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SPECIAL MESSAGE

Last spring Franklin College President Jay Moseley announced he would retire effective June 30, 2015. In preparation for finding the institution’s next leader, the college formed a Presidential Search Committee.

The 12-member search committee is composed of alumni, staff administrators, college trustees and faculty members. Committee chair is trustee James V. Due ’82, senior vice president of corporate and institutional services at Northern Trust Co. in Chicago. Vice chair is trustee Susan (Wohlmuth) Williams ’67, retired president of Indiana Sports Corp. in Indianapolis.

“The search committee understands the importance of this responsibility and is committed to developing a robust and transparent process to attract a talented pool of candidates and to appropriately vet them. The board is confident that the committee will bring outstanding candidates forward for its consideration,” said Christi Fields ’74, board of trustees chair.

To guide the presidential search process, the committee selected the firm Witt/Kieffer, based in Oak Brook, Ill.
“Witt/Kieffer is a national leader in the higher education market sector,” said Due. “The firm’s presence, experience and resources, combined with its understanding of liberal arts institutions, assure that Franklin will have access to the strongest pool of potential candidates to lead the college in a dynamic and exciting period.”

The search committee recently collaborated with the firm to hold town hall-style meetings with the campus community. Input gathered during the meetings helped the firm identify the qualities and values desired in the next president and establish a description of the position to share with candidates. The timeline details for the search are still being determined, but the committee hopes to provide its hiring recommendation to the board of trustees for a vote during the February 2015 meeting.

The college has added a Presidential Search tab to its website menu. It offers public access to resources related to the search.
Franklin College’s Homecoming festivities took place Oct. 9–12. Recognition dinners, class reunions and athletic events brought together students, alumni and friends. Get a glimpse of the good times over the next six pages.

1. Heading to Faught Stadium for the football game are Alexis Bullock ’18, Ryanne Wise ’17, Richard Conway ’17, Justice Kleen ’16, Danielle Faczan ’16, Jayson Rabideau ’15, Jacob Smith ’17, Katie Cavin ’16 and Will Gosser ’17.

2. Gathered near the Faught Stadium entrance are Shannon Murphy ’16, Atama Abdourahmane ’15, Pok Sze (Ricky) Lai ’18, Ju Ling (Patty) Ko ’18 and Leilah-Olivia Hendricks ’17. Lai and Ko are exchange students from Hong Kong and Taiwan, respectively.

3. Watching the football game from the sidelines, left to right, are Adrianna Patterson ’18, Meghan Heltbrand ’18, Hannah Moore (Running Start program participant), Jessica Thom ’17, Lexi Herndon ’18, Kennedy Oser ’17 and Erin Sheets ’16. Seated behind them are Juliana Eckel ’18, Devon Joray ’17, Taylor Johnson ’17, Hannah Grow ’17 and Meghan Pretti ’18.

4. Franklin College President Jay Moseley and his wife, Candace, flank Homecoming queen Caitlyn Farris ’15 and king Jeremy Parker ’14.

5. The Franklin College Men’s Chorus performed “The Star Spangled Banner” prior to kickoff. Gathered for vocal warm-ups in row one are Nathaniel Staples ’17, Jesse Hamilton ’17, John Montgomery ’18, Nick Sanders ’16, Clayton Murphy ’17, Chris Percifield ’17 and Alex Devliegher ’16. In row two are Daniel Hicks ’18, Taylor Wacławik ’15, Chris Howard ’18, Jacob Broyer ’17, Jeremy Reed ’15, Matthew Doles ’17 and Troy Vanosdol ’18.

6. Gathered near the Cline Woods tailgating area are Terry Kinnett ’05, his wife, Danielle (Gibbs) ’06, and their friend, Aly (Pinnick) Werner ’04.

7. Grizzlies fans on the blanket are Laura (Wagner) Kappel ’08, her husband, Joe, and their 10-month-old son, Daniel. In the chairs are Laura Abbott-Smith ’08 and her husband, Jared ’08.

8. Lambda Chi Alpha alumni members Chuck Stumpf ’67, Robert Jarvis ’68, Jim Marshall ’71 and Jim Dykhuizen ’67 reunite over Homecoming weekend.


10. Science majors Allison Hendershot ’15, Corey Mills ’15 and Ariel Dryden ’15 hang out near Barnes Science Hall, where they offered hands-on learning activities for children.
1. The Class of ’04 reunion attendees in row one are Miranda (Banks) Kinter, Ashley (Swopes) Cross, Kelly Vance, Christina (Horan) DeWitt and Nicole (Stutler) Luhman. In row two are Jennifer (Bennett) Heghinin, Carrie (Sterk) Woodring, Shannon (Cerajewski) Walker, Kelley M. Hoagland and Mindy (Appleby) Sullivan.

2. Reminiscing are Janet (Cox) Payne ’64, Jay DeVoss ’64, Susan (Johnson) DeVoss ’65, a 2014 recipient of a Franklin College honorary doctorate and the immediate past board of trustees chair, and Susan (Mills) Stretchberry ’64.

3. The Class of ’84 reunion attendees in row one are Patrick Collier, Amy (Breedlove) Walker, Martin Gardner, Pete Keener and Dean Hicks. In row two are Nancy (Hathaway) Vandell, Kim (LaFary) Bemis and Jennifer (Dietz) St. Clair. In row three are Todd Bemis, Cindy (Stewart) Harcourt, Terry (Frost) Daugherty, Lee Ann (Nay) Hoy, Sherry (Piunti) Hyska and David Q. Maurer.

4. The Class of ’64 reunion attendees in row one are Sally (McNeely) Sturgell, Bonnie (Glardon) Rutherford, Marty (Mohr) McCarty, Bobbi (Azbell) Sanders, Bonnie Johnson, Jane (Hetlich) Perry, Susan (Mills) Stretchberry, Ann (Runyon) McKinney and Jane (Roesener) Gorbett. In row two are Tom Billings, Jay DeVoss, Andy Zajac (standing slightly back), Micci (Dawson) Richardson, Sue (Thompson) Zajac, Kathie Meredith, Pat Moorman, Ivan Lancaster (standing slightly back), Irv French, Dick Ennis (standing slightly back), Jim Harvey, Peter McKinney and Janet Cox Payne. In the third row are Sam Atford, Ron Wilson, Tom Howald and Larry Taulman.

5. The Class of ’94 reunion attendees are Cathy Snell-Owens, Mike Pecen, Jenny (Brown) Hertel, Dave Dunkle, Cindy (Ennis) Placek, Nicolina (Cobo) Kurek, Yuko (Kanda) Okabe and Scott Smith. Okabe traveled from her home in Japan to be part of Homecoming weekend.

6. Marty (Mohr) McCarty ’64 catches up with John Mohr, a Franklin College faculty member from 1974–77, who also happens to be her cousin.

