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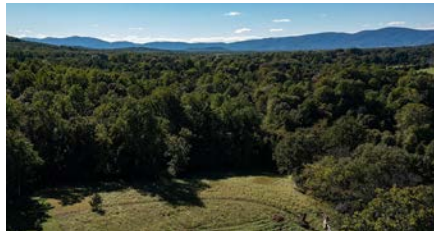
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FROM THE EDITOR

Hard Copy Hits Hard Times

For our cover story, which begins on Page 38, we asked UVA experts in a wide range of fields to tell us what they glimpse over the horizon. They conjured a world of drone deliveries, driverless traffic jams and subdermal sensors streaming data to our doctors.

Just please don't send him my blood pressure, not just now. To bring you that brave new world, we've had to deal with this old one. If you're seeing this in print, you're likely seeing it a touch late, and the paper likely has a different touch. If not, it's a miracle.

Global supply-chain problems have hit the publishing industry. Everyone's scrambling for paper. When we call our printer, which we've been doing a lot lately, our contact practically recites the reasons as he picks up.

For years the paper mills have been reducing capacity, overestimating the decline in demand for publication stock. Now they're redirecting their wood pulp to the insatiable packaging and construction industries (in case you thought any of this was saving trees). Labor shortages in the mills, the warehouses and the cabs of semitrucks have slowed the flow of paper rolls to printing plants. Overseas suppliers have even more problems. But that's moot until their cargo ships can find berths at stacked-up U.S. ports.

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That's not just me talking. It's you as well. We continually poll readers on how frequently they want to receive hard copy, and whether we should move more, or all, online. In the most recent survey, 88 percent said they prefer getting a printed *Virginia Magazine* at least four times a year; some would like us to produce it monthly. It's not just the older generations. Seventy-nine percent of respondents under 40—including 81 percent of those under 30—prefer the printed book quarterly or more often. Mind you, it's an online survey, which ought to overrepresent the digerati.

Our printer tells us the supply constraints will ease, not that he can say when. He says we're in a perfect storm. We know about those. We have a splashy feature on some famous ones on Grounds on Page 48. Enjoy it along with the rest of our Spring edition. May it have reached you before summer. Because, man, don't get me started about the U.S. Postal Service.

Richard Gard (Col '81)
Vice President, Communications,
UVA Alumni Association



VOX ALUMNI

Letters

LONGITUDE & ATTITUDES: VOX ALUMNI SPECIAL REPORT

I have felt for a long time that *Virginia* is an excellent informative magazine, but the latest issue just received is exceptional. The presentation of the survey results is outstanding: well presented, clear, informative and a consummate example of how results of a survey such as this one should be presented when you know the audience covers extreme

opinions and feelings across the entire spectrum. Particularly, you were able to avoid any bias or interpretation in the presentation, an enormous and necessary accomplishment. Just the results. It is what it is. Well done!

Lucien Bass (Engr '63, Darden '65)
Crozet, Virginia

I found your article "Longitudes & Attitude" very interesting, especially the

section regarding openness to conservative and progressive ideas.

Conservatives have long argued that higher education inculcates liberal, or "progressive," ideas at the expense of their own. It has been my experience, after more than 40 years of involvement with higher education, that students (and very likely alumni) are not judged by their values but by their arguments.

For instance, arguing that the 2020

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I wasn't part of the survey, but I enjoyed reading about it. The story was among the more useful and relevant ones that I have read (on any topic) in recent years.

I was a member of the School of Medicine class of 1970 and I served on the Honor Committee. Although I liked the ideal of students holding each other accountable for their behavior, I remember cringing at the ambiguity—the downright difficulty—of many of the cases that I heard. Despite the committee's strenuous efforts to render the best verdicts that it could, I doubt that all of our verdicts were correct. Of course, the same problem occurs beyond the Grounds—juries in civil and criminal cases don't always get it right. But that's why there's a system of appeals. The lack of an appeal process within the Honor System always concerned me.

C. COOPER PEARCE (MED '70)
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national election was stolen by Mr. Biden is a poor argument because the facts do not reflect the conclusion. Is such an argument truly a persuasive idea? I would say it is not.

On the other hand, the argument that transgender women should compete in women's athletics is not an issue where the facts are clear. Although pigeonholed as a progressive idea, I would argue that this is neither conservative nor progressive. Arguments for and against this idea defy political categorization.

Our categories do not reflect accurately the complexity of argument in today's society and are problematic in that they promote the extreme polarization of political thought.

Evan Cantor (Col '78)
Boulder, Colorado

Thank you for this excellent article. I think I was one of the survey responders.

With respect to the Honor System, while I appreciated the community of trust, I felt like we were brainwashed with fear at first-year orientation. I remember a stern lecture from an upperclassman who must have been on the Honor Committee. We had barely moved in before he warned us that Honor must come before anything else—most significantly personal relationships. I have never forgotten that frightening introduction; even as a 63-year-old I can report it was frightening, misdirected, inappropriate. I was terrified to even look up during an exam for fear I would be expected to see something and report it or someone would falsely accuse me.

Great work on the survey and other

endeavors. As someone with a Ph.D. in research, I know that it is HARD to conduct valid surveys.

Cobie (Silverman) Whitten (Col '80)
Olympia, Washington

Despite what the survey showed, I don't recall the Honor System being particularly popular in the early 1970s. Yes, some students "liked" it because it was a part of UVA's rich heritage and "mystique." But my impression was that the great majority of students viewed the Honor System as simply a fact of life, and not a particularly attractive one. It wasn't that they supported "lying, cheating and stealing," but rather that they doubted the justness of a system that had a single sanction, no appeal, no provision for mercy, and complete dependence on the wisdom of people who were barely out of their teenage years and who had yet to be challenged and tempered by having to make their way in the real adult world. Indeed, I recall a pervasive undercurrent of discontent with the system that perhaps some of my fellow septuagenarian alumni had forgotten by the time that they responded to your excellent survey.

George Tyson (Med '73, Res '80)
Setauket, New York

ADMISSIONS INTERVIEW

I was surprised to learn that UVA went test-optional this year. The vice provost was quoted as saying, "It's an ax and not a scalpel." Of course, we have always known this to be true.

Not one word is mentioned in your article about the damage this policy has meant for countless generations of students and applicants [of color]. I implore you to undertake a study to assess all dimensions of this harm. That policy fed a culture on Grounds that was hostile to African Americans and other

students of color.

The use of average SAT scores in admissions and promotion materials shaped perceptions and defined UVA culture that marginalized students of color. It was assumed that African American students on account of their lower SAT scores, on average, were less deserving. Our experiences on Grounds were directly connected to that poor policy. UVA ignored the evidence and African Americans' legitimate arguments that the SAT was not predictive of performance or career prospects. Now that UVA has changed course, it minimizes these harms. What a shame.

Chris Williams (Col '07)
Washington, D.C.

GRADUATION RATES PROPEL UVA IN RANKINGS

The article by Sarah Lindenfeld Hall shows that the University has improved, but still is below where it stood in years past. The information about rankings in the individual categories is useful, but more useful would be an addendum to the article that discussed how the state legislature can help, how the president's office can help, and how the alumni can help improve the rankings.

Being the top or second-best public university was a source of immense pride and selling point to high school students who asked about my alma mater.

Ken Harkavy (Col '67)
Potomac, Maryland

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

A letter in the Winter 2021 *Virginia Magazine* declared this year's removal of statues and memorials around the Grounds to be "historical vandalism." As a historian whose career began as an undergraduate at UVA, I disagree. History cannot be erased, and statues and memo-

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rials are not history. They are symbols of triumphalist myths from ages past. We do not need them to recall and critically reflect upon the deeds of white men like Jefferson and George Rogers Clark.

The alumnus who authored the letter to which I respond says he has ceased contributing to the University because of this policy. To the contrary, I am inspired by the courage and thought it took to take this necessary step. I am proud to be a UVA alum, and I am increasing my annual giving as a result of this policy.

Holly Hurlburt (Col '93)
Raleigh, North Carolina

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This new resource for online networking doesn’t replace the UVA Alumni Association’s renowned lineup of in-person events. It complements it. Just this fall, we hosted our biggest Young Alumni Reunions ever, selling out our outdoor venue. As I write this, we’re getting ready for this spring’s much-anticipated Black Alumni Weekend. And stay tuned for details on June’s Class Reunions. For each of these and other Alumni Association events, Wahoo Connect can help you get the most out of the experience. Use it to coordinate plans with friends beforehand or to follow up afterward with new contacts you made in Charlottesville.

Wahoo Connect is just one example of how the Alumni Association continues to innovate, to improve services to meet your needs and, in all things, to deepen your connection to UVA and one another. See for yourself, by connecting to WahooConnect.com.

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Lily West (Darden '12)

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COMINGS, GOINGS, SURPRISES

Magill leaves for Penn, Baucom stays to be provost, Heaphy gets axed by the new AG

BY RICHARD GARD

Executive Vice President and Provost **M. Elizabeth “Liz” Magill (Law ’95)**, the University of Virginia’s second in command, is leaving to become president of the University of Pennsylvania.

The move came as a surprise, and it prompted some quick action in order for President **James E. Ryan (Law ’92)** to be able to combine the announcement of Magill’s departure with the naming of her successor.

Ian B. Baucom, 55, a nationally prominent figure in higher ed as dean of UVA’s College and Graduate School of Arts & Sciences, moves

into the role of EVP and provost, the chief academic office and direct boss of the University deans. He’ll transition in March, allowing overlap with Magill before she reports for work in Philadelphia on July 1.

Baucom, who grew up amid apartheid in South Africa and began his studies as a political science major at Wake Forest University, has been one of UVA’s strongest champions of the founding mission of developing citizen leaders. “That historical call to be part of an experiment in how public education advances democratic life is real here,” Baucom told UVA Today. “It’s been an honor to be part of →

that in the College, but now, to work with colleagues and students across all the schools to advance that—there’s no comparison. There’s no other opportunity like it.”

Baucom received his graduate degrees from Yale University, a master’s in African studies and a Ph.D. in English.

His and Magill’s promotions are subject to the formality of March governing board votes at their respective universities. Professor David L. Hill, 70, a former associate dean and psychology department chair, will serve as the interim dean of the College as Baucom sets up the search for his own more permanent replacement.

President Ryan moved fast on Baucom’s promotion; the dean had become a finalist for provost elsewhere.

Filling deanships is one way provosts put their stamp on a university. Magill, or search committees under her purview, hired five. She also recruited UVA’s first vice provost for enrollment, overseeing admissions, financial aid and the registrar’s operations.

Baucom has been responsible for major hiring, too. Since he left the Duke University English Department in 2014 to become UVA dean, the College has brought on more than 200 faculty members. It also dramatically revamped the core curriculum, replacing check-the-boxes subject-matter requirements with a cross-disciplinary matrix of intellectual competencies.

“[H]e’s exactly the right person to step in as provost, and I know he’ll be ready to hit the ground running,” Ryan told UVA Today.

Ryan did some scrambling of his own. As Magill’s position was about to become open, Baucom had become a finalist for provost elsewhere, a spokesperson for the dean confirmed. Ryan acted fast, dispensed with a formal search, and elevated Baucom.

GETTING TO YES

Magill, 56, took some convincing to leave UVA, according to Scott L. Bok, the investment bank CEO who chairs Penn’s Board of Trustees and led the presidential search. “While a lot of candidates we spoke to sort of leaped at the opportunity to come lead Penn, it took a bit of discussion to get Liz there,” he says.

Magill seemed as though she’d be UVA provost for the long term, not 2½ years plus a semester of transition. When she arrived in the summer of 2019, Magill told *Virginia Magazine* she was not the sort of provost who wants to be a university president someday. “I have the job I want, with the person I want to work with,” she said.

She and Ryan are longtime colleagues. They overlapped for 14 years on the UVA law faculty before they each left for prestigious deanships, Magill to lead Stanford Law School. Ryan previously told *Virginia Magazine* he approached Magill about possibly being his provost before he had formally accepted the UVA presidency.

Once the pieces fell into place, Ryan made good on his promise to give her more influence than UVA provosts have had. When the COVID crisis hit, she led the University’s response as part of a senior leadership collaboration.

Penn had the time to conduct a deliberate search. Since 2016, it had been understood that Penn President Amy Gutmann would not get another contract extension beyond the current academic year, when, at 72, she would have served 18 years. Then, in June, reports

percolated that U.S. President Joe Biden was nominating her as ambassador to Germany.

Magill’s roles at Stanford and then UVA, institutions Bok considers close parallels to Penn, made her a frontrunner. “There aren’t that many leading people in the academic world who have had two really senior jobs and still have a long runway ahead such that they could take on a third, and they could be the president,” he says.

Penn had a strong pitch to make. Magill would lead an institution with similar enrollment and breadth to UVA’s, a longer history that also traces to a founding father (Benjamin Franklin), a top 10 U.S. News ranking (UVA ranks 25th), a larger endowment and, likely a relief, an already completed \$5.4 billion capital campaign.

Bok says they had a handshake understanding before the holidays.

UVA COUNSEL HEAPHY FIRED

Another difference: Penn is private, not subject to state control. That came into play with the departure of another member of Ryan’s inner circle, University

Counsel **Timothy J. Heaphy (Col ’86, Law ’91)**. Jason S. Miyares, Virginia’s newly elected Republican attorney general, sacked Heaphy in January. After a backlash, Miyares insisted it wasn’t related to Heaphy’s role, while on temporary leave, as chief investigative counsel for the U.S. House



committee investigating the January 6 attack on the U.S. Capitol.

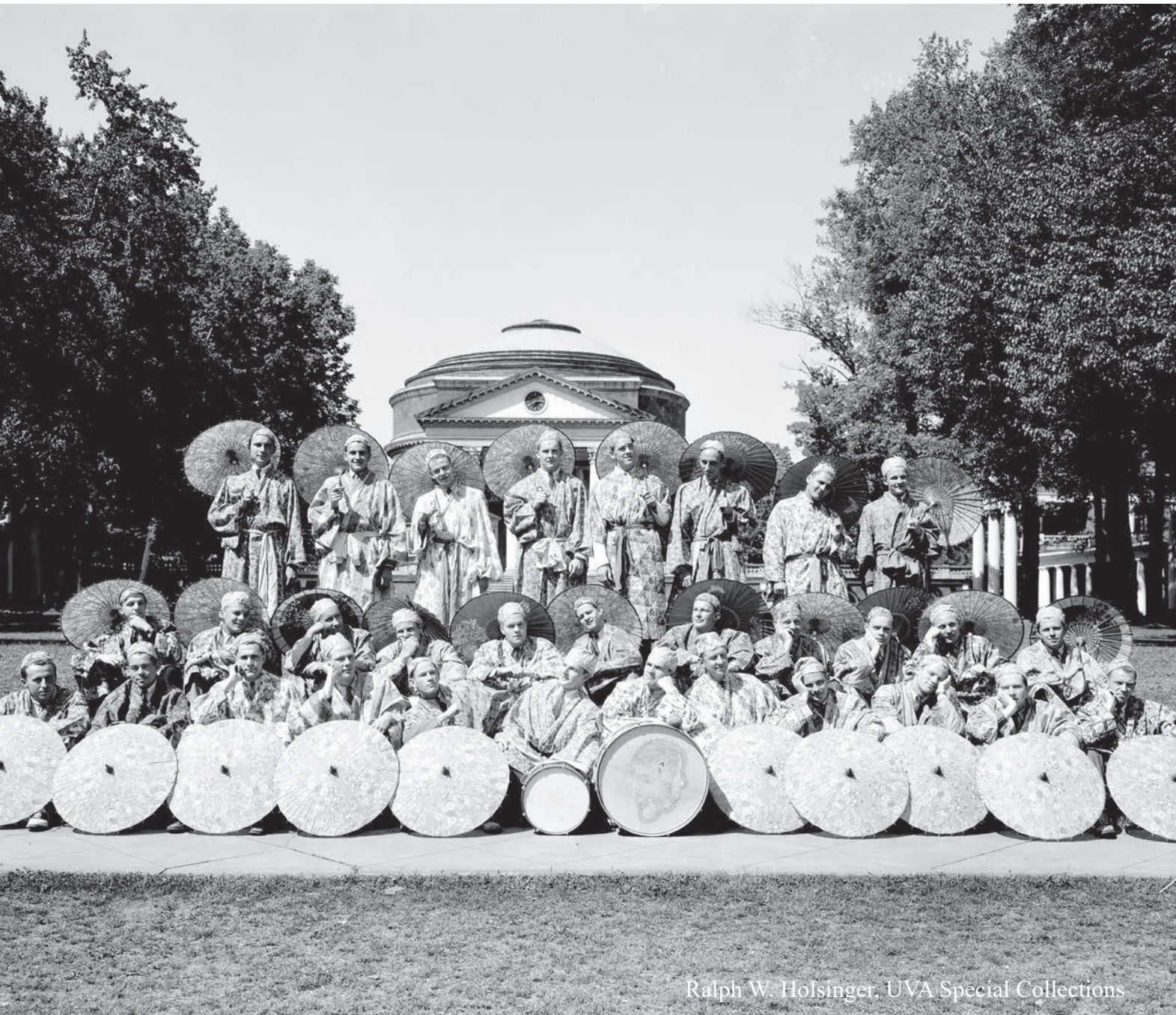
Heaphy was one of 30 firings during a whirlwind first week for Miyares in which he started some investigations of his own, rescinded Virginia’s support for abortion rights at the U.S. Supreme Court and announced: “There’s a new sheriff in town.” Miyares delivered the line to a classmate of Heaphy’s, Fox News host **Laura Ingraham (Law ’91)**.



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Undergraduate Applications Break Records Again

Undergraduate applications to UVA soared to another record-breaking year in 2021 with 50,800 prospective 'Hoos applying for admission—up 6 percent from 2020, when numbers surged 17 percent.

It's the sixth biggest year-over-year jump in applications to UVA since 1991; last year's ranks No. 1.

"What that means is we have more great students to choose from," said **Greg Roberts (Darden '17)**, UVA's dean of admission. "And while that's awesome, that also means more people are going to be disappointed, and that's tough."

The target size for this year's class is 3,748, around 7 percent of the number of applications.

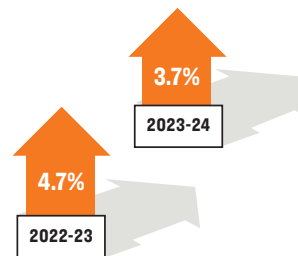
UVA's decision not to require standardized test scores because of difficulty in accessing the tests during the pandemic is likely one reason for the continued growth, Roberts said. UVA will remain

test-optional through 2023. Of all applicants this year, 42 percent did not submit test scores, roughly the same proportion as last year's 43 percent. Other competitive universities, including Duke University, Harvard University and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, also remained test-optional this year.

The relaunch of in-person admission tours on Grounds in June, sooner than many colleges and universities, may also have prompted more students to apply, Roberts said.

More than 1,100 applicants accepted admission through UVA's early decision cycle in December. This year, some 3,500 students applied through the early decision pathway, which requires students to accept an offer of admission.

