project in Milan, Italy. Next stops include Mexico, Spain, and Venezuela.

95 Roniel Cabrera received his master's degree in biomedical science from Barry University in '96 and currently is attending medical school at Howard University in Washington, DC. He recently became engaged to **Cristina Whitehouse**. Cristina, who works for Quest Kids, a school for autistic children, recently became certified as an associate behavioral analyst. **Cheryl Boese Haywood** is now an assistant manager with IBM in Boulder, CO. She was hired in August. **Jeremy Thomas Lanier** serves as managing partner in his family's antique business, Lanier's Marketplace, located in downtown Kissimmee. He is involved in the revitalization and redevelopment of Downtown Kissimmee through his roles with the Downtown Kissimmee Area Council, the Community Redevelopment Agency, and the City Commission of Kissimmee. He also markets downtown-area businesses to prospective visitors, acting locally as a networking liaison for those businesses. **Heidi Morton** married Fred Jernigan Sherrill in June in Rye, NY. She writes, "Many Rollins grads were present. It was a big blowout. **Lacy O'Donnell** was there representing Richard Simmons, as she is interning for him. She danced and jumped all over the dance floor. She kept us all going! Thanks to all Rollins classmates who attended for making it such a spectacular event." **Alison Michaux** and **Robert Piziali** were married on July 26 in Vail, CO. Rollins alumni in the wedding party were **De Anne Wingate '96**, **Kristen Schorer '94**, **Jennifer Bannon '96**, **Jennifer McBriar**, **Brett Thompson '94**, and **Bill Green '96**. Other alumni in attendance were **Ben Candee**, **Katie Rasmussen**, **Drew McGuire**

'96, Stanley Karandanis '97, Rob Frost '94, Carrie Oliver '96, Chris Johnson '96, Steve Pratt, Holly McCannon '96, Jake Voigt, Windsor Coffin, Lisa Deconinck, and John Meis. The couple now resides in the San Francisco Bay area.

96 Alan Hancock has taken the sports information assistant position at the University of Miami. He spent the 1996-97 school year as assistant sports information director at Rollins. **Shelly Ozark** has moved to Pittsburgh, where she is a student in the History and Philosophy of Science Medical Ethics master's degree program at the University of Pittsburgh. **Leslie "bug" Poole** lives in Manhattan and works in the fashion industry for Vera Wang, where she is in charge of VIP and celebrity bridal clients. **Debra Springer Urusky** just started her second year in the clinical psychology doctoral program at Central Michigan University. She also recently celebrated her first wedding anniversary. Debra was awarded a research assistantship this year and was elected secretary of the Clinical Student Association. **Ford Wilkinson** sends the happy news that his start-up Internet company, Southern Internet Services, is going public. He writes, "Long hours and low pay make for a great life." In the last edition of Class News, we ran an incorrect photo of another couple under the wedding announcement for **Carolyn Davis** and **Robert Kimsey**. The *Alumni Record* apologizes to Carolyn and her husband for the error.

97 Jayson Rieger and **Elissa Levin** were married June 29. Jayson attends the University of Virginia's graduate school of chemistry Ph.D. program. Elissa has been hired by Albermarle County Public Schools. **Giancarla Floridia** has taken a job with Senator Bob Graham's office. **Daniel Hall** won his second National Collegiate Player's Tournament at NCR Country Club in Dayton in July. Daniel finished third in the 1997 Division II national championship and won the Collegiate Player's Tournament in Lafayette, IN in June. He turned pro in August, participating in the Hooters Tour Tournament in Orlando. After graduation, **Jennifer Judge** began working as an instructor in digital media at the Full Sail Computer School in Orlando. **Greg Oreste** currently is an account executive at Dean Witter in Winter Park. He would be glad to hear from any and all interested in any facet of their financial planning. His work phone number is (800) 829-5105, or he can be reached by e-mail at gopaper@aol.com.