7. Gathered around the college’s iconic bronze Ben Franklin sculpture are Bob Dilley ’03, his wife, Shay (Knecht) ’04, their daughter, Evelyn, and son, Garrett.

8. The Class of ’74 reunion attendees in row one are Jeff O’Brien, Debbi (Brown) Pollert, Peggyann Moore and Connie Baker Searcy. In row two are Mark Murray, Dee (Arnette) Dickerson, Chris (Watts) Anderson and Rhonda (Robertson) Craver. In row three are Jim Gallaway, Bob Weiss, Charles Hadley, Annette (Atkinson) Moore, Jackie (Funke) Richmond, Sandy (Jones) Wright and Jan (Latella) Fiedler. In row four are Gary Cooper, Christi Fields, Walter Jones, Keith Fiedler and Don Woebbecking.
Homecoming festivities included two recognition dinners to thank individuals for their positive impact on the college and celebrate their personal and professional accomplishments.

First was the Franklin College Athletic Hall of Fame Dinner, held on Thursday, Oct. 9, in recognition of three former student-athletes: Women’s basketball consistent scorer Jackie Ferguson ’83, men’s basketball record-holder Jason Sibley ’99 and football and track and field standout Bill Unsworth ’71. As part of the induction, their names and portraits were engraved upon a bronze recognition plaque permanently displayed in Spurlock Center. The trio also was recognized during halftime of Saturday’s football game against Earlham College. Highlights of their athletic achievements follow:

Ferguson was a consistent scorer for the basketball team, joining with Hall of Famer Judi Warren ’80 to help lead the team to win two NAIA championships. She led the Grizzlies’ win over unbeaten Butler University and Indiana Tech. During tournament play, Ferguson scored 41 points and grabbed 16 rebounds in the team’s two games. She was named to the honors-court team for her strong play.

Sibley was a two-time All-American and helped the men’s basketball team to consecutive 23–6 seasons during his junior and senior campaigns. He graduated as the program’s 10th all-time scorer, tallying 1,469 points. Sibley also holds the college’s single season (70) and career steals records (257). His efforts helped the Grizzlies advance to the Sweet 16 of the NCAA Division III tournament during the 1998–99 season. He increased his scoring by more than 4 points per game during each of his four seasons. As a senior, he averaged 21.4 points and 5.7 rebounds per game to earn All-American honors from the National Association of Basketball Coaches.

Unsworth was a two-sport athlete from 1967–71 and was a key member of the football team’s offensive and defensive lines. He was named the Most Outstanding Defensive Player and helped the Grizzlies win the Mineral Water Bowl. Unsworth served as co-captain of the football team.

In track and field, he won the Little State track and field shot put championship and posted an undefeated dual and triangular meet record.

One day after the athletic hall of fame dinner, alumni and friends reconvened on campus for the Hail to Franklin Dinner, Friday, Oct. 10. The Alumni Council presented three individuals with awards in recognition of contributions to their professions, their communities and the college: chemist Jerry Curnutt ’64, Ph.D., Franklin College President Jay Moseley, Ph.D., and presidential spouse Candace Moseley. Highlights from their bios follow:

The Alumni Council gave posthumous recognition to Curnutt, with a Distinguished Alumni Award. He held a Franklin College bachelor’s degree in chemistry and mathematics and was a member of Chi Beta Phi science honorary society. He also was vice president of the Student Council and a member of Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity, which he served as chapter president and Interfraternity Council representative. Additionally, he played on the men’s basketball team and ran cross-country.

After graduating from Franklin College, Curnutt continued his studies at the University of Nebraska, where he earned a master of science degree in 1966. According to his Franklin College sweetheart and widow, Beverly (Parker) ’66, “Jerry was well-prepared for graduate school because of professor Tom Hodge’s efforts. We initially questioned whether or not Jerry was prepared to compete with people coming from large, prestigious universities. This became a mute question very quickly.”

Curnutt’s research in the area of thermodynamics made him competitive for national distinctions and funding. He accepted a highly coveted graduate training fellowship from the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA). His work supported the development of enhanced rocket fuels.

Curnutt also was the recipient of a National Science Foundation Research Traineeship. In 1968, he earned a University of Nebraska doctorate in physical chemistry for his research on thermochemical studies. He was among the youngest in his cohort and completed his dissertation in only four years, half the time of others.
Within months of graduating, the Dow Chemical Co. hired Curnutt. During his tenure at Dow, Curnutt assisted the Joint Army Navy NASA Air Force to research and revise thermochemical tables, setting standards in the field. He co-wrote papers on thermodynamic properties of high-energy materials of interest to the U.S. Air Force as rocket fuels and searched for materials that would accelerate the rate of chemical reactions.

Over his lifetime, his research generated multiple patents and earned broad recognition and awards.

Curnutt also was recognized as a family man and community leader. In the late 1980s, he volunteered in several capacities with Franklin College, including serving with the Barnes Hall Committee during the Design the Future Campaign and with the Admissions Office as an Alumni Ambassador. Curnutt also was a Boy Scouts of America den leader, dedicated member of Rotary International and mentor for the Mathematics Department of the Midland, Mich., School Corporation. He was an active member of the United Church of Christ, serving as deacon and church treasurer until his death in 1992.

Curnutt and his family continue to enhance the lives of others today. Twenty-two years ago the family established an endowed scholarship for Franklin College students in his memory. Thirty students have already benefited from the scholarship, and many more will be added to the list in years to come.

The Alumni Council presented President Moseley with an Associate Alumni Award, an honor given to individuals who are not Franklin College graduates but have demonstrated outstanding loyalty and service to the college. Moseley and his wife, Candace, joined the Franklin College community in 2002. He serves as the institution’s 15th president and announced he will retire this coming June.

Immediately prior to Franklin, Moseley served as vice president and dean of the college at Transylvania University in Lexington, Ky. He and Candace brought to Franklin an emphasis on student-centered programming, campus improvements/expansions and community/regional relationships. The unifying theme of their work has been a deep commitment to a student-centered liberal arts experience.

Moseley has encouraged and supported growth of Franklin’s global studies opportunities, overseeing modifications to make the Winter Term travel-study courses more culturally immersive. He also has been a strong proponent of engaged learning through undergraduate research opportunities, internships and service-learning programs. During his tenure, the college has developed a 3+2 engineering program in collaboration with IUPUI, designed a master’s degree program in athletic training and taken steps toward launching a master’s degree program in physician assistant studies.

Further, Moseley’s tenure has included leading campus renovations that have transformed how the college serves students. Notable updates include reconfiguring Faught Stadium for football, soccer and lacrosse and developing Grizzly Park, a 70-acre athletics complex with tennis courts, track and field venues, baseball and softball fields and a walking trail.