Early decision applicants include 132 first-generation college students, up from 76 in 2020, and 241 children of UVA alumni, up from 220. —**Sarah Lindenfeld Hall**



BOV raises tuition for next two years

UVA's Board of Visitors in December raised tuition for the next two academic years and turned its annual tuition and fees deliberations into a biennial undertaking to help families make more informed decisions about the cost of college.

The BOV agreed to a 4.7 percent increase in undergraduate tuition for the 2022-23 academic year and a 3.7 percent boost for 2023-24. Undergraduate tuition rates vary by school and year. But, with the increase, a first-year in-state student in the College of Arts & Sciences in fall 2022 will pay \$15,339, up from \$14,649 for current first-year students. The rate for out-of-state first-years will rise from \$49,179 to \$51,491. In the engineering school, the rate will go from \$23,027 this year for in-state first-years to \$25,111, and for out-of-state students, from \$57,873 to \$61,595.

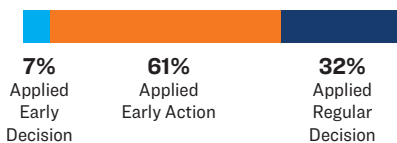
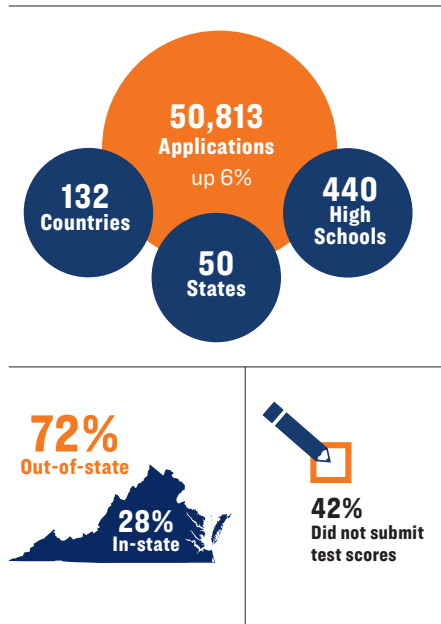
The higher rate increase for the next academic year is a "little bit of a catch-up," said UVA Rector **Whitt Clement (Col '70, Law '74)**, after several years of lower or no tuition hikes.

For the past six years, tuition hikes have hovered between no increase during the 2019-20 and 2021-22 academic years and 1.5 percent in 2016-17 to 3.6 percent in 2020-21.

Going forward, the board also plans to set two years of tuition rates during odd years in December, barring changes to expected state appropriations, instead of annually. The move will allow prospective UVA students to make better decisions as they decide where they'll attend college, Clement said. "We'll add predictability and transparency, which is important to a lot of families."

—**Sarah Lindenfeld Hall**

2021-22 APPLICATION HIGHLIGHTS



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OLD DRUGS, NEW USES

UVA researchers think outside the label for treatments

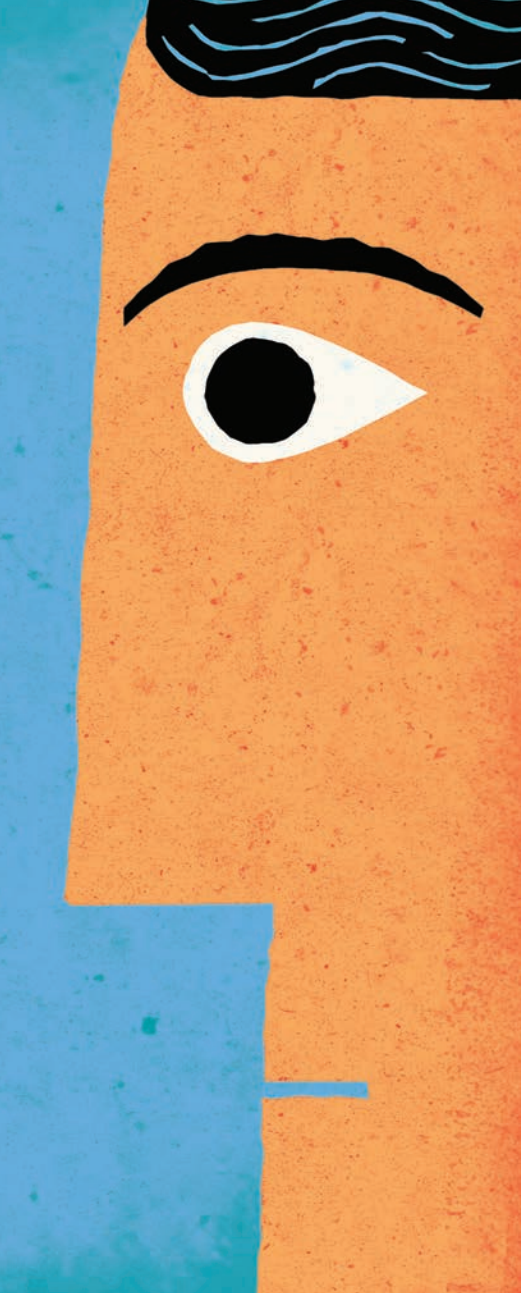
Developing new drugs can be lengthy and costly; according to the National Institutes of Health, the process from “promising molecule” to “approved drug” can take well over a decade and considerable expense—with many failing along the way. But increasingly sophisticated research tools, including large-scale data analysis, are making it easier to discover how existing drugs might be repurposed for other conditions, and UVA researchers across a range of disciplines are finding promise in the potential to apply approved drugs to new therapeutic purposes.

In cancer treatment and care, researchers in the School of Medicine

published a paper last summer in the journal *Cancer Research* that demonstrated the potential of palbociclib, a drug used for some forms of advanced breast cancer, to treat bone marrow scarring that is characteristic of a rare form of leukemia known as myelofibrosis. And in the journal *Cancer Medicine*, a team from the Department of Public Health Sciences, along with colleagues from Brazil, outlined an analysis of medical records that found evidence that common blood pressure drugs appeared to improve survival in colorectal cancer patients over age 65.

Researchers have also found evidence that HIV drugs may be effective with other conditions. A large team of

researchers at UVA and other institutions analyzed medical records and found evidence that the risk of developing diabetes—a health condition on the rise globally—appeared to be lower in patients taking certain drugs to treat HIV and hepatitis B. And HIV drugs known as nucleoside reverse transcriptase inhibitors are also seen as a potential treatment for one form of age-related macular degeneration, a progressive condition that can lead to severe vision loss. Previous research had shown an association between the drug and reduced risk of the condition. Experts including UVA professor of ophthalmology Jayakrishna Ambati have discovered how inflammation builds up in the eye and damages



Discovery

BY CAROLINE KETTLEWELL

Fitter, not thinner, might be better

For decades Americans have been growing heavier, with more than 40 percent of U.S. adults now considered obese. Yet while excess weight is associated with a range of health problems, including diabetes and heart disease, “traditional approaches to managing obesity—telling people to eat less, move more and lose weight—have not been working,” says UVA assistant professor of kinesiology Siddhartha Angadi. Noting the range of factors that make weight loss difficult, and the health risks associated with yo-yo dieting, Angadi and colleague Glenn Gaesser of Arizona State University make the case in a recent publication for a “weight-neutral strategy for obesity treatment” that focuses on fitness rather than weight loss for improving health. To support their argument, the researchers conducted an extensive review of studies examining the health outcomes, including mortality risk, from weight loss or improved fitness. “We found that fitness had a much larger impact and that the improvements you got from being fitter far outshaded the improvements from weight loss,” Angadi says. “Scale is not a good arbiter of health.”



retinal cells in the disease, and their work in animal models suggests the HIV drugs could protect against that inflammation

“Runaway” inflammation also characterizes the potentially deadly condition of sepsis—and the most serious cases of COVID-19. But researchers in the lab of associate professor Alban Gaultier in the Department of Neuroscience found evidence that the antidepressant drug fluvoxamine could be effective in stopping sepsis. Building on that work, a clinical trial led by a team at Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis has found that fluvoxamine significantly reduced the risk of hospitalization or death in COVID-19 patients.

Measuring the price of hidden biases

Do hidden biases about appearance affect income? In recent research published in *PLOS ONE*, UVA associate professor of data science Stephen Baek and economist Suyong Song of the University of Iowa drew from a large database that included a wealth of demographic information, including family income, along with full 3D body scans. More comprehensive than simple measurements of height or weight, the scans were also more accurate than self-reported measures often relied upon in previous research. (In fact, one of the researchers' findings was a "prominent discrepancy" between the scans and people's self-reported height and other body measures; both men and women tended to report themselves as taller than their actual height, and heavier people underreported their weight while lighter people overreported it.) Controlling for family income affecting weight, the researchers found that men had about \$1,000 more per year in family income per one centimeter increase in height, while women had a \$600-\$700 decrease in family income for every one unit increase in body mass index (BMI), says Baek. Interestingly, researchers did not find a similar relationship between weight and income for men, suggesting a stronger weight bias against women. The researchers hope that this work will provide further evidence that such biases exist, says Baek, "and that we need to make changes to improve the situation."



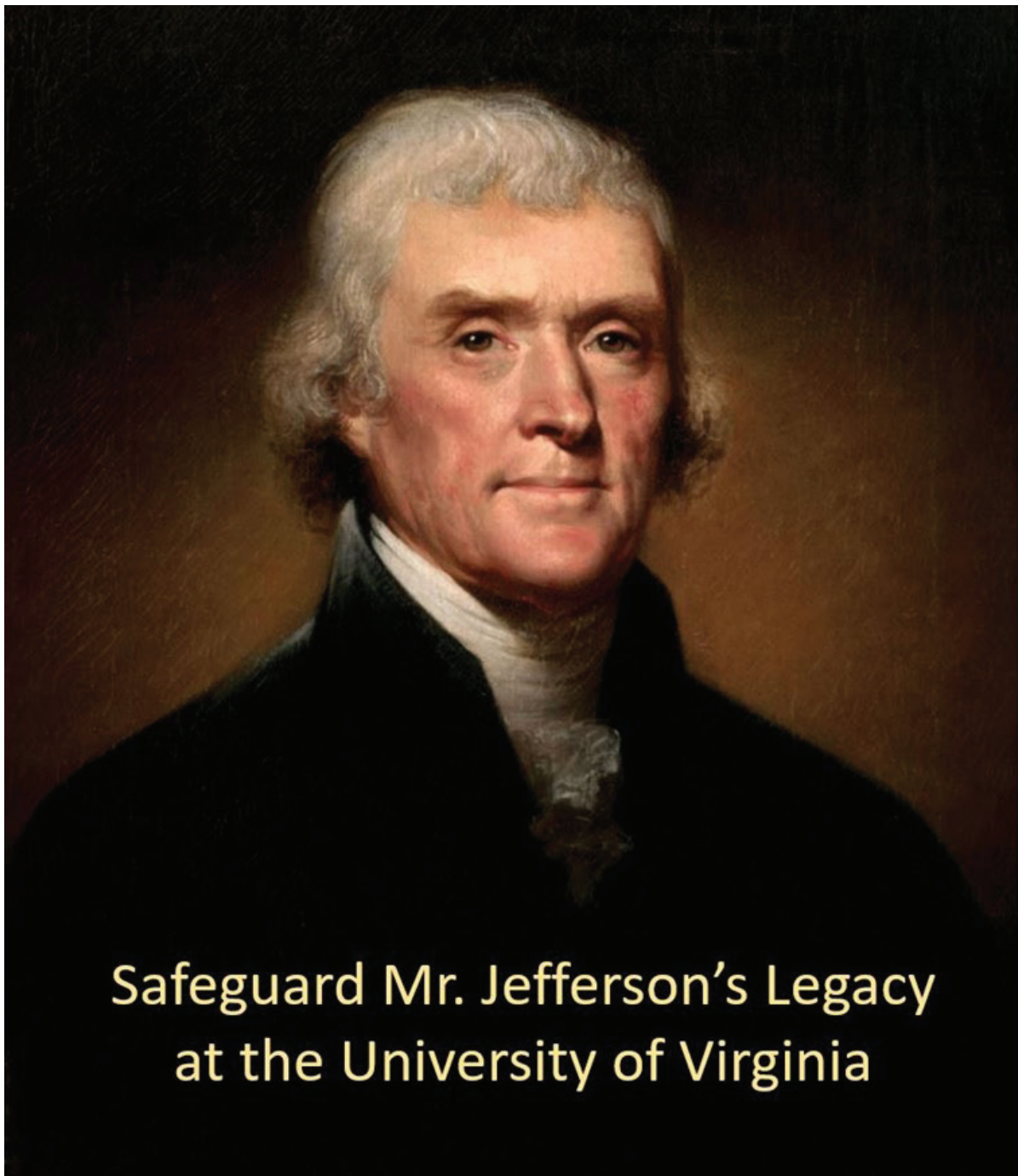
A narrow focus for epilepsy treatment

In promising progress toward a new treatment for neurological disorders, a team of researchers including UVA professor Kevin S. Lee in the Department of Neuroscience has demonstrated in animal models the effectiveness of a noninvasive therapy for temporal lobe epilepsy. About one-third of epilepsy patients don't respond well to anti-seizure medications, Lee explains, but there is no current non-drug treatment that can target only the cells causing the problem without damaging surrounding cells. However, utilizing low-intensity focused ultrasound, a noninvasive technique using focused beams of sound, Lee and his team have been able briefly to open a precise "porthole" in the blood-brain barrier to deliver a drug only to the cells targeted for treatment. "We selectively eliminate neurons we are targeting but spare everything else," Lee says. Noting that epilepsy can be a debilitating disease that severely impedes quality of life, Lee says, "We are trying to develop a new generation of noninvasive treatment that will improve the lives of those who are suffering."

Unequal access shapes COVID research

The coronavirus pandemic has highlighted many health disparities in the U.S. Recent research from a team including UVA assistant professor of medicine Kathleen McManus (*Med '12, Res '13*) has found that many of the same demographic groups hardest hit early in the pandemic also lacked access to early clinical trials for COVID-19 treatments. In particular, the researchers found that some three-quarters of rural residents, about one-third of the entire U.S. population, and more than half of Native Americans lived more than an hour from the closest COVID-19 clinical trials site.

Nor was distance the only challenge to access; despite living closer to trial sites, Black and Hispanic Americans also were underrepresented, suggesting that other barriers limit who enrolls in clinical trials. McManus notes that access to clinical trials is not only a matter of equity; seeking diverse representation also helps ensure that potential benefits, risks and side effects are accurately identified in trials.



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Student clubs improvise and adapt in pandemic

BY ED MILLER

On a Friday afternoon in early December, at a dance studio off Route 29 north of Grounds, **Savannah Long (Col '21, Grad '26)** shimmies up strands of silk fabric dangling from the ceiling and hangs upside down, 20 feet above the floor.

Long spreads her arms, releases hold of the fabric with her foot, and plunges, before the silks wrapped around her legs

and torso go taut, catching her several feet above a padded black mat.

For Long, a graduate student in philosophy, tumbling from the sky with UVA's Aerial Dance Club is all about release.

"It lets me push myself when I can't do any more papers for the day," she says. "I'm here putting off seven papers right now, but it feels perfect. It's a perfect outlet."

Student organizations such as the Aerial Dance Club have long provided such an outlet. They offer a break from the academic grind and a sense of camaraderie and shared purpose.

From blacksmithing to ballroom dance, improv to *a cappella*, hacking to humanoid robotics, there's something for just about everyone—some 700 CIOs, or contracted independent organizations. They receive about \$800,000 in funding from the Student Council, says **Ryan Cieslukowski (Col '23)**, vice president for student organizations.

Pandemic-related restrictions on gatherings during the 2020-21 academic year hit student groups hard. Some curtailed or suspended activities. Others improvised.

With many restrictions lifted, this vibrant part of student life rebounded during the fall 2021 semester. But as COVID-19 cases rose again with the omicron variant, the reprieve threatened to be temporary.

Here's a look at three groups as they navigated the semester:

THE VIRGINIA GLEE CLUB **UPHOLDING TRADITION**

"This semester has kind of allowed us to do what we normally do," says **Noah McIntire (Col '23)**, president of the Virginia Glee Club, which is in its 151st season.

Its 150th was unlike any other. In fall 2020, the club took to Zoom, a platform not conducive to vocal harmonizing, McIntire says.

Membership dwindled. The usual roster of 40 to 50 singers fell to 16.

"It was hard to recruit guys and show them what the Glee Club was all about over Zoom," McIntire says.

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available and restrictions on outdoor gatherings loosened, the club found a rehearsal home in an unlikely space: the parking garage at John Paul Jones Arena.

The acoustics were good and, just as importantly, “Cars weren’t going through all the time,” McIntire says.

“It was crazy to hear in-person singing again.”

Rehearsals continued throughout the semester, albeit with masks, which can muffle consonants, making proper diction a challenge. Then there’s the issue of breathing. Depending on the material, inhaling quickly can result in a mouthful of mask, McIntire says.

Still, “It’s doable,” he says.

And better than the previous year. By semester’s end, the club, up to 20 members, was able to make the rounds singing carols and delivering poinsettias across Grounds, as well as perform its Christmas concerts, which had been done over Zoom in 2020.

ROLLER DERBY CLUB

A HARD SPORT GETS HARDER

At the start of the pandemic, “Our club fizzled out and died,” says **Montana Showalter (Col ’24)**, president of the Roller Derby Club. “All those restrictions made it hard. Roller derby is so full-contact. You’re supposed to be hitting people. You’re supposed to be on this rink together.”

Founded seven years ago, the club had dwindled to just a few members, before rebounding in the fall 2021 semester. More than 100 women expressed interest at the student activity fair. About 30 came to the first meeting. Roughly half stuck it out through the semester.

That rate of attrition is normal, says team coach Whitney Richardson, a fiscal administrator in the Department of



Good acoustics and few cars make the parking garage at JPJ a good rehearsal spot for the Virginia Glee Club.

Astronomy and a former skater for the local team, the Charlottesville Derby Dames.

“People realize: It’s not as easy as it looks,” she says.

Skating is hard enough without being bumped, blocked and jostled, in a sport where the objective includes lapping opposing players. It takes balance and endurance, whether on a track or, in the case of UVA’s team, in a parking lot.

With no indoor venue available for practice, the club went through its paces in the large, smooth-surfaced lot behind the Astronomy building, near the facilities management building.

The club members also skated at a local rec center. Showalter was hopeful that the club would be able to rent the center for practices in the spring.

“I did crew and ice skating before, so I kind of like the odd sports,” she says. “Our club has a lot of girls who weren’t that athletic, who weren’t into more traditional sports. It’s a very diverse group of people.”

AERIAL DANCE CLUB

GETTING BACK IN THE SWING

A virtual show was better than nothing, but for the members of the Aerial Dance Club, it couldn’t compare to performing their November 2021 showcase for spectators on the Lawn.

“I had never performed in person,” club president **Kate Dotson (Educ ’23)**

says.

The club had made the best of things in 2020-21, putting on its fall and spring shows on YouTube. It practiced outdoors, using a portable rig Dotson keeps in pieces in the basement of her Charlottesville home.

In fall 2021, the club moved indoors to a dance studio that could accommodate about half of its 17 members at a given time. It’s a collaborative environment, well suited to the peer-to-peer teaching that is part of the club’s mission.

“We’ll really take anybody and teach you, and I think there’s something empowering in that,” Dotson says.

It’s a process. Newcomers to the club begin on the ground, where they learn to tie knots and to execute a few simple poses.

