

**UVA Alert:** Shots fired reported at Culbreth Garage. Follow fire/police

on Culbreth Road. Reported 1 suspect at large, shelter in place.

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ARMED AND DANGEROUS. PLEASE CONTINUE TO SHELTER IN PLACE  
ACTIVE ATTACKER fire reported in area of Culbreth  
in area of Culbreth road. **RUN HIDE FIGHT**  
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REACH OUT TO FRIENDS & FAMILY TO ADVISE OF STATUS.

UPDATE: MULTIPLE POLICE AGENCIES ARE ACTIVELY SEARCHING FOR THE SUSPECT.

HELICOPTER ARE ACTIVELY SEARCHING FOR THE SUSPECT. SUSPECT IS AT LARGE.

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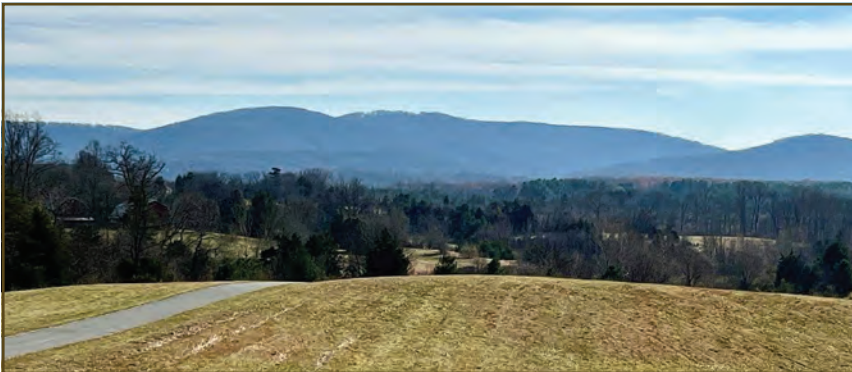


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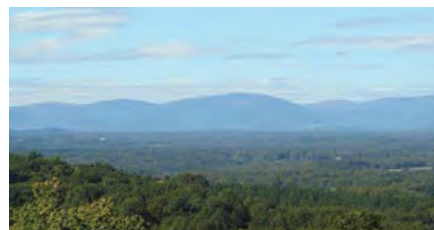
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# A magazine approach to covering tragedy

**B**efore media studies came into being at the University of Virginia, if you wanted to learn journalism, you needed to know where to look. You needed someone to tip you to a class in the English department called News Magazine.



Champ Clark taught it. He came to Grounds from nearly 25 years at *Time* magazine, during the golden era, where he had the sometimes-overlapping titles of bureau chief, senior editor and senior correspondent.

He taught the craft of magazine journalism as *Time* then practiced it, with reporting and writing divided into separate enterprises. Correspondents in the field sent copious dispatches to New York, where the writers would take over, shaping reams of far-flung accounts into magazine pieces. Clark put us in the role of those writers. He'd return from his New York trips with fistfuls of correspondents' files and hand them to us to weave into narratives.

That's essentially how we produced this issue's series of reports on the Nov. 13 tragedy. Diverging from our standard practice, we separated the writing from the reporting. With the hurt still fresh—individuals and the community continuing to heal—and the criminal investigation and an external review getting underway, we adopted some constraints for this first round of coverage. We held off from approaching the survivors of the shooting, the families of the victims or others likely to figure prominently in those outside inquiries.

Instead, we drew largely from news reports, video streams, live events, available documents and what we could piece

together on our own. We treated that considerable and still-growing body of information as correspondents' files. We concentrated our efforts on putting it all into context, the explanatory part of our mission.

We worked to produce a series of narratives that seek to answer a set of basic questions: What happened that night? (*See Page 37.*) What sequence of events came before and after? (*See Page 46.*) What

was it like on Grounds during the manhunt's 12-hour lockdown? (*See Page 48.*) And who were these young men so senselessly slain? (*See Page 54.*)

As important, we wanted to convey the magnitude of the University community's response to the horror and the grief. That part of the story goes beyond words. Print readers will see it went beyond the standard dimensions of this magazine. We couldn't merely describe that to you. We had to show you, through the power of photography, including a double foldout to present the full panorama of emotion and sense of community.

We endeavored to play to the strength of the magazine medium, to synthesize a swirl of unnerving events into a self-contained and coherent package of words and images. During Champ Clark's storied tenure at *Time*, the magazine used the slogan, "Take Time to Understand." We hope we've helped you do that.

**Richard Gard (Col '81)**

*Vice President, Communications,*

*UVA Alumni Association*



## MAKING A MOUNTAIN INTO AN O-HILL

In the 1960s the varsity cross-country course started in the Dell at Emmet Street and then proceeded to the top of O-Hill at the observatory, a vertical

height rise of 315 feet. Runners, having tortuously achieved the top, then faced a precipitous downhill charge through the woods and onto a "burma road"-type gravel drive that eventually exited onto Route 250W below UVA's new orthopedic hospital. While we had several excellent runners (the writer

excluded), our squads were generally weaker than our opponents. However, when visiting teams came to our course for a meet it was not unusual to hear their "concerns" about the O-Hill climb and invariably Virginia would initially do well in attaining the summit in good fashion. Then on the downhill our

# VOX ALUMNI Letters ▶



# A NEW REASON TO LOVE THE DMV

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**IT'S NOT EASY BEING DEAN**

I really enjoyed the Dean of Students article (It's Not Easy Being Dean), particularly the reminder that Dean Robert Canevari ended Easter celebrations back in my day. As the author of the "Good Old Song" rework that appeared in the Nov. 22, 1982, *Cavalier Daily*, you can imagine how well that went over with the students. Not that it justified subjecting him to the slings and arrows of outrageous doggerel.

**TERRY GOLDEN (ENGR '82, '83)**  
*Vienna, Virginia*

practice advantage quickly disappeared.  
It was good while it lasted!

**Vince Derr (Engr '68, Darden '73)**  
*Charlottesville*

**PAUL CANTOR OBITUARY  
[IN MEMORIAM]**

When I read with sadness the news of Professor Paul Cantor's passing, I reflected on the influence he and so many other faculty members at Virginia had on me. I walked into his class, my first as an undergraduate, thinking college would be an extension of high school, and that what I had applied in those four years to succeed in my English composition classes would work for these next four. I was quickly dissuaded. By the end of that first class I realized, to quote Dorothy, I wasn't in Kansas anymore. Grades on my early papers were, well, not good—the red ink outweighed the paper. In office hours one day midsemester, Professor Cantor offered insights and advice, pushing me to push myself, and from there it all began to click. I was able to write home about

my final grade! As a practicing lawyer and now a professor at Vanderbilt Law School, I write for a living. I trace whatever success I have had at it back to that English 101 class and Professor Cantor's dedication, an attribute I encountered in all my wonderful professors at Virginia.

**J.B. Ruhl (Col '79, Law '82)**  
*Brentwood, Tennessee*

**THAT GOOD OLD  
STUFF OF WAHOOWA  
[SUMMER/FALL 2022]**

There comes a time in everyone's life when we must consider downsizing. For my wife and me, that time came recently, when we decided to leave our house on Kauai and move to a retirement community.

What to do with all our favorite things that didn't stay with the house? Fast-forward several months. After moving to Santa Barbara, I attended a celebration of life for a former partner and reconnected with several former partners and business associates. One of them, Bill, greeted

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me and shortly after saying hello, uttered, "I have this recollection of a chair."

Bill and his wife, **Karen Gallivan (Nurs '86)**, gave me this beloved UVA rocker as a thank-you for administering Karen's anesthetic during the birth of their son, Stephen. Their daughter, **Katherine Gallivan (Engr '19)**, graduated from UVA in 2019.

It became clear this rocker should reside with the Gallivans, so I gifted it back to them. It is comforting knowing the chair will always be in the home of a 'Hoo. My hope is that Katherine will someday gift this chair to one of her children after they graduate from UVA.

**Dr. Michael Diamant (Med '70)**  
*Santa Barbara, California*

## PEP BANNED [SPRING 2021]

In talking with a friend about the UVA Pep Band, he got me thinking: How could the band have avoided its ultimate demise? When did script humor go too far? I concluded that jokes that ridiculed our opponents went too far. For example,

at the 1974 home game against Virginia Tech, described in the *Virginia Magazine* article, the band went too far when it ridiculed the opposing stands by saying that they were not capable of reading an upside-down H. What probably was fair game, though, was to reference opponent characteristics that didn't make much sense. Even in the 1970s the farm-raised turkey had a reputation for stupidity. Why then refer to your team as the Fighting Gobblers? Jokes referencing turkeys were fair game.

Away and bowl games would have been especially hazardous territory. The wisdom of Pep Band co-founder Steve Mershon should have been followed more carefully: At away games, the band should make fun of its opponent's rival, rather than the opponent itself, as a way of winning over the crowd.

So, if I could have applied these suggestions would the Pep Band still be here? Hard to say, but I like to think that it would.

**Joe Guarini (Engr '78)**  
*Arlington, Virginia*

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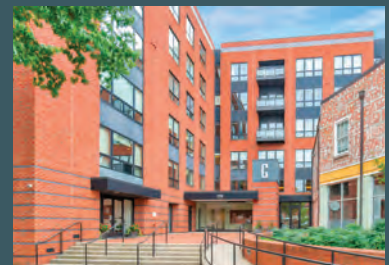


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FROM THE PUBLISHER

## The Certainty of Our Collective Strength

**I**n many ways, tragedies rob us of certainty. They shortchange order for chaos, calm for despair. They cheat us of time and possibility we thought were guaranteed. In the case of three UVA students, each so full of light and promise, tragedy also stole life itself.

As we struggle to make sense of the horrific night of Nov. 13, there is a certainty that did prevail—the strength of our community, that we are UVA strong.

For the past few months, the Alumni Association has been honored to play a role in the community’s recovery by administering the UVA Strong Fund. A communitywide effort, the UVA Strong Fund was established to support victims, survivors and their families; provide support services for students affected by the tragedy; and honor the lives of those who died on Nov. 13. It takes its name from the banners unfurled from rooftops, the hashtags posted across social media, and the words splashed along Beta Bridge, all within hours of the tragedy.



Since the moment the UVA Strong Fund went live, your response has been overwhelming. As of this writing, we have received gifts from more than 2,000 donors. Generosity has come from every corner of our community, including alumni, colleagues at other schools, the NFL Foundation, local businesses and even a group of elementary school students who entrusted to our care the proceeds from their bake sale.

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# UVDigest



## UVA Law, others join ranks against *USNWR* rankings

**T**he University of Virginia School of Law has suspended cooperation with the *U.S. News and World Report* rankings, joining many of its peers in withholding data over concerns about the formula used by the publication.

In an open letter to prospective students in early January, law dean Risa Goluboff explained that “concerns that the rankings do not adequately capture the values of our law school” led to the decision to not submit answers this year to questions that *U.S. News* poses to gather data for its rankings. Those answers are typically due in January.

“As they currently stand, the *U.S. News* rankings fail to capture much of what we value at UVA—facilitating access to legal education and the legal profession for students from every background; fostering the free exchange of ideas within a community of joy, humanity, and trust; providing top-notch teaching by accomplished faculty; supporting public service; and launching our graduates into the →

**“As they currently stand, the *U.S. News* rankings fail to capture much of what we value at UVA.”**

— Risa Goluboff, Law Dean



SANJAY SUCHAK

stellar career paths of their choosing,” Goluboff wrote in the letter.

According to reports, at least 16 law schools that *U.S. News* ranks among the top 50 have withdrawn cooperation with the publication. Nine of the top 10 schools, including No. 1 Yale School of Law, No. 5 Harvard and No. 8 UVA, have suspended cooperation with the rankings. Among schools most recently ranked in the top 10, only the University of Chicago (No. 3) said it plans to continue to cooperate.

“It has become impossible to reconcile our principles and commitments with the methodology and incentives the *U.S. News* rankings reflect,” John F. Manning, the dean of Harvard Law, wrote in a November statement announcing its withdrawal of cooperation.

*U.S. News* has said that it plans to continue ranking fully accredited law schools regardless of whether they submit data, utilizing publicly available information through the American Bar Association, including admissions and test score data. It told *The New York Times* in November it stood by its mission to “ensure that law schools are held accountable for the education they will provide.”

However, the publication has not said how it will account for the departed schools’ missing information or what changes it might make in response to the critiques law schools have made, Goluboff wrote in her message. “Schools might move up or down the rankings, perhaps significantly, not because their quality has changed but because *U.S. News* has changed its formula in ways that are neither transparent nor meaningful.”

The dean stressed that UVA School of Law will “continue to engage with *U.S. News* as it undertakes possible changes to the rankings, and we remain open to revisiting our decision in the future.”

## UVA enrolls a quarter of the Class of 2027 early

**UVA has already enrolled** roughly a quarter of its Class of 2027 with 1,042 early-decision offers, from a record pool of 4,242 applicants.

“It’s a small applicant pool for us—4,000 out of probably some 50,000 (total) applications—but these are students who have decided UVA is their first choice,” said **Greg Roberts (Darden ’17)**, UVA’s dean of admission. “So they’re very eager and we’re excited to get this first group of students enrolled.”

UVA has three admissions cycles: early decision, which was reinstated in 2019 after a 13-year hiatus, a binding admissions decision for applicants committed to accepting an offer; early action, which is nonbinding but provides early notification of UVA’s decision; and the regular decision cycle, which can take into account midyear grades.

The early-decision offers account for 11 percent to 12 percent of the total anticipated offers in the three cycles. Roberts said the University expects to make offers to approximately 8,000 to 9,000 candidates to build a first-year class of about 4,000 students.

Women made up 53 percent of the applicants and 56 percent of the offers. Of the 585 early-decision applications from children of alumni, 37 percent received offers.

Nearly one-third of the 2,257 students from the Commonwealth of Virginia who applied for early decision received offers, compared with the 17 percent offer rate to

the nearly 2,000 out-of-state applicants. Admission officials aim for two-thirds of the first-year class to be from Virginia.

Virginians make up a bigger proportion of early-decision pools than they do the early action and regular action pools. “That’s not shocking because they are familiar with the University,” Roberts said.

Overall, about two-thirds of UVA’s total applicants are from out of state, he said.

“This year we are going to be cautious with out-of-state because we overenrolled that group last year,” Roberts added. “What you can’t do is take students away once you’ve made the offer. So, it’s easier and more logical to play it pretty conservatively with your offers and then add if needed.”

The early-decision offers are proportional to the enrollment of the schools, with 835 in the College of Arts and Sciences, 142 in the School of Engineering and Applied Sciences, 25 in nursing, 23 in architecture, and 17 in the education school.

An additional 1,166 early decision applicants were deferred admission, which means their applications will be reviewed with their midyear grades.

“The bulk of our work is in front of us, but it’s nice to get this part of the class in, and we are thrilled that so many students are interested in UVA,” Roberts said. He said the school plans to release early-action offers in early February and regular-decision offers by April 1.

—**Scott Michaux**



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# Student Life



## Traditions in the Making

BY SARAH LINDENFELD HALL

The UVA student experience is ever-changing, even in a place so steeped in tradition. Today's 'Hoos still sing "The Good Old Song" with each touchdown and line up for the pomp of Final Exercises. But in recent decades, they've built community with new traditions, too. Here are some of the newer events and activities at UVA that make up part of its tradition of community.



DERRICK J. WALLER

## Black Alumni Weekend

Black Alumni Weekend started, in part, because **Michael Mallory (Educ '80, '86)** needed a little help. In 1986, he was serving a one-year appointment in UVA's admissions office, working to recruit more Black students to UVA. To do that, Mallory knew he needed to connect with Black alumni. But he also knew that the benefits of gathering Black alumni on Grounds extended far beyond recruitment possibilities. It could reconnect them with the University, resulting in more Black alumni speaking at classes, becoming professors, being appointed to the Board of Visitors, and networking with alumni and current students.

The goal, Mallory says, has always been to enrich the University community. "We just want individually to be stronger and our networks to be stronger, and our networks are white, Black and everything," he says.

The first Black Alumni Weekend, which Mallory organized with **Glynn Key (Col '86, Law '89)**, was held in spring 1987 and drew 350 alumni to events that honored UVA's first Black graduates. In 2022, 1,200 flocked to UVA for the every-other-year spring event that features on-Grounds activities, including performances from Black student groups, and separate events organized by alumni groups across Charlottesville.

Recruiting Black students isn't as much of a goal for the event as it was in the beginning. But recent alumni say it had an enormous impact on them as students.

**Joshua Franklin (Engr '22)** first attended Black Alumni Weekend in 2017 as a high school student still considering his college options. That weekend, he says, was a powerful experience. "I went to a predominantly white high school in Virginia, and I've never been really in a space with that many college-educated Black people before," remembers Franklin, whose father also attended UVA.

Black Alumni Weekend was "huge" for him as a student, he says. "It was a whole networking thing that you go to meet people from all different walks of life and just absorb all of that information and put that toward your degree at UVA."



SANJAY SUCHAK

## Trick-or-Treating on the Lawn

**Meg Graham Keeley (Col '88, Med '92)**, now senior associate dean for education at UVA's School of Medicine, has witnessed the evolution of trick-or-treating on the Lawn from its earliest days. The annual candy-centered tradition might have started the year before Keeley lived on the Lawn as a small, informal activity, she says.

Once she had a Lawn room of her own, in 1987, she remembers Lawn residents getting a heads-up that some kids might show up for candy. But that year—while trick-or-treating might have been informal—it wasn't small.

"It became kind of clear to us pretty quickly that there was more than we expected," Keeley says. "I do remember several of us running over to the Corner to buy some more bags of candy."