Moseley also oversaw construction of the Von Boll Welcome Center, renovation of the Napolitan Alumni House, redesign and expansion of the Napolitan Student Center, acquisition of the 31-acre biology field station known as Hougham Woods, renovation of Richardson Chapel and the opening of 66 Water Street Arts Cafe. His efforts to improve the college’s physical facilities continue with new projects that reimagine campus spaces in order to support student-centered, innovative learning.

Beyond bricks and mortar, Moseley has built important relationships to help further the Franklin College mission and connect students with internship and career opportunities in Central Indiana. His community involvement includes current service on the board and a previous term as president for the Economic Club of Indiana. For the past 10 years, he has met monthly with the Franklin city mayor, superintendent of Franklin schools and president of Johnson Memorial Health to stay informed of community needs and opportunities, helping guide and engage the college as a valued partner. The college’s partnerships in the city of Franklin, Johnson County, Indianapolis and Central Indiana have been strengthened through his outreach.

The Alumni Council also presented Candace Moseley with an Associate Alumni Award.

Her professional background prior to Franklin College included teaching Latin at the high school and middle school levels. Candace said she particularly enjoyed opportunities continued on page 63
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Franklin Fast Facts

- **55** majors, **41** minors, **11** pre-professional programs, **4** cooperatives
- **96%** of students receive some form of financial assistance
- Average class size, **15** students
- **74** full-time teaching faculty, **0** teaching assistants
- **12:1** student to faculty ratio
- **100%** of students complete at least two service-learning experiences prior to graduation
- **95%** of Franklin graduates are employed or attending graduate school within six months of earning their degree
- **50+** clubs and student organizations
- **100%** of students complete at least one internship or intensive research experience before graduation

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Statue still stands for tradition

Benjamin Franklin is best remembered as a statesman, inventor and philosopher, but the iconic statue on Franklin College’s campus has portrayed him as many other colorful characters over the years. He has masqueraded as Peyton Manning in a No. 18 Indianapolis Colts jersey, sported a red and white striped shirt with the message “Where’s Waldo,” donned a Superman cape and been wrapped in pink with a white bra for breast cancer awareness. Painting the statue at the corner of Monroe Street and Branigin Boulevard is a tradition that started five years after its arrival in 1963.

In between Ben’s many wardrobe changes, he has reverted to a standard gray from head to toe. But, the years of shenanigans and layers of paint had taken their toll. Over the summer, a contractor spent several weeks removing paint and fixing crumbling parts to ensure the statue will remain intact for years to come.

A new sealer coat was put on at the end of the restoration to help prevent paint from sticking and make the statue easier to clean. The college is not ending the tradition of painting or decorating the statue but is encouraging students to be thoughtful about their actions.

“It’s a good thing. It’s a fun thing, when it’s appropriate,” President Jay Moseley said. “Something that makes a point and is a point the community values, that’s a fine thing for Ben Franklin to be associated with.”

The college has issued a policy indicating individuals or groups who are found to have painted the statue without requesting written permission from the dean of students will be responsible for paying the cost to restore it to its original state. Charges could range from $500 to $1,000.

Franklin named among Midwest’s best colleges

A consumer resource that prospective students and parents often look to for college advice has ranked Franklin College favorably in its recent list. U.S. News and World Report named Franklin College sixth in its Best Regional Colleges: Midwest category.

Franklin had an overall score of 79 out of 100, tied with Cedarville University and Marietta College, both located in Ohio, as well as Northwestern College in Iowa.

Franklin College scored well in several categories, but its small class size and high alumni giving rate had the greatest impact on its overall rank. Additionally, the rankings also took into account factors such as freshman retention rates, acceptance rates and faculty-to-student ratios, among others. Most of these statistics were based on records from 2014.

U.S. News and World Report describes the schools in the Regional Colleges group as those that focus almost entirely on the undergraduate experience offering a broad range of programs in the liberal arts and in fields such as business, nursing and education. The Regional Colleges group includes 364 colleges across the country, and, for ranking purposes, they are divided into sub-groups based on location: North, South, Midwest and West.
The Franklin College Board of Trustees recently elected a new member, Robert B. Brown. He is chief marketing officer (CMO) for Eli Lilly and Co. and senior vice president of marketing for Lilly’s Bio-Medicines Business Unit. As CMO, Brown is responsible for building and leading marketing capabilities across Lilly’s pharmaceutical business units, including diabetes, oncology, emerging markets and bio-medicines.

Brown joined Lilly in 1985, after receiving a bachelor’s degree in economics from DePauw University and a master’s in business administration from Indiana University. Since that time he has held a variety of sales and marketing positions.

In 1994, Brown helped establish STC Corp., a generic subsidiary for Lilly, and served as its first president. In 1995, he accepted the position of general manager for Lilly China, where he helped Lilly establish its presence. He managed a joint venture in Suzhou, oversaw the construction of Lilly’s first manufacturing facility in China and expanded the affiliate’s reach from 12 to 45 cities.

Brown returned to Indianapolis in 1999 as global marketing director for Cialis and Lilly ICOS, a 50/50 joint venture between Lilly and ICOS Corp. Under his leadership, Cialis was awarded Best Brand Launch of the Year by the Pharmaceutical Marketing Congress.

In 2003, Brown was promoted to executive director of marketing for the intercontinental region. In 2004, he added responsibility for Europe. As the head marketer for Lilly’s international operations, Brown was responsible for the marketing of all Lilly products outside the United States. In July 2007, Brown was promoted to vice president and chief marketing officer for Lilly USA, where he partnered with the business units to ensure Lilly continued to develop industry-leading marketing capabilities, streamline and improve marketing processes, and transform marketing by building a consumer marketing center of excellence.

Brown’s role was later expanded to include strategy and analytics. Outside Lilly, Brown serves as president of the Park Tudor Board of Trustees. He is also an honorary citizen of Suzhou, China.

Brown has family roots at Franklin College. His stepfather, the late Jim Hoover, was a Franklin College trustee, and his mother, the late Carroll Brown Hoover, was a friend of the college.

In September, the Tibetan Mongolian Buddhist Cultural Center in collaboration with Franklin College hosted a group of Sera Je Monks from Northern India. During their four-day campus visit, the monks participated in activities to help educate the public about their culture and traditions. In addition to providing an evening performance of dance, music, puppetry and debate, the monks spent several days constructing a sacred sand mandala. With primitive funnels and metal rods, the monks spent 10 to 12 hours a day over a period of three days precisely placing millions of colored sand grains into a beautiful five-by-five pattern from which their finished mandala emerged. Mandalas, with their geometric patterns and iconography, are tools for consecrating the earth and its inhabitants.

On the final day of their stay, the monks performed a ritualistic dismantling of the mandala. The ritual is symbolic of life’s impermanence. A portion of the sand was gifted to the college as a blessing, and the remainder was swept into a vessel and carried to Province Park, where it was released into Hurricane Creek. The monks believe the waters can carry the healing blessing to the ocean and from there throughout the world for planetary healing.