“Once they’ve proved they can hold their own weight, we let them climb one body length up from the ground,” Dotson says. And so on, up to about 24 feet—the height of the rafters at the studio.

The fall semester saw a surge in interest in the group. Its members were chosen by lottery from 70 applicants. While some, like Dotson, a former gymnast, have athletic backgrounds, it’s not a prerequisite.

For all, the payoff is that rush of pure release.

“In the moment when you let go and do a drop and fall, it’s the most amazing feeling,” Dotson says. 🍷



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IN A BANG-BANG EXCHANGE NO ONE SAW COMING, CLEMSON'S COACH GETS THE BALL | BY ED MILLER

at an outdoor press conference on a sun-splashed December afternoon, former Clemson offensive coordinator Tony Elliott was introduced as Virginia's 41st football coach, succeeding Bronco Mendenhall, who resigned unexpectedly 11 days earlier.

It was a whirlwind courtship. UVA was not in the market for a coach. A season-ending four-game losing streak notwithstanding, Mendenhall had the program on solid footing, compared to where it was when he took over in 2015. His last five teams qualified for bowl games while setting a record for most All-ACC Academic selections, finding that sweet spot between academic integrity and athletic success that seemingly made him an ideal fit at UVA. A youthful 55, he appeared to be in it for the long haul. →



“[Y]ou can win at the highest level, and you can do so while achieving excellence in education, leadership and service,” says Tony Elliott, new UVA head football coach.

“I think everyone was shocked,” director of athletics Carla Williams said.

Mendenhall’s sudden resignation set in motion the latest reset of a program that, despite its recent success, faces some baked-in challenges that Elliott will have to handle. UVA’s academic standards are among the toughest in the nation, limiting the pool of recruits. The program’s facilities, primarily the outdated and cramped headquarters in the McCue Center, are by officials’ own admission among the worst. While the school’s unwillingness to compromise on the former is admirable, its delay in doing anything about the latter lent fuel to those inclined to believe that maybe football just isn’t that important to UVA and its fans.

“Facilities matter,” said former Cavalier football great **Chris Long (Col ’08)**, when asked after the press conference about the urgency of replacing the 30-year-old McCue Center. “I think some people around here think: beautiful place, we’re rated the best place to live. Well, that’s great for people that live here. These football players, they live in this building. They eat, sleep, breathe in this building.

“For people that want to support this program, we’ve got to make a decision: What do you want?”



Virginia finally made one. Three days before Elliott was hired, the Board of Visitors approved a \$10 million down payment on a \$65 million replacement for McCue, a vote Mendenhall had been seeking since his first day on the job. Without it, it’s not at all certain that UVA could have landed Elliott, who was regarded as one of the nation’s top assistant coaches and had been patient about finding just the right place to launch his career as a head coach.

At 42, he arrives with a championship pedigree, after 11 seasons as a top lieutenant to Dabo Swinney at Clemson, which won the national title in 2016 and 2018 and reached the championship game in 2019. He also brings a compelling personal story. He was briefly homeless on the streets of Los Angeles as a child, and he was in the car as his

mother was killed in an auto accident when he was 9 years old. With his father in jail at the time, Elliott settled in South Carolina with an aunt and uncle.

A walk-on at Clemson, Elliott earned a degree in engineering and was two years into a career as an industrial engineer at Michelin when he changed course and decided to get into coaching. For him, it was a way of giving back what he’d received from the game.

“I was a lost child because of the circumstances,” he said. “But by the grace of God, I was saved by my family and my aunt, football, education.”

Elliott launched his coaching career at South Carolina State and then coached at Furman before landing at Clemson in 2011. He won the Broyles Award as the nation’s top assistant coach in 2017 and had been linked to several

“By the grace of God, I was saved by my family and my aunt, football, education.”

—Head Coach Tony Elliott



Far left: Former head coach Bronco Mendenhall celebrates with his team after a win against the South Carolina Gamecocks during the Belk Bowl in 2018. Left: UVA's McCue Center, built in 1991.

job openings in recent years. He was reportedly a leading candidate at Duke but said Swinney told him the Virginia job was a perfect fit, and “that’s all I needed to hear.”

“My goal is to contribute to changing the narrative in college football and demonstrate that you can win at the highest level, and you can do so while achieving excellence in education, leadership and service.”

Mendenhall threaded that needle about as well as any Cavalier coach has since George Welsh, who proved in the 1990s that UVA football could be relevant nationally. Mendenhall did it in his own idiosyncratic way, arriving in 2015 from BYU talking of metrics and organizational design, discipline and accountability, sounding as much like a management consultant as a traditional coach.

He made players earn their jersey numbers at practice. They celebrated wins by breaking a rock with a sledgehammer. He spoke often of his passion for developing young people. Football was a vehicle for doing that.

Under Mendenhall’s systematic approach, Virginia made sequential progress on the field, culminating with the program’s first ACC Coastal Division

title and Orange Bowl appearance in 2019.

The past two seasons, played during a pandemic, had been a leveling-off. Along the way, as the sport grew ever more commercialized, Mendenhall spoke of how his values—centered on traditional notions of student-athletes—stood in contrast to the way the game was moving in some quarters. Commenting on what he termed the “financially driven, entertainment-oriented” move of the University of Texas and the University of Oklahoma to the Southeastern Conference, he told the Board of Visitors that he was aligned with the “different” values espoused by an alliance of 41 schools in the ACC, Big Ten and Pac-12, which pledged a commitment to broad-based athletic programs that function as part of the educational mission of the institutions.

“There has to be something more than football for me to be compelled,” Mendenhall said.

Not that he didn’t emphasize the need to keep up in some areas. At his introductory press conference, he spoke of the need to keep pace in the facilities arms race and replace the McCue Center. It was a liability when recruiting top prospects then and became even more of one later in his tenure.

Speaking to the Board of Visitors last summer, Mendenhall said the school had recently lost eight top recruits for the same reason. To them, he said, it didn’t seem that UVA cared enough about football.

While making the case to the board for a new building, he emphasized that

he wasn’t asking out of self-interest.

“I’m speaking for the University of Virginia and whomever the coach is here, to help this institution,” he said.

If that was a clue Mendenhall was considering leaving, no one picked up on it publicly at the time. And in fact, Mendenhall said his decision to walk away had nothing to do with changes in the sport or Virginia’s subpar facilities. Rather, after 31 years as a football coach, he said he was looking to “step back from college football and reassess, renew, reframe and reinvent, with my wife as a partner, our future and the next chapter of our lives.”

A devout Mormon, Mendenhall said he hoped to “be helpful to others, impactful to others, inspiring to others, to do things of real value and substance.” What form that would take, he didn’t know just yet.

His goal moving forward?

“I would like the end of my life to add so much value that people forgot I was a football coach,” he said.

Mendenhall had hoped to coach one more game, but the Fenway Bowl was canceled due to coronavirus issues on the Cavalier team. With the program’s 40th coach official done, the 41st took over in December, with hopes for a seamless transition.

“We are going to have the facility here soon,” Elliott said at his press conference. “But there’s a lot that goes into building a championship program, a championship culture, and I’m looking forward to getting started on that.”

Ed Miller is Senior Editor of Virginia Magazine.





The Future, Ready or Not

From tiny sensors to massive data, UVA visionaries ponder the coming technology and all that comes with it

In the words of Mark Twain: “Prediction is difficult—particularly when it involves the future.” But what about when it’s informed by research and scholarship? Surely then prediction is less perilous?

In that spirit, we asked UVA faculty members in a range of fields to tell us what’s coming down the road.

What’s on the horizon? Robots delivering our packages, sensors embedded in our bodies, big data revolutionizing our health care. Although we’ll have autonomous cars, many of us could walk and bike more to complete daily tasks, but not necessarily to commute. More of us will work from home, and even attend concerts and art exhibits from the comfort of our living rooms as life becomes more diffuse and individualized for many people. →

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Cooler Cars— But Fewer of Them

Peter Norton (Grad '02), associate professor, Department of Engineering and Society



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Environmental sustainability depends on our driving less, not more, says Peter Norton, an associate professor of history in the Department of

Engineering and Society. And yet we're being sold a future of more car dependency, in the form of autonomous vehicles.

Something has to give, Norton says.

So how will we get from Point A to Point B in the future?

Possibly like we did in the past.

"In the long run, what we need to do is adapt our geography so it's more cost-effective to have transit, walking and cycling," Norton says.

Such a shift would run counter to the past 80 years or so, when cars have been promoted as the solution to all our transportation needs, whether it's a quick trip for a cup of coffee or a cross-country vacation. Self-driving vehicles are merely the latest example of this peddling of a car-dependent future in which the latest automotive technology can solve our problems, Norton argues in his book *Autonorama: The Illusory Promise of High-Tech Driving*.

The title is a fusion of the words "autonomous" and "Futurama," which was the name of an exhibit at the 1939 World's Fair in which General Motors presented an auto-centric vision of a city in 1960.

We're still living in that world and dealing with the environmental fallout. The transport sector is the largest contributor to greenhouse gas emissions, and advancements in technology alone can't solve sustainability issues, Norton

says. As dazzling as the technology is, electric and autonomous vehicles are still cars—energy-intensive solutions to everyday transportation needs.

"I am as impressed as the salespeople are at what the technology can do," he says. "But the technology does not make dependency work.

"Everything that makes cars inefficient, expensive, unsustainable, spatially wasteful, all of those defects remain in toto," he says. "We need to do more."

What are the options? Norton does not envision our flying around in air taxis. To relieve traffic congestion on a large scale, millions would have to use them. Even if that were cost-effective, it would move the congestion elsewhere, to landing spots.

Hyperloops, in which trains pass through near-vacuum tunnels with little wind resistance, would be of little use for day-to-day trips, but could conceivably replace domestic airline travel, though the construction cost per mile would be "incredibly high," Norton says.

Restrictions on driving aren't a desirable solution either. The future depends not on shaming people but on offering them more options, Norton says.

Changes in zoning laws to allow for

more mixed-use residential/commercial development are one relatively low-cost way to do that, he says.

Can it happen? Norton doesn't see much choice. As a historian, he points to campaigns to reduce pesticides and smoking as precedents.

"We've gotten some things right before," he says. "We can still have driving in the future, but we need to have a lot less of it, the same way we needed to have a lot less chemical pesticides."

The Human/ Technology Merger

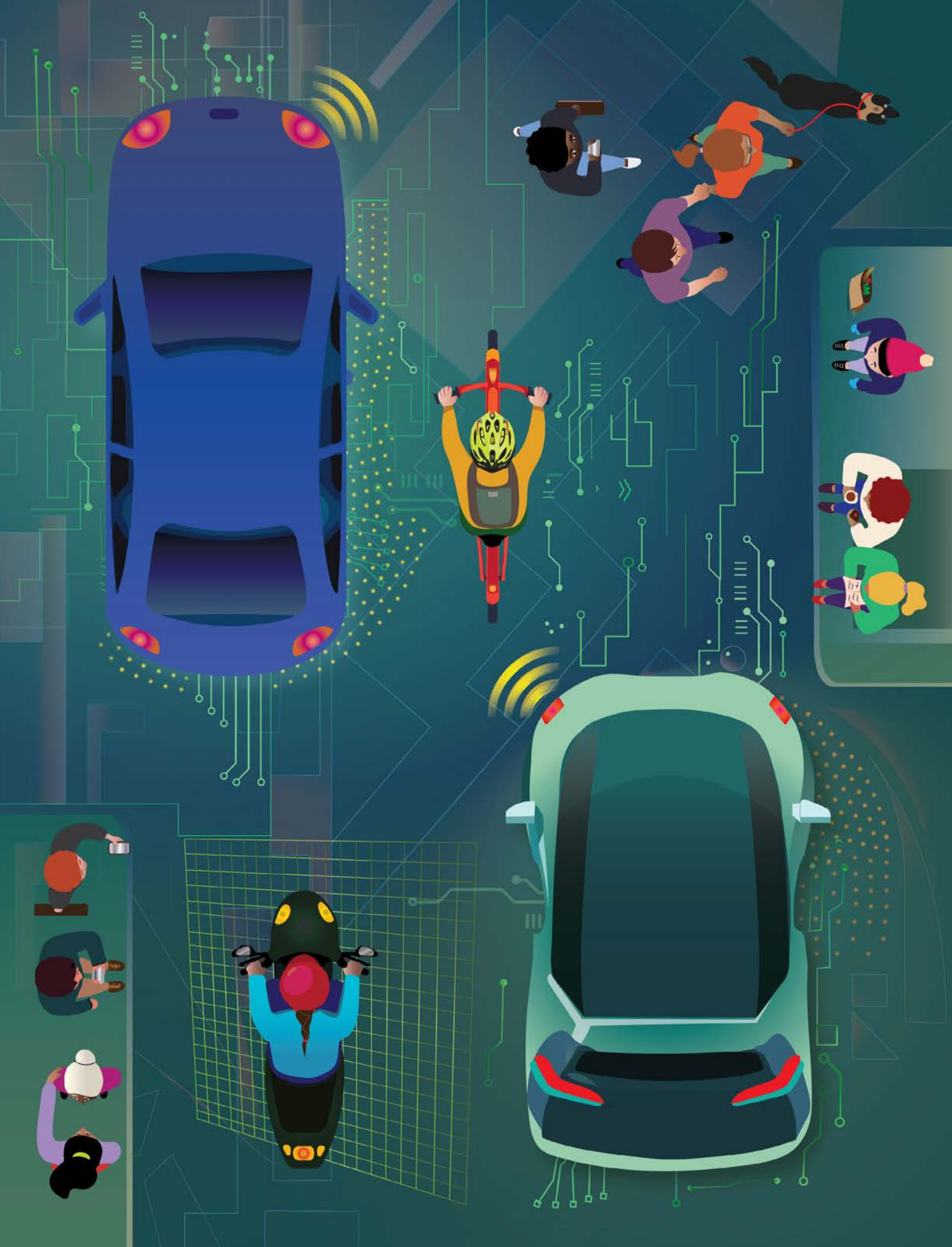
Rosalyn Berne (Col '79, Grad '82, Grad '99), professor, Department of Engineering and Society



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If you think Alexa can read your mind now, wait until Amazon's virtual

"I am as impressed as the salespeople are at what [driverless] technology can do," says department of engineering professor Peter Norton, but all the environmental harms "remain in toto."



assistant, or some other form of ambient intelligence, is actually embedded in it.

Rosalyn Berne, Olsson professor of applied ethics in the Department of Engineering and Society and a science fiction writer, sees a day in the not-too-distant future when sensors connected to intelligent systems and big data are implanted in our bodies.

“It’s likely to be very adaptive and easily personalized, and able to anticipate our needs,” Berne says. “We are right on the cusp of intelligent implants.”

These sensors have many possible applications. For example, a sensor could alert someone of a heart problem—while alerting a medical system at the same time. (*See Data-Driven Health Care, below.*) The data provided could route people to the hospital and specialist best equipped to treat them at that moment.

In education, sensors tuned to individual students could provide them with the materials they need through virtual reality.

Such technology would raise ethical questions around privacy, equity and even what it means to be human.

“The same issues we are dealing with with social media now, we’ll have to deal with them more profoundly because it won’t be something in a device you hold; it’ll be in a sensor that’s in your body,” Berne says.

The benefits of these embedded systems will go to those with the resources to participate, and likely won’t be distributed equitably globally, Berne says.

“What we’re going to end up having is pockets of humans that live differently than other humans because of these systems,” she says.

Some will opt out, Berne says, pointing to the current divide over vaccines.

“I imagine there will be tremendous hesitation at some level to go to that next step of merging human and technological systems,” she says.

Beep Boop Package Delivery

Nicola Bezzo, assistant professor, School of Engineering



DAN ADDISON

Robots and autonomous devices have slowly crept into our lives, vacuuming our floors, helping us drive our cars or sorting the boxes on warehouse shelves that are delivered to our doorsteps. And, in the next decade, thanks to tremendous advances in technology, the daily presence of robots in our lives is only poised to grow, forecasts Nicola Bezzo, an assistant professor in the School of Engineering.

“We have the technology, we have the theory, and a lot of work has been done to make the system more and more autonomous,” Bezzo says.

Now the goal is to make those systems agile, efficient and resilient. And that’s possible, Bezzo says, thanks to improvements in just the past decade in machine learning, the process of teaching computers to learn; faster computational processing speeds; and better lasers, sensors and cameras, among other things.

Robots already are used in myriad business applications. They are automating warehouse operations and harvesting produce. Drones are flying over construction sites to provide images for inspections and to survey land. And robots are cleaning floors at airports and spraying disinfectants in bathrooms.

In the next five to 10 years, Bezzo predicts, better, faster robots will improve on what exists now and make other uses possible. His vision of the future includes, perhaps, airport-cleaning

robots that don’t just wash floors, for example, but can, without human intervention, develop a cleaning schedule and determine which areas need more frequent cleaning.

At home, he sees the potential for package delivery by drones or autonomous vehicles and the continued growth and reliability of self-driving cars. (*See Cooler Cars—But Fewer of Them, above.*)

Some may fear that robots will take their jobs—or take over our lives. But as more robots become part of our day-to-day existence and take over tasks humans don’t want to do, Bezzo says, acceptance will grow. “People are starting to appreciate why we have autonomous systems,” he says. “We can use our energy and time to do other things.”

Data-Driven Health Care

Phil Bourne, dean, School of Data Science



SANJAY SUCHAK

The future of health care is data.

From electronic health records to 3D imaging, wearable devices to inpatient monitoring systems, cellular research in laboratories to population-scale modeling, an enormous volume of digitized data is now being generated, compiled, analyzed and applied to better understand and improve human health.

Phil Bourne, dean of the School of Data Science, predicts that in the coming decades not only the amount and variety of health data that is collected, but also our ability to use that data effectively, will reshape health and wellness in ways that we can barely begin to anticipate or imagine today. “It is going to change the face of health care,” he says.

School of Data Science Dean Phil Bourne predicts the real-time data generated by wearables will lead to breakthroughs. One day your smartphone may be able to flag subtle signs of developing complications, such as Parkinson's or Alzheimer's.

Electronic health records are providing an ever-richer database of imaging, vital signs, health histories and more, not only for individual health profiles, but also for large-scale analysis. Researchers can already draw from databases built from tens of thousands of records; as those records become increasingly comprehensive, there will be “lots of opportunities to use that data to improve health care,” Bourne says.

The real-time data generated by consumer and medical wearables and other sensing technologies will lead to new breakthroughs as well, Bourne predicts. Inpatient monitoring will flag subtle signs of developing complications, while your smartphone might one day be able to detect the earliest indicators of Parkinson's or Alzheimer's.

Data will also drive the move toward care that is personalized for each patient. “We are getting a much broader and detailed window for looking into someone as an individual rather than as one of a cohort of people,” Bourne says.

Bourne also foresees that data from diverse sources will help us discern surprising associations. He cites recent research associating Yelp reviews and BMI or DMV data on accident types with specific internal injuries. “There is so much data from different sources that could be valuable that we now have greater access to.”

There are, of course, privacy and ethical concerns, with technological advances far outpacing our ability to manage, regulate and protect how data is gathered, accessed, shared, used and potentially misused. And it will be important, Bourne says, that people get the access, tools, and education to use their own data. But he's bullish on the upside of this data future. “What we will see more of is health and well-being.”