Today, a trip to the Corner for candy isn't sufficient. It can cost hundreds of dollars to supply a single Lawn room with enough candy for the evening. Lawn residents partner with student groups on candy, and the Seven Society donates some.

But for **Maeve Curtin (Col '18, Batten '19)** and other recent alumni, memories aren't just made while handing out candy. On Halloween during her first year, after finishing a paper, she walked over to the Lawn and remembers its stunning fall colors and a "beautiful sea of people," representing a broad swath of the Charlottesville community.

"What was really important about that experience was that community and being able to push that paper aside and go," she says. "I couldn't help myself from smiling."

## Cavman

The *Cavalier Daily* wasn't so sure the Cavalier mascot would last long when he debuted on the field at the launch of the 1984 season. "The Defunct Cavalier," the newspaper dubbed him in a caption, dooming him to the fate of the 'Hoo, the furry orange mascot that appeared—and quickly disappeared—a year earlier.

But the Cavalier stuck around, perhaps helped by the fact that, unlike the furry 'Hoo, he was not entirely new to UVA fans. The nickname dates to the 1920s when **Lawrence Haywood Lee Jr. (Col 1924)** penned "The Cavalier Song," winning a contest run by *Cavalier Daily* precursor *College Topics* for UVA's best fight song. Over the years, students dressed as Cavaliers had ridden into Scott Stadium on horseback.

As a costumed mascot, the Cavalier changed his look over time, and in 2000, he earned a new nickname—Cavman, says **Todd Goodale (Col '94)**, former senior associate athletics director. That year, Goodale and Erik Elvgren, a producer and animator in the athletics department, launched "Adventures of Cavman," an animated series that featured the mascot vanquishing the mascots of rival teams. The clips stirred up fan excitement just before the football team ran out onto the field.

Why Cavman? "We came up with it as kind of the moniker of a superhero," Goodale says. "Instead of Superman, he was Cavman. He looked like a superhero. He behaved like a superhero. So, we thought, that name should be with the mascot too."

Today, a more-buff Cavman, with a physique befitting a superhero, is more popular than he's ever been. A secret rotation of four or five students, revealed only after they graduate, travel around the country to appear at sporting events and even alumni weddings.

"He's seen more now than he was 20 years ago," says Kelley Haney, head coach of UVA's spirit teams, which includes Cavman.



ERIN EDGERTON

## House Concerts

As spots like Trax closed in the early 2000s, a new kind of live music experience cropped up at UVA—house concerts, organized by a student group that launched in 2002, says **Veronica Merrill (Arch '21)**, a former leader.

Today the group, first called Oluponya Records and now University Records, draws hundreds of students to its regular schedule of concerts featuring student performers—from ticketed raves with student DJs and concerts featuring rock, punk and indie bands at off-Grounds homes to free acoustic performances inside the UVA Chapel. It also supports student performers through practice space, recording sup-

port and connections to other gigs.

University Records holds about 12 events each semester, all alternatives to longtime traditional late-night UVA activities, says **Kennedy Harder (Col '25)**, a second-year studio art major and University Records co-president. "So many people love coming to the shows because it's an alternative from going to a bar and it's an alternative from going to a frat."



KENNEDY HARDER



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## Lighting of the Lawn

For house concert leader Merrill, not much was normal about her fourth year, during the height of the COVID-19 pandemic. She lived on the Lawn, but community events were on hiatus, making that year's Lighting of the Lawn even more poignant.

Held in early December, Lighting of the Lawn looks like a holiday celebration. Thousands turn out for the event, which features performances, the reading of a poem, and the Rotunda and Lawn decorated in lights.

But the event was launched in 2001 as a response to the 9/11 terrorist attacks. "We were just thinking about how to bring the community together in a positive way to wrap up the semester," says **Mary Elizabeth Luzar (Col '02, Educ '09)**, who was among the Class of 2002 trustees who organized the first lighting. Luzar, who is now senior director of student engagement for UVA's Alumni Association, has been involved in the event's organization nearly every year since.

The real intention, alumni and students say, is shining light in the darkness—whether it's the stress of exams or tragedy, such as 9/11 or November's shooting that left three students dead and two injured.

In December 2020, it was the pandemic, forcing Lighting of the Lawn online. But Merrill had the benefit of proximity. Around 4 a.m. one morning, Merrill and some of her neighbors stepped out of their Lawn rooms to watch the lights as they were filmed to be shared virtually.

Merrill remembers it being dark, with whispers bouncing off the colonnades. "It felt like, one day, the people will be back, and the students will be back. And we're here witnessing it, so that we can bear witness to the hope of the future."



ERIN EDGERTON

## Rotunda Sing

The origins of Rotunda Sing are murky. But according to the memory of **Chris Walker (Col '91)**, a founding member of the Hullabahoos, and the consensus of his a cappella friends, the first Rotunda Sing took place in fall 1989. At the time—and to this day—UVA's a cappella groups would gather in late summer to prepare songs for the coming semester. The plan, Walker remembers, was for groups to sing a few new selections outside the Rotunda as another academic year began.

"It was more just for us to all kind of get our groups off the ground at the beginning of each semester," Walker says.

Today Rotunda Sing is dubbed "UVA's largest outdoor a cappella showcase," kicking off each fall semester. The evening show is a don't-miss event for first-years and a cappella-loving upperclassmen. It's also a prime recruitment opportunity for UVA's more than a dozen a cappella groups. Typically held just a few days before auditions, Rotunda Sing is an opportunity for groups to show off their talent and distinctive personalities.

"I didn't know I wanted to be involved in a cappella when I came to UVA," says **Lydia Colwell (Col '23)**, a fourth-year art history and global education major and president of the Virginia Sil'hoettes. Then she heard the Sil'hoettes perform during her first Rotunda Sing. "I remember going with my suitemates and listening to the Sils perform and just knowing that I did really want to be a part of it," she says. ♡



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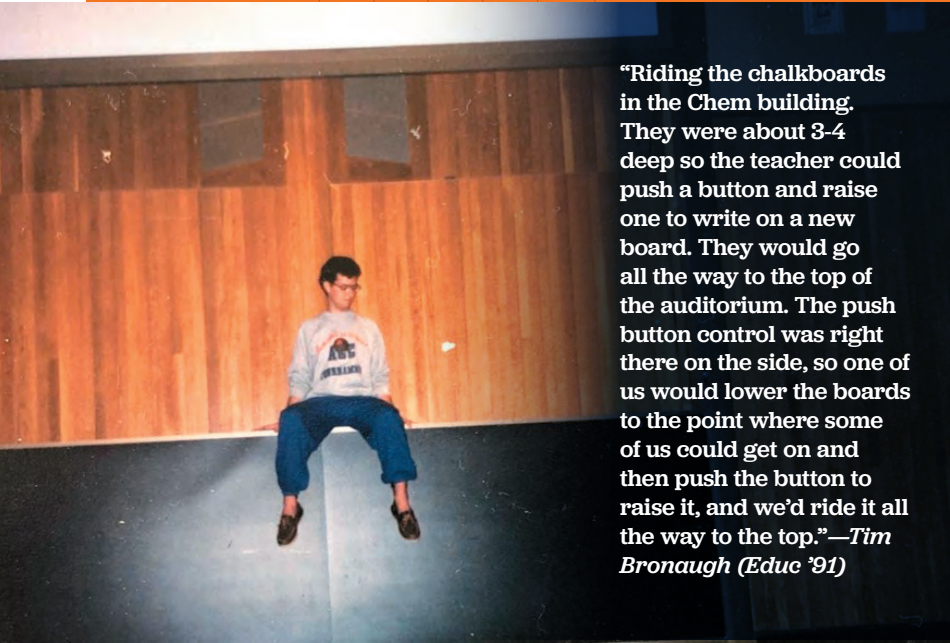
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# Time Capsule

BY JUDY LE

## What is the most spectacularly foolish thing you did on Grounds?



“Riding the chalkboards in the Chem building. They were about 3-4 deep so the teacher could push a button and raise one to write on a new board. They would go all the way to the top of the auditorium. The push button control was right there on the side, so one of us would lower the boards to the point where some of us could get on and then push the button to raise it, and we’d ride it all the way to the top.”—*Tim Bronaugh (Educ ’91)*

“My fourth year, I lived on 14th Street. To save time on my way to Grounds, I would hop the chain fence and walk over the train tracks next to St. Maarten’s. This was much faster than walking up The Corner and I was almost always running late! One morning, I was particularly behind schedule and, to my dismay, a train was stopped on the tracks; in an absolutely bonkers move, I crawled under the train, backpack and all! I still can’t believe I thought that was a good idea, but desperate (and hungover) times, desperate measures.”

—*Chelsey Jones (Col ’07)*

### “IN MY FIRST SEMESTER,

my RA organized a ‘road trip’ to Mary Washington College. This consisted of renting a U-Haul truck and loading us in the back. What astounds me to this day is how this common practice was enabled at both ends of the pipeline.”

—*DAVID WILLIAMS (ENGR ’81)*

“Showed up at a Chi Phi frat party dressed as a bunny—and not the sexy kind.”

—*Teresa Moros (Col ’74)*

The tippy top of the world-famous Rotunda was the site of a lot of folly over the years; alumni across generations sent in stories about climbing the scaffolding all the way to the oculus. Others got up there in different ways. Barbara Eley Parker (Nurs ’66) recalls: “I was dating a guy who had access to the roof of the Rotunda. One spring evening we went up these very narrow steps and exited onto the roof. It was a beautiful view of the Lawn.”

“Graduated a semester early (WHY DID I DO THAT?!?!).”

—*Justine Fritz (Col ’08)*

“A few classmates and I had to arrive for J-Term on New Year’s Day, so we thought to have a fireworks show on Mad Bowl that night.”

—*William Booker (Col ’20)*

“I scheduled nothing but Tuesday/Thursday classes for one semester. A mature, organized person could have made that work. I did not. And I thought it was genius at the time I did it. It was not.”—*Steve Joynt (Col ’84)*

### For our next issue:

What do you miss most about your time at UVA? Tell us at [uvamag.com/timecapsules](http://uvamag.com/timecapsules), and we’ll select some to run in the Summer issue.



SANJAY SUCHAK

## “ In the fall of 1978

I was reading on one of the couches in the mural room (a.k.a. the ‘nude room’) in Clark Hall. I looked up and saw that someone had written ‘Easters 1968’ in the heavy dust on the glass. Obviously that had been there for a long time, so I decided the skylight needed to be cleaned. That involved hauling buckets of water up a short ladder that led from the third floor to the roof, and with a stiff brush and sponges I washed each of the 216 18”-by-36” glass panes, walking carefully on the metal framing between each pane. I started over Thanksgiving break and finished over Christmas break. For my efforts, I got a letter of commendation from the department chair. I think shortly after that, they put a padlock on that roof access door!”—Neal Grandy (Col '79, Grad '99)

**“I took my brand-new Ford Bronco II ‘off-road’ in the U-Hall parking lot.** This was in the early '80s, when the parking lot was not fully paved and there were about 4-5 levels (with steep grass banks between the levels) going from street level down to the level of U-Hall. It was lots of fun and even got some ‘air’! Thankfully, no harm was done to the vehicle, its occupants or the parking lot!”

—Shelley Payne (Engr '86, '87)

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**“Participated in the kidnapping of VMI’s kangaroo mascot, brought it back to Charlottesville and tried to sneak it into Scott Stadium for the UVA-VMI football game.”**

—Rodney Caldwell (Engr '59)

*Pictured left:* One of the original Moes, VMI’s kangaroo mascot during the 1950s. After a series of Moes filled the role, the live animal was ultimately replaced by a costumed mascot in 1972.

**While the steam tunnels** were cited as a favorite hideout in our most recent Time Capsule, some alumni remembered them a bit less favorably—enough to warrant a mention here. Marianne Padgett (Col '81) tells of her regular Dungeons & Dragons group taking to the tunnels one night in 1979. Though they played safely and quietly—encountering “dangers” and “treasures” throughout the tunnels—it was foolish, she says, “since at the time it was a judicial offense if one got caught without permission in the steam tunnels; one of my compatriots says it later became trespassing.” Don Lovett (Engr '71) recalls a 1 a.m. trip on the last day of exams his first year: “We must have seen every tunnel beneath the Grounds. It was interesting, filthy dirty, hot and sweaty, and certainly dangerous enough. I guess the tour took a couple of hours. These days, I’d not want to see even the first 50 feet of a steam tunnel again.”



CHRIS TYREE

# New Contributing Members

The following alumni recently demonstrated their commitment to the University of Virginia Alumni Association and its important programs and activities by becoming contributing members of the Association.

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# President's Letter



## Difficult Losses and a Powerful Response

**B**y now you have undoubtedly heard about the tragedy of Nov. 13, 2022. The loss of three students, and the injuries to two more, shocked and shook our community. The depth and breadth of the loss is difficult to capture in words, and the reverberations of this event—for the families, teammates, friends, fellow students, faculty and staff—will undoubtedly continue for some time. But the response—from fellow students, to faculty, staff, alumni and the broader community—brought us together in some very powerful and profound ways, which I hope will also be remembered, and continue, for some time.

Devin Chandler, Lavel Davis Jr. and D'Sean Perry were football players, but they were so much more. These were young men with full lives ahead. Those who knew them best spoke of them as kind and funny; ambitious yet humble; studious with eclectic interests: They brought joy and light to the world that will never be replaced. Mike Hollins and Marlee Morgan, the two students who were injured, are fortunately on the road to recovery.

The tragic events of that night reached across Grounds. They touched the students and faculty member on the bus who witnessed the shootings; the first responders who attended to the deceased and to the injured; the football team and coaching staff, who knew these student-athletes so well; friends and classmates of the victims and the shooter; students who were sheltering in place during the pursuit of the suspect and who were genuinely afraid, including those closest to the incident; and members of the community who have previously been affected by gun violence. This was no typical loss, if there is such a thing; it was a tragedy that touched nearly every member of our community.

And yet. In the aftermath of that

terrible and harrowing night was an outpouring of support from all corners of the University. So many worked so hard to support those who were affected and to help our community recover. It is to them that I owe my deepest gratitude and admiration. It has been said that adversity does not build character; it reveals it. What I saw in the days and weeks after the shooting revealed the remarkable character of this compassionate, committed and caring community.

Students demonstrated amazing strength and a deep resolve to help. They immediately stepped up to coordinate a deeply moving silent vigil on the Lawn. Fourth-years rededicated their traditional 5k run, donating the proceeds to the victims and their families. Teammates and friends spoke on behalf of the victims at the University memorial service. Architecture students built memorials for display outside JPJ, where people left flowers. The Cavalier Marching Band performed stirring tributes on the Lawn and at the memorial service. Student organizers of the Lighting of the Lawn adapted the program to allow our community to come together to celebrate the lives lost.

Our faculty and staff, themselves struggling with grief, reached out to help heal. Faculty opened their homes to students looking for a place to gather. Deans accommodated two days of canceled classes and a pivot to amended academic policies. The University Police Department coordinated with state and federal agencies on law enforcement and security. Catering provided food and drink to student gatherings. And our Office of Student Affairs launched a massive student support effort, arranging for walk-in counseling, therapy dogs, direct outreach to affected students, study breaks during finals, and an innovative buddy program over winter break,

designed especially to support the African American community.

Meanwhile, residents of Charlottesville and the surrounding communities came to Grounds to reflect and pay tribute to the victims. Gov. Youngkin laid flowers at Scott Stadium and attended the memorial service, as did other state, local and federal officials. Our Alumni Association worked day and night to set up the UVA Strong Fund, designed to support the families of the victims. Local clergy and counselors offered much-needed support. The Boar's Head worked with us to open its beautiful Winter Wander event over two nights for UVA students, faculty and staff. And perhaps most movingly, we have received an outpouring of assistance from colleagues at Virginia Tech, who have aided in all aspects of our recovery.

As I write this in January of 2023, Virginia State Police are in the midst of a criminal investigation, and, per our request, Attorney General Miyares has appointed counsel to undertake an external review of the events leading to the tragedy. Students have returned to Grounds for the January term and teams across the University are preparing for the start of a new semester. Faculty have begun plans to study the persistent challenge of gun violence in our communities.

The devastating loss of Devin, Lavel and D'Sean means a long and likely winding road to recovery ahead. But in so many ways, this community has never felt more like family, and I've never felt more privileged to be a part of it.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'JER'.

**JAMES E. RYAN (LAW '92)**

*President of the University of Virginia*

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# When shots rang out

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Less than 24 hours after the shootings,  
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the Lawn for a silent vigil.



# The Night Of

It began as the quintessential college field trip, a day filled with learning, laughter and genuine kindness. It ended with three shot dead, two wounded and a student charged with murder. What happened?

*By Richard Gard*

**M**ike Hollins (Col '23) didn't expect to be on the field trip, let alone that bus.

For two weeks his close friend and University of Virginia football teammate D'Sean Perry (Col '23) had been working him, begging him, to join Perry's drama class to see a play and spend the day in Washington, D.C. Hollins had no interest, leaving aside that

he'd never been to Washington, never seen a professional play. The all-day venture was planned for Nov. 13, deep into the football season and the Sunday after the game against a tough University of Pittsburgh team.

But Perry persisted right up to the last minute, the morning of, telling Hollins a spot had opened. Hollins gave up saying no, collected his book bag and headed off with Perry for the adventure. →



Hollins expresses no regrets—the opposite, in fact. “I was really happy I went, really happy I spent that time with my boy D’Sean,” he said in an interview on “The Pivot” podcast in mid-December. “I can vividly remember after the play, me and him just standing outside, you know downtown D.C., outside of the theater, just taking it all in. It was freezing cold. I was just telling him how glad I was that he pulled me out of the house.”