The Tibetan Mongolian Center is located in Bloomington, Ind., and previously collaborated with the college to twice host Labrang Tashi Kyil monks who were on a campaign to help spread peace and cultural understanding. One of their sand mandalas was presented as a gift to the college and remains on display in the Napolitan Student Center.
College hosts Congressional forum

Franklin College hosted an in-depth community conversation on Oct. 13 with the three candidates for Indiana’s Ninth District seat in the U.S. House of Representatives — Dem. Bill Bailey, Lib. Mike Frey and Rep. Todd Young. The event took place in the Napolitan Student Center’s Branigin Room and was open to the public. The conversation was broadcast on the college radio station and website.

Many faculty, staff and students were involved in planning and executing the event. John Krull ’81 Pulliam School of Journalism (PSJ) director was the moderator. Political science professors Randy Smith and Alli Fetter-Harrott guided a team of their students through handling the campaigns and candidates and analyzing the district and the race. Journalism professor Ray Begovich and his public relations students ran the event with clockwork precision and produced a two-minute promotional spot for Franklin College. Journalism professor Joel Cramer and broadcast journalism coordinator Aubrey Helms handled the live broadcast, troubleshooting some technical challenges with skill and grace and overseeing production of four recorded pieces. Executive editor Lesley Weidenbener coordinated student reporters to cover the event for TheStatehouseFile.com. Members of the college’s Information Technology Department, including Ginger George-Nelis, Eric Schwartz and Scott Sullivan, also staffed the event and addressed technical issues to assist media representatives with their coverage of the event.

Political forums are not new to Franklin College, which previously hosted a debate for five Republicans battling for Sen. Evan Bayh’s seat in 2010 and held Indiana’s gubernatorial debate in 2004 when Mitch Daniels, Kenn Gividen and Joe Kernan were candidates.

TKE men take chapter to top

Tau Kappa Epsilon (TKE) fraternity’s international headquarters recently recognized Rho Upsilon at Franklin College as one of three top chapters in the Midwest for the 2013–14 academic year.

Each year the headquarters sets goals TKE chapters must reach. The goals include events related to recruitment, alumni relations, academic success, extracurricular activities and community service. The Franklin chapter reached every goal issued.

With 24 returning members and 15 new members last academic year, the group raised $5,836 for St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital and $7,434 for other philanthropic causes. The chapter also completed 4,286 community service hours while maintaining a 2.91 chapter GPA.

The chapter has received nine top awards since it was founded in 1988.

Amanda (McIntosh) Eaton ’10, the chapter adviser and Franklin College senior admissions counselor, said, “I am so proud of what these men accomplished this past year. They worked tirelessly building their brotherhood and focusing on important areas such as academics, leadership and community service. I saw them grow as leaders, not only in their fraternity, but on campus, too. More importantly, they did it with great spirits and positive attitudes.”

According to Drew DeLaCruz ’15, chapter president, some keys to last year’s success included having broad participation in TKE’s regional leadership conferences and strictly adhering to the bylaws. The decision led to long meetings, tough debates and, ultimately, the loss of a few members.

DeLaCruz said the TKE chapter officers worked extremely hard to change the culture of their brotherhood and their organization’s reputation on campus. The hard work seems to have paid off for the fraternity.
The legacy continues . . .

Following in the footsteps of relatives who are attending or have graduated from Franklin College is a family tradition for many students. Within a family, the custom may even span multiple generations. Each student — past or present — represents their family’s Franklin College legacy.

This fall, some of the new students who proudly carry on their family’s legacy and share a place in Franklin College history gathered for a voluntary photo. The new students’ names appear in italics, and their relatives’ names appear in bold and parentheses. We’re proud to have all of them in the Franklin family.

Class of 2018 legacy students seated in row one are Joanna List (uncle, Chad Warweg ’90), Kelsey Baker (mother, Jennifer Paris Baker ’90; cousin, Kendall Paris ’10; cousin, Justin Paris ’03), Adam Shepherd (father, Travis Shepherd ’91; aunt, Tracy Shepherd ’91; cousin, Cheryl Deckard White ’86; cousin, Julie Deckard Claxton ’87; cousin, Chris Conoley ’90; cousin, Angie Rodgers Conoley ’88; cousin, Will Conoley ’12; cousin, Caitlyn Conoley ’09; cousin, Josh Deckard ’05; cousin, Jake Deckard ’11; cousin, Jan Olson Yaden ’04; cousin, Jeff Jackson’88; cousin, Sara Park Jackson ’91; cousin, Hannah White ’18; cousin, Sarah White ’15; cousin, Rebecca White ’13), McKenna Brown (mother, Lisa Dunn Brown ’89; grandfather, Richard Dunn ’50; grandaughter, Marjorie Brackman Dunn ’62; uncle, Ken Dunn ’51; cousin, Lauren Hawes ’12), Carrigan Peak (mother, Peggy Wise Peak ’92; aunt, Pam Wise ’92), Taria Braun (sister, Erin Cataldi ’11), Jennifer Mangrum (father, Gary E. Mangrum’82), Katelyn Pierce (mother, Kimberly Bennett Pierce ’91), Alaina May (mother, Rebecca Horstman May ’81; cousin, Suzette Rodgers Gehrich ’88; aunt, Shelli Rodger’s Rodd ’91), and Jonathan Parker (cousin, Chad Hoffman ’06).

In row two are Elyse Hoy (mother, Lee Ann Nay Hoy ’84), Hannah White (mother, Cheryl Deckard White ’86; sister, Rebecca White ’13; sister, Sarah White ’15; cousin, Josh Deckard ’05; cousin, Travis Shepherd ’91; cousin, Adam Shepherd ’18; cousin, Liz Yaden ’18), Jennifer Mangrum (father, Gary E. Mangrum’82), Haleigh Taylor (aunt, Natasha McCormick Ray ’05), Suzie Sickels (sister, Elizabeth Sickels ’14; uncle, Scott Sickels ’87), Kendell Buennagel (mother, Kristy Brown ’86) and Grant Witty (uncle, Steve Witty ’69; cousin, Keith Witty ’06).

In row three are Grace Paszek (father, Joe Paszek ’90), Shelby Springer, (cousin three times removed, Roger D. Branigin ’23; great-great great uncle, Verne Branigin 1904 and Elba Branigin ’30), Katelyn Pierce (mother, Kimberly Bennett Pierce ’91), Alaina May (mother, Rebecca Horstman May ’81; cousin, Suzannah Bridges Hallgarth ’01; cousin, David Hallgarth ’01; cousin, Kara Edens-Magner ’10), Jacob Wolf (grandmother, Nanci Jones Rodgers ’57; grandfather, Don Rodgers ’57; great uncle, Don Jones ’59; great aunt, Peg Jones ’74; aunt, Cheryl Rodgers ’80; aunt, Suzette Rodgers Gehrich ’88; aunt, Shelli Rodgers Rodd ’91), and Jonathan Parker (cousin, Chad Hoffman ’06).