More Flexible Work

Roshni Raveendhran, assistant professor, Darden School of Business



Changes to the nature of work were already underway before a global pandemic proved that people could be just as productive, if not more, at home as at the office

Two years in, “I don't see a world where we're going back to that pre-pandemic model,” says Roshni Raveendhran, a Darden professor whose

research focuses on understanding the future of work and how technological advancements influence workplace practices and employee management.

Raveendhran instead sees a more flexible model in which we can be more efficient and productive in less time, as long as employers understand the psychological implications of technologies coming into widespread use and leverage them accordingly.

Take behavior-tracking technologies, which came into prominence during remote work as employers sought to keep tabs on their workers. Microsoft, for example, rolled out a new “productivity score” feature in its Office products, allowing employers to track employee behaviors across 73 metrics, including how often employees turned on their cameras during meetings, how often they contributed to shared documents/group chats, and how often they used Office too .

“We would think these types of technologies are things we should be averse to,” Raveendhran says. “What we overlook is that we're able to get a lot of information about our own behaviors from these technologies, in a way where we don't feel judged if they are implemented in ways that do not have human involvement.”

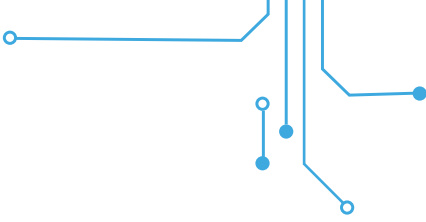
Such technologies could tell us when we're most productive, leading to greater efficiencies in structuring the when and where of workdays.

If information presented in a non-judgmental way can empower remote workers, what about front-line workers who face a more direct threat from automation? Raveendhran anticipates their jobs will evolve as has been the case throughout history with advances in technology.

Robots, for example, could free waiters from having to carry heavy plates, allowing them to concentrate on making food recommendations.

“And maybe we won't need a retail cashier to check us out, but that person could now be a personal shopper and





really pay attention to what you want.

“You could think of it more as a human/technology partnership, rather than technology completely replacing those jobs.”

If her outlook is less dystopian than some, Raveendhran says, she has no choice but to be “cautiously, an optimistic futurist.”

“I don’t see our pessimism or resistance to technologies getting us anywhere meaningful,” she says. “If anything, the pandemic has shown us that life is pretty short, and if we can leverage technologies in a positive way to empower us to have more autonomy and control of our lives, that would be great.”

Connections for the Unconnected

Christopher Ali, associate professor, Department of Media Studies



DAN ADDISON

From telehealth and robotics to online learning and work-from-anywhere opportunities, so much of the future hinges on high-speed broadband access across the country. But the reality is some 120 million Americans aren’t using it, often because it’s too expensive or not available where they live.

Gaps in access are common in rural and tribal communities and underserved urban neighborhoods, says Christopher Ali, an associate professor in the Department of Media Studies, whose new book, *Farm Fresh Broadband: The Politics of Rural Connectivity*, covers the digital divide.

But the pandemic underscored that

Two years in, Darden professor Roshni Raveendhran doesn’t see us going back to a pre-pandemic in-office work model. She instead sees a more flexible model in which we can be more efficient and productive in less time.

access to high-quality, high-performing, affordable broadband isn’t simply a luxury, but a necessity—no different from roads or electricity, Ali says. “You heard these horror stories of folks having to spend hours in the parking lot of a McDonald’s or their local library.”

That new understanding, coupled with \$65 billion for broadband investment in the recently enacted \$1 trillion federal infrastructure package, are signals that there could be better connection in the future, Ali says. “The next five to 10 years is going to be about local communication, local connectivity and local empowerment to solve the digital divide.”

There will be plenty of hurdles along the way, Ali says. The move to local services demands a shift away from rules and regulations that have historically favored larger broadband companies over small, local and municipal providers across the country.

But, already, local organizations have been stepping up to provide access in rural communities. Electric cooperatives in far-flung areas across the United States are establishing fiber-optic communication networks, and small cities and other municipalities are building broadband connections for residents. Money from the infrastructure bill could fuel more local systems like these, closing the gap that leaves so many

unconnected, Ali says.

“I want that family in Iowa, I want folks living in public housing to have the exact same connectivity as those who are living in that huge giant skyscraper that they built in Manhattan along Central Park,” he says.

Payments Go (Even More) Social

Lana Swartz, assistant professor, Department of Media Studies



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If you pay rent or your kids’ babysitter with peer-to-peer payment apps like Venmo, Cash App, PayPal and others, you’re already part of the growing social-payment trend. Money doesn’t just exchange hands but is part of a social network of payments between friends, loved ones and business clients. Over the next decade, paying for things is only going to get more social, predicts Lana Swartz, an assistant professor in

As more of us make payments to friends and family across social media platforms, it will only be easier for marketers to find out how we spend our money, cautions Media Studies professor Lana Swartz.

the Department of Media Studies.

And that could mean that it will only be easier for any person or organization—from our friends and family to your favorite shoe brand and insurance company—to find out how we spend our money and with whom.

“Within the next five to 10 years, we’re going to see more and more of our personal payments being channeled through different kinds of social media platforms, and we’re going to have to decide how we, as a country, want that regulated or not and the terms of financial privacy,” Swartz says.

It’s a trend that started a decade ago in the aftermath of the Great Recession, Swartz says. The growth in the gig economy and online shopping and payments during the COVID-19 pandemic accelerated the transition away from dollar bills and paper checks.

“If the last crisis was the beginning of laying the groundwork for various new money experiences, this current crisis hit on very fertile ground for people who were inclined to experiment,” Swartz says.

This is good news for those eschewing the traditional 9-to-5 job and seeking more flexible lifestyles and ways of earning money, she says.

“Rapid modernization of payment systems is, by and large, a good thing,” Swartz says. “We just have to pay attention and make sure this modernization is happening in the public interest.”

That’s because it’s also rife for scams, which Swartz is studying. A focus on financial literacy education is necessary, along with a close look from lawmakers and regulators about how social media platforms operate more broadly, she says.

“There’s going to be a major reckoning—or not,” she says. “We’re going to see how power shifts in the next five to 10 years and whether these platforms are regulatable. Whether or not we get it right is going to decide the fate of many aspects of our children’s future, and that’s absolutely going to include money.”

Expanding Mental Health Support

Bethany Teachman, professor of psychology, director of clinical training



DAN ADDISON

Rates of depression and anxiety have skyrocketed amid the stress, isolation and uncertainty of the COVID-19 pandemic, putting pressure on an already

strained mental health system. Fewer than half of U.S. adults with mental illness received treatment in 2020, according to an October 2021 report from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration.

And it’s no surprise, psychology professor Bethany Teachman says, considering how treatment for mental illness often relies on highly trained professionals. “Right now, our reach is a bit small,” Teachman says. “We are absolutely failing to reduce the burden of mental illness as a society right now.”

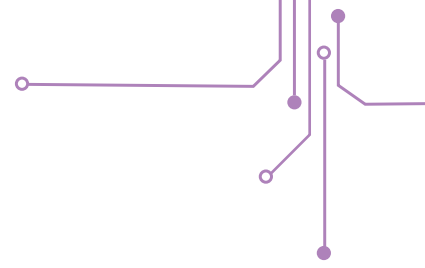
But Teachman sees reason for hope in the next decade with advances in technology and a move to treatment models that don’t solely require doctoral-level professionals.

Already, we’ve seen growth in meditation apps in the market, such as Shine or Headspace, aimed at supporting our mental health. And research, Teachman says, suggests that shifting care from only professionals to trained laypeople can provide the right support for many suffering from mental illness and flag cases that need more expert care from a doctor. The practice has been growing in popularity in Canada, Australia, Europe, Africa and the United States.

Teachman envisions a world in the next five to 10 years where people struggling with mental illnesses no longer need to wait for a therapy appointment. Instead, they can learn about resources and get help at their neighborhood drugstore or hair salon where people have received training to identify signs of mental illness and provide some level of care. And they can log in to digital mental health platforms to watch videos, skills training and other research-backed content that meets their individual needs.

More work is required before these innovations can launch in earnest.

“There are system-level changes that need to occur, but they are possible,” she says. “And if those things can happen in tandem with the innovation, I think we can really change the narrative right now where we reduce some of



the stigma, increase access and allow for much more reach and ability to tailor to different people's needs."

Communal Art Consumption

Jack Hamilton, associate professor, Department of Media Studies



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Even before the COVID-19 pandemic shuttered concert venues and nightclubs for months, ticket sales for live shows were growing at a paltry rate, according to Pollstar's 2019 end-of-year report. Meanwhile, movie ticket sales in 2019 dropped by nearly 5 percent, according to the National Association of Theatre Owners.

The consumption of visual arts was becoming less of a shared experience, says Jack Hamilton, associate professor in the Department of Media Studies. And the pandemic only sped that up.

"People's consumption of ... popular art is becoming a lot more atomized and individual," he says. "I worry about the future of communal experiences of art in terms of actual physical bodied communal experiences—whether that's going to a movie theater or a live concert."

With algorithms that steer you to suggestions based on your listening and viewing habits, platforms like Spotify and Netflix are only fueling this move to personalized art consumption as we binge-watch shows by ourselves or listen over and over to our own curated playlists.

"There are cool things about that, but I do think it's kind of alienating," Hamilton says. Lost are the communal

experiences of seeing a movie in a packed theater on opening night or watching a performer on stage with a crowd of thousands of fans. "I think there's a powerful thing about experiencing art in the presence of other people," he says.

But, he says, he's hopeful that even if the next generation doesn't make concertgoing a priority, it will find other ways to experience art as a community. We're already seeing that now as people share their annual Spotify Wrapped lists, which highlights their favorite songs, artists and genres for the year, or fans of TV shows hotly debate favorite characters on social media.

In the future, "you're going to see an increasing atomization in the terms of the way that art is marketed to people and distributed to people, particularly mass art," Hamilton predicts. "But I think at the same time, people will find new avenues to try to turn that into a more communal experience."

Afrofuturism and Possibilities

Njelle W. Hamilton, associate professor, English and Africana Studies



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Coined in the 1990s, the term Afrofuturism named a long-standing tradition among Black artists and creators who build futuristic worlds that bring in elements of culture and history from the African diaspora. It's an artistic genre used by a broad range of authors, musicians and artists—from author Octavia Butler to musician George Clinton to the filmmakers behind *Black Panther*—that provides powerful images of Black characters who traditionally haven't been showcased in mainstream work.

"Just by seeing an always-free,

never-colonized Black country in Africa where Black folk are regal and science-y and fighting off invaders, that imaginary world you can create then creates a possibility that you never imagined," says Njelle W. Hamilton, an associate professor of English and Africana Studies and expert on Afrofuturism.

As the genre looks to the future, it's often not so optimistic, using the Black experience of the past, including slavery and racism, to presage what will happen to all humans when, for example, alien overlords colonize Earth. In this post-racial future, "the human race comes together because we have aliens, and now the humans are the Black folk of the galaxy," Hamilton says. In other words, all humans, regardless of their background or race, face the same struggles that Black people have historically experienced.

Various works within the genre forecast the future on every topic—gender, sexuality, community, new technology and, of course, those alien overlords. They touch on, for example, climate despair or ravaged landscapes that might involve Caribbean islands underwater or major U.S. coastal cities as a memory. The work often isn't imagining the future, she says, but prophesying what probably is going to happen in the next five to 10 years. "Part of it is 'wake up and pay attention,'" she says.

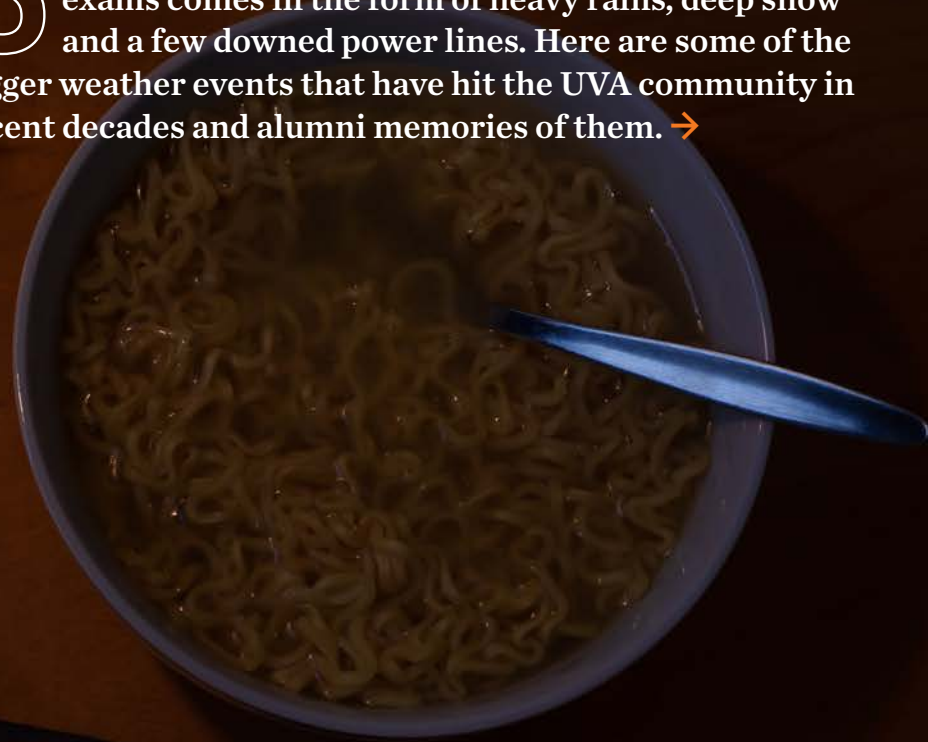
And, while the storylines might be pessimistic, they also reveal better ways of being, she says. Readers and viewers are encouraged to imagine the future and think about how that might inform what they do now to build a better path forward. The vision of the genre often is a world with more ethical care for people and the planet, Hamilton says. "By just imagining something different, that might inspire us in the present to move in the world differently." 📖

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Flashback to when the rains came down, the snows piled up and the Grounds shook beneath your feet

Sometimes a respite from the stress of classwork and exams comes in the form of heavy rains, deep snow and a few downed power lines. Here are some of the bigger weather events that have hit the UVA community in recent decades and alumni memories of them. →



By Sarah Lindenfeld Hall

JEFF SAXMAN

SNOWSTORM MARCH 1962

CENTRAL VIRGINIA SHUT DOWN in early March 1962 amid a massive snowstorm that snarled traffic triggered roof collapses, and knocked down phone and power lines. In Charlottesville, snow fell at a rate of 1.3 inches an hour, according to the *Richmond Times-Dispatch*. All told, nearly 24 inches of snow dropped on the town.

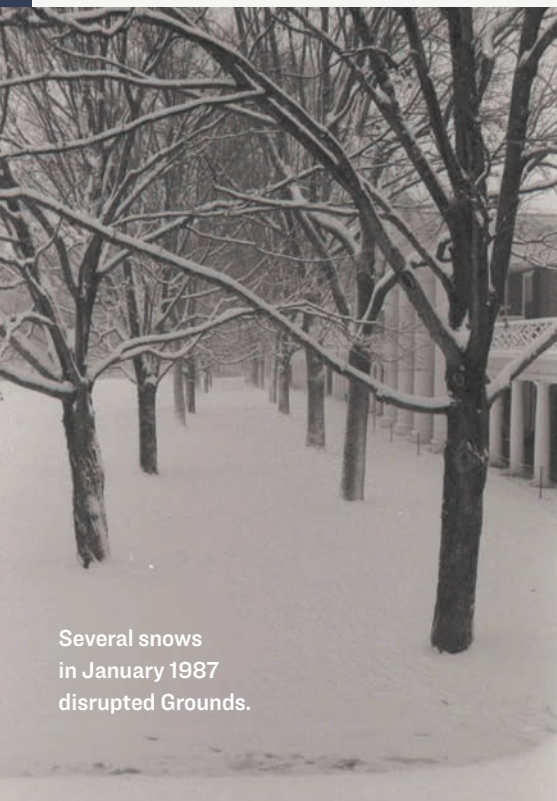
Students flocked to the Lawn for snowball fight, **Peter Southmayd (Col '62)** remembers. And, for a week, it was a mess on Grounds. "There were a lot of wet clothes and a lot of wet feet—a lot of people didn't have winter boots and galoshes," says Southmayd, who grew up in Ohio and was used to snow. "The facility people were working like mad to get the sidewalks cleared."

But before all that activity—before the shovels and snowballs—what Southmayd remembers first is the peacefulness of that early morning after the snow began to fall. He woke up to a "deathly quiet" morning in his Chancellor Street fraternity house and couldn't believe what he saw when he looked out the window.

"I put on some rubber shoes that I had and tromped over to the Rotunda," he says. "It was early—about 6:30 in the morning; it was just barely light. And I thought, 'This is really cool-looking.' I stood in front of the Rotunda, and there wasn't a footprint in the snow except mine."

"It was a beautiful eerie scene, looking down the Lawn," he says.

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Several snows in January 1987 disrupted Grounds.

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SNOWSTORM JANUARY 1987

SOME 13 INCHES OF SNOW fell on Charlottesville in January 1987, postponing sorority rush and scuttling plans for two separate speeches from former President Jimmy Carter and then-presidential hopeful Gary Hart.

Afternoon classes were canceled after the first snowfall, on Jan. 22. After the second on Jan. 25, Catherine O'Neil, wife of UVA's then-President Robert O'Neil, told the *Cavalier Daily* that 200 to 250 students and faculty members called Carr's Hill late into the night to find out if classes would be canceled again. They were.

At the time, **Regina Esslinger Hall (Arch '88)** was living in what is now called Brown College. Her favorite

memory is trekking over to the Lawn at night. "It was truly magical," she says. "I had never seen the Lawn covered in snow, and the stars were shining up in the sky and the Academical Village was just beautiful. And, of course, there were students everywhere—throwing snowballs and running around and doing the same thing we were doing, which was just having the best time."

Hall remembers taking food trays from Newcomb Hall and sledding down a nearby hill behind the libraries. They got in trouble for it. After the second snow, somebody was stationed at the dining hall door so students couldn't walk off with trays. "But it was worth it," she says.

THE GREAT BIG PUDDLE

•• Hurricane Fran ••

Mad Bowl became Mud Bowl as Fran rolled through

The lights went out, trees crashed down, and the University closed for a day.

What a welcome surprise. Classes at UVA had only been cancelled four times since the Civil War, and shocked students agreed that this hurricane day was as good as any snow day. Granted, the power outage was troublesome for those forced to brave cold showers and scramble for batteries, but the three-day weekend was an unexpected gift. Some students capitalized on the chance to get ahead with studies while others seized the lucky break to catch up, play or relax with friends.

The place to be on the afternoon of September 6th was Mad Bowl. A pool of watery mud attracted dozens of students. Second year *Kotin Hudson* took advantage of the giant puddle, "We threw on old clothes, walked over barefoot and jumped right in." The frisky group of mud-soaked unrecognizable students wholeheartedly enjoyed what could have been a miserable day.

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The games will splash on before them as students loiter in their soiled clothes. The proper attire for the occasion was anything one did not care to wear ever again.