Hours later, as the group returned to Grounds from what should have been the kind of college experience that inspires a lifetime of nostalgia, someone aboard the charter bus opened fire. The shooter, a student, witnesses say, killed Perry along with teammates **Devin Chandler (Col**

**’24)** and **Lavel Davis Jr. (Col ’24)**.

Hollins took a bullet himself that evening. It pierced a kidney and his small intestine, a shot in the back that missed his spine by 2 centimeters, he told an interviewer. Second-year student **Marlee Morgan (Col ’25)** suffered injuries as well, less serious than Hollins’, though the details have stayed private. She hasn’t talked publicly about the events. Nor has a fifth football player on the bus, who escaped amid the gunfire.

Months later, the trauma remains raw and real, the communal sense of loss still profound. The day after the shooting, not yet 24 hours after the horror, thousands of students congregated on the South Lawn for a candlelight



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## Jones boarded the bus along with the others, the temperature having already reached its high and beginning its steady descent toward the cold night.

Before attempting to explore the big questions, the how and the why of senseless gun violence visited upon, and allegedly by, UVA's own, we set out to answer a more basic one: What happened that night? In reconstructing events, we purposely avoided approaching the families of the victims, the survivors or other potential witnesses. We relied primarily on published reports, the public record, interviews that have appeared in other media and what we could piece together on our own. The more we learned, the more it broke our hearts.

Soon after rolling to a stop past the drama building, the bus became a crime scene into the early morning.

### ALL ABOARD

The bus for the field trip boarded around 11:30 a.m. outside the drama building on Culbreth Road, the Arts Grounds thruway that winds around the back of Carr's Hill. Second-year student **Ryan Lynch (Col '25)** arrived

with a sense of anticipation, not just for the school trip but also for who would show up for it. She had transferred to UVA in the fall from historically Black Hampton University on the Virginia coast, which meant she was new and still making friends. She told *The Washington Post's* William Wan she had become particularly close to the football players in the class, including Chandler, Davis and Perry.

She wasn't sure they would be there, especially since they had had a football game the day before. Pitt's 37-7 drubbing of the Cavaliers, their third consecutive loss and the season's worst, wouldn't have seemed to help her cause. But Chandler, a wide receiver, didn't play; he hadn't all season since transferring from the University of Wisconsin. Week Two of a concussion protocol sidelined Davis, a playmaker wideout. Perry, a linebacker, did get playing time. Hollins, a

vigil. On seemingly telepathic cue, they illuminated their battery-powered candles and raised them to the sky row by row, creating a wave. Because the steady inflow of mourners had overwhelmed the supply of the devices, students improvised with their own, lifting high their mobile phone flashlights. It made for a moment of stunning sight and soundlessness.

*Virginia Magazine* took a similarly muted approach in this round of our reporting of the still-developing story. Those involved continue to heal from injuries both physical and emotional. Much of the making and the aftermath of Nov. 13 remains unknown. The criminal investigation and an external review are just getting underway.

running back, did too, but Lynch may not have known him or even expected him since he wasn't in the class. To her delight, the lot of them turned out for the show.

Theresa M. Davis, associate professor of cross-cultural performance, arranged the outing for DRAM 3070, her African American theater class. The word Lynch used to describe Davis was "charismatic." An anonymous reviewer on Rate My Professors elaborated: "Lady T ... genuinely radiates a genuine warmth, positivity, and interest and love for the material she teaches."

True to those traits, the professor opened the cultural experience to students in her other class that term, an upper-level performance directed study called "Speaking Social Justice." That was how the accused shooter, **Christopher Darnell Jones Jr. (Col '22)**, a fourth-year who hadn't graduated last spring, came to join the group.

Jones boarded the bus along with the others on that brisk and breezy mostly sunny late morning in Charlottesville, the temperature having already reached its high and beginning its steady descent toward the cold night. The doors shut and the group, 22 students by some reports, Davis and the bus driver, headed up the road to the Atlas Performing Arts Center in northeast Washington to see *The Ballad of Emmett Till*.

## ACTS OF KINDNESS

The play depicts Emmett Till's final days, the lynching of the 14-year-old Chicagoan in Mississippi in the summer of 1955. The play, part of a trilogy about Till's life and importance to the civil rights movement, features an all-Black ensemble cast playing multiple parts in the past and the present.

Curtain time was 3 p.m. The UVA students sat together,

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**Just looking at that card just really broke us," restaurant owner Meseret Bekele says of the thank-you note the students left behind.**

but not Jones. He sat by himself, toward the front of the house. "But it didn't seem very unusual because he wasn't in our class actually," Lynch told anchor Linsey Davis of ABC News Live Prime.

Professor Davis made sure the day's cultural experience didn't end with the show. She arranged for the group to enjoy an authentic Ethiopian meal, less than a mile down H Street from the theater, at Ethiopic Restaurant. The group spread across several tables on the restaurant's heated, glass-enclosed patio, proprietor Meseret Bekele told *Virginia Magazine*. She worked with Davis in planning the menu: several platters to give the students a good spectrum of the aromatic cuisine, largely vegetarian, with chicken, fish and meat offerings and different appetizers.

"I'm not going to say I liked everything, but it was a good time," Hollins told former NFL safety Ryan Clark, one of the hosts of "The Pivot" who has known Hollins since his childhood. "It's hard to think about that, in hindsight ... on this end of the tragedy. It's hard to think of the important times that we had right before, that you had a great play, a great dinner."

With similar retrospect, after news of the tragedy and pictures of Jones reached Washington and the rest of the country, Bekele says the woman who served the students told her she remembered the student accused of the shooting. "He didn't actually eat. He didn't actually want to do anything. He was just sitting there," Bekele says her staff member told her. "He didn't look happy."

(The server was in Ethiopia for an annual religious celebration, Bekele told us, and couldn't be reached.)

Bekele was struck by the kindness of the students. "They were just young kids, just trying to try something new," she says. The tip for the meal was included, had been worked out weeks before. Even so, the students took up a collection at the end and left their server more than \$100. "She was really touched by it," Bekele says. "You could tell that they were very, very sweet."

It is the thank-you card they left behind that makes her heart ache. Everyone signed it, saying how much they enjoyed the meal and that they'd be sure to come back. Bekele says, "Just looking at that card just really broke us—when we actually figure out what happened to those kids, you know, who said they would be back."

## THE LAST HOURS OF NORMAL

The group left Ethiopic about 7:45 p.m. Once on the road, students sang gospel, Hollins remembered. From Lynch's account in the *Post*, Devin

Chandler connected his phone to the bus sound system and cranked up the latest Drake album. Professor Davis made a face at some of the profanity. “Don’t worry! I got a song for you,” Chandler told her. He queued up an old-school R&B tune, which had Davis dancing in her seat in appreciation.

Hollins spent some of the time doing homework. Lynch remembered him helping her with hers.

Jones kept to himself, toward the back, Lynch said. About 30 minutes out of Charlottesville, Lynch headed his way to use the bathroom. She struck up a conversation. She knew him from Fashion for a Cause, a UVA fundraiser where they both had tried out as runway models in September.

“Hey Chris, did you do the fashion show? Are you doing any modeling,” she recalled saying. “There’s one in the spring. You should try and do that one with me.” He said he might, Lynch said in the ABC News interview.

Lynch remembered some of the football players heading to the bathroom in the back. She didn’t know of any of them to have interacted with Jones. Nothing has come to light suggesting any of the victims knew the accused gunman before the trip. Jones’ few months as a nonplaying member of the fall 2018 football team ended one year before Perry and Hollins came to UVA, two years before Lavel Davis arrived, and four years before Chandler transferred in. None appears to have been a member of Kappa Alpha Psi, the historically Black fraternity where Jones served as UVA chapter president.

“How well did you know him?” ABC’s Michael Strahan asked Hollins on *Good Morning America* in December.

“I didn’t know him. I didn’t know him at all.”

“At all,” Strahan repeated for emphasis.

As the bus neared Charlottesville, Hollins remembered most of his teammates being asleep in the back, only natural since they had football practice the next morning. Hollins did too, but he padded about the bus with his shoes off. He saw the professor starting to tidy things up, collecting the snacks that had been handed out and packing up boxes. He joined in to help her. Together, they gathered up that day’s last remnants of normal.

## SHOTS RING OUT

The bus would have turned off University Avenue, motored up Culbreth Road and curved right at the parking deck to make its slow approach toward the drama building, based on photos of where it ended up. Hollins said he had packed up his things—presumably others were milling about doing the same—and had moved toward the front of the bus.

Shots rang out around 10:15 p.m., according to news reports. In interviews, Hollins and Lynch separately said

“**He gotta stop, he gotta let these kids off,” Hollins recalled telling the bus driver amid the gunfire.**



**Shooting victim**  
Mike Hollins shared the story of his Nov. 13 ordeal on “The Pivot,” a pro football podcast where one of the hosts is a family friend.

they initially mistook the sound for someone’s popping small bags of chips. But Lynch’s ears wouldn’t stop ringing, and then she smelled the acrid discharge, according to the *Post*. She dropped to the floor and covered herself with her jacket and a blanket.

Jones didn’t shoot at random but targeted the three players, Davis, Perry and a still-asleep Devin Chandler, shooting each in the head, Albemarle County Commonwealth’s Attorney **James M. Hingeley (Law ’76)** said at a preliminary court hearing three days later, according to press reports.

Lynch said Jones spoke just before firing, saying, “You guys are always messing with me,” or something like it, or so people told her afterward. “But that doesn’t make sense because no one was really talking to him the whole trip,” she told the *Post*.

Hollins remembered seeing Lavel Davis go down. The Cavaliers’ 6-foot-7, 210-pound wide receiver, clad that day in a bright orange hoodie, fell into the aisle. “He was a very tall human, a very big human,” Hollins said on “The Pivot,” where he described Jones standing over the body as “just, you know, overkill.”

Hollins said the bus was still moving during the

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**I just want their families to know ... one of us was with them after they were shot, and we loved them so much.”**

—Ryan Lynch

shooting. He pushed past Theresa Davis and confronted the driver. “It took some choice words from me to the bus driver, to get him to understand that, you know, he gotta stop, he gotta let these kids off.”

As soon as the doors pulled open, Hollins, along with the unidentified teammate on the trip, sprinted off the bus. The other player ran to safety. Hollins stopped.

“I knew I didn’t get off with who I got on with,” he told “The Pivot.” He had left Perry behind. Hollins turned around to get back on the bus. “My boy D’Sean was the only person on my mind in that moment.”

Hollins said he got as far as two or three steps when he came face-to-face with Jones getting off the bus. “We locked eyes, and it was just a cold look,” he said in the *Good Morning America* interview, “just like a numb look.”

He said he saw Jones raise the gun toward him. Hollins, still shoeless, dropped the book bag and phone he had been clutching, spun around, and ran.

Lynch, crouched on the bus floor and peeking out from under her wraps, had just seen Jones stride past her toward the front of the bus. She told the *Post* she heard him fire shots as he got off.

Hollins, running flat out, felt a bullet pierce his back but he didn’t slow. “He was going to have to hit more than once for me to stop,” Hollins said.

Hollins fled into the Culbreth garage and ran up past the first level. When he realized he wasn’t being chased, he came back down. When he got to the bottom and looked down, he saw a bullet hanging out of his gut.

It was then, he said, that a woman came to him, a pre-med student. “She was there to help me. She kept me calm, kept my breathing under control, was checking my pulse until the ambulance came,” Hollins said. She hasn’t been named publicly. In interviews, Hollins credits God.

Back aboard the bus, Lynch and a friend tried to render aid to Lavel Davis. He lay facedown in the aisle, his pulse barely detectable. Lynch said stains on the orange

sweatshirt made him look riddled with gunshots. She saw a bullet hole in his head and one in his back. The two women were going to perform CPR but thought better of it, worried about the risks of trying to move someone in his state. “Lavel, we’re trying to help you,” Lynch recalled saying. “There’s nothing we can do right now, but we’re going to get help for you.”

With Jones having left the scene, the teacher called for everyone to evacuate the bus, Lynch said.

Lynch told ABC News: “Every single one of the guys, there was someone on that bus who tried to help them before we had to get off. So, I just want their families to know someone was with them. One of us was with them after they were shot, and we loved them so much.”

Police arrived on the scene around 10:30 p.m.

## PHONES EXPLODE

The University community at large received its first security alert at 10:32 p.m. “UVA Alert: Shots fired reported at Culbreth Garage. ... If possible, avoid the area,” said the message, pushed out to students, faculty and staff, anyone with a valid UVA computer network account. Students can add family members to their alerts account, which means some parents received an email or a text too. (With mass distribution messaging, time stamps can vary by recipient.)

Seven minutes later came the lockdown directive that would grip the community for the next 12 hours: “1 suspect at large, shelter in place.”

Four minutes later: “ACTIVE ATTACKER firearm reported in area of Culbreth Road. RUN HIDE FIGHT.”

With the hunt for Jones underway, the alerts got successively more specific. At 11:07 p.m. the suspect was generically described as “ARMED AND DANGEROUS.” Three minutes later came a physical description: “BLACK MALE, WEARING A BURGANDY [sic] JACKET OR HOODIE, BLUE JEANS, AND RED SHOES.”

At 1:19 a.m., Nov. 14, the authorities provided a name: “SUSPECT IS CHRISTOPHER DARNELL JONES JR.” Twenty-eight minutes later came a vehicle description, black SUV, and a Virginia tag number.

Throughout the early morning, messages noted that Virginia State Police helicopters had joined the search and told everyone to “EXPECT INCREASED LAW ENFORCEMENT PRESENCE.” In all, phones exploded with close to 60 alerts, many of them repetitive.

The worst news came at 3:59 a.m. University President **James E. Ryan (Law ’92)** announced three students killed, two injured, in a shooting on Grounds. “This is a message any leader hopes never to have to send, and I am devastated that this violence has visited the University of



In a dramatic interruption during his media briefing, University Police Chief Timothy J. Longo Sr. learns of the suspect's capture.

Virginia,” he wrote in a message broadcast through multiple channels. He didn’t name the victims, but he repeated the name of the suspect at large, consistent with the earlier alerts.

And he canceled classes that Monday. Local city and county schools soon did the same. (The public schools would reopen the next day, UVA on Wednesday.)

Sunday’s overnight shelter-in-place didn’t lift until 10:33 a.m. Monday, after authorities had searched and secured UVA’s sprawling facilities and satisfied themselves Jones had fled the premises. Throughout those 12 hours, students hunkered down in their dorm rooms and apartments, some in the libraries and classrooms they happened to occupy when their phones first vibrated with the words “shots fired,” “HIDE,” “ARMED AND DANGEROUS.” (See related story, Page 48.)

Shortly after 11 a.m., University officials held a news conference. University Police Chief Timothy J. Longo Sr. began his remarks by assuring the public the University would apprehend Jones, even if he had crossed state lines. A Virginia State Police official signaled him. “Pardon me,” Longo said, and stepped away.

Attendees and streaming viewers watched the state

lawman come forward and whisper something in Longo’s ear. The chief returned to the mic. He took a beat before speaking.

“Thank you, Captain. We just received information the suspect is in custody,” he said.

The 57th UVA emergency bulletin hit phones at roughly the same time: “UVA UPDATE: Police have the suspect in custody. This is the final alert message.”

Police arrested Jones outside of Richmond, 80 miles from UVA.

## GUN HUNTING

We don’t know Jones’ perspective of events or the outlines of a defense. Neither he nor his public defender have granted interviews or issued statements. They haven’t yet entered a plea. With bond denied, Jones remains in Albemarle-Charlottesville Regional Jail, awaiting a March 30 preliminary hearing.

The website for Dance’s Sporting Goods, a guns and ammo store within several miles of Jones’ home south of Richmond, includes the slogan “COME ON GETCHA SOME!” Jones tried to do just that, several times during



his college years, *Richmond Times-Dispatch* reporting chronicled.

Dance's twice refused to sell him a gun, the first time during Jones' first year at UVA, when he was under 21, too young to buy a handgun in Virginia, but old enough to buy a rifle.

A traffic stop during Jones' third year caught him with a 9 mm semiautomatic pistol. It's not clear how he acquired it. He had reached 21 but didn't have a concealed carry permit. He pleaded no contest to a misdemeanor charge and had to forfeit the weapon.

Jones returned to Dance's the summer before his fourth year, but the store refused him again because of a flag on his record showing pending felony charges for a hit-and-run. Jones got them reduced to misdemeanors and pleaded no contest, which removed the hold from future reports.

Jones visited Dance's at least two more times. In February 2022 he bought a Ruger AR-556 rifle, in July a

Glock 45 9 mm pistol.

At the scene of the Nov. 13 shootings, investigators did find a handgun, but they haven't released information about it. A search the following morning of Jones' dorm room in Bice House turned up the Ruger rifle, a Smith & Wesson pistol, ammunition and other gun paraphernalia, but not the Glock, according to a copy of the search inventory the Charlottesville *Daily Progress* acquired through Virginia's Freedom of Information Act.

Jones' possible possession of firearms reached UVA administrators' attention in September, during what is described as a Student Affairs investigation into potential hazing. Someone interviewed reported hearing that Jones might have a gun, which UVA expressly forbids on Grounds and in student housing.