In row four are Thomas Maxwell (uncle, Dean Hicks ’84), Shelby Collier (grandmother, Mary Ruth Collier ’60), Max Hensley (father, Mark Hensley ’95; mother, Mary Beth Peel Hensley ’96), Thad Harmon (father, Jeff Harmon ’93; second cousin, Sheila Dougherty Harmon ’94; Nick Hines (cousin, Shawn Hines ’10), Kyle Konkle (sister, Alisha Konkle ’08) and Rebecca Bridges (father, David Bridges ’86; uncle, Karl Bridges ’86; uncle, Michael Bridges ’90; uncle, Colin Bridges ’98; grandfather William “Bill” Bridges ’56).
Dear Alumni and Friends,

Our Franklin College promise is to provide a transformative liberal arts experience that prepares graduates to think independently, to lead responsibly and to serve with integrity in their professions, in their community and in the world. Delivering on that promise requires tremendous resources — human, physical and financial — made possible by Franklin donors.

With this Annual Report, we wish to recognize and thank donors in two ways: First are our traditional donor listings identifying members of the college’s lifetime giving societies as well as alumni classes and corporate donors; second are 12 profiles of young men and women — students and alumni — who share glimpses of their transformative Franklin College experiences.

Their stories reflect the significance of meaningful relationships with faculty and staff, the relevance of internships and community partnerships and the value of a liberal arts experience encompassing athletics, the arts and service learning. Each profile illustrates a unique college journey yet underscores a similar outcome — Franklin College puts students and alumni in a frame of mind to be remarkable. Results like these wouldn’t be possible without support like yours.

We are sincerely grateful for your gifts that enable Franklin College to provide need- and merit-based student scholarships, to recruit and retain outstanding faculty and to develop and grow academic programs. Together these opportunities help students graduate with the intellectual and social skills needed to navigate the real world and become alumni whose professional accomplishments and service bring honor to themselves and to Franklin College. As a result, our alumni strengthen the institution’s reputation and value.

Hence every donor dollar counts — every year — toward the college’s promise. Thank you for enabling Franklin College the chance to provide new students the same transformative experience that has shaped generations of Grizzlies. Thank you for your life-changing loyalty and generosity.

Sincerely,

Jay Moseley
Franklin College President

As I reflect on the 2013–14 fiscal year, I am reminded what a privilege it is to work alongside campus administrators, faculty and staff who share a commitment to providing a student-centered liberal arts experience. The trustees also continue to enhance the student experience through outreach that fuels strategic partnerships and, thereby, leverages involvement and investment from community and business leaders. Our combined efforts enable Franklin College to better serve students through scholarships, academic programs and facility enhancements. Of course, we couldn’t do it without you!

I want to thank all donors who graciously gave their time and financial support to Franklin College during the fiscal year. Donor support helps Franklin College continue to grow in scope and reputation, both of which are critical to attracting first-rate faculty and students as well as to making the institution competitive for charitable grants and corporate philanthropic support.

We can be proud of our fiscal-year achievements, including exceeding the Franklin Fund goal by 5 percent for a total of $658,000! We also achieved an alumni participation rate of 26 percent — an indicator of donor love for and loyalty to Franklin College. Further, in 2013, U.S. News and World Report named Franklin College sixth in the Best Regional Colleges Midwest category and sixth in the Best Value Schools Midwest category.

The report cited Franklin’s small class sizes and student-to-faculty ratio favorably, and also highlighted the alumni participation rate. Alumni participation continues to directly impact the college’s fiscal strength and give national ranking organizations an indicator of how satisfied graduates are with their degrees; both factors influence the college choices of prospective students and parents. For these reasons and more, every donor gift counts, every fiscal year.

This fiscal year, I encourage you to continue or renew your financial support of Franklin College and to consider involvement in alumni activities, cultural and athletic events, sponsorships, guest panels and internship-hosting opportunities. College publications, social media outlets and the Office of Alumni Engagement are great resources for further information.

Together, we can help Franklin College accomplish even greater achievements. I look forward to our progress.

Sincerely,

Christi Fields ’74
Franklin College Board of Trustees Chair
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Accounts receivable, net ........................................... 3,882,970
Pledges receivable, net of allowance ............................ 1,205,778
Investments ............................................................. 90,076,145
Inventories, prepaid expenses and other assets .............. 661,728
Investments in plant, net ........................................... 47,752,825
Bond issue costs ....................................................... 119,159
Cash surrender value of life insurance .......................... 156,320
Total assets .......................................................... $ 145,305,639

LIABILITIES
Accounts payable ...................................................... $ 622,430
Accrued payroll and other ......................................... 1,223,462
Borrowings under lines of credit ................................. 2,225,000
Long-term debt ....................................................... 8,061,500
Advances from federal agency for student loans ............ 1,755,710
Liabilities under charitable annuity unitrust agreements .. 887,794
Capital lease obligation .............................................. 392,157
Deferred tuition, fees and deposits ............................. 254,533
Funds held for campus organizations ........................... 145,346
Total liabilities ....................................................... $ 15,567,932

NET ASSETS
Unrestricted ........................................................... $ 70,800,222
Temporarily restricted ............................................... 18,107,974
Permanently restricted .............................................. 40,832,511

TOTAL NET ASSETS .................................................. $129,737,707

REVENUES
Tuition and fees 64.1%  
Contributions (including pledges) 9.5%  
Miscellaneous 3%  
Investment income 11.4%  
Auxiliaries 14.7%  
Academic support 7.9%

EXPENDITURES
Instruction 22.9%  
Student services 17.1%  
Fundraising 3.6%  
Institution support 7.0%  
Student aid 10.9%  
Auxiliary expenditures 10.6%

ENDOWMENT COMPOSITION
The Franklin College Endowment assets are invested according to the asset allocation policy adopted by the board of trustees. The Investment Committee of the board directs and reviews the endowment investment policies and performance.

The total assets of the endowment equals $88,501,173 as of June 30, 2014. The majority of the assets are designated to the endowment pool; others are invested individually due to donor restrictions. Twenty-one investment managers are used to invest the endowment pool. The endowment pool has a balance of $85,950,955 allocated as shown below:

Cash and cash equivalents 1.5% ................................. $ 1,312,196
Bond funds and ETFs 13.5% .................................... 11,620,923
Stock funds and ETFs 41.9% .................................. 36,022,285
Funds of funds 10.7% ............................................ 9,202,005
Alternative investments 28.0% ................................. 24,043,546
Real estate 4.4% .................................................... 3,750,000
Total ................................................................. $ 85,950,955

Other endowment assets are invested according to donor instructions. These funds total $2,550,218. This amount includes life insurance and annuity balances with a market value of $1,454,468.