IN MEMORY

Carol Walter Cochenour '30 died Aug. 5, 1997, at the age of 89, after a lengthy bout with Alzheimer's disease. She received her master's degree from Emory University in Atlanta. She was later hired to establish new library branches at schools throughout Orange County, where she became close to several of the students. "A love for books and a dedication

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to young people guided the life of retired librarian Carol Cochenour of Winter Park," said her obituary in *The Orlando Sentinel*. She had one son, a former combat fighter in the Air Force, who died before her. In addition to working for the school system, she wrote and published poetry. She is survived by brothers Jack and Bob Walter of West Palm Beach, two grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Mary "Lib" Elizabeth Drummond '34 passed away July 17, 1997. She lived in Windemere, GA.

Marlen Eldredge Newmann '36 died July 15 at the age of 81 of a pulmonary disorder. She was active in social and civic organizations while accompanying her husband, Robert G. Neumann, former U.S. ambassador to Afghanistan, Jordan, and Saudi Arabia, during his Foreign Service career. She had lived in Bethesda, MD, since 1981, when her husband stepped down as ambassador to Saudi Arabia and became director of the Middle East studies program of Georgetown University's Center for Strategic and International Studies. During the 1960s and '70s, Marlen served as chairman of the Foreign Diplomatic Wives Association and on the board of directors of the Association of American Foreign Service Women. She received her master's degree in diplomatic history from Yale University.

Carolyn Huntsman Hagy '44 passed away Oct. 16 in College Station, TX of cancer. She is survived by one son, Landon Hagy, Jr., Crossville, TN, one daughter, Lee Cole, College Station, TX, and two sisters, Mary Ellen Pence and **Betty H. Millard '53**.

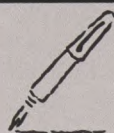
Sara "Pidge" Howell Schultz '49 died of a heart attack on March 5, 1997, following a lengthy illness. She is survived by two children, Kathryn Kemmeiling and James Schultz, and husband **Stanley Schultz '49**.

Daniel W. Eastwood, Jr. '51 died Oct. 18, 1996. He was still active in many business, civic, and community projects. He was married to **Jeanne Volkert Eastwood '48** for 45 years. Jeanne writes, "We raised three wonderful children and have three grandchildren." The couple served as proprietors for Fleur Du Lac Bed & Breakfast in Tavares, FL.

Troy T. Comter, Jr. '65 of Zionsville, IN, died July 7. He was the executive director of Associated General Contractors of Indiana for 11 years. He was an army veteran of the Korean War. Troy served on the board at Carmel United Methodist Church.

John Horner '67 died March 27, 1997, in Atlanta. He is survived by daughter Brooke Horner and son Chase Horner, both of Los Angeles and his wife of 28 years, **Lynn Bruch Horner '68**. During his years at Rollins, 1963-67, he was a member of Kappa Alpha Fraternity.

Walter Moya Simons '74 died Sept. 11, 1997, at his home in Wilson, NC. He was born in Wilson on Aug. 14, 1951. He founded Trends 'N Traditions, an antique and interior design business, in 1975 and was co-owner at the time of his death. He was a member of the First Baptist Church, the North Carolina Museum of History, and the Wilson Arts Council.



Help add class to the *Alumni Record*

A MESSAGE FROM GIL KLEIN '72

Admit it.

This is not the first article you turned to when you received this *Alumni Record*. And you didn't go first to the fascinating stuff about professors or student life, or even the latest on alumni giving opportunities.

No, if you are like me and most anyone else who reads an alumni publication, you turned right to the class notes at the back of the magazine to check out how your classmates are faring.

And that's part of the beauty of Rollins. The classes are so small that chances are good you remember the happy soul who wrote in about a marriage, a birth, a promotion, a move, or a serendipitous meeting with another classmate.

Jay Heinrichs, who edited the Dartmouth alumni magazine for 10 years, gave class notes some snob appeal when he told the *Los Angeles Times* recently, "Class notes are literally a definition of your class, your socioeconomic group, because education now means wealth. You don't have a landed gentry anymore, you have an educated one."

If we are defined by our class notes, then we had better put out one heck of a section. You can help.