**"VIRGINIA STRONG" banners with the players' jersey numbers spread across student rooftops and social media the day after the shooting.**



That escalated matters to UVA's Threat Assessment Team, a statutory body created in the aftermath of the 2007 Virginia Tech mass shootings. That query turned up Jones' earlier plea to carrying a concealed weapon. Jones "repeatedly refused to cooperate" with Student Affairs, University spokesman Brian Coy told *The New York Times*. Jones' failure to disclose the concealed-weapon plea constituted a violation of UVA policy. That prompted the Student Affairs office to email him a warning in late October that it would turn the matter over to the student-run University Judiciary Committee, which hadn't happened by the time of the shooting.

## NOT KNOWING

As these and other facts emerged in the days after the shooting, University Rector **Whittington W. Clement (Col '70, Law '74)** and President Ryan, following closed Board of Visitors meetings, asked the state attorney general to appoint special counsel to conduct an outside review.

The AG, Jason S. Miyares, immediately agreed and, with like dispatch, had the Virginia State Patrol take charge of the local criminal investigation.

As the community struggled to heal in the immediate aftermath, so did Mike Hollins. The running back who almost didn't go on the field trip, almost got away to safety the first time, and almost didn't the second, lay unconscious in the University hospital, 36 staples in his body and a breathing tube down his throat.

He regained consciousness midweek, not knowing what happened, not knowing if Chandler, Davis or Perry had survived, died or might be recovering a few doors down the hall. "In that moment I just had all the questions in the world and no answers," he told family friend Ryan Clark on "The Pivot."

"My teammates' family, they've been grieving for two days without me. Wake up way behind the eight ball. I don't know anything," he said, "but I knew I was blessed." Hollins added, "I pray every morning. I cry every night, just battling that, the why part of it." ♥

*Richard Gard is the editor of Virginia Magazine.*

Like everyone else, University buses tried to resume normal routine, but there was no mistaking the heartsickness.

**Tuesday, Aug. 28:** Christopher Darnell Jones Jr. begins first year at UVA, where he makes the football team but never plays and soon leaves the squad.

**Monday, Dec. 31:** Jones tries to buy a handgun at Dance's Sporting Goods near his Petersburg home, but at age 19 is refused as underage.

**Tuesday, Aug. 27:** Football players D'Sean Perry and Mike Hollins begin first year.

**Sunday, Aug. 9:** Jones is charged with felony hit-and-run in Petersburg.

**Tuesday, Aug. 25:** Player Lavel Davis Jr. begins first year.

**Sunday, Feb. 21:** During a traffic stop in Chesterfield County, outside of Richmond, Jones is caught carrying a concealed 9 mm semiautomatic pistol without a permit.

**Thursday, June 10:** Jones pleads no contest to a misdemeanor concealed weapon charge, receives a suspended sentence and forfeits the gun.

2018

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**Around 11:30 a.m.:** Students board the bus for Professor Theresa Davis' drama class trip to see *The Ballad of Emmett Till* in Washington, D.C.

**Around 3 p.m.:** The performance at the Atlas Performing Arts Center begins.



**Around 5:45 p.m.:** Professor Davis and the students have dinner together at Ethiopic Restaurant.

**Around 7:45 p.m.:** The bus leaves for the return trip to Charlottesville.

**Around 10:15 p.m.:** As the bus approaches the Culbreth Road drop-off point, shots ring out onboard. Chandler, Lavel Davis and Perry are killed; second-year student Marlee Morgan is injured. Hollins, who had escaped the bus once it stopped, is shot in the back after returning to try to rescue Perry. Jones, whom witnesses identify as the shooter, leaves the scene.

**Around 10:30 p.m.:** Police arrive.

**10:32 p.m.:** UVA sends out a "shots fired" alert to the community.

**10:39 p.m.:** UVA imposes a lockdown as authorities conduct a building-by-building search for Jones. It will stay in effect for the next 12 hours.

Sunday, Nov. 13

**Thursday, Nov. 17:** UVA formally asks the state attorney general to appoint special counsel to conduct an outside review. He agrees and also has the Virginia State Police take control of the local criminal investigation.

**Thursday, Nov. 17:** The UVA Alumni Association establishes the UVA Strong Fund, a Universitywide effort it will administer to honor the victims and support the survivors, families and the UVA community.

**Saturday, Nov. 19:** More than 9,000 attend a memorial service for the slain players in John Paul Jones Arena, broadcast live on the ACC sports network. College football pays tribute at games across the country, as will the NFL on Sunday.



DAN ADDISON

**Sunday, Nov. 20:** A week and two surgeries after the shooting, Mike Hollins leaves UVA Hospital.

**Monday, Nov. 21:** UVA cancels Saturday's Virginia Tech game, the final of the season.

**Saturday, Nov. 26:** The funeral for D'Sean Perry is held in Miami.

By Richard Gard

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# Before, During and Aftermath

## A chronology of events

2022

**Thursday, July 8:** Jones tries to buy a rifle at Dance's but can't because of the felony hit-and-run charge from August 2020.

**Friday, Oct. 29:** Jones pleads no contest to a reduced misdemeanor charge in the hit-and-run incident and receives a suspended 12-month sentence.

**Saturday, Feb. 19:** With the charge from the hit-and-run no longer showing up as a felony, Jones buys a Ruger rifle at Dance's.

**Friday, July 8:** Jones buys a Glock 45 9 mm pistol at Dance's.

**Tuesday, Aug. 23:** Player Devin Chandler transfers onto the UVA football team from the University of Wisconsin.

**Thursday, Sept. 15:** A report that Jones possibly possessed a gun is escalated to UVA's Threat Assessment Team, which will turn up his concealed-weapon conviction.

**Wednesday, Oct. 26:** The Student Affairs office informs Jones, who hasn't been cooperating with its investigation, that it will refer him to the student-run University Judiciary Committee for failing to disclose the concealed weapon conviction, a conduct violation.

SUSPECT IS CHRISTOPHER DARNELL JONES JR. DESCRIBED AS A BLACK MALE, WEARING A BURGANDY JACKET OR HOODIE, BLUE JEANS, RED SHOES.

**1:19 a.m.:** A communitywide UVA alert names Jones as the suspect.

**3:59 a.m.:** UVA President James Ryan notifies the community that three students have been killed, two injured, in a shooting on Grounds.

**10:33 a.m.:** Authorities end the lockdown, satisfied Jones has left Grounds.

**Around 11:30 a.m.:** Jones is captured in the Richmond area.

**Throughout the afternoon:** Across social media and on banners hanging from student houses, apartments and dorms, the motto "UVA STRONG," accompanied by "1-15-41" (the respective jersey numbers for Davis, Chandler and Perry), takes hold.

**Around 7:30 p.m.:** Thousands of students congregate on the South Lawn for a silent candlelight vigil.



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Along with Athletic Director Carla Williams, football head coach Tony Elliott holds an emotional press briefing.

**8:55 a.m.:** UVA cancels Saturday's home football game against Coastal Carolina.

**9 a.m.:** Via video link, Jones makes his first appearance in Albemarle County court, where he stands charged with 10 felonies, including three counts of second-degree murder. He's denied bond.

**1:05 p.m.:** UVA's Board of Visitors meets in an emergency closed session, its second of three that week.

Monday, Nov. 14

Tuesday, Nov. 15

Wednesday, Nov. 16



ERIN EDGERTON

**Sunday, Nov. 27:** A family memorial service for Devin Chandler is held in Virginia Beach, Virginia.

**Wednesday, Nov. 30:** A celebration of life for Lavel Davis is held in North Charleston, South Carolina.

**Thursday, Dec. 1:** The annual Lighting of the Lawn pays special tribute to the victims and adopts strength in community as a theme.

**Monday, Dec. 5:** UVA approves the award of posthumous degrees to Chandler, Davis and Perry.

**Wednesday, Dec. 7:** The NCAA agrees to grant those UVA players whose eligibility had expired after the tragedy-shortened season an additional year of college competition.

**Thursday, Dec. 8:** The Virginia attorney general names special counsel for the outside review: two partners from a Los Angeles litigation firm and D.C. litigator Zachary Terwilliger, a former Virginia U.S. attorney and an alumnus.

**Thursday, March 30:** Jones, who remains in the Albemarle County jail, is scheduled for a preliminary hearing.

2023



# 12 Hours in the Dark

Shots fired, then doors locked, and students sheltered with their fears

*By Sarah Lindenfeld Hall*

**I**t was an average Sunday night. Katherine Schwartz (Col '23) had finished up dinner with her boyfriend before he headed to the Fine Arts Library to study. Emmanuel Kenscoff (Engr '24) embarked on his usual walk from his Jefferson Park Avenue apartment.

Birgitta Taylor-Lillquist (Col '23) was installed on the first floor of Clemons Library, the “silent floor,” to knock out a paper for her early European history class. Keoni Vega (Col '26) was getting ready to pick up some chicken tenders at Runk Dining Hall. →



From Sunday night, Nov. 13, into Monday morning, UVA sheltered in place while police searched for accused gunman Christopher Darnell Jones Jr. This Charlottesville Police car sits on Culbreth Road six hours into the manhunt.

Police from several jurisdictions helped search, such as this Louisa County K-9 unit sniffing around Grounds at 4 a.m.



And **Karina Reynolds (Col '24)** was driving past Culbreth Garage, less than a half-mile from her home at Lambeth Field Apartments.

“As soon as I opened the door, I heard what I now know were gunshots,” she says. “But, at the time, just three really loud bangs. It was like three or four.”

She looked at her roommate, who heard it too. It was somebody banging on a trash can, they rationalized. Then came the UVA Alerts, a drumbeat of dozens of tweets, text messages and emails about shots fired at the Culbreth Garage, and an evening that would unfold in terror, trauma and tragedy.

### NOV. 13

**UVA Alert: Shots fired reported at Culbreth Garage. Follow fire/police direction. If possible, avoid the area.**

10:32 P.M.

**UVA Alert: ACTIVE ATTACKER firearm reported in area of Culbreth Road. RUN HIDE FIGHT**

10:43 P.M.

Quickly, Reynolds and her roommate, both Lambeth resident advisers, hunkered down in their bathroom—their only room without windows. They locked themselves inside and started

texting their residents about what they knew. Reynolds was familiar with the RUN HIDE FIGHT command only from an RA manual she’d been issued.

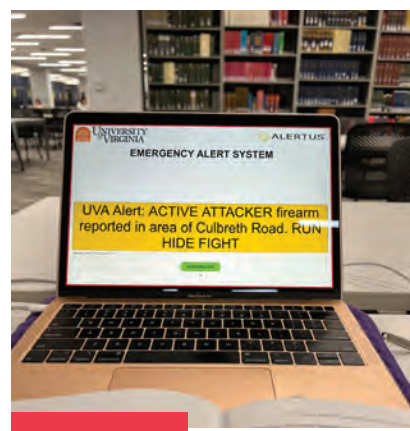
“We just tell them to run, which means evacuate if it’s safe to do so. Hide, lock all doors and stay inside. And then fight, just prepare to defend yourself, is basically what the procedure is,” she said. “But other than that, there wasn’t too much to tell them. We all advised them to go in their bathrooms to avoid windows.”

On his walk, which ordinarily took him past UVA Hospital and to the Corner, Kenschoff didn’t take the first alert seriously; past notifications hadn’t amounted to much. But the words “RUN HIDE FIGHT” signaled something different. “It kind of was worrying because you don’t get that email unless things are going down,” he said.

He took cover inside Pinn Hall, a medical school academic building, where he’d spend nearly 12 hours.

Vega wasn’t really worried either, at first. He remembers telling a Dillard House roommate, an American who had lived in Europe for the past nine years, “This is the unfortunate reality of living in America.” But, on the walk back from Runk, the severity of the situation set in with each alert.

Even before she saw the alerts, Schwartz’s boyfriend, who declined to be interviewed, told her to lock her doors



Fourth-year **Birgitta Taylor-Lillquist** texted this to her family from inside **Clemons Library** 30 minutes after the shooting.

and stay inside. Inside the Fine Arts Library, so close to Culbreth Garage, students around him had heard the gunshots.

Schwartz’s roommate had been out of town, so she was on her own inside her first-floor Grady Avenue apartment with a main door into the building that didn’t always lock well. She hid in her bathroom after barricading her bedroom door with a bookshelf. Schwartz and her boyfriend would stay on the phone, often not saying a word, until the early morning as she texted friends, scanned social media posts and streamed the police scanner.

All that information was a “double-edged sword,” she said. She knew

her friends were safe. But as rumors and speculation mentioned the shooter's possible locations around Grounds, her safety seemed constantly in question. To make matters worse, a Charlottesville man had been threatening UVA on social media earlier that day, adding to the concern and questions.

"There was real terror in what's left to the imagination," she said. "It was confirmed as shots fired, and then you think is this just the beginning of the terror, this horrific night. That was a real fear."

Like others, Taylor-Lillquist also didn't think much of the first alerts. She'd remembered earlier reports that fall of a BB gun near Culbreth Theatre. But the rapid succession of alerts caught her attention.

To a family group chat, she texted a picture of her open laptop with a UVA alert and the Clemons stacks in the background. "They are right by my house," she tapped out at 11:01 p.m. "Multiple cars, active shooter scenario."

"Clem One," as it's nicknamed, is usually completely silent, but on that night pockets of whispers bubbled up, Taylor-Lillquist remembers. And more quickly than the alerts were the texts and social media posts between friends and families. Rumors floated about the potential toll.

"3 people are reportedly dead this is scary," Taylor-Lillquist texted her family at 11:03 p.m., more than five hours before the fatalities were officially announced. "Not sure when to leave to go home."

From a library window, she could see ambulances and police cars. "Please stay safe Birgitta!!!" a relative texted soon after.

**UVA Alert: UPDATE:  
SUSPECT IS DESCRIBED AS  
A BLACK MALE, WEARING A  
BURGANDY JACKET OR  
HOODIE, BLUE JEANS, AND  
RED SHOES.**

11:10 P.M.

**NOV. 14**

**SUSPECT IS  
CHRISTOPHER DARNELL  
JONES JR. DESCRIBED AS  
A BLACK MALE, WEARING  
A BURGANDY JACKET OR  
HOODIE, BLUE JEANS,  
RED SHOES.**

1:19 A.M.

In the ensuing hours, the rumor mill had already identified the shooter's connection to UVA's football team and the names of victims. "Apparently the suspect is a football player," Taylor-Lillquist texted her family at 12:13 a.m., an hour before authorities broadcast the name of Christopher Darnell Jones Jr. Later they revealed that Jones had only briefly been on the football team and not since fall 2018.

Vega and his friends remained glued to the police scanner and social media, including Yik Yak, an anonymous posting platform that's popular with college students. UVA's alerts seemed vague, and the instructions to Run Hide Fight were unfamiliar.

"For hours, we're all kind of huddled upstairs," he said. "The information was really weak. We got a text from our [resident adviser] saying, 'Get away from the windows.' And, it's like, 'Why get away from the windows. Are they nearby?'"

Kenscoff had no plans to leave Pinn Hall, named after **Dr. Vivian Pinn (Med '67)**, among UVA's first Black female medical school graduates. He walked around the building, staying away from windows. He tried to sleep on a chair, but the floor was more comfortable. His roommate checked in with him, and he followed social media.

He desperately wanted to make the 20-minute trek back to his apartment. But he also wanted to stay safe—and he didn't want to get stopped. Other than the color of his skin, he bears no resemblance to Jones. But his race was a consideration.

"It was a factor because as a Black man, you can be mistaken," he said. "I don't look like the person, but also it's like there is some factor to it where I don't want to push it."

When Jones' name came out, people in Kenscoff's circle and on social media recognized him.

When they announced his name, "it was a lot of shock," Kenscoff said. "One, because he's Black. And a lot of people didn't expect that the guy that we're talking about is Black. So that definitely shocked a lot of people in the Black community. It was like a stab in the back almost. Because a lot of what the Black community here fights for is this sense of belonging to the University. ... It felt like a huge setback."

**UVA Alert: MULTIPLE PD  
AGENCIES, INCLUDING VA  
STATE POLICE HELICOPTER  
ARE ACTIVELY SEARCHING  
FOR THE SUSPECT. SUSPECT  
IS ARMED AND DANGEROUS,  
SHELTER IN PLACE**

2:55 A.M.

As Kenscoff tried to rest inside Pinn Hall, the 3 a.m. hour was a turning point for Schwartz, Reynolds and Taylor-Lillquist.

Inside Clemons, Taylor-Lillquist was restless. While other students were in groups, she was on her own, desperately missing her roommates, who all play on UVA's Ultimate Frisbee team. "That was a really lonely experience," she said.

Like others, she had tried to sleep in a booth by a window. But when a car's backfire outside sounded like a gunshot, everybody moved away. She went up to the third floor, where there were couches. Throughout the night, she followed the police scanner. For a break, she listened to episodes from her favorite soccer podcast, "Men in Blazers."

Then she heard rumblings from other students that no authority could stop them from leaving. Her thought process

played out in her texts to family.

"I can leave if i want but they have no idea where he is."

"What if I just come home."

She'd second-guess her decision later, but she went for it, sprinting down the stairs to her car with 911 dialed on her phone, waiting for her to hit Talk.

At 2:59 a.m. she texted: "Made it to my car. Decided to leave."

Normally, she'd drive by the Culbreth Garage, but she took the long way around to Barracks Road and back up to her 14th Street home, alerting a roommate who was still up.

"i am home safe in my room," she texted her family at 3:12 a.m.

About 3:30 a.m., after speaking with police, Schwartz's boyfriend and others inside the Fine Arts Library also left. He borrowed a friend's car to pick Schwartz up and bring her to his house.