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“Franklin College puts me in the frame of mind to reach my full potential in life.”

For Bailey Lindamood ’17, balance is the key to college success. Her commitments as an exercise science major, softball player, student ambassador, new student mentor and Zeta Tau Alpha member are challenging, but she manages to prioritize all her roles while maintaining a nearly perfect GPA. Her secrets to success? Fortitude and the Franklin family.

“Because of Franklin College I feel like I have a whole other family to support me,” said Lindamood.

That feeling began the first time Lindamood set foot on campus.

“I met Kathy Taylor Remsburg (athletic training program director) on my first college visit. I was worried about whether I could handle such an intense major and also play softball, which I really wanted to continue from high school. Professor Remsburg was so knowledgeable about the program and her confidence in me was so reassuring that I left campus feeling excited and confident I could do both.”

Now Lindamood, an honors student and recent recipient of the annual Laurels Trophy for academic achievement and campus involvement, is on her way to earning two Franklin College degrees, a bachelor’s degree in exercise science in her fourth year and a master’s degree in athletic training in her fifth year. Her career goal is to become a certified athletic trainer and work with professional athletes.

“I feel lucky to be at Franklin at the same time the new master’s degree in athletic training program is taking off,” said Lindamood. “I can’t stop smiling because of where I am and what I’m doing in life; I know it’s right.”

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"Franklin College put me in the frame of mind to figure out the best way I could help others."

As assistant athletic trainer for Indiana University’s cross-country and track and field teams, Jacob Crow ’11 has nearly 100 men and women relying on him for sports injury evaluation, treatment and rehabilitation as well as prevention education. His workdays can be long, and his weekends are sometimes non-existent, but the job is his dream-come-true.

“I grew up a fan of the university so it was incredible to be hired, and especially to work for a program with such a long and successful history,” said Crow.

Crow credits his undergraduate experience in athletic training at Franklin for giving him solid career preparation and helping him set professional goals. Crow valued the chance to intern with St. Vincent Sports Performance and participate in field rotation experiences at physician’s offices, high schools and hospitals.

“Getting the chance to be in those different environments and observe what professionals were doing helped me figure out what would work best for me,” said Crow.

Another benefit of the Franklin experience, said Crow, was having supportive professors and staff always available to encourage, motivate and mentor him. “From day one, the athletic training program professors and staff showed genuine interest in me and my success, and that was the theme throughout my Franklin experience,” Crow said.

Today, the roles have reversed, giving Crow the chance to pay it forward. “Typically when student-athletes come to see me they’re in a vulnerable chance to pay it forward. “Typically when student-athletes come to see me they’re in a vulnerable state,” said Crow. “The most important part of my job is being able to connect with them so we can build trust and figure out a plan of action. Franklin College gave me the skills and confidence to do both.”

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Oftentimes Dr. Caitlyn Conoley ’09 sees patients whose symptoms do not fall into any classic textbook description of the diseases she studied at the Indiana University School of Optometry. In her career, she must adapt, consider multiple possibilities, work in a team and find solutions without losing focus on the patient. It is a challenging environment but having a liberal arts background helps Conoley keep perspective under pressure.

“Every patient’s condition is slightly different so you have to approach each day a little differently,” said Conoley. “I think my liberal arts background helps me know how to prioritize the details as well as see how all the pieces fit together in the big picture.”

Another benefit of Conoley’s liberal arts experience was having professors with a vast network of professional contacts. Biology professor Sam Rhodes helped facilitate an internship for Conoley during her junior year with Frechette Eye Center in Franklin. The fit was perfect for Conoley and the center, which allowed her to extend the experience into part-time employment in her senior year. She then continued working at the center part time through graduate school. She is now a full-time employee.

“One of the advantages of my internship was that it gave me a broader view of the optometry field. I started behind the scenes, which gave me the chance to see the inner-workings of the business as well as aspects of customer service. Having some knowledge about the different areas helped when I transitioned into my career.”

Outside of her career, Conoley has several hobbies and interests that she balances with work commitments.

“Time management is the best life skill I took away from Franklin College,” she said. “Real-life isn’t one-dimensional so I’m appreciative that my education wasn’t.”
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“Franklin College puts me in the frame of mind to overcome any obstacles I may face.”

When Jake David ’15 enrolled at Franklin College he was on the fence. He felt called to ministry but also wanted to have a liberal arts experience and play football with team Griz. Deep into his first semester, David was struggling to figure out options for his future. Eventually, he consulted a professor of philosophy and religion for help.

“David Carlson listened to me and helped me see how the liberal arts experience could help support my goals. One of the things he suggested was majoring in English to work on the writing and communication skills I’ll need in preparation of becoming a pastor. Those are the fundamental skills I’ll need during seminary and, of course, to help people,” said David.

Even well-laid plans can be scary though.

“I’ve always been more of a numbers guy. English was not my strongest subject in high school so committing to it as a major took a leap of faith,” said David.

“Writing is definitely a growing process; it’s still not easy for me, but when I earn an A it means the world because I know how hard I’ve worked for it.”

One of David’s proudest college accomplishments was being accepted into the college’s English honorary society.

“Being a starter on the football team freshman year was also huge,” he said. “Football definitely influenced why I chose Franklin College, but the reasons I stayed are so much more than that. It’s the personable atmosphere you feel because of the professors, other students, coaches and counselors. That’s a very big pro on my list.”

For David, Franklin College and the football program are a winning combination. “In class and on the football field, I’ve learned a lot about diversity, team work and respect. All of it has been good preparation for handling what I may encounter after college.”
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Jake David ’15
“Franklin College puts me in the frame of mind to believe in myself and the things I’ve learned here. They’ll get me where I need to go.”

Natavia Howell ’15 wants to build a career as a broadcast journalist, and she is ready to jump hurdles to make her dream come true.

Over the course of her Franklin College experience, Howell has taken several important steps toward her career goal. Currently reporting for Griz-TV, a college athletics webcast, and previously interned with the Indianapolis Recorder newspaper and the TheStatehouseFile.com, a nonpartisan news bureau created by the Franklin College Pulliam School of Journalism and operated in the Indiana Statehouse.

“How both internships helped me see a lot of areas of improvement I can make as a journalist,” said Howell. “It was nerve-wracking but beneficial to be in situations where it wasn’t just about making a good grade. The real tests were meeting the boss’s expectations and figuring how to work side by side with actual professionals in the field.”

Howell credits her journalism professors for providing excellent internship preparation.

“My professors have helped me with resumes, letters and mock-interviews, and they’ve pushed me to go further than I ever thought I could go. Whether it’s selling my skills on paper or during an elevator speech, I’m ready,” said Howell.