Students leaving Mad Bowl will find themselves exiled to the showers by housemates and roommates. After the "Madness," the mud-sliding and mudsliding, students made their way to cold showers, dry clothes and dark homes.



With an amazing display of mud-wrestling style and fervor, students will discover their callings as gladiators and champion wrestlers. Academic responsibilities abandoned, students spent the day frolicking and getting downright dirty.

HURRICANE FRAN SEPTEMBER 1996

AHEAD OF HURRICANE FRAN, Dino Marshalonis (Col '00) remembers a lot of discussion about its potential danger, and for good reason. The powerful storm rocked the East Coast in early September 1996, causing massive damage and 26 deaths as high winds, rain and flooding took a devastating toll.

On Grounds, the impact was more muted, but it was enough for UVA to cancel classes for a day. In Charlottesville, about 7 inches of rain fell between Sept. 5 and Sept. 7, wind gusts measured up to 44 miles per hour, power outages lasted several days, and some streets were blocked and flooded. Mad Bowl turned into Mud Bowl, and students took full advantage. *Corks &*

Curls shows dozens sliding around in the mud.

Once the storm passed through Charlottesville, Marshalonis remembers a general relief that it wasn't so bad on Grounds. A first-year living in Balz, Marshalonis explored Grounds soon after the winds died down and remembers an eerie quiet.

"There was an electrical energy to everything," he remembers. "It was very still. Nobody was outside. There was a lot of debris everywhere—a lot of leaf litter and small branches. ... It just looked like a total mess, but nothing that couldn't be spruced up after some pretty significant landscaping"

For several hot and muggy days,

some students had to deal with power outages and other annoyances. **Brian Ulmer (Engr '99)** and **Leah Friedman (Col '99)** were among six people sharing a house off Grounds where the basement flooded with a couple of inches of water. Ulmer remembers the power being out for at least five days. "I feel like we handled it with a mildly adventurous spirit," Ulmer says.

An avid hiker, Ulmer got out his camp stove and started cooking—whipping up the usual college staples of ramen and macaroni and cheese. Says Friedman: "He probably kept us all alive."

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Hurricane Fran

This spread in the 1997 *Corks & Curls* shows the fun spirit of Mud Bowl. Elsewhere in Charlottesville, streets flooded and outages lasted days.

David Seekell (Grad '14), left, and other members of the Mount Chipotle National Research Observatory team pose on the dirty mound of snow, which stood nearly 40 feet at the time, according to the *Daily Progress*.



DAILY PROGRESS

Right: Carrie Holman (Col '12, Educ '12) (front) and Bethany Jaekle (Engr '12) have a snowball fight on the Lawn in February 2010.



THE DAILY PROGRESS

Far right: A record 55 inches of snow fell over the course of several storms.



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MOUNT CHIPOTLE WINTER 2009-10

FIRST OF ALL, there was absolutely nothing scientific about Mount Chipotle and its eponymous national research observatory, headquartered in the parking lot of Barracks Road Shopping Center during the historically snowy winter of the 2009-10 academic year. It was all a ploy to raise a little money for the academic (but mostly social) pursuits of graduate students in UVA's close-knit Environmental Sciences Department.

But, somehow, a pile of dirty snow pushed up into a giant mound that measured maybe 30 or 50 feet high (again, there was absolutely nothing scientific about any of this) galvanized a community—or at least enough people to raise some beer money for the department's graduate student association, which included several dozen students.

"I don't know that it was widely known we were raising money to buy beer for ourselves, but that was how it got going," David Seekell (Grad '14) admits today. "It got a little bit out of hand."

Mount Chipotle was possible thanks to a record-setting 55 inches of snow that dropped onto Charlottesville over the course of several storms, including one in December 2009 at the start of winter break that left 20.5 inches and another in February 2010, which shut down classes as 15 inches fell.

As crews plowed the shopping center parking lot, Mount Chipotle, named after the popular fast-casual restaurant nearby, only grew. Seekell, who lived close to Barracks, started to take notice. Other classmates were watching the snow pile up too as they explored the shopping plaza and horsed around in the snow, Luke Cole (Grad '11) says.

As they looked for ways to raise money for their gatherings, they ultimately launched a betting pool. In an early February 2010 email, the graduate student group sought bets on when Mount Chipotle would completely melt, sharing a link to a blog that had been

started to chronicle "preliminary research and scaling attempts." A bet on a single date cost either \$10, a 12-pack of beer or a bottle of wine.

The fundraising effort really took off a few days later when *The Daily Progress* got wind of the project, publishing a tongue-in-cheek front-page article about the "daring UVA students" behind it. The story included a photo of Seekell, Cole and other students dressed in white lab coats and posing on Mount Chipotle holding random scientific equipment, a T-shirt on a stick and a rotary telephone as props.

Then other media picked up the story. "As it got a life of its own, that sort of made us more and more emboldened," Cole says. More "scientific studies" were completed. Reports of "seismic" activity drew concern. Somebody shared a report of their "climb" up the "unconquered northeast face" and their spotting of a yeti. Aerial photos were taken. Landscape architecture students offered their mapping services.

It all ended on April 27, 2010, when Mount Chipotle disappeared into the asphalt, and the winner was the department's new chair-

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—DAVID SEEKELL (GRAD '14)

woman, Pat Wiberg, a hydrology professor. The effort raised about \$600 in cash and contributions, Seekell says.

But Mount Chipotle lives on—even more than a decade later. A painting of the summit by Richard Crozier, a local artist who retired from teaching drawing and painting courses at UVA a decade ago, was unveiled the following academic year and still hangs inside a meeting room in Clark Hall.



EARTHQUAKE AUGUST 2011

WHERE WERE YOU when Grounds shook?

On the first day of classes in August 2011, a magnitude 5.8 earthquake centered about 30 miles east of UVA briefly rattled Charlottesville. It was likely the most widely felt earthquake in North America's history and caused as much as \$300 million in property damage, including to the Washington Monument, according to the U.S. Geological Survey.

Charles Eckman (Engr '14), then a second-year student, was outside Brown College. He first noticed a loud sound like a train and started wondering where the closest tracks were and why he'd never heard a train at that location on Grounds before. "Then I actually felt the ground shaking," Eckman says. "It was scary there for a second."

The entire event took just moments and left no damage at the University, but UVA students managed to get a few more days of traction out of the experience. **Sid Das (Col '13)** remembers earthquake-themed parties that weekend and texts about toppled lawn chairs or food that had fallen to the ground during the jolt. But "everything went back to normal so fast," Das remembers, "it was like it never even happened."



HURRICANE SANDY AND WINTER STORM 2012-13

AT SOME POINT, the alert went out on Facebook that students were gathering at midnight on the Lawn for a snowball fight, and **Sid Das (Col '13)** was there. The early March 2013 snowstorm would eventually drop nearly 17 inches of snow on Grounds, cancel classes for a day and postpone some midterms.

For a couple of hours, Das gathered with hundreds of other students on the Lawn to throw snowballs, sled and play in the snow. Somebody set up hot chocolate and snacks. There were some streakers too. "Walking to the Lawn and

having a snowball fight with [hundreds] of kids was one of the coolest things I've done in Charlottesville and will probably never do again," Das says.

That March 2013 snowstorm wasn't the first weather disruption for the 2012-13 academic year. Hurricane Sandy shuttered classrooms for two days in October 2012. As a resident adviser in Hereford College, **Nick Williams (Col '14, Educ '15)** was on high alert, sharing information about how to stay safe and helping residents stock up on supplies.



Classes were canceled for two days in October 2012 when Hurricane Sandy caused massive flooding. Here, a car sits in waters on Old Ivy Road.

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Charlottesville saw mostly heavy rains during the storm. It was close to exam time, so students were studying or playing video games in the lounge. “Things got back to normal pretty quickly,” he says.

It took longer to recover from the winter storm five months later, especially as ice began to cover the already snowy streets and sidewalks. Das remembers losing power in his townhouse and scrambling to handwrite an essay by candlelight before a deadline. To stay warm at night, friends piled up

in his living room for a giant sleepover.

Williams was, again, on duty to support his residents. Power outages forced Runk and O’Hill dining halls to offer limited service, the *Cavalier Daily* reported. Williams remembers lines of students waiting for sandwiches outside Runk and cooking meals in his dorm’s kitchen to share with residents.

Eventually, Williams and a couple of friends struck out on their own, walking to the Corner where they tucked in for a meal at an Irish pub and relayed the news back to students who

were tiring of Runk sandwiches. “It felt like, honestly, going to Antarctica because there were just mounds of snow and ice,” he says. “We had to walk really carefully because nothing was cleared.”

On their way back, they stopped by the Lawn, where the snowball fights and sledding continued. “It looked beautiful,” he says. “But you could see the overwhelming nature of the snow everywhere.”

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President's Letter



Speaking of innovation, UVA has big plans for Northern Virginia

In keeping with the theme of this issue's cover story on what's next, I would like to devote this letter to what's next for UVA in Northern Virginia.

Affectionately nicknamed NOVA, as many of you know, Northern Virginia comprises more than 1,000 square miles within the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area, and is home to about 6.3 million residents. It's a growing and diverse population that presents an extraordinary opportunity for UVA to offer education and training to residents who will go on to live and work in the region—and, in doing so, serve the Commonwealth and the nation.

Greg Fairchild is uniquely suited to lead this work. Last fall, we announced that UVA|NOVA will be UVA's campus in Northern Virginia, and that Greg would be its inaugural dean. Greg is the Isidore Horween Research Professor of Business Administration at the Darden School of Business, has led Darden's strategic expansion to Northern Virginia, and is a beloved teacher and mentor who has been named a Poets & Quants MBA Professor of the Year—all of which is to say he's the best person for the job.

Beginning with a site in the Rosslyn neighborhood of North Arlington—proximate to businesses such as Amazon, government entities such as the Pentagon, and transportation hubs such as Reagan National Airport—Greg is working to coordinate and expand UVA's already strong programs in NOVA. Several UVA schools currently offer programs that matriculate more than 500 students per year. To name a few examples: The Darden School of Business offers executive programs for business leaders. The School of Education

and Human Development offers certificate programs and coursework for educators seeking to sharpen their skills and advance their careers. McIntire offers a master of science in the management of IT. The School of Continuing and Professional Studies offers a bachelor of interdisciplinary studies degree. And the School of Data Science offers courses that cut across schools and are geared toward a range of professionals in the area, especially those who want to integrate their current skills with the accelerating need for data science skills.

Working with a broad set of colleagues, Greg and the UVA|NOVA team plan to expand these offerings to meet the demand in the area, including a new part-time MBA program. They'll also build new online, in-person and hybrid offering in a variety of subjects that meet a broad range of learner needs, from certificate programs to short courses to employee and executive training. They are looking at ways to expand our research footprint, including through UVA's Biocomplexity Institute, which already has an office in Rosslyn. And there are plans to create a second UVA|NOVA site near the Inova complex in Fairfax, which will afford new opportunities and partnerships to develop academic programming. Alongside professional, residential, retail and service spaces, the Fairfax site could be the kind of

place that opens up exciting new ways to create, connect and collaborate.

In the longer term, the idea is to grow UVA|NOVA into a "Grounds away from Grounds," where scholars from Charlottesville can access new research opportunities associated with the benefits of a large population center, where NOVA and Charlottesville students can connect with alumni in the area—NOVA is home to the largest cluster of UVA alumni in the world—and where the traditional silos of academia can give way to partnerships across sectors that will help solve big problems that require multiple perspectives.

To that end, although UVA|NOVA will be focused primarily on postgraduates or

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those seeking to advance their professional skills, we expect that it will benefit undergraduate students in Charlottesville as well. For example, students in Charlottesville who might be studying democracy could

travel to Rosslyn, where they are better able to interact and learn from people who work on Capitol Hill. UVA alumni who live in NOVA could more easily teach, mentor or connect with students and faculty. Faculty and students in Charlottesville could better connect with business, government and health care leaders near Washington.

Charlottesville is where UVA's roots will always lie. UVA|NOVA is an exciting part of its growing reach.

JAMES E. RYAN (LAW '92)

President of the University of Virginia



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What was your favorite cheap meal when you were on Grounds?

“Hamburger steak with humongous baked potato and wedge of lettuce with delicious blue cheese dressing for 99 cents. A restaurant near The Corner on the downtown side of the railroad bridge.”

—Grace Repass (Educ '61)

“La Hacienda had Mexican-style family meals that our family splurged on when my wife’s payday from UVA Hospital arrived at our Copley Hill student housing. As Canadians, we felt quite worldly!”

—Joe Murphy (Educ '72, '76)

A handful of more recent alumni extolled the virtue of a **Cook Out** tray. Says Annie Forrest (Col '15): “So much food for so few dollars.”

It’s no surprise that several alumni from the 1990s to present day wrote in to tell us about **Bodo’s Bagels**. While most spoke lovingly of their famous round sandwiches, two told us not to sleep on their **Caesar salad**, including Christine Darby (Col '09), who said: “The Caesar salad at Bodo’s is SO good. Overshadowed by their obviously delicious bagels and breakfast selection, but I’d often grab it for a healthier, cheap meal option.”



“The half-price Hindenburg at Macado’s. In the mid-’90s, you could get it half price on Mondays. You could make two meals out of that sandwich. Also, bread ends and sauce from Take It Away.”

—Evan Gower (Col '96)



The most frequently mentioned spots from the 1950s through the '80s and '90s were The White Spot, famous for the **Gus Burger**, often with beans on the side, and the University Diner, which offered up the similar one-eyed bacon cheeseburger or “**One Eye**,” and the **Grillswith**. (See our story on the fried donuts and ice cream concoction at uvamag.com/grillswith.) Roger Adams (Col '64, Law '71) wrote, “**Meatloaf and three veg** at U Diner, about a dollar.” University Cafeteria, or “**UniCaf**,” was also a favorite of that time period, with David Shimp (Engr '77) writing, “Whatever the University Cafeteria was serving on Sunday.”

Several alumni from the 1980s through its pandemic-times closure wrote in to praise Littlejohn’s Deli. “RIP Littlejohn’s Deli. Those sandwiches were fantastic—and the **Freebird** was the cheapest and the tastiest of all,” wrote Sarah Fletcher (Col '11). Elena Coyle (Col '07) wrote: “**The Sailor** at Littlejohn’s. I was never a Gus Burger type, but there was nothing more delicious to me than this sandwich, which was essentially a split open hot dog on top of a pastrami Reuben. I think it was \$7 and came with a generous helping of tortilla chips. My first college love in the fall of '03.”



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“In 1954, it was the bacon and eggs, served all day at the University Diner and cost about 50 cents.”
—James Michael Daniel (Com '58)



“Grilled cheese cooked on my iron. Or whatever the Glass Hat had that was inexpensive.”

—Natalie Krovetz (Col '80, Nurs '88)



“A Tab and a Snickers bar from the Dunnington vending machines.”
—Candace Worley Spence (Col '84)

“The chicken roll and drink and Monday pizza special at Frank’s Pizza on 14th Street. Frank’s had the best New York-style pie and Italian food.” —Edward Lee (Col '05, Grad '11)

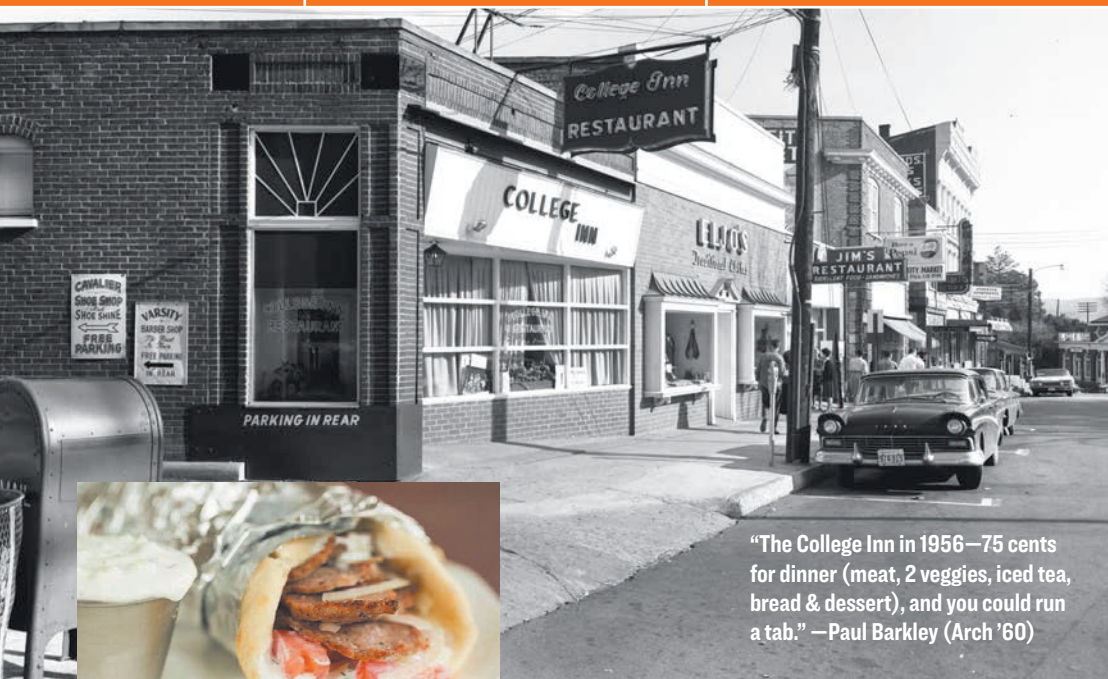
“Whirlybirds from the Castle. Or ramen soup made using my hot pot in my Kent dorm room, when hot pots were still allowed!”

—Sarah Cook (Col '92)

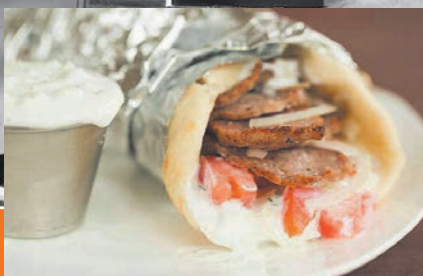
“Third-floor suite in Fitzhugh in the early '70s: A trio of friends created ‘fine dining’ using a hot plate and electric skillet, and access to several 1-foot-cube fridges. The favorite cheap meal was a beef stroganoff kit combined with a pound of browned hamburger with boiled frozen broccoli smothered with a package of Hollandaise sauce! We ate pretty well that year!”
—Dwayne Tooley (Col '75)

“15-cent bologna sandwich at the Medical Center Clinic Canteen. On white bread. So unhealthy, but welcome after a morning doing clinical work at the hospital as a student.”

—Mary Bowers Novean (Nurs '72)



“The College Inn in 1956—75 cents for dinner (meat, 2 veggies, iced tea, bread & dessert), and you could run a tab.” —Paul Barkley (Arch '60)



“Gyros at the College Inn on The Corner.”
—Himadri Das (Engr '87, Engr '90)

“You could get four Safeway chicken potpies for a dollar—this was one of my staples.”
—Meg Melusen (Col '85)

“Spaghetti with pasta sauce and sriracha sauce!”
—Akhil Shekar (Engr '25)

“A PB&J in the basement of Old Cabell Hall for 25 cents.”
—Susan Johnson (Educ '76)



“Frozen potpies and TV dinners purchased cheap as ‘factory seconds/scratch and dent’ from the Morton plant in Crozet.”
—Wayne Riddle (Col '71)

For our next issue:

Tell us about your most memorable job when you were at UVA at uvamag.com/timecapsules, and we'll select some to run in the Summer issue.