"He called me when he was out front, and I came out at the exact moment that he pulled up," moving away the bookshelf she had used to barricade her bedroom door, she said.

Around 4 a.m., Reynolds and her roommate felt it was safe enough to move to the bedroom. "We're still scared," she remembers, "but we were just way too exhausted."

They rested, but there was no real sleep. At 7 a.m., she got up and turned the police scanner back on to listen for updates.

**UPDATE: The UVA shelter in place order has been lifted based upon a thorough search on and around Grounds. A large police presence will remain.**

10:33 A.M.

With the shelter-in-place order lifted, Kenscoff made his way home. It was a clear sky and a beautiful day, but he saw only a couple of people on his walk. And he remembers the air. It felt dense.

"It felt like a moment of silence—like you just didn't want to interrupt it," he said of the atmosphere around Grounds. When he got home, he ate, then crashed, exhausted.

Vega had finally fallen asleep around 4 a.m. He woke up around 10 a.m., not long before the lockdown was lifted, to missed calls and texts. He tuned in to UVA's 11 a.m. press conference for an update on the tragedy.

"I had been watching it for a minute or two when they announced he had been captured," he said. "I wasn't sure if I had heard it correctly. I said to my suitemate, 'I'm pretty sure they just caught the guy.'"

**UVA UPDATE: Police have the suspect in custody. This is the final alert message.**

11:25 A.M.

Taylor-Lillquist and her roommates had made a breakfast of eggs and French toast and were watching the press conference, too. In real time, they saw University Police Chief Timothy J. Longo Sr. step away from the lectern to listen to a whisper from a Virginia State Police captain and then announce Jones was in custody.

"It was like out of a TV show or movie, watching the news conference," Taylor-Lillquist said.

She remembers feeling a sense of relief. "I don't think it will ever be over," she said. "The UVA community is always going to be dealing with this. It's always something we'll keep with us. ... I just feel so bad, in general, when I think about it, and sad. The whole experience for me was really terrifying. I've never felt more fear for my life than in that moment."

And even news that Jones was in custody wasn't a complete comfort. Vega, who is first-year class president, asked a fourth-year to drive him to a meeting that morning for student leaders and

administrators to begin planning the vigil and other support for students.

"They just announced that they caught the guy, and I was like, I don't want to walk. I don't feel safe," he said.

And still out there was another concern: The Charlottesville man who had been threatening violence to UVA on Twitter was still at large. The Charlottesville Police Department announced his arrest at 8 p.m. that Monday, saying it appeared unrelated to the shooting. "However, we understood the fear this caused in our community and acted swiftly to resolve the investigation," the press release acknowledged.

Throughout the night, students said they weren't sure if he was the shooter or involved in the violence. When Schwartz learned he'd been arrested too, "that was when I took a sigh of relief," she said.

**A Family and Community Assistance Center has been set up to provide mental health services to our #UVA community ...**

3:51 P.M.

As the UVA Alerts shifted from warnings to information about support and services, some students scattered. Others stayed put.

Schwartz went to her mother's home in Richmond for a couple of days. Taylor-Lillquist was thankful she already had an appointment scheduled with her therapist that day. Kenscoff, student associate at the Center for Diversity in Engineering in Thornton Hall, helped with an event for students that featured food and lots of hugs.

Bleary-eyed from her night in her bathroom, Reynolds, vice president of the Class of 2024, got to work as part of a larger group of student leaders, including Vega, and UVA administrators to help plan support and memorials.

Reynolds is careful to note that she was not directly involved in the tragedy. "It's not my trauma," she said.



By the time daylight came and, later, when the shelter-in-place order was lifted, the air felt dense, said Emmanuel Kenscoff (Engr '24). "It felt like a moment of silence—like you just didn't want to interrupt it."

"So many other people were affected so much more."

But she can still hear those gunshots. "After the memorial, I lost it. I totally broke down. My friend was there to support me, and I broke down in his arms, just so heartbroken," she said. "All the distractions of planning were over, and I think it finally caught up with me in that moment."

### JAN. 28, 2023

Community Alert: A shooting incident was reported to Charlottesville Police

10:43 P.M.

The notification from campus police warned the UVA community again, alerting them to a deadly shooting near UVA Hospital that didn't involve any students. Notification about another shooting, only a block or two away, came two days later.

For Vega, new notifications about shootings haven't triggered a fight-or-flight response. "It's just kind of the realities of America and this town," he said.

But, for others, it was a reminder of the hours they spent that night sheltered in their dorm rooms or apartments, the library, study rooms, basements and

classroom labs. Vega knows of people who didn't leave their dorm room for days, in such a "shocked depressive state," after the November tragedy.

Vega, along with other student leaders, has been regularly sharing links to mental health resources on Grounds with students, he said. UVA's mental health services were already stretched before the shooting and 12-hour lockdown. Like at other college campuses across the country, the demand for mental health services "skyrocketed" when students returned to Grounds after pandemic-related lockdowns, said Nicole Ruzek, director of counseling and psychological services, called CAPS, at UVA. Demand only grew higher after the shooting, she said.

"We saw the numbers in all of those categories, and collectively, our crisis services, go way up during the two weeks following the shooting," Ruzek said.

To support students, UVA rolled out new services—from drop-in events organized by individual schools and student groups to new group therapy sessions and visits with therapy dogs. Ruzek's office fanned out to 70 classes at the request of academic departments and professors.

As students returned to Grounds for the spring semester, Ruzek said,

the demand for mental health services remains higher than usual. How students respond and react to the tragedy—whether they were directly involved or not—will depend on their own backgrounds, perspectives and experience, she said.

"In that initial aftermath, there's a lot of community coming together, then things go back to normal. Some people just move on," she said. "And then, there are those who are still kind of stuck in that moment, still kind of struggling to get through it. Those are the ones who are going to need some ongoing support."

For Schwartz, the grief was coming in waves a month after the shootings. "There's times when you start to sort of regain a sense of normalcy, and then something has triggered this emotion," she said. "For me, I feel like that happens when I'm driving past Beta Bridge or Culbreth and it dawns on me again. Even, sometimes, when I go to park my car and I feel kind of scared. And it's more like, I get sad that I have to feel scared in this place that I love. ... And this was done by a student at UVA who had these guns, and he just as easily could have walked into a lecture hall. What would have happened to all of us then?"

*Sarah Lindenfeld Hall is a writer based in Raleigh, North Carolina.*

# The Joy, the Love, the Light

The profound loss and legacies  
of Devin, Lavel and D'Sean

*By Ed Miller*

**L**avel Davis Jr. (Col '24) grew up in small-town South Carolina, D'Sean Perry (Col '23) in cosmopolitan Miami, and Devin Chandler (Col '24) wherever the career of his father, a Navy pilot, took their family.

Football brought them together at the University of Virginia, where they are forever linked. Their lives, full and vibrant and brimming with promise, were cut short when they were fatally shot upon returning from a school field trip the night

of Nov. 13. Students Mike Hollins (Col '23), also a football player, and Marlee Morgan (Col '25) were wounded in the shootings and were treated and released from UVA Medical Center. Authorities charged then-UVA student Christopher Darnell Jones Jr. (Col '22) with three counts of second-degree murder, two counts of malicious

bodily injury and five counts of using a firearm in the commission of a felony in the shootings. →



**Devin  
Chandler**



## When I leave here, I just want to say I was part of the change, and I took a step forward, changing everything in the right direction.”

—Lavel Davis Jr. in a 2020 interview with ESPN

At a memorial service at UVA, at funerals in their hometowns, in news accounts and social media tributes, teammates, friends, coaches and family members celebrated their lives. Through the tears and out of tragedy, their stories emerged, and their impact resonates.

“These were boys of joy. These were boys of love. These were boys of light,” said former UVA receivers coach **Marques Hagans (Col ’05, Educ ’08)**, who took a job at Penn State in January. “And no crime and no violence can ever take that away from them.”

“Sometimes life is short,” former Virginia coach Bronco Mendenhall said. “That doesn’t mean the memories aren’t powerful.”

**C**handler arrived at Arlington High in Arlington, Tennessee, as a high school freshman, former Arlington High football coach Adam Sykes said.

Chandler didn’t play the first half of the season because he was hurt, “but we could tell he was going to be special,” Sykes said.

Chandler quickly lived up to expectations. Arlington teammate Kenneth Walker, now a running back with the NFL’s Seattle Seahawks, was so impressed that he saved Chandler’s number on his phone under the name “Future NFL star.”

Chandler made just as big an impression off the field, with his energy. Nicknamed “Devin the Dancing Machine” by his family, he was quick with a joke and a smile and lit up any room he entered.

“Devin was just inspirational to everyone around him,” Walker said.

Chandler’s father, Quentin Keith Chandler Sr., died in September 2018, during Devin’s junior year, after a battle with cancer.

“It obviously hit Devin very hard,” Sykes said. “Devin never wanted to let anybody know he was down. He put on that brave face.

“He actually played in a game the next day. He told me he wanted to. He did, and it was very emotional.”

Chandler and his family moved to North Carolina the next year. Heavily recruited, he signed with the University of Wisconsin and played a season and a half as a wide receiver and kick returner before transferring to UVA.

UVA media studies professor Jack Hamilton remembered Chandler as a curious and engaged student. Hamilton taught Chandler in a large lecture class in the spring of 2022. Chandler came to Hamilton’s office hours repeatedly, “often just to ask questions about how things worked around uva,” Hamilton wrote on Twitter.

Hamilton later helped Chandler declare his American Studies major.

“He was just an unbelievably nice person, always a huge smile, really gregarious and funny. One of those people who is just impossible not to like. It is so sad and enraging that he is gone,” he wrote.

Chandler was an electric presence around the football team as well, quick to dance after even the most grueling practice. He brought “light and joy to everybody,” teammate **Lorenz Terry (Col ’25)** said.

“You felt and heard Devin before you ever saw him,” coach Tony Elliott said.

**A**t 6-foot-7, with an infectious smile, Davis also filled and lit up a room. He was known to most as Lavel, and to some as Vel. But he was called Tyler, his middle name, by his family, which came to include coach Hagans and his wife, **Lauren Hagans (Col ’00, Educ ’06)** and their two sons. The boys looked up to him as a big brother and role model.

“Tyler was a part of our family from the moment we met him,” Lauren Hagans said.

Marques Hagans recruited Davis from Ridgeville, South Carolina, a town of 1,600 that Davis was proud to represent and never tired of talking about. He had the number 187,



Lavel  
Davis Jr.



## A Renaissance man” is how a teammate described D’Sean Perry, who painted, played piano, rapped, and loved poetry and all kinds of music, from hip-hop to classical.

Ridgeville’s exit off Interstate 26, tattooed on his arm.

“Ridgeville—you were going to know about it every single day,” Marques Hagans said.

“He was so proud that he made me proud,” Lauren Hagans said. “I’m a 44-year-old woman from Philadelphia, and I have a tattoo that says, ‘Exit 187, Ridgeville, South Carolina.’”

Davis made an immediate splash as a freshman receiver in 2020, leading the ACC and finishing second in the nation in yards per reception. A knee injury caused him to miss the 2021 season. After a long rehabilitation, he was rounding back into form in 2022 but missed the final two games after sustaining a concussion.

Hamilton also taught Davis and said he was struck by how much his classmates liked him and how much Davis liked them. Hamilton said that athletes often gravitated to other athletes, which is understandable given the demands on their time.

“Vel seemed to go out of his way to make friends with nonathletes,” he wrote.

Davis was a member of The Groundskeepers, a group of football players dedicated to racial and social justice. The group formed in 2020, a year of racial reckoning across the nation and three years after white supremacists marched across Grounds and downtown Charlottesville for the Unite the Right rally. One of them rammed a car into a group of counterprotesters, killing 32-year-old Heather Heyer.

One of the first acts by The Groundskeepers was a “Take Back Our Grounds” march from Heather Heyer Way in downtown Charlottesville to UVA’s Memorial to Enslaved Laborers and then the Rotunda.

Asked why he joined the group, Davis told ESPN:

“When I leave here, I just want to say I was part of the change, and I took a step forward, changing everything in the right direction.”

**P**erry was as rugged and aggressive as linebackers come, to the point that coaches often had to remind him to stop hitting when the whistle blew.

“There was no quit in him,” Mendenhall said.

“In fact, sometimes he would finish plays that were already over.”

Beneath a tough exterior, however, Perry had the soul of an artist. He painted, played the piano, rapped, and loved poetry and all kinds of music, from hip-hop to classical. Teammate **Hunter Stewart (Col ’23)** called Perry a “true, modern-day example of a Renaissance man.”

Elliott said Perry, more than any other player, checked on him when he came to coach at UVA from Clemson in December 2021.

“He would walk by my office, look in there and say, ‘Coach, you good?’”

Perry also looked after his teammates, Mendenhall said. Especially if they’d had a rough day at practice.

“Almost every practice, an arm was going around someone,” Mendenhall said. “And it wasn’t someone’s arm around D’Sean, it was D’Sean’s arm around someone else.”

**Mandy Alonso (Col ’20, Educ ’21)** said whether it was helping to move a 700-pound piano or picking up someone at the airport, Perry would never hesitate to help a teammate who asked.

Ever curious, Perry was exploring a possible study-abroad trip, Elliott said. The coach said Perry, a studio art major, sent him pictures of several works of art he’d created. Elliott has since kept Perry’s creations on his phone. Among the works are a sculpture of a hand, some ceramics and a portrait Elliott plans to study.

“It had a lot of things going on,” he said. “I don’t know quite what it was, but it meant something to him and it was beautiful. I’m going to take some time to figure out what all those pieces of the picture mean.”

*Ed Miller is senior editor of Virginia Magazine.*



D'Sean  
Perry

# Uniform in Their Support

Around the nation, football pays tribute to UVA's fallen

*By Ed Miller*



**T**he sport of college football stood with the University of Virginia in the aftermath of the fatal shooting of Cavalier football players Lavel Davis Jr. (Col '24), Devin Chandler (Col '24) and D'Sean Perry (Col '23) on Nov. 13. On the following Saturday, teams from across the nation paid tribute with moments of silence, and helmet decals and uniform patches, some bearing the message "UVA Strong" and others with the jersey numbers (1, 15, 41) of the players. →



Virginia Tech assistant football coach Fontel Mines (Col '07), a former Virginia wide receiver, runs onto the field carrying a UVA flag before a game at Liberty University on the Saturday following the shootings.



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*Top:* Arizona State and other schools in the Pac-12 painted the hash marks at the 1-, 15- and 41-yard lines orange. *Left:* The Washington Commanders donned helmet decals. *Right:* Juan Thornhill (Col '18) of the Kansas City Chiefs, a former Virginia safety, wore tributes on his cleats.



In-state, players at James Madison, Liberty, Old Dominion and Virginia Tech wore decals with an orange ribbon over a blue outline of the state of Virginia and the hashtag #VIRGINIASTRONG.

Nine former Virginia assistant coaches now at other schools, ranging from Syracuse to Washington State, wore UVA gear on the sideline for their games with their respective teams. At Liberty, Virginia Tech assistant coach **Fontel Mines (Col '07)** carried a UVA flag as the Hokies ran on the field to face the Flames. The teams created a Virginia palette on the field, with Tech wearing orange uniforms and Liberty in navy blue. The Liberty band played “The Good Old Song” after the Flames’ first touchdown.

At the urging of commissioner **George Kliavkoff (Law '93)**, home teams in the Pac-12 Conference painted the hash marks at the 1-, 15- and 41-yard lines orange in honor of Davis, Chandler and Perry.



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Right and below:  
James Madison University and the College of William & Mary light buildings in UVA colors.

Bottom: New York Jets coach Robert Saleh shows solidarity with the Cavaliers at his weekly press conference.



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“I have a personal connection to Virginia,” Kliavkoff says. “But the deeper connection is the football community.”

The bonds extend to the NFL, where the Washington Commanders donned helmet decals to honor the Virginia players. Former UVA players **Juan Thornhill (Col '18)**, a safety with the Kansas City Chiefs, and **Rodney McLeod (Col '12)**, a safety with the Indianapolis Colts, honored the players with illustrations on their cleats. Kenneth Walker, a high school teammate of Chandler who plays for the Seattle Seahawks, paid tribute by putting his friend's picture and the words “Long Live Devin Chandler” on his cleats. New York Jets coach Robert Saleh wore a Virginia shirt during his weekly press conference.

Beyond football, the Virginia Tech women's basketball team wore warm-up shirts that said “HokiesForHoos.” A blue and white banner with the same message hung outside Tech's Cassell Coliseum. Boxer Keyshawn Davis, an Olympic silver medalist from Norfolk, sported the V-Sabres logo and the players' jersey numbers on his trunks during a fight at Madison Square Garden in December.

Schools also showed their solidarity in other ways. Christopher Newport and Washington and Lee universities held candlelight vigils. James Madison University and the College of William & Mary lit campus buildings in Virginia colors. 🇺🇸



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# Class Notes

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CM Indicates Contributing Member of the Alumni Association

## '60s

**Bill Campbell (Engr '60, '66 CM)** was inducted into the James Blair Society of the College of William & Mary on Feb. 12, 2022. The James Blair Society is an organization of those who have contributed at least \$1 million to the College of William & Mary. The funds will be used to establish a scholarship in his name for students who are residents of Virginia and whose major is physics. 📍

**Philip Woodward Young (Col '64 CM)** reports that his granddaughter, **Margaret "Maggie" Galloway Young (Col '23)**, is in her fourth year at UVA.