Howell’s can-do attitude also is greatly influenced by her track coach Paul Sargent ’91, she said.

“He is a very positive person and strong leader. One of the things he taught me is how to visualize the race, focus on the positive and see myself doing great. It’s a technique I use in all kinds of situations now.”

Howell’s strategy is paying off in the classroom and on the track, where she holds the college record in the indoor 60-meter dash (8.13).

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Eric L. Richards
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Kristin Dane Ewing
Leah Pickerell Coggeshall
Luke H. Britt

**Wellhouse Society**
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Victoria Valant Kingsley
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Jennifer Smith Setser

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Jacob W. Sappenfield

**Wellhouse Society**
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**Wellhouse Society**
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Alan C. Hensell
For as long as he can remember, Immanuel Jones ’15 has been a creative person: Dancer, artist and videographer, to name a few. Still, he felt some insecurity about relying on his talents to build a career. For him, Franklin College has been an affirming experience.

“I learned there’s value in what I do, in my art. Not everybody can do what I do; my artistic skills are uniquely my own,” said Jones.

Jones may not have had such a meaningful realization during college, if it were not for an influential assistant professor of art and journalism.

“Wendy Shapiro has helped me in two ways; first, she helped me see that my art matters because it can impact people. Art makes people happy, inspired, aware — changed.

“Second, she caused me to develop a thicker skin. She gives constructive criticism that’s very direct but encouraging. I’ve had times when she has said, ‘You can do better,’ or ‘you’re more creative than that.’ It’s helped me realize my first idea may not be the best idea, and that’s ok. There’s always a way to make something better.”

Over the summer, Jones, an art studio major, had the chance to put theory into practice. With coordination assistance from the Franklin College Office of Global Education, Jones interned in Barcelona, Spain, with the Performing Arts Abroad organization. He primarily worked as a graphic artist, developing website content and logos. He also produced a marketing video for the company.

“I realized video production work is what I like most. I like making things that aren’t stagnant and that have potential to reach masses of people. I can touch more lives through videos, and that’s important to me.

“I think I’m on the right career track,” said Jones.
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Shannon Murphy ’16 was raised by parents who encouraged her to have a servant’s heart. Her involvement in helping others has deepened at Franklin College, where she serves as secretary of the Habitat for Humanity chapter.

“My freshman year I was looking for ways to get involved, and I came across Habitat. I liked the mission of helping families so I decided to attend an open house to learn more. The rest is history,” said Murphy.

Since joining the chapter, Murphy has helped coordinate several fundraisers, including a birdhouse auction featuring student, faculty and staff members’ hand-painted creations.

“I’m proud that last year’s auction raised money in support of a women-only build in Franklin and that a lot of college faculty and staff members were on the construction team,” said Murphy, who has twice been part of a construction team.

Last year, she participated in an alternative spring break option in which she and peers helped build a home in Kentucky. She also helped at a site in Southern Indiana, where she met a single father moved to tears while helping build his son’s future bedroom.

“It’s really meaningful to serve with Habitat because you get to work side by side with the future homeowner; you get to see their face light up when they talk about what a difference a home is going to make to their family,” said Murphy.

Murphy will get a glimpse of Habitat’s international impact through a 2015 Winter Term travel course to Uganda, Africa.

As a dual-major in accounting and business finance, Murphy looks forward to exploring how her skills could help a nonprofit such as Habitat someday. “I’m just excited to learn everything I can,” she said.
Heading into his senior year of college, Patrick Roberts ’08 was in the enviable position of having job offers from two accounting firms. Both were places he had interned, and each gave him a different perspective on corporate culture and client service. Without the opportunity to gain real-world experience before his graduation, Roberts said it would have been difficult to choose the right career fit.

“Both my internships were great, but they were at firms very opposite of each other in terms of clients and size,” said Roberts. “In the end, I chose a small firm with a family atmosphere and a focus on helping individuals. All of those aspects fit my personality best, and my internships helped me realize it.”

Roberts joined Veros Partners on Indianapolis’ south side full time in 2008, and today serves as one of the firm’s client advisers. He assists clients with retirement planning, mortgage analysis and debt management, among other wealth management services. He also fulfills some roles you might not expect of a CPA.

“The fun part of working at a small firm is wearing many hats. One of mine is serving as liaison with our outsourced technology support firm and taking care of our computer hardware needs. Another of my roles is serving as treasurer of the firm’s charitable committee and reporting its activities each month,” said Roberts.

Roberts recognizes his confidence and adaptability are results of a liberal arts background emphasizing critical thinking, clear communication and teamwork.

“I’ve had a lot of ‘aha’ moments in my career when I’ve realized how important it was to have professors who taught me how to work in groups and to learn rather than just memorize material,” he said.
The communications field has changed since Carissa (Snyder) Long ’06 earned her journalism degree eight years ago, but Franklin College provided her a foundation of skills that remain relevant.

Long serves as director of public relations (PR) for the Indiana State Bar Association. She edits an e-newsletter, coordinates press releases and provides marketing support to individual attorneys, sections and committees. In recent years, her duties have expanded to include social media management, a topic she frequently presents on at association conferences and an area in which she recently won an award for excellence.

Long said her liberal arts background, including critical-thinking skills, ability to communicate clearly and passion for learning, have allowed her to be nimble and grow professionally to meet the changing needs of her organization.

“The success of my position depends on my ability to wear all the multiple hats required on any given day,” she said. The writing skills she honed in college are indispensable.

“I use my skills as a writer to further the association’s mission and to help individual lawyers; it’s the most rewarding aspect of my job,” she said.

Long values relationships she built with influential faculty members who continue to be mentors, including journalism professor Hank Nuwer.

“I remember taking his magazine writing class and being so inspired that I would wake up in the middle of the night with story ideas to write down,” she said. Long still has late-night epiphanies, but today they’re related to new ideas for work.

“Franklin College instilled me with the confidence and work ethic needed to succeed in the classroom and my career,” she said.
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Parentheses indicate honorary degrees.
For Wilson Mack ‘06, the job title creative director has a double meaning. By day, he is an innovative communicator for International Medical Group® Inc., and, by night, he is a regional award-winning filmmaker. Neither role is what you might imagine for a man with a degree in psychology and political science.

“I’m a poster child for the liberal arts,” Mack said. “My degree has been relevant no matter where I work because my classes in psychology, political science, English and art provided a broad foundation of knowledge and skills.”

“Whether I’m producing international marketing materials for my employer’s five subsidiaries and having to take diversity and cultural perspectives into account or collaborating with friends on a short film project, I constantly use the critical-thinking and communication skills I honed in Franklin classes.”

Mack’s Franklin experience also included a job-shadow experience and a Winter Term internship that exposed him to law school and a potential career in labor relations. Both helped him realize becoming an attorney wouldn’t be the best career fit.