Class Notes

📍 Indicates a corresponding photograph or video online at uvamagazine.org/classnotes.

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'50s

Betty Lou Roberts (Nurs '53) has published her fourth book, *Still Climbing*, a combination of biography and fiction featuring 13 short stories. She would love to hear from classmates.

James "Jim" Kemp (Col '58, Med '62 CM) is retired and living in San Diego, but is active as a consultant and chief medical officer of a small startup pharmaceutical company. After graduating from UVA Medical School in 1962, he completed a pediatric internship at the University of Florida before going to Atlanta for a two-year pediatric residency at Emory University/Grady Memorial Hospital. He then completed two years as a lieutenant commander at the U.S. Naval Hospital in San Diego. In 1965 he was accepted into the two-year fellowship program at UC San Francisco, in Pediatric Allergy Asthma and Immunology, after which he returned to San Diego board-certified in both pediatrics and allergy/immunology. He helped develop a training program at UC San Diego in pediatric allergy and immunology and opened a private practice, seeing patients and doing over 400 clinical research studies with more than 200 published in peer-reviewed journals. He was president of the American Academy of Allergy, Asthma and Immunology in 2000. He has been an internationally noted speaker at numerous national and more than 35 international conferences. In his community he was active in Rotary International and was on the board of directors of the Mingei International Museum in Balboa Park in San Diego. He has two daughters and five grandchildren—the oldest just accepted to the UVA School of Law.

'60s

Suzanne Miller (Engr '60) has published *I Am an American: Is America Racist?* It uses the stories of her ethnically mixed heritage (English/Scot/Native American/West African Black) to tell the story of America. Carefully researched, the book contains or cites a substantial amount of relevant documentary evidence. The goal is to give readers a sound factual basis to form their opinion on this topic of current national importance. Readers may learn quite a few things about America that are not widely known, such as: Where did the phrase "all men are created equal" come from? Why were the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution written as they were? How were colonists with little military training able to defeat the most powerful military force on the planet at that time, the British Army? How and why did racism take root and develop in America? What does the very concept of "race" really mean? It is available as an e-book and in paperback through Amazon, Apple Books and Barnes & Noble. 📍

Winfrey P. Blackburn (Col '61, Law '64 CM) and R. Scott Gill have published *Gideon Shryock: His Life and Architecture—1802-1880*, the first and definitive book about Shryock, Kentucky's first formally trained architect and one of the most important architects of his era. It chronicles the peaks and valleys of Shryock's life and work, all within the fascinating historical context of 19th century Kentucky. 📍

Byron Dickson (Arch '63 CM), lead practitioner at Dickson Architects & Associates, has been appointed to a four-year term on the city of Roanoke Architectural Review Board. Dickson

Architects, which serves Southwest Virginia and adjoining states, celebrated its 50th anniversary June 7.

Mosby Garland Perrow III (Col '63 CM) has retired after 17 years practicing law and over 23 years as circuit judge in Virginia. Perrow has been married to his wife, Holly, for 56 years. Two of his daughters, **Hellen Perrow Carrington (Col '91 CM)** and **Alexandra Perrow Wood (Com '93)**, are UVA graduates. Four of his grandsons, **Will Carrington (Com '22)**, **Sackett Wood (Col '22 CM)**, **Hugh Wood (Col '24)**, and **Woody Carrington (Col '25)**, are current UVA students, and his granddaughter **Holly Carrington (Col '20 CM)** is a UVA graduate. Perrow also has five grandchildren, two in Virginia and three in Texas, who are yet to enroll in college.

'70s

David A. Cook (Grad '71) published *A History of Three-Dimensional Cinema* with Anthem Press, London, in September 2021. This is a companion volume to his *A History of Narrative Film*, W. W. Norton's longest-running publication, translated into eight languages, and one of the world's bestselling film history textbooks. He also wrote *Lost Illusions: American Cinema in the Shadow of Watergate and Vietnam, 1970-1979*, Volume 9 of the History of American Cinema series. After teaching in the Purdue and Emory university English departments, he served as program director and chair of Emory's Film Studies Department, which he also founded, and then served as head of the Department of Media Studies at the University of North Carolina, Greensboro, where he still teaches and does research.

Carolyn Hurlburt (Col '74) is joining her husband in retirement after 21 years as a full-time administrative assistant at their church in the Portland, Oregon, suburbs. After graduation, Hurlburt moved to New York City, where she acted in plays, commercials, soap operas and films until 1988. She then moved with her husband and daughter to Miramar, Florida, where she spent seven years acting in plays, commercials and TV. In 1993, they moved to Salt Lake City, where her husband got his master's degree in directing and she continued to act in plays, commercials, film and TV. They moved in 1996 to Ocala, Florida, where her husband was the artistic director of Ocala Civic Theatre and she directed a few plays and acted in some TV shows in Orlando. They moved to Oregon in 1999. Their daughter is married and an elementary school librarian in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

First-year Hancock Dorm mates **Dan Plecker (Col '74 CM)**, **John Kohler (Engr '75)**, **Mike Malley (Com '74 CM)** and **Nat Karns (Col '74 CM)** spent a long weekend in September at Karns' camp in Denmark, Maine. The friends have kept in touch for over 50 years and attend the five-year reunions together. They look forward to celebrating their 50-year reunion in 2024.



Herbert H. Slatery III (Col '74 CM), the current attorney general for Tennessee, was presented with the Kelley-Wyman Award at the recent National Association of Attorneys General Capital Forum in Washington, D.C. The Kelley-Wyman Award is presented annually to the attorney general who has done the most to advance the objectives of the association, and the honoree is selected by fellow attorneys general.

Natasha Saje (Col '76) published *Terroir: Love, Out of Place* (Trinity University Press, 2020), a memoir-in-essays that was a finalist for Pen, Lambda, CMLP and Indie Book Awards, and was awarded first prizes for the essay by Foreword Reviews and IPPY/e-book.

Thomas Talbot Jr. (Arch '77 CM) is the president and founder of Via Ministries

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USA, a Christian ministry focusing on First Peoples individuals, families and communities. After serving for 30 years as director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries at Anglican churches in Pennsylvania and Texas, Talbot and his wife, Susan, moved to Globe, Arizona, in July 2020 to begin ministering on the San Carlos Apache Reservation. In the course of their church ministry, the Talbots led over 30 mission trips to the Pine Ridge (Oglala Lakota), Fort Berthold (Arikara), Zuni (Zuni), and San Carlos (Apache) reservations during summer and school year visits. Prior to being called to full-time ministry, Talbot spent several years as an executive search consultant for architecture, engineering and construction firms. In addition to his ministry activities, Talbot has also coached high school track and field (throwing events) for the past 40 years and competes in masters track and field meets. 📍

Michael Pillow (Col '79 CM) has published his second novel, *Summer Brush Men*. The novel tells parallel stories of a younger man and an older man “coming of age” in their own ways. Pillow has retired from his day job and lives with his partner, Stephanie, in Crozet, Virginia.

'80s

Walter Calvert (Com '80 CM) was elected a fellow of the American College of Tax Counsel, a professional association of tax attorneys with fellows limited to a maximum of 700 across the United States. Fellows must be nominated for membership and undergo a rigorous screening process prior to being elected. Calvert is a partner in the transactional tax practice of the Venable LLP law firm.

Steve Nesbit (Engr '80, '82 CM) is serving as the 67th president of the American Nuclear Society, the organization for nuclear science and technology professionals. ANS works to advance, foster, and spur the development and application of nuclear science, engineering and technology to benefit society.

Elected by the society in 2020, his term of office runs through June 2022.

Charity Robey (Col '80) is a journalist writing about food, farms and environmental issues. She'd love to connect with classmates doing good work in related areas.

Ann McMillan (Col '81) has been named president of Caplin & Drysdale, a law firm with offices in New York and Washington, D.C., providing a full range of tax, tax controversy and related legal services to companies, organizations and individuals throughout the United States and around the world. McMillan is a member of the firm's bankruptcy group and long-time member of the board of directors. She joined Caplin & Drysdale in 1991 after serving as corporate counsel for a California corporation. She works with Caplin & Drysdale's bankruptcy group representing claimants' committees in mass tort bankruptcies. McMillan also advises approximately 30 trust advisory committees for the trusts that are formed at the conclusion of the bankruptcies. Additionally, she counsels both for-profit and nonprofit entities on corporate governance issues and contractual matters. 📍

Anne Hampford (Col '83 CM) published a poetry chapbook *Everywhere Is North* in October 2021. The poems of *Everywhere Is North* are both self-portraits and portraits of the Antarctic continent—its ice, its creatures and the ocean that surrounds it. They are meditations on home and rootedness in a most inhospitable but alluring place. 📍

Sharon Want (Col '84 CM) has been promoted to member of Caplin & Drysdale. Want provides practical comprehensive legal advice to tax-exempt organizations. She has counseled nonprofits for 20 years, rejoining Caplin & Drysdale after serving as in-house counsel at the American Cancer Society, where she advised on legal issues involving ACS's global health and government-funded programs and its 501(c)(4) affiliate, American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network. She also served as a senior

adviser to the IRS director of Exempt Organizations. She works closely with a wide range of small and large public charities, private foundations, and social welfare organizations, and she regularly provides counsel on tax compliance and governance issues. 📍

Eve Lindemuth Bodeux (Grad '89) was elected for a second three-year term to the board of directors of the American Translators Association and will serve through 2024. ATA is the nation's largest professional organization for translators and interpreters with over 9,000 members in over 100 countries. Bodeux has been active in the translation industry for over 25 years and is an ATA-certified French-to-English translator. She is also an independent project manager for a diverse global client base. Bodeux is author of the book *Maintaining Your Second Language* and was co-host of the *Speaking of Translation* podcast from 2008 to 2021. 📍

Sean Scully (Col '89 CM) has been named Western National Editor for States Newsroom, a national nonprofit focusing on news coverage of state government. In this position, he coordinates coverage and assists editors in seven Western states. Previously, he was editor and director of news content for the *Napa Valley Register* in California. He and his family will continue to live in the Napa Valley, where they have been for a decade. 📍

'90s

Kyrsta Small Scully (Com '90 CM) has been named controller of the Thomas Keller Restaurant Group in Yountville, California, which runs The French Laundry, Bouchon, Ad Hoc and other fine restaurants across the country. She supervises accounting and financial matters for all the restaurants and related companies. After a 25-year career in food and beverage at luxury hotels, she turned to the accounting side and earned her California CPA license in 2020 and her CMA in 2017.

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Lorisa Bates (Col '91) has published *Benita Renee Jenkins 2: Boxing Rings and Cages*, the second installment in the *Benita* series. It is an action-packed page-turner filled with intrigue, romance and twists—a perfect read on those crisp, cool fall and winter nights. An entertainment veteran and author, Bates has always had a zest for telling stories. As a young child, while children her age were playing with dolls, she was developing characters and writing short stories. With a career in the media industry spanning over two decades, her talents have expanded to include development, writing, producing and editing for film and television. *Benita Renee Jenkins 2: Boxing Rings and Cages* and *Benita Renee Jenkins: Diva Secret Agent* are available everywhere books are sold.

Kevin Martingayle (Law '91), a past president of the Virginia State Bar, was recently elected to the governing council of the

National Conference of Bar Presidents. He has also held other legal organization leadership positions, including his current service as a member of the executive committee of the board of directors of the Virginia Judges and Lawyers Assistance Program, which supports judges, lawyers, law students and legal staff in handling mental health and substance abuse challenges. Martingayle resides in Virginia Beach with his wife, Lizzie, and has a trial and appellate law practice. 📍

Carole Sargent (Grad '92, '94 CM) has written *Transform Now Plowshares*, a book about the nun who committed the largest breach in U.S. nuclear security history. It was to be published in February 2022 by Liturgical Press. In August 2020, coinciding with the 75th anniversary of the bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, Georgetown University Press published *A World Free From Nuclear Weapons—The Vatican Conference on Disarmament*,

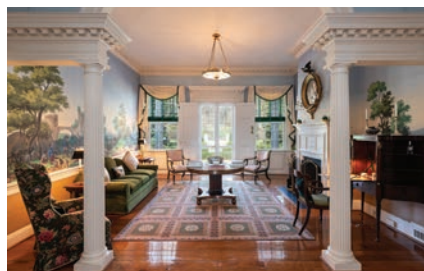
co-edited by Sargent under the guidance of a Georgetown Jesuit who advises the Holy See on disarmament issues. Their article on the book in *The Conversation* was published in hundreds of newspapers worldwide. Sargent's article in *The Conversation* about Sister Ardeth Platte, who inspired the character of Sister Jane Ingalls in *Orange Is the New Black*, was also published in hundreds of newspapers. Sargent is a literary historian of early modern women's political thought and founding director of Georgetown University's Office of Scholarly Publications.

Tamara Bedic (Law '98 CM) is president of the New York City Chapter of the National Lawyers Guild. A feminist, activist, immigrant and animal advocate, Bedic began volunteering for the country's most progressive lawyers association in 2009 as a legal observer. Since then, Bedic has assisted members of Black Lives Matter

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and Extinction Rebellion; defended the right to protest; and resuscitated the Guild's Animal Rights Committee and served as vice president. Bedic has been interviewed by *Law and Disorder* and organizes webinars on local, national and international animal rights issues. 📍

'00s

Matthew Kelley (Col '00 CM) has established a Hereford-Angus beef cattle operation on his farm in Madison, Virginia. The cows join his wife, three children, and career in fulfilling his lifelong goals in pursuit of happiness.

Aaron Peters (Engr '01 CM) and his wife, Stephanie, had their third child, Grace, in February 2021. She's especially cute in all the hand-me-down UVA clothing from her brother and sister, Jude and Avery. 📍

Lindsay Vaught (Com '01 CM) married Taka Wakino in August 2021 at the Japanese Friendship Garden in San Diego. **Jeff udden (Engr '00 CM)** officiated the ceremony, with **Laura Wright (Col '01 CM)** acting as matron of honor. The couple lives in San Diego. 📍

Jehnie Burns (Grad '02, '07) published *Mixtape Nostalgia: Culture, Memory, and Representation* in October 2021. *Mixtape Nostalgia* tells the story of the mixtape from its history in 1970s bootlegging to its resurgence as an icon of nostalgic analog technology.

Patrice L. Lewis (Col '03 CM) has joined the Richmond office of law firm Gentry Locke. Lewis works with the firm's government and regulatory affairs practice and Gentry Locke Consulting, using research and strategy to help clients achieve their legal and policy goals. She formerly served as a senior adviser for SIR Inc., a strategic

marketing and communications firm; as an outreach representative for U.S. Sen. Mark R. Warner; and as the legislative assistant to former Virginia Delegate Onzlee Ware. 📍

Mike Smith (Arch '05) was honored by *Mass Transit* magazine as a member of the 2021 class of "40 Under 40." The annual feature recognizes 40 up-and-comers in the public transportation industry for their contributions, innovation, leadership and community impact. Currently chief of safety for the New Orleans Regional Transit Authority, Smith was selected from more than 150 nominations from across the U.S. in the public and private sectors. Smith is proud of his humble beginnings as a student driver at UVA's University Transit Service, a position he held through four years as an urban and environmental planning major in the School of Architecture, as well as nights and weekends after graduation. In his

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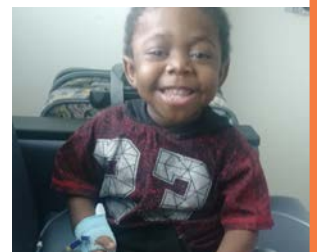


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20-year career, he has worked in a variety of roles, including operations, safety, regulatory compliance and project management. 

Neal Willetts (Educ '06) is delighted to announce his engagement to Elijah Thomas Lee Akers, an IT specialist in the U.S. Navy now serving on the *USS George Washington*. The couple met in February 2020 when Willetts was bartending an event for Akers' ship, and as people say, the rest is history! They are planning a spring 2023 wedding. The couple plans to reside with their three cats—Augustus, Sulla and Pip—in Willetts' native Columbus, Ohio. 

Casey Chalk (Col '07, Educ '07) published his first book, *The Persecuted: True Stories of Courageous Christians Living Their Faith in Muslim Lands* (Sophia Institute Press). 

Benjamin Rubenstein (Col '07) married Stefanie Cohen, a University of Maryland alumna, on Nov. 7, 2021. Though he happily moved to Maryland to live with her, he was pleased they wedded in The Better State. 

A.J. Frey (Col '08 CM) has joined the Washington, D.C., office of international law firm Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher as a partner in the Investment Funds practice. Frey joins Gibson from Greenspring Associates, a diversified venture capital platform with over \$13 billion in assets under management, where he served as general counsel. His practice focuses on the formation and operation of private investment funds across a variety of fund strategies, including private equity, growth equity, venture capital and real asset funds. Frey resides in Washington with his wife, Brenna, and their two boys, Felix and Max.

Dr. Shane Rau (Res '08) works for Array Behavioral Care, a nationwide telepsychiatry company, as vice president and associate medical director for the Scheduled Care and At Home Care lines of business. He provides telepsychiatry services to adults in multiple states and supervises 60 clinicians providing similar services. He also directs quality management projects for these lines of business to establish systems of data analysis to ensure Array's clinicians are improving lives. He attributes a good deal



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of his leadership ability, clinical skills and clinical knowledge to his time as a resident in psychiatry at UVA Health System, and, in particular, the Department of Psychiatry and Neurobehavioral Sciences. He and his wife, Melinda, live in Williamsburg. 🏠

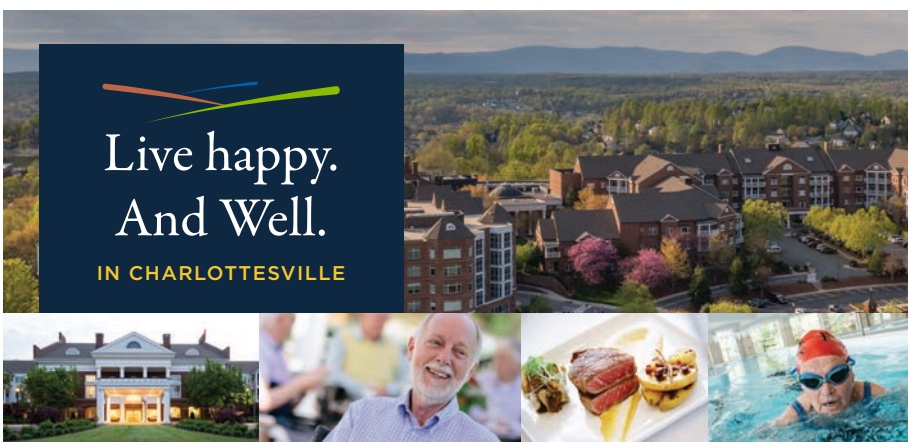
Yvener J. Petit (Com '09) has joined Live Nation as a director of strategic initiatives and operations. In his role, he partners with key stakeholders across the Concerts, Ticketmaster, and Media and Sponsorship divisions to outline and implement key company strategies. In addition, Petit has recently been elected to serve as an executive committee member and board member of Communities in Schools of Los Angeles—a nonprofit that focuses on providing one-on-one case management for nearly 1,000 at-risk Los Angeles Unified School District students, helping them stay in school and achieve in life. 🏠

'10s

Bryan Thomas (Col '10 CM) married his college sweetheart, **Lisa Hamilton (Col '11, Educ '11 CM)**, on Juneteenth, June 19, 2021. The couple wed in Washington, D.C., surrounded by family and fellow 'Hoos.