**Joseph W. Brown (Col '65 CM)**, Of Counsel, Jolley Urga Woodbury & Holthus Attorneys at Law, received the 2022 Lifetime Achievement Award from Nellis and Creech Air Force bases. The award honors Brown's 32-plus years of support to Nellis and Creech. Brown also received the National Guard Association of the United States Patrick Henry Award, which recognizes officials and civic leaders who, in a position of great responsibility, distinguished themselves with outstanding and exceptional service to the Armed Forces of the United States and the National Guard.

**Ed Ehler (Educ '68)** marked the 55th anniversary of the 1968 men's gymnastics team, which defeated Virginia Tech at Tech. Ehler, a former captain of the West Virginia University team, coached the UVA squad at the invitation of faculty member Edward Ratliff "Butch" Slaughter, while pursuing his master's degree in education. 📍

## '70s

**Joseph A. Fry (Grad '70, '74)** has published *Letters from the Southern Home Front: The American South Responds*

*to the Vietnam War* (LSU Press, 2022). This edited collection of letters provides a voice to Southerners from across the region expressing a broad range of political, economic, racial and cultural views on the war and its domestic impact.

**Michael C. Ross (Col '70, Law '77 CM)** has published his sixth and seventh volumes of quotations, which he has been collecting since 1970. *Ross's Life Discoveries* contains quotes about life's trials, tribulations and satisfactions. *Ross's Key Discoveries* contains quotes about money, wisdom and happiness. Each volume includes Ross' comments on the quotes and sketches of some of the authors quoted. 📍

**Steven Schaikewitz (Col '70 CM)** recently co-authored "Variations on a Theme: Georgia's Evolving Test for Interlocutory Injunctive Relief." The article appeared in the August 2022 issue of the *Georgia Bar Journal*.

**Susan Schmidt (Grad '72, '80)** has published *Drought Drought Torrential*, a book of poetry that captures a naturalist's view of the first year of the pandemic in Beaufort, North Carolina. A scientist, poet, sailboat captain and Quaker naturalist, Schmidt celebrates neighbors in her small town—dolphins, clouds, egrets, terns, willets, black skimmers, oystercatchers, herons, gannets. She witnesses coastal diversity and resilience, threatened by sea level rise, king tides, motorboat wakes, and refuse left by tourists.

**Brian Ball (Col '73, Law '76 CM)**, former Secretary of Commerce and Trade of Virginia, has been named "of counsel" to Williams Mullen. Before serving as secretary, Ball was with the firm for almost 30 years, as a partner, general counsel and member of the firm's board of directors. 📍

**Karen Jones (Educ '73 CM)** has published her fifth book, *The Summer of Grace*. The Southern coming-of-age

novel, set in 1951 North Carolina, tells the story of a young girl's transformation from victim to survivor through humor, hard truths and grace. 📍

**Jim Flinn (Col '76, Grad '98)** looks forward to catching up with classmates in 2026 at the 50th anniversary reunion of the class of 1976.

**Robert F. Graboyes (Col '76 CM)** is now owner and president of RFG Counterpoint, LLC, in Alexandria, Virginia. The firm does economic consulting, journalism and music production. Graboyes publishes *Bastiat's Window*, a Substack journal devoted to economics, ethics, health, technology and culture. He is also a FAIR in Medicine Fellow (where FAIR = Foundation Against Racism and Intolerance). 📍

**John Guerard (Grad '76 CM)** has published two books: *The Leading Economic Indicators and Business Cycles in the United States: 100 Years of Empirical Evidence and the Opportunities for the Future* (Palgrave Macmillan, 2022) and the third edition of *Quantitative Corporate Finance* (Springer, 2022). Guerard, who taught at the McIntire School of Commerce from 1979 to 1981, has retired after 15 years as director of quantitative research at McKinley Capital Management, LLC, in Anchorage, Alaska. He and his wife, Julie, live in Bluffton, South Carolina.

**James Lewis (Col '76 CM)** has been elected to a two-year term as chief judge of the Virginia Beach Circuit Court.

**Rev. Dr. Cynthia Byers Walter (Col '77)** has published *God's Welcome: A Co-Creative Vision of the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius for Women*. Retired from parish ministry, Walter is a spiritual director and retreat leader living in Rockingham County, Virginia. 📍

**Kimberly Kenna (Col '79)** has written *Artemis Sparke and the Sound Seekers*

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*Brigade*, a middle-grade novel published by Fitzroy Books. The book follows a group of underdogs who conjure up the ghosts of historic ecologists to help save a Long Island Sound salt marsh and appease Mother Nature. The second book in the Brave Girls Collection, *Jett Jamison and the Secret Storm*, will be published in August 2023. Kenna's poems and short stories have been published in *American Writers Review*, *Mused*, *Plum Tree Tavern* and *Rubbertop Review*. 📖

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## '80s

**Donald Delson (Law '80 CM)** is president of the board of trustees of Chester Charter Scholars Academy, a 700-student K-12 charter school in Chester, Pennsylvania, entering its second decade. Delson is also a developer of 110 Park Avenue, a 30-unit upscale condominium project in downtown Swarthmore, Pennsylvania. He and his wife, Cordelia, will be married 50 years in June 2023.

**Travis McDonald (Arch '80 CM)** received the UVA School of Architecture's Distinguished Alumni Award for 2021. The award recognizes exceptional graduates who have demonstrated creativity, innovation, leadership and vision in their body of work, as well as in their service to UVA. McDonald has directed the restoration of Thomas Jefferson's retirement retreat Poplar Forest since 1989. McDonald has also served on the Historic Preservation Advisory Committee for the University since 2007, and his book on Jefferson and Poplar Forest will be published by the UVA Press in the spring of 2023. 📖

**David Massey (Col '81, Law '84 CM)** released his sixth album of original music, *Darkness at Dawn*, in August 2022. The record peaked at No. 4 on the Roots Music Report's Country/Americana album chart and at No. 15 on the RMR's Country album chart. *Darkness at Dawn* and Massey's previous releases are available on the major streaming platforms. For more information, go to [davemassey.com](http://davemassey.com). 📖

**David Susman (Col '81 CM)** has been named executive adviser for clinical services in the Department for Behavioral Health, Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities, Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services. Susman, a licensed clinical psychologist, is a former president of the Kentucky Psychological Association and a current member of the American Psychological Association (APA) Board of Directors and 2023 chair of the APA Council of Representatives Leadership Team.

**Deborah Sheetenhelm Hammond (Arch '82 CM)** has released her 26th novel, *The Very Thought of You*. It follows FBI agent John McIver, who is pulled from his cus-

tomary undercover work to oversee the stalking investigation of a famous actress, Charlotte Meadows. The stalker seeks to overturn Meadows' life and end McIver's, chasing them across two continents. This novel and Hammond's other titles are available on Amazon.com in both Kindle and paperback versions. 📖

**Paul W. Hobby (Col '82 CM)**, founding partner of Genesis Park and GP Capital, has been inducted into the Texas Business Hall of Fame Foundation. The foundation honors the accomplishments and contributions of outstanding business leaders by celebrating and telling their stories. 📖

**W. Lee Jones (Arch '82)** has been awarded the AIA Charlotte Citizen Architect Award by the Charlotte American Institute of Architects. The award recognizes the work of architects who serve as elected or appointed officials, public administrators or institutional leaders and establish and contribute to the development of laws, regulations, policies or initiatives that promote excellence in architecture. Jones serves as park and recreation director for Mecklenburg County, North Carolina. 📖

**Steve Collins (Col '83)** has been named Journalist of the Year by the Maine Press Association. He is the state house reporter for the *Sun Journal*, in Lewiston, Maine, and a co-founder of Youth Journalism International, a Maine-based nonprofit that teaches and publishes the work of students from around the world. 📖

**John W. Via III (Engr '84 CM)** has joined Rice University as a professor of practice and associate director of the Master of Engineering Management and Leadership program, based out of the Rice Center for Engineering Leadership. The program honored its first graduates in December 2022.

**Judith Baroody (Grad '85 CM)** published her second book of short stories, *Paris Gold: Ten Tales of Treasures Lost and Found*, in 2022. Like the first, *Casablanca Blue*, *Paris Gold* is a collection of fiction and fantasy based on her experiences and travel. Baroody has worked as a foreign service officer, professor and journalist. She is also the author of the nonfiction *Media Access and the Military*. 📖



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**Dr. Andrew G. Lee (Col '85, Med '89 CM)** has published his 12th textbook, *Spaceflight Associated Neuro-Ocular Syndrome*. The condition, known as SANS, is unique to long-duration spaceflight. There is no known terrestrial equivalent. Lee has worked as a consultant for NASA on SANS. 📍

**Dwight Sullivan (Law '86)** has written *Capturing Aguinaldo: The Daring Raid to Seize the Philippine President at the Dawn of the American Century*, published by Stackpole Books. *Capturing Aguinaldo* tells the story of five U.S. Army officers who disguised themselves as prisoners of war. Their "captors" were Filipino soldiers loyal to the United States. After a grueling 90-mile forced march, the ruse allowed them to infiltrate the enemy headquarters, helping to end the Philippine-American War. 📍

**Dr. Kern Jackson (Col '87 CM)** was recognized by the Virginia Film Festival for the screening of *Descendant* on Nov. 5, 2022. *Descendant*, which was

co-written and co-produced by Jackson, was awarded the Special Jury Award: Creative Vision in the U.S. Documentary Competition during the Sundance Film Festival. Netflix has acquired the documentary, co-presenting the film with Barack and Michelle Obama's media company Higher Ground. 📍

**Stephen B. Dobranski (Col '88)** recently published his 10th book, *Reading John Milton: How to Persist in Troubled Times* (Stanford University Press). He is distinguished university professor at Georgia State University and editor of the academic journal *Milton Studies*.

**Scott Lancaster (Col '88 CM)** has been admitted to the Kidney Transplant Program at Duke Health in Durham, North Carolina. Lancaster experienced kidney failure in 2020, with no warning and none of the usual risk factors. Finding a living organ donor is his best option for having a second chance at life. Lancaster requests that anyone who is interested or who knows someone interested in being a

donor—or simply in learning more about transplantation—contact him at [jscottlan-caster@verizon.net](mailto:jscottlan-caster@verizon.net).

**Carin M. Smilk (Col '89 CM)** became editor of the *Baltimore Jewish Times* in September 2022. She has worked as a journalist for nearly 30 years, most recently for the Jerusalem-based online news site JNS.org. She lives outside Philadelphia with her husband and four sons.

**Brian Stengel (Col '89 CM)** competed in the 2022 Mongol Derby, a 10-day, 1,000-kilometer endurance race across Mongolia on native feral horses. 📍

## '90s

**V. Darleen Opfer (Educ '90, '97 CM)**, vice president and director of RAND Education and Labor, was appointed to the board of directors for the Council for Aid to Education, Inc. CAE is a nonprofit developer of assessments that measure students' essential academic and career skills. Opfer leads a staff of more than 200 research experts focused on using evidence to improve schools for low-income and minority students. 📍

**Craig W. Sampson (Col '90, Law '93 CM)** has been named president of Barnes & Diehl, P.C. in Richmond, Virginia. Sampson serves on the board of governors for the Family Law Section of the Virginia State Bar and is a co-author of *Family Law: Theory, Practice, and Forms*, a volume in the Virginia Practice Series published annually by Thomson Reuters.

**Michael Albo (Col '91 CM)** has published his third novel, *Another Dimension of Us*. The story follows a group of teens from the past and the future who travel across time to save the ones they love. Albo is also the author of *Hornito* and co-author of *The Underminer: Or, the Best Friend Who Casually Destroys Your Life*, written with **Virginia Heffernan (Col '91 CM)**. 📍

**Mary Beth Paradise (Educ '93)** has published *Beach Santa*, a children's picture book that explores what Santa does on the day after Christmas. Paradise is donating 25 percent of the profits to Team LeGrand, which supports spinal

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**Mark H. Harris (Col '96)** has co-written his first book, *The Black Guy Dies First: Black Horror Cinema from Fodder to Oscar*, published by Simon & Schuster/Saga Press. *The Black Guy Dies First* explores the Black journey in modern horror cinema. 🏠

**Paul Davis (Col '97 CM)** has created The Bank Slate, a website dedicated to news and perspectives for the financial services industry. The Bank Slate also has a weekly newsletter and contributes content to the American Bankers Association. Davis is the director of market intelligence at Strategic Resource Management, a consulting and advisory firm in Memphis, Tennessee. 🏠

**Susan Pryor (Arch '97 CM)** has been named a principal with the planning and design firm of Quinn Evans. Pryor is the operational director of the firm's Richmond, Virginia, office. She has more

than 25 years of architectural experience, with expertise in the design of 21st century learning environments. 🏠

**Bruce H. Russell II (Col '97 CM)** has been selected as a fellow of the Virginia Law Foundation. The foundation supports projects throughout the commonwealth that facilitate access to justice, promote an appreciation and understanding of the rule of law, and provide law-related education in support of these ideals. Russell has practiced in his native Southwest Virginia for over 20 years. He lives in Abingdon with his wife, Shannon, their sons, Clark and Eamon, and their four dogs. 🏠

**Howard Turner (Engr '97)** was named North American director of energy preconstruction services for Trane Technologies. Turner and his team are responsible for conceiving, designing and ensuring the constructability of projects that enable clients to achieve their decarbonization and sustainability goals.

**Mark Angle-Hobson (Educ '98, '02)** has been appointed to serve on the board of directors of the Resolve Center in Medford, Oregon. Resolve seeks to transform the way the people and communities of Southern Oregon manage and resolve conflict and repair from harm.

**Lynlee W. Palmer (Col '98 CM)** has joined Jackson Lewis P.C., where she will serve in the litigation group for the Birmingham, Alabama, office. The firm specializes in national labor and employment law. 🏠

**Angelo Antidormi (Col '99 CM)** has been promoted to director of acquisitions by The Procopio Companies, a full-service real estate development and construction management firm. In his new role, he will lead the acquisitions team through the acquisitions, entitlement and design phases.



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# Class Notes


## '00s

**Peter Garvey (Darden '02)** has been appointed mid-Atlantic growth officer at Dewberry, a privately held professional services firm headquartered in Fairfax, Virginia. Garvey has spent more than 16 years with the firm in various roles, including technical leader for water and wastewater, lead for the Northeast water business growth initiative, and business unit manager for the firm's Boston office and New England operations.


**Alana Malick Ritenour (Col '02 CM)** and her husband, **Rhodes Ritenour (Col '00, Law '05 CM)**, have published a children's book called *The Adventures of Rhodes and Alana: School Bus Secret*. Eight-year-old Rhodes and best friend Alana miss the school bus, leading to an exciting journey and an opportunity for Rhodes to tell Alana about living with Type 1 diabetes. A new friendship forms between these two spirited and

confident kids. Proceeds benefit the American Diabetes Association, JDRF and TheDiabetesSupportGroup.org. 

**Matt Coleman (Col '03, Darden '11 CM)** has joined The Demex Group as chief risk officer. Demex enhances the climate resilience and economic value of companies and people by designing, underwriting and executing weather risk transfer products. In addition, Coleman was honored as a 125th Anniversary Fellow by Penn State University's College of Earth and Mineral Sciences. Coleman was nominated by the Department of Meteorology for his pioneering leadership in financial weather risk, insurance-linked securities investing, and diversity and mentorship.

**Micah B. Schwartz (Col '03, Law '08 CM)** has joined Williams Mullen as a partner in the labor, employment & immigration section in the firm's Charlottesville office. Williams Mullen is a law firm with approximately 240 attorneys in offices across North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia. 

**Matt Trogdon (Col '04 CM)** and Sarah Devine were married June 18, 2022, in Washington, D.C. Trogdon is a financial adviser at Craftwork Capital LLC, an independent advisory firm in the D.C. area. Devine is a foreign service officer at the U.S. Department of State. They live in Washington with their beloved rescue pup, Maisie.

**Jonathan Havens (Col '05 CM)** was appointed managing partner of Saul Ewing Arnstein & Lehr LLP's office in Baltimore. As managing partner, Havens functions as the office's chief executive. In his practice, Havens counsels clients on regulatory, compliance, enforcement and transactional matters related to products regulated by numerous federal and state agencies. 

**Thomas W. Taylor (Educ '06, '09 CM)** was appointed superintendent of Stafford County Public Schools on Dec. 1, 2021, serving approximately 30,000 students and 4,000 employees.

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**Mayme Beth F. Donohue (Col '07 CM)**

has been promoted to counsel at Hunton Andrews Kurth LLP. A member of the firm's corporate team, Donohue counsels clients on securities law matters, capital markets transactions, mergers and acquisitions, and corporate governance issues. She is also a leader of Hunton Andrews Kurth's metaverse and blockchain working groups and is associate editor of the firm's *Blockchain Legal Resource* blog. 📍

**Erin L. Henshaw (Col '07 CM)** is completing her Master of Social Work degree at Virginia Commonwealth University and continues her trauma-sensitive somatics practice with The Mind Body Project. Her website is [www.themindbodyproject.com](http://www.themindbodyproject.com). 📍

## '10s

**Ali Shaw (Col '12 CM)** married Joe Rosshirt Aug. 13, 2022, at The Towers in Narragansett, Rhode Island. The ceremony was officiated by **Jane Carrick (Col '12 CM)**, with many 'Hoos in attendance. The couple lives in South Portland, Maine, with their Lab mix Astro. 📍

**Katie Wymer (Col '14)** and **Philipp Clarke (Col '15 CM)** were married Oct. 8, 2022, at the Cathedral of Christ the King in Atlanta. The couple lives in Atlanta, where Wymer works as an attorney and Clarke works in politics. 📍

**Madeleine McDonald (Col '17 CM)** married Anthony Fontana in 2021 and graduated from Mercer University's Physician Assistant Program in 2022, receiving the faculty's distinguished student award, among other academic honors. The couple lives in Atlanta, where McDonald works as a physician assistant in an internal medicine practice.