We would like to recruit a historian for each class. Don't worry, no term papers will be assigned. All you would have to do is work with the Alumni Office to contact class members and see how they are doing. The Alumni Office will arrange for a letter to go to everyone in your class under your signature asking that anyone with news for the class notes mail, fax, or e-mail it to the Alumni House.

Then, from time to time, you can make calls to your classmates to find out what they are up to, how they view the College, and how the Alumni Office can better serve them. YOU WILL NOT BE ASKED TO SOLICIT MONEY. This is just a way for you to keep up with your old friends and for the College to keep up with all of you.

If you are interested, contact the Alumni Office by calling Alumni Director Cynthia Wood at 800-799-2586, or mail a note to her or send her an e-mail at: cwood@rollins.edu.

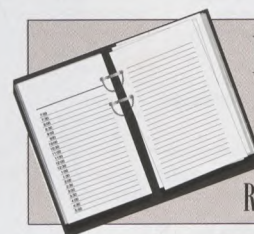
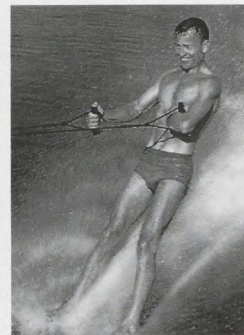
And if you don't want to be the historian, but you have a tidbit about yourself or another classmate, you can do the same thing. We want to know what you're up to, and so do all of your old friends.

He is survived by companion John Carlton Hardy; a sister, Anne Simons Straughan; brother Claude Ernest Simons, Jr.; brother Dr. William John Simons; and nine nieces and nephews.

Cecile Bradley died Aug. 27, 1997. She moved to Winter Park in 1933 when her husband, U.T. Bradley, "Brad," became a history professor and the crew coach at Rollins. He died in 1968. The College played a large part in her life. She played a major role in attending and hosting crew events. For many years, she and Brad put up visiting crews in their house, hosting 50 men during one busy season. Their campus presence reached a point that letters were often addressed to "Bradley Hall," and successfully delivered.

Dr. Geneva Drinkwater died July 21 in Winter Park as she approached her 100th birthday. She was born on Oct. 15, 1897, in Charleston, MO. She started teaching history at Stephens College in 1918. While attaining her Ph.D. at the University of Chicago, she received a fellowship for two academic years at the Vatican School of Paleography in Rome and read documents in the archives of the Monastery in Subiaco, the first Benedictine Monastery. During her professional career, she taught at Vassar College, Carleton College, the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, and Scripps College in California. In 1952, Geneva came to Rollins. Upon her retirement in 1963, she received a Fulbright Scholarship to teach at the University of Madras, India. As a community leader in Winter Park, she served on the board of trustees of the Winter Park Library and Friends of the Library, of which she was a charter member.

Henry S. Suydam passed away at 90 years of age on June 21, 1997. Known affectionately by friends and students as "Gramps," he was the water ski coach at Rollins for 16 years, from 1949-1965. In the Veterans class, he won the World Over-all in 1950; the U.S. National Veterans Over-all in 1951; and, from 1950-52, he took the Veterans Over-all at the Dixie Tournament at Cypress Gardens. In fact, Henry and son Skillman are the only father and son water-skiing team to win Over-all National or World Championships in the same year. While teaching at Rollins, the women brought home the intercollegiate crown 15 times in 16 years, and the men's team once. Henry is survived by son Skillman Suydam of Cocoa Beach, FL, and daughter Marcia Suydam Keller of San Diego.



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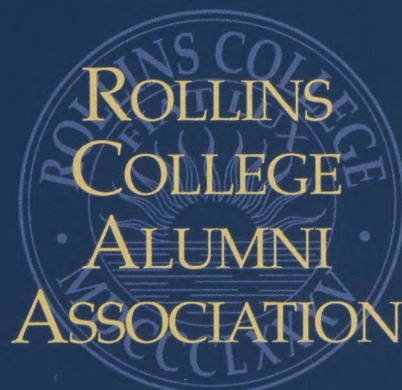
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