Monica Tucker-Schwartz (Nurs '10) earned her doctorate of nursing practice in Health System Executive Leadership from the University of Pittsburgh in December 2021. Her project titled *The Impact of a Professional Practice Model at a Large Academic Medical Center* was presented on Nov. 1, 2021. Tucker-Schwartz lives in Boston with her husband **Jason Tucker-Schwartz (Engr '08, '10 CM)** and children Isabel "Izzy" (3 ½) and Scott Jefferson "SJ" (15 months). 🏠

Jonathan Elliott (Engr '11 CM) and **Ellen Zagrobelny Elliott (Engr '13 CM)** started Living Pastures Farm in Marshall, Virginia. They raise 100% grass-fed beef and pasture-raised chicken using regenerative farming practices to build soil health, sequester carbon in the soil, and produce nutrient-dense food. They also recently started a community farm co-op where



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neighboring farms collaborate and sell produce together. They welcomed their second child in December. 📍

Monica N. Melmer (Col '11, Med '17 CM) and **Patrick D. Melmer (Col '12, Med '17 CM)** welcomed their second child, Madison Grace, on Oct. 13, 2021. Madison joins big sister, Kennedy Caroline, and can already cheer "Wahoooa!" After completing residencies and starting their careers in South Carolina, the Melmers are also excited to announce they will be returning home to Virginia. The family will reside in Richmond, where Patrick is an incoming trauma/critical care surgery fellow at Virginia Commonwealth University.

Marie (Plaine) Weitzman (Col '12 CM) and **Andrew Weitzman (Col '12 CM)** welcomed their daughter, Madison Lee Weitzman, Oct. 12, 2021. Madison's older brother, Ben, enjoyed his first trip to Grounds last spring and looks forward to attending UVA with his sister one day.

Andrew Levine (Engr '13 CM) and **Mary Ortiz Levine (Col '11 CM)** welcomed a daughter, Abigail Mattea Levine, on May 3, 2021, in Falls Church, Virginia.

Caroline Massie-DeJarnette (Col '13 CM) and **Richard DeJarnette (Com '13 CM)** welcomed their first child, Hugh Irey DeJarnette, on Aug. 29, 2021. Hugh is the grandson of **William Elliott DeJarnette (Col '73 CM)** and **Barbara Jeanne DeJarnette (Educ '78, '82 CM)**. The family lives in Richmond. 📍

Amanda Bradley (Col '14, Educ '14 CM) and **Momin Khan (Engr '13)** were married in Vienna, Virginia, on Sept. 25, 2021. Their reception was held at the home of Bradley's parents, **Maria Sevilla (Col '81 CM)** and Stephen Bradley. **Rebecca Clemo (Engr '13, Res '21 CM)** served as matron of honor. Bradley is the niece of **Eduardo Sevilla (Engr '85 CM)**. Also in attendance were **Kelly Wagner (Engr '13 CM)**, **Ida Yonas (Col '13 CM)**, **Madeleine**

Hambleton (Col '13), **Merrick Kozak (Col '12, Res '21 CM)**, **Jeff Hall (Col '13 CM)**, **Joseph Featherston (Col '13 CM)**, **John Lunsford (Engr '13 CM)**, **Steven Cook (Engr '14 CM)**, **Virginia Cook (Engr '13 CM)**, **Daniel Eustace (Col '13 CM)**, and **Annie Clemo (Col '17 CM)**. The couple lives in Richmond, where Khan is a programmer and Bradley is a teacher. 📍

Sam Heath (Grad '14) has been appointed manager of the Equal Justice USA Evangelical Network, a platform for faith leaders across the political spectrum who seek to transform the justice system by promoting responses to violence that are rooted in the values of racial equity, redemption and healing. Heath, an educator by profession, is an elder at Trinity Presbyterian Church in Charlottesville, where he has been the coordinator of major educational conferences, including *Race: Unity in Diversity*, which came in the wake of the Unite the Right rally in 2017. He also is founder and co-chair of a



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Jim Ambuske (Grad '16) is co-creator and co-writer of the new podcast series *Intertwined: The Enslaved Community at George Washington's Mount Vernon*. *Intertwined* is an eight-part docuseries that tells the story of the more than 577 people enslaved by George and Martha Washington, through the lives of Sambo Anderson, Davy Gray, William Lee, Kate, Ona Judge, Nancy Carter Quander, Edmund Parker, Caroline Branham, and the Washingtons. It is available wherever you get your favorite podcasts and at www.georgewashingtonpodcast.com. 🗨️

Wilson Craig (Col '16) has launched Waterbird Spirits. The company creates a variety of canned cocktails with real distilled spirits that are sold in 22 states and will be available in an additional 18 states this year. The Waterbird name pays homage to historic Water Street in Charlottesville, the location of the company headquarters. In addition to the headquarters in Charlottesville and a production facility in Lakeland, Florida, a third manufacturing facility is coming online this year. For more information, go to www.waterbirdspirits.com. 🗨️

H. MacNeil "Mac" Dobbins (Col '16 CM) has joined the Bridge Investment Group as vice president of its Industrial Net Lease Group. He is responsible for acquisitions and asset management for the division's Private Equity Funds. He previously served as principal, and earlier as senior associate at Gladstone

Commercial Corporation, a publicly traded real estate investment trust. His office is in Arlington, Virginia.

'20s

Brandon Richard Thompson (Col '20), Donald Cooper (Col '20) and Joanne Lee (Com '21 CM) are contributing authors to *Social Class Supports: Programs and Practices to Serve and Sustain Poor and Working-Class Students Through Higher Education*. Their chapter was based on the Hoos First Look program and how similar institutions can adopt the program into their universities. Thompson has been working in the consultant space since graduating in May 2020. 🗨️

Emily Barksdale (Batten '21) started in October as an analyst in the Commonwealth of Virginia's Department of Planning and Budget. She is working with other Batten and UVA alumni and has relocated to Richmond.

Simrat Jassal (Col '21 CM) is the president and founder of Premed Peers, a nonprofit that is providing free and affordable MCAT tutoring to students across the nation. Premed Peers has reached more than 2,000 students and provided mentorship and support during the medical admissions process. The nonprofit also provides students with essay, resume and private tutoring help. Jassal will continue the efforts for Premed Peers and is hoping to give back to the Charlottesville community. 🗨️



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In Memoriam

'40s

Warren Ballinger French Jr. (Engr '47 CM) of Edinburg, Virginia, died Nov. 4, 2021. When World War II was declared, Mr. French received a Navy commission as an ensign and left college to join the war effort, where he was assigned to the Pacific theater and participated in the Philippines campaign. After returning to UVA and graduating with a B.S. in electrical engineering, Mr. French joined AT&T Long Lines. In 1954, he left AT&T to become the general manager of the Farmers Mutual Telephone System of Shenandoah County, where he subsequently held several administrative positions, both at Farmers Mutual and its successor organizations, Shenandoah Telephone Company and Shenandoah Telecommunications Company. Mr. French was also active in state and national industry associations and organizations representing the interests of small independent telephone companies, and he was appointed by President Reagan as a member of the President's National Security Telecommunications Advisory Committee. In recognition of his career of service to the independent telephone industry, he was awarded the President's Award by

the Organization for the Protection and Advancement of Small Telephone Companies, as well as the United States Independent Telephone Association's Distinguished Service Medallion. He was inducted into the Independent Telecommunications Pioneer Association's Telephone Hall of Fame in 1993. Mr. French served as a director of the UVA Engineering Foundation and was appointed to serve as a member of the UVA Board of Visitors from 1972 to 1980. Mr. French was also an active supporter of his community, holding administrative positions at several local organizations, including Shenandoah Memorial Hospital and the Shenandoah County Library Foundation. He also conceived of and founded the Shenandoah Community Foundation. Mr. French was predeceased by his wife, Patricia, and their son, Warren B. French III. Survivors include three children, including **Cynthia French Mullen (Com '76 CM)** and **Christopher Edward French (Engr '80, Darden '84 CM)**; nine grandchildren, including **Warren B. French II (Engr '11)**; and eight great-grandchildren.

Palmer Douglas Wexler (Engr '49 CM) of Sandy Springs, Georgia, died Aug. 23, 2021. The son of Russian immigrants, he grew up in

Carteret, New Jersey, and served in the U.S. Army's 303rd Signal Operations Battalion during World War II in France, Belgium and Germany. He was on a ship bound for Okinawa, Japan, when the war ended and enrolled at UVA 10 days after his discharge in 1945. After graduation, he worked for General Electric for 16 years and later for several other companies in a variety of manufacturing, general management and international positions that took him across six continents. Bored after a short retirement, he returned to work in 1989 with Amrep Inc. as sales representative for Asia, and he made his last overseas business trip at age 87. Happiest when busy building or repairing something, drawing, dancing, or traveling, he was climbing ladders, doing yardwork and playing on the floor with his great-grandchildren well into his 90s. He was a lifelong baseball fan, golfer and stamp collector and served his community as a volunteer driver for Meals on Wheels and as an aerobics instructor at his senior living community. He was predeceased by his wife, Delores. Survivors include his partner, Jane Greenberger; three children; five grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

'50s

Thomas H. Cook (Col '50 CM) of Henrico County, Virginia, died Aug. 31, 2021. After proudly serving in the U.S. Navy, he attended UVA and majored in economics. His main career was spent in the mortgage industry, but after retiring he had a second career—really more of a passion—as a model train sales expert for the Toy Center in Richmond. In his youth, he was the runner-up in the National Spelling Bee. Survivors include his wife, Mary Jane; son **Thomas H. Cook Jr. (Com '81 CM)**; and three grandchildren.

Louis Joseph "LJ" Richman Jr. (Col '50, Law '55 CM) of Newport News, Virginia, died Nov. 3, 2021. After graduating from UVA, he served a stint in the U.S. Army, stationed at Fort Eustis as the assistant to the bird colonel. At UVA, Mr. Richman was a member of the Phi Epsilon Pi Fraternity, business manager of the *Cavalier Daily*, and associate business manager of the Virginia Law Review. A member of the Virginia State Bar and the Virginia Bar Association for more than 50 years, most of Mr. Richman's legal career was in private practice with a focus in tax law. Mr. Richman was actively involved in his community and held many



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Former BOV member built buildings and historic collections

As real estate developer **Albert H. Small (Engr '46 CM)** constructed thousands of homes and more than 1 million square feet of office space across the Washington, D.C., area, he also was building a treasure trove of early American history—from a vast collection of material related to the Declaration of Independence to key documents tracing D.C.'s history.

Small, a former Board of Visitors member who donated his Declaration of Independence collection to UVA as well as the funding to build the Albert and Shirley Small Special Collections Library to house it, died Oct. 3, two weeks before his 96th birthday.

Small's love of collecting started when he was a child but grew into a passion as a young adult. He was drawn to the connection between books and history. "I guess I'm old-fashioned in that way," he told the National Endowment for the Humanities

before receiving the 2009 National Humanities Medal from President Barack Obama.

Son **James H. Small (Grad '94, Grad '07, Darden '18 CM)** remembers his father systematically flipping through catalogs, always on the hunt for new finds. "He was truly a student of history," with a deep admiration for UVA and Thomas Jefferson, James Small said.

The fruits of those searches lined the walls of his office at Southern Engineering Corp., which he co-founded in 1950. "His office was always fascinating because it was full of these things," said former University President **John Casteen (Col '65, Grad '66, '70 CM)**.

Eventually, he parceled out portions of his collection. George Washington University, where he attended law school, got his D.C. history collection. Miniature metal cars went to the Smithsonian Institution. The White House received a painting he purchased in a bidding war—with the White House.

Small often visited Grounds and, into his 90s, frequently went to UVA football games, though he didn't care much for the sport. "He came because he could see people, he could tell them what he was working on," said **Leonard Sandridge (Grad '74 CM)**, UVA's former executive vice president and COO.

Decades ago, he donated money for renovations to what became the Engineering School's Albert H. Small Building. But it was the opening of the special collections library that was among his proudest days, son James said. Small pushed for its central location next to Alderman Library, along with an underground design that drew skepticism but allowed for more space without overtaking other buildings around it. It opened, with two underground floors, in 2004.

Retired University Librarian Karin Wittenborg said: "He'd get an idea and just have to get it done."

In addition to his son James, Small is survived by his wife, Shirley; two other children, Albert Small Jr. and Susan Savitsky; and six grandchildren, including **Albert Small (Col '13 CM)**, **Isabella Sophia Small (Col '19 CM)** and **Gabriella Rebecca Small (Batten '19 CM)**. —Sarah Lindenfeld Hall

leadership roles in the organizations he cared most about, including the Beth Shalom Nursing Home, his local American Heart Association, and the Fort Eustis Reserve Officers Association. He also served on the national board of the Travelers Protective Association after being president of the Virginia division.

Mr. Richman was a benefactor of the Echols Scholars Program and the Jewish Studies Program at UVA, as well as a supporter of UVA athletics. After retiring from practicing law, Mr. Richman joined the advisory board of Mended Hearts at Riverside Hospital and volunteered advising families of patients

having bypass surgeries. He was predeceased by his daughter **Sheri Gayle Richman (Col '88 CM)**. Survivors include his wife, **Tzina Z. Richman (Educ '62 CM)**; three children, including **Michele Rae Richman (Col '90)** and **Dorothy Ann Richman (Col '92)**; and five grandchildren.

Robert B. Phillips (Col '54 CM) of San Diego, California, died Nov. 8, 2021. Mr. Phillips was a veteran of the U.S. Navy, where he served as a navigator and operations officer. He was active in the advertising industry for over 60 years. He founded three advertising agencies, two of which he sold. The third, Phillips

Marketing, he founded in 1989 and managed until his death. Mr. Phillips' major focus for the past 20 years had been the Mount Soledad National Veterans Memorial, and he was active in its development and implementation. Survivors include one son, two daughters, five grandchildren and his former wife.

John Morris “Jack” Mudge (Col '55 CM) of Wilmington, North Carolina, died Aug. 31, 2021. While at UVA, Mr. Mudge was a member of the Naval ROTC and was commissioned as an ensign at graduation. He then spent two years on a destroyer in the Atlantic Fleet. During his time at UVA, Mr. Mudge also served as president of his fraternity, Chi Psi. After his service, Mr. Mudge began employment with the Nielsen Co., where he retired as a vice president in the New York City office. Mr. Mudge was an avid golfer and UVA sports enthusiast. He was predeceased by his parents, stepfather and stepbrother. Survivors include his wife, Sidney; two children; a stepsister; and four granddaughters.

'60s

Eric Gordon Peters Sr. (Engr '62, Law '71 CM) of Lynchburg, Virginia, died Dec. 12, 2020. Raised in Chesterfield County, Virginia, he lived on the Lawn at UVA, and was a member of the Raven Society, the Engineering Honor Society and chairman of the Honor Committee. He was also a member of the Naval Reserve

Officers Training Corp and received a commission in the Marine Corps after graduation. He served for six years in Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, Morocco and Vietnam. After graduating from UVA Law School, he clerked for former Virginia Gov. **Albertis Harrison (Law '28 CM)** during Harrison's tenure on the Virginia Supreme Court. He moved to Lynchburg, where he served as commonwealth's attorney and commissioner of accounts, and he later worked in private practice. He served as president of the Lynchburg Bar Association. He loved the outdoors and enjoyed jogging and cycling, participating in the Virginia 10 Miler road race for many years. He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Sarah Myers Peters; four children, including **Charlotte Peters Franzen (Educ '05)**; son-in-law **Eric Franzen (Com '04)**; and eight grandchildren.

Richard B. Ansell (Col '64, Law '67 CM) of Ocean, New Jersey, died Sept. 6, 2021. While at UVA, he was a member of Phi Epsilon Pi fraternity, lived on the Lawn and later became a member of the UVA Lawn Society. Mr. Ansell joined his family's law firm after graduation, practicing law for 56 years, with a focus on civil litigation. In 1970, he traveled to Vietnam during the war, successfully defending a U.S. soldier accused of first-degree murder. He was a fierce defender of women's reproductive rights, obtaining a first-of-its-kind injunction against protesters on behalf of a Planned Parenthood clinic. He also defended cases before the

New Jersey Supreme Court, including a medical malpractice case resulting in a ruling that ultimately changed the law in New Jersey and then across the country regarding the issue of informed consent from patients. In 2018, he received the Abraham J. Zager Professionalism Award from the Monmouth Bar Association, celebrating his career-long commitment to the highest professional standards. Mr. Ansell's greatest joys in later life were gardening, traveling, and spending time with family and friends. His philosophy in life is reflected by his favorite proverb: “Things done by halves are worthless; it may be the other half that counts.” He was predeceased by his brother **David K. Ansell (Law '61)**. Survivors include his wife, Debbie; four children, including **Caroline Ansell (Col '87 CM)**; five grandchildren; first wife **Constance Wetzler Gatta (Educ '67 CM)**; and brothers **Robert I. Ansell (Col '60 CM)** and **Jack E. Ansell (Col '68, Med '72 CM)**.

George “GG” Griswold II (Col '65 CM) of New Orleans, Louisiana, died Nov. 26, 2021. At UVA, Mr. Griswold was an avid member of St. Anthony Hall fraternity. In 1962, he left school for a two-year stint in the U.S. Navy. Following his military service, he returned and graduated from UVA as a newlywed in 1965. Mr. Griswold began his professional career with Whitney National Bank in 1965, but soon joined Waters, Parkerson & Co. in New Orleans, where he would spend the balance of his career before retiring as chairman of the board in 2015.

Mr. Griswold was a tennis player and a sailor, particularly a catboat enthusiast. He spent many summers sailing and fishing off Martha's Vineyard. He was on occasion a talented woodworker, although he produced more sawdust than museum pieces. Mr. Griswold served on several boards, both local and national, and was a member of numerous New Orleans social and carnival organizations, where he never failed to thrill revelers with his dance moves. Though he was never one to hog the limelight, his keen wit and self-deprecating humor delighted many. He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister. Survivors include his wife, Mary; a son; two daughters, including **Nina Griswold Fitch (Col '97 CM)**; six grandchildren; and many wonderful nieces and nephews, in-laws, cousins, family and friends.

George Hairston Jr. (Col '66 CM) of Spartanburg, South Carolina, died Oct. 26, 2021. He graduated from UVA as an Echols Scholar with a B.S. in chemistry and was later awarded a NASA fellowship for graduate study in chemistry at Rutgers University, where he conducted early research into the formation of boron chains. Mr. Hairston's career spanned product and process development for a number of chemical companies, specializing in the development of chemicals for industrial use and textile treatments, until his retirement from Blackman Uhler in Spartanburg. Mr. Hairston was a volunteer for Habitat for Humanity and Spartanburg Shares. He enjoyed travel in

the U.S. and abroad with his wife, Patty, being outdoors, and, in his younger days, bicycle trips and tennis. Survivors include his wife; a sister; a brother; two nephews; and many cousins and friends.