**Rosie Hartwell (Col '19)** was crowned Miss Arlington on Dec. 3, 2022. Miss Arlington is a preliminary competition to Miss Virginia and Miss America. Hartwell won the title with a Broadway tap dance routine and a social impact initiative of financial literacy. She will represent Arlington at the Miss Virginia competition in June. 📍

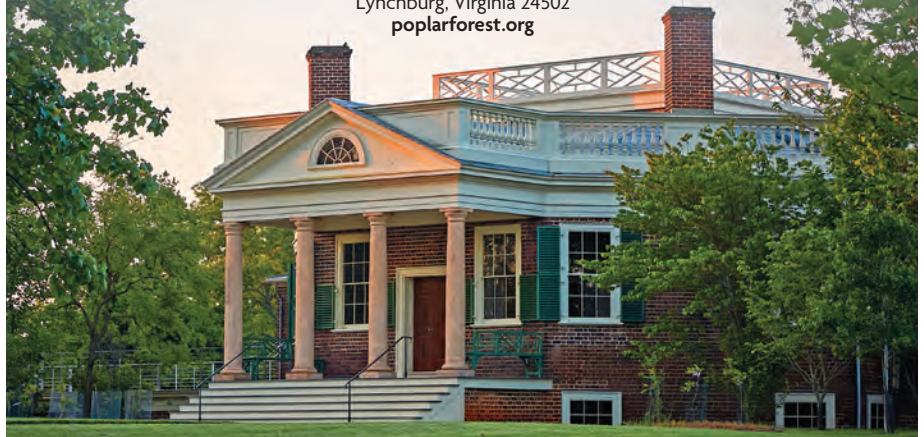
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# In Memoriam

## '40s

**Dr. Edward Jordan Stoll (Col '47, Med '51 CM)** of Lynchburg, Virginia, died Feb. 25, 2022. After completing medical training, he served in the U.S. Army Medical Service Corps in Salzburg, Austria. At UVA, he was a member of Beta Theta Pi fraternity and the glee club. In Lynchburg, he established a private practice in family medicine, treating several generations of patients for 37 years. He delivered the first baby born in Lynchburg General Hospital and diagnosed the city's first case of malaria. His passions included music, travel, photography, skiing, gardening, fishing and sailing on the Chesapeake Bay. A huge UVA sports fan, he was frequently seen in a UVA cap and jacket. Survivors include three children, including **Dr. E. Jordan Stoll Jr. (Col '79, Med '83 CM)** and **Leigh Stoll Bryan (Col '84 CM)**; nieces and nephews, including **Ali Artunkal (Darden '82)**; and eight grandchildren.

**Douglas G. Lindsey (Com '48 CM)** of Alexandria, Virginia, died Nov. 29, 2022. He retired from the U.S. Air Force Reserve as a lieutenant colonel after 36 years of service. He was also a member of the Military Officers Association of America and the Honorable Order of Kentucky Colonels. At UVA, he was a member of Kappa

Alpha fraternity. After graduation, he became vice president of Lindsey Nicholson Corp. based out of Alexandria. Once retired, he worked as an IRS enrolled agent and served as vice president of Lindsey Deiderich Corp., among other leadership positions. He loved attending University of Virginia vs. Virginia Military Institute football games because, having attended both schools, he couldn't lose. Survivors include three children, including **Robert Warfield Lindsey (Col '79, Darden '88 CM)**, and one grandchild.

## '50s

**Opal James Grapes (Nurs '51)** of Houma, Louisiana, died May 31, 2022. She was born in Franklin County, Virginia, in 1920. She served as a registered nurse in the U.S. Army during World War II and spent two and a half years stationed at a hospital in Axminster, England. While studying nursing at UVA, she was a member of the Kappa Delta sorority. Survivors include two daughters, five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

**H. Lee Addison III (Com '52, Law '55 CM)** of Norfolk, Virginia, died Oct. 10, 2022. He served in the U.S. Marines and the Marine Corps Reserve, retiring with the rank of captain. Prior to his service,

he earned bachelor's and law degrees at UVA, where he was a member of the swim team, pep band and Theta Chi fraternity. As a lawyer, he specialized in bankruptcy law and credit union organizations law, and his most prominent firm was Pender and Coward. He was an active member of First Lutheran Church, serving on the council and singing in the choir. He also loved dancing, playing his trombone and swimming. Survivors include three children, including **Gregory Lee Addison (Col '83)** and **Deborah Anne Addison (Col '84)**, four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

**Charles Wayne Laughlin (Law '54)** of Richmond, Virginia, died Oct. 2, 2022. After earning his law degree at UVA, he practiced law for many years, working at firms including Christian & Barton and ThompsonMcMullan, P.C. Survivors include daughter **Page Laughlin (Col '81)** and a son.

**Carlton Lee "Shady" Schelhorn (Com '55 CM)** of Mechanicsville, Virginia, died Dec. 14, 2022. He served in the U.S. Army for 23 years, retiring as a lieutenant colonel. While earning his bachelor's degree in economics at UVA, he was a member of the football and track teams. He was also a member of T.I.L.K.A., the P.K. Society and Army ROTC. He enjoyed golf, especially with his group of UVA

friends who called themselves the "Over-the-Hill 'Hoos." Survivors include his wife of 68 years, Pat, four children, nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

**Alan Hall Andrews Jr. (Col '58 CM)** of Albuquerque, New Mexico, died June 12, 2022. While at UVA, he was a member of Sigma Chi, president of WUVA Radio and a member of the Monroe Rifles ROTC drill team. During his final two years at UVA, he worked as an announcer at WCHV Charlottesville. After graduation, he pursued careers in advertising, radio management and publishing. Survivors include his partner of 30 years, Martha, and three grandchildren.

**Dr. Frank Lloyd Call II (Col '59, Med '63 CM)** of Richmond, Virginia, died Oct. 9, 2022. He served six years as an Army Reserve officer at the 361 General Hospital during his medical residency and fellowship at the University of Pennsylvania. As a UVA undergraduate, he was co-captain of the football team; chairman of the Honor Committee; and a member of the Arts and Sciences Council, Phi Beta Kappa, Alpha Omega Alpha, the Raven Society, the Z Society, the Thirteen Society and T.I.L.K.A. As a UVA medical student, he received the 1963 Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award. He began his academic career at SUNY Upstate Medical Center



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## Remembering Darden alum's impact on UVA, Monticello and beyond

**W**hen you're in Charlottesville, you know you'll see the name Jefferson everywhere you turn. But if you pay attention, you're bound to notice another name: Saunders.

As a member of the UVA Board of Visitors, chair of the Darden School Foundation Board of Trustees and chair of the Thomas Jefferson Foundation, philanthropist **Thomas Alonza Saunders III (Darden '67 CM)** made several transformative donations to the University of Virginia and Monticello throughout his life. Saunders died at his home in Palm Beach, Florida, on Sept. 9, 2022, at age 86.

Born in Ivor, Virginia, Saunders earned his bachelor's in electrical engineering

from Virginia Military Institute in 1958. He served in the U.S. Army before earning his M.B.A. at Darden—where he was a member of the Raven Society—in 1967, kicking off a relationship with the UVA and Charlottesville communities that would last the rest of his life.

Saunders served on UVA's Board of Visitors and played a leading role in establishing UVIMCO, which manages endowments for the University and its foundations. He remained active at Darden, where he was also a founding member of the Darden Principal Donor Society. He also helped lead Darden's move to self-sufficiency and independence. In 1996 the school named its main building

Saunders Hall in honor of him and his wife, Jordan, and their many donations over the years. In 2005, he received the school's prestigious Charles C. Abbott Award.

From 2002 to 2008, Saunders chaired the Thomas Jefferson Foundation, where he negotiated the acquisition of Montalto, the mountain overlooking Monticello. A lead donor for the digitization of Thomas Jefferson's retirement papers, he also funded the Saunders-Monticello Trail and the Saunders Bridge, which serves as Monticello's main vehicular entrance.

After earning his M.B.A., Saunders began his career at Morgan Stanley in New York City, working his way up to partner and managing director, and earning a reputation as a Wall Street innovator. He later founded his own private equity business, Saunders Karp & Megrue, which invested in companies including Dollar Tree, Inc., whose board he served on for nearly three decades. He also spent 20 years as CEO of Ivor & Co., a private family investment firm.

"He was an innovative thinker and exceptional leader," said longtime McIntire School of Commerce Dean Carl P. Zeithaml. "Tom had a truly profound impact on many aspects of the University as he was always generous with his time, ideas, business acumen and personal resources.... He became a wonderful friend and mentor to me, always insightful, witty and kind. I respected him very much."

Saunders was active in conservative politics. He spent a decade as chairman of conservative think tank The Heritage Foundation, and in 2018 received the institution's Clare Boothe Luce Award in recognition of his leadership and commitment to the conservative movement.

Survivors include his wife of 61 years, Jordan; two children, including daughter **Calvert Saunders Moore (Col '90 CM)**; and four grandchildren, including **Rebecca Carter Saunders Moore (Col '18 CM)**, **George Saunders Van Rensselaer Moore (Col '22 CM)**, and **Mary Schuyler Jordan Moore (Col '25)**.

before returning to Richmond to establish a private practice in hematology and oncology. He was a lifelong gardener, and during his retirement he also enjoyed polar bear swimming and developed a passion for family genealogy. Survivors include his wife, Susan; three children, including **Beverley Call Davis (Med '90)** and **Timothy Colin Call (Col '90 CM)**; his brother **William Davidson Call (Col '65 CM)**; seven grandchildren and five nephews and nieces.

## '60s

**Dr. Robert Milton Miles (Col '64 CM)** of Lynchburg, Virginia, died Oct. 2, 2022. He served in the U.S. Air Force as a pediatrician and chief of pediatrics at Lajes Field Air Base in Portugal. Prior to his military service, he studied at UVA, where he was a Lawn resident and a member of Alpha Chi Sigma professional fraternity. He also completed medical school, an internship and residency at Medical College of Virginia. He joined a pediatric practice in Roanoke for seven years before completing a fellowship in allergy and immunology at the Mayo Clinic. He then moved to Lynchburg, where he established and maintained an allergy and immunology practice until his retirement in 2007. He served as president of the Southeastern Allergy, Asthma and Immunology Society from 1990 to 1991 and president of the American College of Allergy, Asthma and Immunology from 1998 to 1999. He enjoyed

gardening and was a member of First Presbyterian Church. Survivors include his wife of 53 years, Bonnie, two sons and four grandchildren.

**Albert Ritchie (Law '64 CM)** of Knoxville, Tennessee, died Oct. 12, 2022. He served as an infantry officer in the U.S. Army and rose to captain from 1965 to 1967. At UVA, he was a member of the Order of the Coif and the Raven Society, as well as editor-in-chief of the *Virginia Law Review*. He was an attorney with Sidley, Austin, Burgess & Smith (now Sidley Austin LLP) in Chicago from 1964 until his retirement in 1999. He served as president of the Lawyers Club of Chicago, chairman of the Chicago Legal Aid Bureau and president of the UVA Law School Alumni Association. He loved his dogs, playing tennis, a good murder mystery and cheering for the Cubs and all UVA sports. Survivors include his wife, Jennie; brother **John Ritchie (Col '54)**; children **John Ritchie (Col '90 CM)** and **Mary Ritchie Miller (Col '95, Law '00 CM)**; four grandchildren; and five nieces and nephews, including **Sarah Conrad (Col '97 CM)** and **Thomas Ritchie (Darden '02, Law '02 CM)**.

**Ronald Dean Depew (Darden '66 CM)** of Phoenix, Arizona, died June 14, 2022. While earning his M.B.A. at Darden, he was on the honor roll. After receiving his degree, he spent many years in banking before becoming a business owner of Birkdale Corp. In his free time, he enjoyed golf, sailing and driving his convertible. He also regularly visited his son, who lived in a

group home for special needs adults in Tucson. Survivors include two children, including **Lisa Redding (Col '92 CM)**, and 10 grandchildren.

**Michael L. Laughlin (Com '66 CM)** of Aiken, South Carolina, died May 26, 2022. At UVA, he was a member of the Sigma Phi fraternity. He later attended the University of South Carolina School of Law but withdrew to pursue politics. In 1968, he was elected to represent South Carolina in the state senate. He was also a businessman engaged in aviation, radio broadcasting, real estate development and banking. In 1967, he founded Eagle Aviation and served as its chairman. He held several leadership positions in community organizations, including the Green Boundary Club, the former Aiken Preparatory School and Hitchcock Woods Foundation. He is survived by a niece, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

**Beverley Randolph Wellford (Col '66 CM)** of Richmond, Virginia, died May 6, 2022. While in the Army Medical Service Corps, he was commanding officer of the 29th Evacuation Hospital at Fort Devens in Massachusetts, eventually becoming a captain. Also known as Ranny, he was a member of St. Anthony Hall and captain of the tennis team at UVA. In the spring of 1965, he and fellow pranksters tethered a Black Angus calf on top of the Rotunda, one of the most notorious stunts perpetrated at the University. After graduating from the University of Baltimore School of Law in 1973, he practiced law at Wellford &

Taylor in Richmond with his father **McDonald Wellford (Col '36, Law '37)** and brother **McDonald Wellford Jr. (Col '65)**. Survivors include his brother **Ten Eyck Thompson Wellford (Col '76 CM)**.

**James Thomas Skelly III (Col '67 CM)** of Wilmington, Delaware, died Nov. 19, 2022. While at UVA, he was a member of Delta Phi fraternity. His career began with nearly 30 years in banking before he spent 20 years in real estate. Over the years, he and his wife enjoyed international trips with the Alumni Association. He volunteered with organizations such as the Boys & Girls Club of Wilmington, the Mental Health Association, and the American Cancer Society's Relay For Life, for which he served as chairperson. He was a tennis player and a dedicated UVA sports fan. Survivors include his wife of 47 years, Fern, his brother, three daughters and five grandchildren.

## '70s

**Jeff Kirsch (Col '71 CM)** of Alexandria, Virginia, died Sept. 19, 2022. During his time on Grounds, he was a member of the soccer team, the Alpha Epsilon Pi fraternity and the Honor Committee. Passionate about political activism, he entered VISTA (Volunteers in Service to America), a federal program designed to lift communities out of poverty. Working in El Paso, Texas, he started a school lunch program for low-income children. He later joined Families USA, which advocates for accessible

## U.S. congressman realized lifelong dreams

**A**s a young man, U.S. Rep. **A. Donald McEachin (Law '86 CM)** often announced his professional aspirations. From the beginning of each relationship, he told his future wife, his long-time law school friend and his law partner exactly what he wanted to become—a politician.

“Once we started dating, he made it clear that not only did he want to be in Congress, but he wanted to be president,” said his wife, **Colette McEachin (Law '85)**, the Commonwealth’s Attorney for the City of Richmond.

McEachin made good on most of those aspirations—serving in the Virginia House of Delegates and the Senate of Virginia before his election to represent Virginia’s 4th Congressional District in 2016. The Democrat was reelected to his fourth term just weeks before he died on Nov. 28, 2022, from the effects of treatment for colorectal cancer, which was diagnosed nearly a decade before. He was 61.

McEachin’s dreams were shaped in childhood. Born in Nuremberg, Germany, to a U.S. Army officer and schoolteacher, McEachin was tired of the constant moves. When his parents told him the “government” decided where they lived, he decided then that he wanted to be part of it, Colette said.

He set down the path to realize those aspirations, majoring in political science

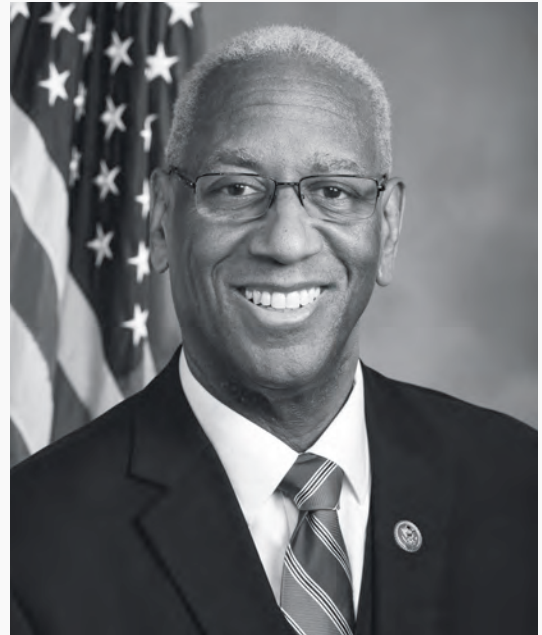
at American University, attending law school at UVA, and opening the law firm McEachin and Gee in Richmond.

He was focused on the potential for government to do good in people’s lives, those closest to him said. Environmental justice, an interest cultivated while earning his master’s degree in divinity from Virginia Union University in 2008, became a central issue and a primary frustration. As a Black man, he found it difficult to convince the media that he had something to say on topics beyond civil rights or criminal justice. “The biggest challenge for me is getting out of the box,” he said during a 2018 speech at UVA Law.

But he managed to push for change, co-founding and leading the United for Climate and Environmental Justice Congressional Task Force and advocating for the Environmental Justice for All Act, which aims to “restore, reaffirm and reconcile environmental justice and civil rights.”

In a statement, Vice President Kamala Harris called McEachin “tireless in the fight for justice.”

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environmental justice and secure a cleaner, healthier and more fair future for all,” she said. “I will miss his friendship and his advocacy and passion for improving our world for generations to come.”

“From day one, his dream was to make the Commonwealth a better place,” said **S. Bernard Goodwyn (Law '86 CM)**, a law school friend and chief justice of the Supreme Court of Virginia. “And it was just gratifying to see somebody from when they were just a kid with a dream to actually doing what they had always said they wanted to do. And after they reached their dream, for them to say, ‘And it’s everything I thought it would be.’”

McEachin is survived by his wife, three children and a grandchild.

—**Sarah Lindenfeld Hall**

and affordable health care. He served in leadership roles for more than 20 years and served on the organization’s board of directors. He also enjoyed coaching his daughters’ soccer teams and playing baritone horn in community

bands. Survivors include his wife, Joan; two daughters; and three grandsons.

**Donald K. Woodman (Law '73 CM)** of New York City died Dec. 18, 2019. He was a decorated brigadier general

in the Air Force Reserve, having been awarded the Legion of Merit and the Air Force Distinguished Service Medal. After retiring from the Air Force, he worked as a probate and estate lawyer in private practice, focusing on

personal taxation and entertainment industry cases. He had a love for the stage and toured with the national company of *My Fair Lady*, playing Alfred Doolittle. He was an active member of the Blue Hill Troupe in New York City

and played a variety of roles in their productions. He was survived by a sister who passed away shortly after he did. Survivors include his nephew.

**Harry Charles Thornsvarð Jr. (Col '75)** of Nags Head, North Carolina, died Dec. 5, 2022. Born into a military family, he spent 22 years in the U.S. Army. He served as battalion commander of the 26th Forward Support Battalion at Vilseck, Germany, and director of logistics training at Fort Lee, Virginia. Prior to joining the military, he earned his bachelor's degree in government at UVA, and during his service he received his master's degree from the University of Texas. After retiring from the Army, he became a business executive, ending his career as a partner at Deep Water Point, a government management consulting firm. He could often be found at the beach, a concert or a wine tasting. Survivors include his wife, Cindy; two children, including **Heather Carpenter (Educ '98)**; two stepchildren; five grandchildren; his brother **Charles Thornsvarð (Med '69 CM)**; and three nieces.

**Michael Alan Lawson (Col '76)** of Charlotte, North Carolina, died Aug. 5, 2022.

**James W. Francis (Col '78, Educ '82)** of Washington, D.C., died June 23, 2022. After earning bachelor's and master's degrees from UVA, he relocated to Southern California, where he lived for over 30 years. He worked in life insurance and real estate at Prudential, and in 1994 began a 28-year career in corporate and foundation

relations at the University of California, Los Angeles. He loved nature, camping, solo driving trips and rooting for the Washington Commanders. Survivors include a brother and two sisters, as well as nieces and nephews.

**Thatcher Stone (Col '78, Law '82 CM)** of Albemarle County, Virginia, died Nov. 29, 2022. He received his bachelor's degree in economics at UVA before returning to earn his law degree. He spent the next 32 years working in large law firms in New York City in the areas of finance, banking and asset-based lending. His professional passion, however, was aviation law. After 9/11, he advised the Export-Import Bank of the United States and the White House on global war risk insurance issues, and in 2005, he began teaching aviation law at UVA. In 2013, he relocated his solo practice from New York to Charlottesville, where he founded Stone & Woodrow LLP. He served on two nonprofit boards in Charlottesville, including UVA's Fralin Museum of Art. He was also active in the International Fellowship of Christians and Jews, serving on mission trips to provide humanitarian aid. In his spare time, he enjoyed piloting airplanes, a hobby he'd taken up during his undergraduate years at UVA. Survivors include a daughter, a brother, a nephew and two nieces.

## '80s

**Dr. Rex A. Birkmire (Nurs '84 CM)** of Orlando, Florida,

died Dec. 2, 2022. At UVA, he was a member of the Z Society, a Lawn resident and president of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. After graduating, he earned his medical degree from Case Western Reserve University and completed his medical residency and fellowship at Harvard University. He was appointed medical director at Bridgewater State Hospital, managed by the Massachusetts Department of Correction. In 1998, he moved his family to Orlando, Florida, where he worked for Florida Hospital and then started his own practice, Birkmire Behavioral Health (now known as Ashlawn Consulting). He also founded NICO, an online forum for car enthusiasts. Survivors include his wife, Angel, and four children.

**John E. Barrett (Col '87)** of San Francisco died Nov. 9, 2022. While studying mathematics at UVA, he was a member and president of Beta Theta Pi fraternity. He later moved to California and earned his M.B.A. degree from UCLA's Anderson School of Management. A serial entrepreneur, he co-founded several startup companies in the orthopedic implant device field, developing technological solutions to replace complex invasive surgeries. He enjoyed golf, hiking and swimming, and he was also passionate about rescuing dogs. Survivors include six siblings and many nieces and nephews.

**Mary "Mimi" Saunders Taylor (Col '88 CM)** of Richmond, Virginia, died Oct. 28, 2022. While studying psychology at UVA, she

was a member of the Zeta Tau Alpha sorority. After graduating, she pursued a career as an interior designer. She enjoyed attending auctions and gardening. Her style was unique, and she had clothes for every weather and occasion, which was helpful for her many travel endeavors. Survivors include her sister and numerous cousins.

**Jeffrey Adams Wheeler (Arch '89)** of Belmont, Massachusetts, died Dec. 27, 2020. After earning his master's degree in urban planning at UVA, he spent 30 years as town planner of Belmont and became a prominent figure in the community. His projects can be seen all over town, and he was most proud of increasing the town's number of affordable housing units. His greatest joy was his son, Francis, whom he raised as a single parent following the death of his partner, John, in 2006. He was a lifelong sailor and graceful skier in his beloved New England. His interests included mentoring young people, cooking, collecting antiques and playing live music. He is survived by his spouse, Craig; his son; five siblings; and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

## '90s

**Christopher Allen Payne (Col '90)** of Beaverton, Oregon, died Oct. 15, 2022. During his time at UVA, he was an Echols Scholar and two-time dean's list recipient. After graduating, he was an active member of Kagyu Shenpen Ösel Choling

Vajrayana Buddhist Center in Seattle for over 25 years. He loved the outdoors and spending time with friends and family. He is survived by his mother, **Donna Payne (Nurs '64)**, his father, his brother and two nieces.

**Tom Stluka (Col '90 CM)** of Reston, Virginia, died Aug. 15, 2022. On Grounds, he participated in the glee club and Student Watch. After earning his bachelor's in mathematics, he spent his career as an "Excel master," performing data analysis for the telecommunications industry. Over the years he worked for companies such as UUNET/WorldCom/MCI, Sprint Nextel, and Time Warner Cable, as well as smaller organizations. Survivors include his ex-wife, **Suzanne Goldlust (Col '90 CM)**, two sons and six siblings.

**Tiffany Suellen Hill (Col '97)** of Midlothian, Virginia, died Nov. 10, 2022. While earning her bachelor's degree in religious studies at UVA, she was a two-time dean's list recipient and a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Known to friends and family as Suellen, she later earned a master's degree in Irish Studies from Queen's University in 2005 while living abroad in Belfast, Northern Ireland. She was known for writing thoughtful, encouraging notes and always finding the perfect gifts. Survivors include her husband, Aaron, two children, her mother and her brother.

**Suzanne Ross Kleeblatt (Col '98)** of Alexandria, Virginia, died Oct. 25, 2022. After studying economics at

UVA, she began her career as an investment banking analyst on Wall Street. After receiving her M.B.A., she went on to advise nonprofits and endowments as a partner at Cambridge Associates in Boston and Arlington, Virginia. Later, she became a yoga teacher at Mind the Mat. She also served as board chair at Move2Learn, a nonprofit that works to increase student movement in local schools. She loved nature, attending live music and cheering on the 'Hoos. She is survived by her husband of 18 years, Peter, two children, her mother, her brother, and six nieces and nephews.

**Katherine "KK" Harris McCart (Col '98, Educ '98 CM)** of Alexandria, Virginia, died Sept. 3, 2022. She earned her bachelor of science and master of teaching degrees at UVA, where she was a member of the Kappa Alpha Theta sorority. She worked as a science teacher in both Missouri and Italy. She was an active volunteer, having served as the chair of Westminster Weekday Preschool Board, the commissioner of the Alexandria Lacrosse Club and a committee member for the Gladney Princess Ball. An avid tennis player, the only thing she loved more than playing sports herself was coaching and watching her own children play. Survivors include her husband, **Kevin McCart (Law '00 CM)**; three children; her father, **Tyler Harris (Col '69 CM)**; her mother; a sister; a brother; and three uncles, including **Harry Harris (Col '71, Arch '74 CM)** and **John Harris (Col '73, Educ '75, Grad '78, '97)**.

## '00s

**Eric Douglas Rigsbee (Engr '01)** of Annandale, Virginia, died Sept. 11, 2021. While studying civil engineering at UVA, he was a member of the Jefferson Literary and Debating Society. After graduation, he earned his professional engineer license and began his engineering career. In 2010, he opened a Washington, D.C., office of the construction consulting firm Construction Insight DC, LLC, and served as its president. In 2019, he and his team turned their branch into an independent company, broadening their client base and expanding their services. As a third-year at UVA, he started a DJ business that he continued after graduation. He loved working out at his local CrossFit gym. He was predeceased by his infant daughter. Survivors include his fiancé, Emily, his parents, two daughters, a sister, two nieces and a nephew.

**John Vance Barr (Arch '03)** of The Plains, Virginia, died Nov. 12, 2021. During his time at UVA, he was a member of the Alpha Kappa Psi and Alpha Phi Omega fraternities. He was also a two-time dean's list recipient. After graduating, he worked for several architecture firms in Northern Virginia before starting his own firm, JV Barr Design. Outside of work, he often volunteered with Grace Episcopal Church, where he was an active participant in the laity. Survivors include his mother, twin sister, a nephew and a niece.

## '10s

**Dr. Claire Hays Montaigne (Col '11, Med '16 CM)** of Portland, Oregon, died Sept. 21, 2022. As an undergraduate studying human biology at UVA, she was a Jefferson Scholar, a member of the University Guide Service, a graduation chair for the Class of 2011 trustees and a Lawn resident. After graduating summa cum laude, she attended UVA Medical School, where she was active in the Generalist Scholars Program, was elected to the Gold Humanism Honor Society, co-led the Family Medicine Interest Group and co-founded Medical Students for Choice at UVA. She also volunteered at the Charlottesville Free Clinic and the Albemarle-Charlottesville Regional Jail and was a member of the Phi Beta Kappa and Raven societies. At the time of her death, she was an assistant professor of family medicine at Oregon Health & Science University, where she worked to improve women's health and meet the needs of underserved communities. The Jefferson Scholars Foundation plans to establish a scholarship in her memory, awarded to a recipient wishing to pursue a career in medicine. Survivors include her husband, **Matthew Baer (Col '11 CM)**; a daughter; her parents, including **Fen Montaigne (Col '74 CM)**; and a sister.

# Retrospect

## Through Roseberry's lens

BY SAM GROSSMAN



An Ed Roseberry self-portrait, taken in 1967



**E**d Roseberry (Com '49) got his start shooting on a Rolleiflex camera for *Corks & Curls* in 1947. From there, he spent decades documenting life at UVA and in Charlottesville.

When he died in October 2022, he left behind a collection of more than 180,000 photographs. For many, they evoke nostalgia; some of his best-known photos depict debauched gatherings of students in delightfully contemporary

attire. But some also show a deeper historical context.

"His work in the 1960s and 1970s locally documented immense changes—his photos of the [majority-Black] Vinegar Hill neighborhood before its demolition in 1965 and co-education at UVA after 1970 in particular," says **Kirt von Daacke (Col '97)**, an assistant dean and professor in UVA's history department.

For William Wylie, an art professor

at UVA and a long-time photographer himself, one photo, depicting Chuck Berry performing at Memorial Gymnasium in 1965, stands out as a "killer" example of Roseberry's best work for three key reasons. First, it showcases his keen eye for composition and editing.

"After photographers shoot, they

**Chuck Berry performs at Memorial Gymnasium in April 1965.**



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Dionne Warwick relaxes in her dressing room before a performance at University Hall in 1966.

**“All the people I met were important to me, and I tried to photograph them in the best way possible.”**

—Ed Roseberry

make a series of contact sheets, or at least they used to, and they look at them to try to figure out what were the best pictures. And that’s the moment, at least the way I teach photography, where you really understand what you’ve done,” Wylie says. “And I think in this picture he would have loved that basketball backboard up in that upper right-hand corner, and the way that that framed the picture, and Chuck Berry leaning into the left side of the picture.”

Next, the photo highlights how embedded Roseberry was into life on Grounds, as a freelance shooter for the *Daily Progress* and the University News Services. A student in the front row is grinning directly at Roseberry, rather than looking at Chuck Berry. “You know, these people all probably knew him and responded to him in a way,” Wylie says.

“I’m imagining he was a fixture in town at these events.”

Finally, the photo, which starkly divides white students and a Black performer on opposite sides of the image, speaks to the racial dynamics at play at UVA just 15 years after the first Black student attended the University. Roseberry’s images feature very few people of color—and when they do, they’re often service workers or entertainers.

“Essentially, when you think about Ed’s other performers, like Duke Ellington and Dionne Warwick, all these famous Black performers were coming to UVA at a time when it was heavily segregated,” Wylie says. “Obviously there were Black students here at that time, but it wasn’t the emphasis. I think that’s an interesting historical way to look at Ed’s pictures.”

Roseberry told *Virginia Magazine* in

2013 that his passion for photography dated back to his teens. Interested in art but unsure which medium to pursue, he borrowed his dad’s camera, and it was a natural fit. Years later, after serving in the Navy, nothing had changed. “I still had that lightbulb going off in the back of my head that I wanted to pursue photography.”

From then on, Roseberry could rarely be seen around Charlottesville without his signature twin-lens reflex camera with its flash attachment—which earned him the nickname “Flash.”

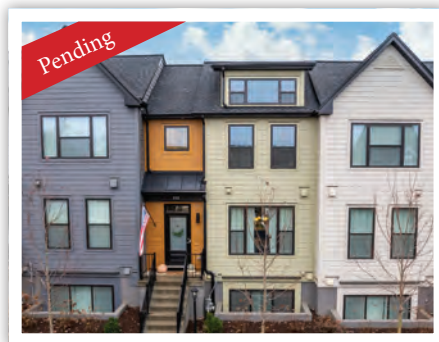
“All the people I met were important to me, and I tried to photograph them in the best way possible,” Roseberry said in 2013, “showing their character, their feeling, their emotion, their features and the excitement they drew while they were alive.” 📷

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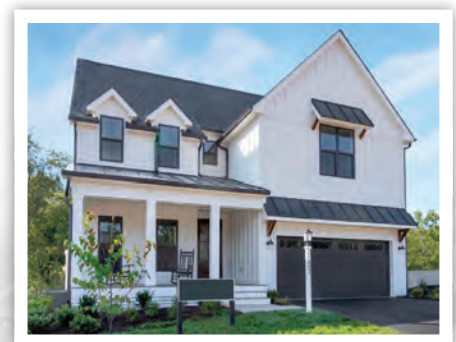
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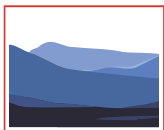
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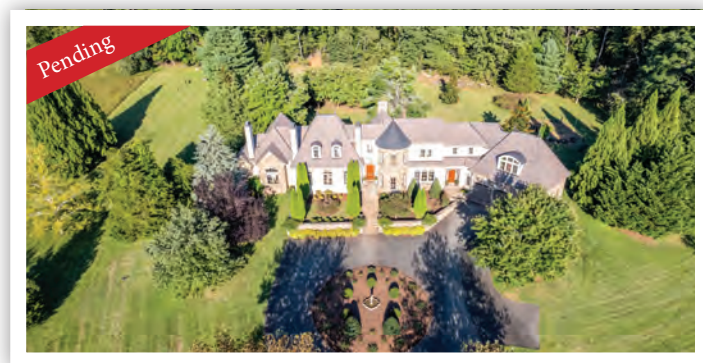
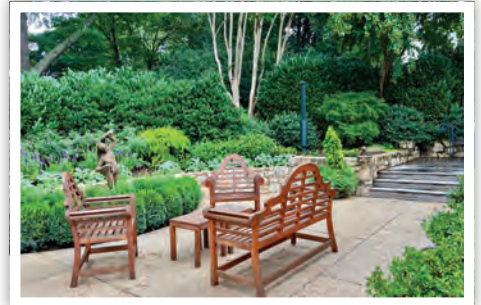


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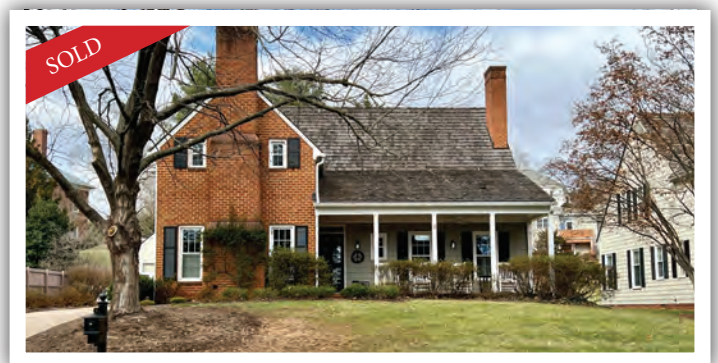
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