Michael James Viener (Law '66) of Williamsburg, Virginia, died Sept. 14, 2021. After receiving his law degree from UVA, Mr. Viener's talent and interests led him to business law and eventually corporate development with Richardson-Vicks, where he was vice president for acquisitions. In a later career chapter, Mr. Viener applied his experience to the formation of an entrepreneurial vehicle, purchasing two companies, White Lightning Products, later sold to Sherwin-Williams; and Maritime Wood Products in Stuart, Florida, where he and his wife, Karen, retired before moving to Williamsburg. Mr. Viener is remembered as a sportsman and a gentleman, gifted with persistence and purpose. He never sought the spotlight, and quietly worked to "be the best he could be" every day. Mr. Viener set an example in the peak fitness maintained throughout his life, and in his equanimity as a husband, father and entrepreneur. Mr. Viener's passion for photography was a constant. Often found behind a camera lens, he documented his love of family, friends, humor, nuance and the natural world. He and Karen enjoyed their many ranch vacations and scenic hiking trips in the U.S. and abroad. Survivors include his wife, two sons and three grandchildren.

John Mack Welford (Educ '67, '69) of Salem, Virginia, died Sept. 27, 2021. He worked for 32 years at Roanoke College, where he was a beloved and much-remembered professor who dedicated his professional life to the education of future teachers. After retiring, he served as a volunteer lightkeeper at the Cape Lookout Lighthouse in North Carolina. Passionate about genealogy, he spent countless hours tracing his family tree and was a voracious reader known for telling detailed and compelling stories. He is survived by his wife of 56 years, **Nettie Alice Welford (Educ '69)**; three daughters, including Dr. Catherine Welford Varney, an assistant professor at the UVA School of Medicine; and five grandchildren.

Lynn Z. Lang (Educ '68) of Chapel Hill, North Carolina, died Nov. 18, 2021. Dr. Lang began her career as an elementary school teacher in Arlington, Virginia. She taught at several universities, including Marymount University, the George Washington University, the American University, the University of Virginia and Virginia Tech, and retired as an administrator and reading specialist in the Arlington school system. After retirement, Dr. Lang took up her many life-long interests, especially in nature. She became a docent at the Adkins Arboretum in Ridgely, Maryland, and established a native plant meadow and demonstration garden of her own at the property she and her husband owned near Queenstown, Maryland, which they called

"Cabochoch." Cabochoch was eventually added to tours of the Annapolis Horticulture Society and was designated a "Bay-Wise" property by the Chesapeake Bay Foundation. Dr. Lang was a Life Member of The Nature Conservancy. After moving to Chapel Hill, North Carolina, she served on the Board of Orange County Literacy and the Chapel Hill Garden Club. Dr. Lang also served James Madison University as a member of the university's Foundation Board and the Advisory Board of James Madison University's Honors College. Survivors include her husband, **Jeff Lang (Law '67)**, and a cousin.

'70s

Dr. Corbin George Eissler (Col '71, Med '75 CM) of Lorton, Virginia, died Dec. 27, 2020. As a UVA undergrad, he was features editor of the *Cavalier Daily*. While at UVA School of Medicine, he met his best friend and wife of 44 years, Sallie. A longtime physician, he worked his entire career at Kaiser Permanente, where he served as chief of family practice for Northern Virginia and was regularly recognized for his outstanding care of patients. He served on the board of directors for Capital Area Permanente and was a founder of Kaiser Urgent Care. He provided clinical education to numerous medical students and nurse practitioners, and he endeavored to make medicine and patient care a collaborative learning experience. A Type 1 diabetic, he far outlived and outpaced early

expectations, and used his own battles with the disease to help others manage and live with it. For his work, he was recognized as one of the top 40 physicians in Virginia for diabetes care. Beyond his medical career, he was an avid supporter of UVA basketball and the Washington Nationals and loved being a grandfather. Survivors include his wife, daughter **Sarah E. Rhodes (Arch '08, '09)** and two grandchildren.

Donald M. Harrison (Grad '72, '77) of Oakton, Virginia, died May 25, 2020. He served in the U.S. Army Medical Services Corps, attaining the rank of captain. After working as an intelligence office at the Central Intelligence Agency for two years, he spent the bulk of his career with the U.S. Agency for International Development, serving in Barbados, Grenada, Honduras and El Salvador, and in temporary assignments in Eastern Europe, Eurasia, the Middle East and Africa. The work was challenging, but he found helping to improve people's lives and advancing development rewarding. A fitness enthusiast, he jogged daily wherever he was, and also enjoyed playing tennis and basketball. He was a die-hard fan of the Washington Senators, and then the Washington Nationals. He rarely missed a UVA football or basketball game, even if his only option was short-wave broadcasts over Armed Forces Radio. In retirement he enjoyed gardening and volunteering with his church and with the Virginia Adopt-a-Highway program. He is survived by his wife, **Wesley**

March Harrison (Educ '74); two children; and three siblings, including **Marguerite Pickering (Nurs '77 CM)** and her husband **Craig N. Pickering (Col '70 CM)**.

John Robert "Jack" Bruggeman (Col '75 CM) of Vienna, Virginia, died March 27, 2020. A native Washingtonian, he received a degree in history from UVA and earned an MBA at the College of William & Mary. He enjoyed a 38-year career in professional reference publishing specializing in health care, working for publishers such as Prentice Hall, Medical Economics, Little Brown & Co., and Aspen Publishers. He retired in 2016 from the American Society of Health System Pharmacists in Bethesda, Maryland, where he was director of special publishing. In retirement, he and his wife, Paula, started an independent antiquarian bookselling business, selling online and at book fairs up and down the East Coast. Outside his professional career, Mr. Bruggeman was a longtime advocate for citizens with intellectual and physical disabilities, serving on the boards of directors of three nonprofit organizations serving the disability community: Central Fairfax Services of Springfield, Virginia; Service Source in Oakton, Virginia; and Community Residences Inc. of Chantilly, Virginia. In 2016, he was appointed by Gov. Terry McAuliffe to a four-year term on the Virginia State Board for Behavioral and Developmental Services. In 2020 when he resigned from the board because of illness, he received a special

commendation from the board as well as from Gov. Ralph Northam, thanking him for his advocacy for improved mental health and disability services in Virginia. Mr. Bruggeman was preceded in death by an infant daughter, Kathryn. He is survived by his wife; daughters Emily and Karyn Bruggeman; a brother, **Michael Bruggeman (Col '71 CM)**; and a sister.

C. Allan Foster (Com '75 CM) of Chesapeake, Virginia, died June 16, 2021. Born in Portsmouth, he was a life-long resident of Norfolk and Chesapeake. He enjoyed a successful career in chemical sales before retiring as a sales manager for Olin Corp. He was an avid sports fan who held season tickets to UVA football and men's basketball games for many years. Active in his church, he found great enjoyment in serving others there and in the community. He is survived by his son, Ryan Foster; Ryan's mother, Sandra Brown; and brothers **Steve Foster (Col '75, Grad '77 CM)**, **David Foster (Com '82 CM)** and **Richard Foster (Col '78, Darden '84 CM)**.

David Roger "Doc" Munsick Jr. (Grad '75, '97) of Shipman, Virginia, died Sept. 22, 2021. Over the course of his academic career, Mr. Munsick taught history at Randolph-Macon College, the University of Mary Washington, Davidson College, Northern Virginia Community College and Piedmont Community College. He was awarded the Elizabeth B. Garrett Scholarship in History by Washington and Lee

University. In 1999, Mr. Munsick joined the faculty at The Covenant School and taught European history. During his tenure, he also served as the department chair of history. In the past 24 years, Roger became a well-loved figure serving as an interpreter at Ash Lawn-Highland, later James Monroe's Highland, in Albemarle County. Mr. Munsick's thorough knowledge of history, keen wit and abiding kindness were cherished by the Highland community. He was a beloved teacher, faithful friend, brilliant historian, knower of all sports information and witty conversationalist on any and every subject, and dedicated to his students, colleagues, friends and the study of history.

Dr. Liston McLeod "Mike" Rice III (Col '76 CM) of Houston, died Nov. 18, 2021. Dr. Rice completed a degree at UVA and graduated medical school at University of Texas Southwestern, where he met his wife, Dr. Peggy Goetz, and was residency-trained in internal medicine at Baylor College of Medicine. Dr. Rice's medical career culminated with a return to Baylor as an attending emergency room physician at Ben Taub Hospital, where he was an award-winning teacher loved by nurses, physician assistants and doctors. Dr. Rice was a loyal, dedicated husband and father. He loved fly-fishing in New Mexico and trolling for kingfish in the Gulf; he hunted gamebirds across Texas and birded the jungles of Panama. Dr. Rice was always ready for a game of chess or a chat about politics while listening to old

blues recordings. He was preceded in death by his parents and a son. Survivors include his wife; two sons; a grandson; two sisters, including **Katie Rice Wray (Col '82 CM)** and her husband **Logan Wray (Com '81 CM)**; a brother; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Jean Tanner Souter (Educ '78 CM) of Tallahassee, Florida, died Oct. 23, 2021. She attended Whitworth University through spring of 1949, completing her bachelor of arts at Boston University and later going on to earn a master of science in library science at Columbia University and a master's degree in education at UVA. Starting in the mid-'70s, Ms. Souter worked in academic libraries, ending her career as the director of reference and information services at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. She was predeceased by both her first husband, Thomas N. Thompson Jr., and second husband, Thomas A. Souter Jr. Survivors include her daughter and other family.

Gary Linn McDowell (Grad '79) of Richmond, Virginia, died Aug. 6, 2021. Born in Flat River, Missouri, he worked his way up from humble beginnings to a distinguished career in academia and public service. After earning a bachelor's degree at the University of South Florida and master's degrees in political science from the University of Memphis and the University of Chicago, he earned a doctorate in government and public affairs from UVA in 1979. He served

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John Robert "Jack" Bruggeman (Col '75 CM) of Vienna, Virginia, died March 27, 2020. A native Washingtonian, he received a degree in history from UVA and earned an MBA at the College of William & Mary. He enjoyed a 38-year career in professional reference publishing specializing in health care, working for publishers such as Prentice Hall, Medical Economics, Little Brown & Co., and Aspen Publishers. He retired in 2016 from the American Society of Health System Pharmacists in Bethesda, Maryland, where he was director of special publishing. In retirement, he and his wife, Paula, started an independent antiquarian bookselling business, selling online and at book fairs up and down the East Coast. Outside his professional career, Mr. Bruggeman was a longtime advocate for citizens with intellectual and physical disabilities, serving on the boards of directors of three nonprofit organizations serving the disability community: Central Fairfax Services of Springfield, Virginia; Service Source in Oakton, Virginia; and Community Residences Inc. of Chantilly, Virginia. In 2016, he was appointed by Gov. Terry McAuliffe to a four-year term on the Virginia State Board for Behavioral and Developmental Services. In 2020 when he resigned from the board because of illness, he received a special

commendation from the board as well as from Gov. Ralph Northam, thanking him for his advocacy for improved mental health and disability services in Virginia. Mr. Bruggeman was preceded in death by an infant daughter, Kathryn. He is survived by his wife; daughters Emily and Karyn Bruggeman; a brother, **Michael Bruggeman (Col '71 CM)**; and a sister.

C. Allan Foster (Com '75 CM) of Chesapeake, Virginia, died June 16, 2021. Born in Portsmouth, he was a life-long resident of Norfolk and Chesapeake. He enjoyed a successful career in chemical sales before retiring as a sales manager for Olin Corp. He was an avid sports fan who held season tickets to UVA football and men's basketball games for many years. Active in his church, he found great enjoyment in serving others there and in the community. He is survived by his son, Ryan Foster; Ryan's mother, Sandra Brown; and brothers **Steve Foster (Col '75, Grad '77 CM)**, **David Foster (Com '82 CM)** and **Richard Foster (Col '78, Darden '84 CM)**.

David Roger "Doc" Munsick Jr. (Grad '75, '97) of Shipman, Virginia, died Sept. 22, 2021. Over the course of his academic career, Mr. Munsick taught history at Randolph-Macon College, the University of Mary Washington, Davidson College, Northern Virginia Community College and Piedmont Community College. He was awarded the Elizabeth B. Garrett Scholarship in History by Washington and Lee

University. In 1999, Mr. Munsick joined the faculty at The Covenant School and taught European history. During his tenure, he also served as the department chair of history. In the past 24 years, Roger became a well-loved figure serving as an interpreter at Ash Lawn-Highland, later James Monroe's Highland, in Albemarle County. Mr. Munsick's thorough knowledge of history, keen wit and abiding kindness were cherished by the Highland community. He was a beloved teacher, faithful friend, brilliant historian, knower of all sports information and witty conversationalist on any and every subject, and dedicated to his students, colleagues, friends and the study of history.

Dr. Liston McLeod "Mike" Rice III (Col '76 CM) of Houston, died Nov. 18, 2021. Dr. Rice completed a degree at UVA and graduated medical school at University of Texas Southwestern, where he met his wife, Dr. Peggy Goetz, and was residency-trained in internal medicine at Baylor College of Medicine. Dr. Rice's medical career culminated with a return to Baylor as an attending emergency room physician at Ben Taub Hospital, where he was an award-winning teacher loved by nurses, physician assistants and doctors. Dr. Rice was a loyal, dedicated husband and father. He loved fishing in New Mexico and trolling for kingfish in the Gulf; he hunted gamebirds across Texas and birded the jungles of Panama. Dr. Rice was always ready for a game of chess or a chat about politics while listening to old

blues recordings. He was preceded in death by his parents and a son. Survivors include his wife; two sons; a grandson; two sisters, including **Katie Rice Wray (Col '82 CM)** and her husband **Logan Wray (Com '81 CM)**; a brother; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Jean Tanner Souter (Educ '78 CM) of Tallahassee, Florida, died Oct. 23, 2021. She attended Whitworth University through spring of 1949, completing her bachelor of arts at Boston University and later going on to earn a master of science in library science at Columbia University and a master's degree in education at UVA. Starting in the mid-'70s, Ms. Souter worked in academic libraries, ending her career as the director of reference and information services at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. She was predeceased by both her first husband, Thomas N. Thompson Jr., and second husband, Thomas A. Souter Jr. Survivors include her daughter and other family.

Gary Linn McDowell (Grad '79) of Richmond, Virginia, died Aug. 6, 2021. Born in Flat River, Missouri, he worked his way up from humble beginnings to a distinguished career in academia and public service. After earning a bachelor's degree at the University of South Florida and master's degrees in political science from the University of Memphis and the University of Chicago, he earned a doctorate in government and public affairs from UVA in 1979. He served

Retrospect



Ryan Burke (Col '07) makes the game-winning save against a Maryland penalty kicker.

in Cary, North Carolina.

UVA had already lost to the Terrapins on the road, and the hostile Maryland fans who had taunted Burke then were back at the tournament with constant heckling. By the time the penalty kicks started, players were exhausted. Hall's legs felt like cinder blocks, he recalls.

But the team's youth, Gelnovatch says, was an advantage. Because of it, "they had no fear," he says of the team's performance in the tournament.

2 OTs and 18 PKs

UVA's dramatic 2003 men's soccer ACC title win

BY SARAH LINDENFELD HALL

As the Maryland kicker stepped up during the ninth round of penalty kicks, UVA keeper **Ryan Burke (Col '07)** knew the direct shot on goal could go in any direction—and with it the 2003 ACC men's soccer championship. Already, UVA and Maryland had battled through 90 minutes of play, ending with a 1-1 tie, and two scoreless 10-minute overtimes to determine the ACC title.

Burke, who had replaced the 'Hoos' injured starting goalie earlier in the season, had trained for this moment but understood his chances. "It's almost an educated guess," he says of saving penalty kicks.

Burke also knew a lot was on the

line. In November 2003, UVA's storied soccer program—then with five NCAA championships and 12 ACC championships—had wrapped up its regular season in an unusual place: as underdogs. The young team with 14 new players appeared poised to miss the NCAA tournament for the first time in 23 years. "We kind of took on this us against the world mentality," says midfielder **Will Hall (Educ '08)**.

But, against all odds, that mentality—along with some guts, says head coach **George Gelnovatch (Col '87)**—netted the team two big wins during the ACC tourney, that seemingly elusive NCAA berth and, finally, a trip to the ACC title game with Maryland

Most of the kickers, alternating between UVA and Maryland, made their shots—first UVA's **Matt Oliver (Col '05, Educ '05)**, then a Maryland kicker, followed by **Hunter Freeman (Col '06)**. After four misses, nine more kickers took the slow walk up to the penalty spot and made consecutive goals.

Then came the ninth round.

UVA's **Kirk Dinnall (Col '05)** made his shot. But Maryland's kicker went low to Burke's right and so did Burke, who dove and swatted the ball away.

The immediate feeling was elation. Burke ran toward the heckling Terp fans with his teammates piling on top of him. It was the beginning of more big wins for the team, including advancing to the third round of the 2003 NCAA championship, the 2004 ACC title and a trip to the 2006 NCAA Final Four. But on that field in 2003, it was all about what they'd just proved. "It was this great moment of 'Look at us,'" says Burke, the tournament's MVP. "We came out of nowhere." ▼

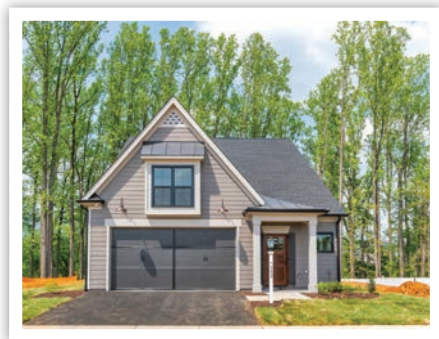
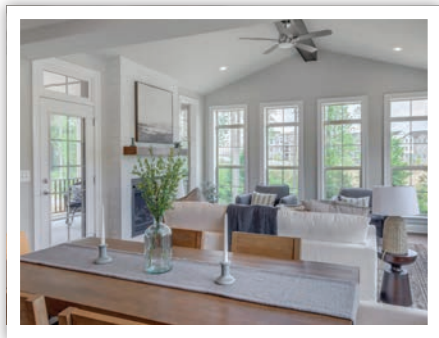
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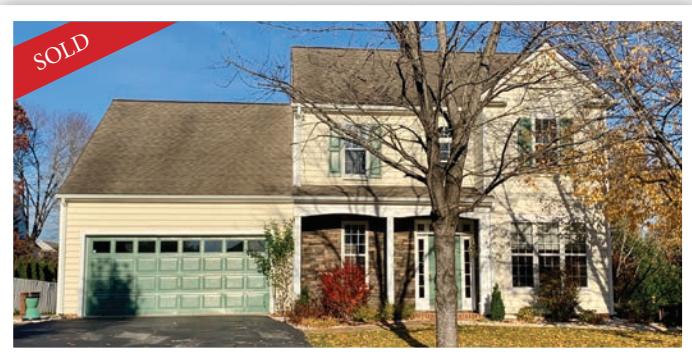
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