“The beauty of Franklin is that you get to try a lot of different things, and that helps you figure out what’s going to stick,” said Mack. “That environment helped set the stage for the diverse interests and creative pursuits I enjoy today.”

One of those pursuits is making short films with friends, including some Franklin classmates. For two consecutive years, Mack and his team, Short Pants Productions, have won Best Film at the Indianapolis 48 Hour Film Project.
Tiffany Tibbot ’11 wants people to give peace a chance. As a facilitator for the Peace Learning Center in Indianapolis, she leads interactive conflict resolution, diversity and anti-bullying programs for youth. Her effectiveness depends on knowing how to bridge gaps between participants of diverse socio-economic backgrounds and how to ask questions that will help them glean lessons from the programs.

“There isn’t a week that goes by that I don’t connect some experience, some conversation, some lesson or some relationship from Franklin College with my life today,” she said.

There was a time when Tibbot could not have imagined stepping into her current leadership role.

“From freshman to senior year, I transformed from someone shy, confused about her future and direction in life.”

Tibbot pursued a journalism degree in college but wondered if another career path might be a better fit. For her, it was pivotal to explore courses outside her major and participate in learning opportunities that extended beyond the traditional classroom.

“Through my liberal arts education I had a chance to see new possibilities for my future,” she said.

For her, a Winter Term trip investigating nonprofit work in Uganda, Africa, was affirming of a new career direction. Internships also were paramount.

“My first job out of college was with the business I interned at during my senior year,” she said.

“Much of who I am today was shaped during the time I spent at Franklin.”
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For some college students, naps are an essential part of the daily routine, but not for Brody Perrine ’17. He is happiest when actively contributing to the campus community as a new student mentor or Admissions Office ambassador. When he is not involved in activities with either group, you are likely to find him serving with Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity, Passion for Paws or Alpha Lambda Delta honorary.

He credits two college experiences for motivating him to lead and serve.

“First was joining SAE fraternity at the encouragement of my big brother, Tyler Heavin ’14. He is the epitome of a true gentleman and a model student. He influenced me to take ownership of my character and grades,” said Perrine.

It is no coincidence Perrine recently won the college’s annual Lancers Trophy for academic achievement and campus involvement.

“Second was choosing a leadership minor and taking a class with Bonnie Pribush (professor emerita of the leadership program). Her class, through group work and special projects, gave me new perspective about myself and other people.”

Perrine’s transformative experiences are indicative of the college’s close-knit community.

“Franklin College is truly a home away from home; I experienced that firsthand after my brother passed away last year. I had professors who hardly knew me offering comfort and taking care of me,” he said.

“Franklin College is a community within the community.”
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Campus minister excited to help students discover, grow their faith

Franklin’s dedicated, caring faculty and staff members are devoted to teaching and mentoring students, and they provide leadership and service in their disciplines, communities and the world. As scholars, researchers, writers, consultants and artists, their professional contributions reflect tremendous breadth and depth. The Faculty/Staff Notes provide a glimpse of their recent activities and accomplishments.

Kirk Bixler, assistant dean of students and director of career services, is co-chair of the College Career Center Consortium, chair of Accounting Interview Day and a member of the Earlham College Alumni Council.

Susan Crisafulli, professor of English, recently wrote the article “Flipping the Composition Classroom.” It was published in the collection Implementation and Critical Assessment of the Flipped Classroom Experience.

David Cunningham, associate professor of fine arts, recently had work purchased by the Indiana State Museum for its permanent collection. The painting, titled “New Year’s Resolution,” won an award for outstanding still-life at the Hoosier Salon juried exhibition over the summer. Cunningham has worked in numerous permanent collections across the state, including the University of Evansville, Indiana University, the University of Southern Indiana and Vectren Corp. This is the first piece purchased by a museum.

Ruth Dorrel, college archivist, recently learned she will receive the Society of Indiana Pioneers Service Medallion for her extraordinary volunteerism. She is a former office manager and genealogist and a former board of governors member for the society. She also was the compiler of two Indiana Historical Society publications that were very valuable to the society’s members and prospects.

Ellis Hall, formerly dean of students, was promoted in October to vice president of student affairs and dean of students. The expanded role makes Hall an officer of the college and recognizes him for his effectiveness in directing college efforts that help students graduate on schedule. Beyond the college, Hall serves on the Franklin United Methodist Community board of directors and chairs its Human Resources Committee.

Sherri Hall, assistant professor of education, was selected the National Kappa Delta Rho (KDR) Adviser of the Year and received the award at the KDR National Convention in Phoenix this past August.

Christina Lucas ’90, associate director of financial aid, is co-chair of the Indiana State Financial Aid Administrators College Goal Sunday Committee. On Sunday, Feb. 22, 2015, financial aid professionals from across the state of Indiana will work with families at 36 statewide sites to fill out their Free Application for Federal Student Aid. Lucas and the committee will help ensure the sites are staffed properly with volunteers.


The college welcomed the Rev. Leah Rumsey in August, when she began serving as campus minister. She replaces the Rev. David Weatherspoon, who served the college for 10 years.

Rumsey is ordained by the United Church of Christ. She earned her master of divinity degree from Harvard University in 2014 and her bachelor’s degree in religion, English and international/area studies from Kalamazoo College in Michigan in 2011. She speaks Egyptian Arabic and reads Classical Arabic and French. She holds a deep commitment for pastoral care and counseling, religious education and spiritual development, worship leadership, preaching, interfaith and multi-faith programming and teaching.

Rumsey previously served as a student minister at churches in Massachusetts and as an assistant chaplain at Suffolk University in Boston. Her work at Franklin is focused on activities that support faith development, worship, education, service and pastoral care. From planning chapel services to meeting one-on-one with students, she is committed to helping Franklin’s campus community members understand and practice their faith.

“College students, often for the first time, are able to make their own decisions about religion,” said Rumsey. “I’m excited about being part of a time of tremendous growth and self-development for Franklin students.”
the PGA” and Todd Trotter ’14: “The Hunting Industry’s Future in the USA.”

Ben O’Neal, assistant professor of biology, co-wrote the manuscript “Migrating Ducks in Inland North America Ignore Major Rivers as Leading Lines,” which was published in the International Journal of Avian Science. He also was an invited guest at five recent conferences, where he spoke about topics ranging from breeding ecology of waterfowls to demographics of white-tailed deer.

Svetlana Rakic, professor of art, recently published the book Art and Reality Now: Serbian Perspectives. She discussed the book and shared a slide show during a public lecture on the Franklin College campus in October. Book reviewer Michelle Facos, Indiana University professor of art history, wrote, “With the exception of Marina Abramovic, little is known about contemporary Serbian art, and thanks to Svetlana Rakic’s important book, we discover here the diversity, vibrancy and beauty of art produced in this troubled country during the turbulent past two decades. The almost two dozen artists presented here represent different generations, approaches and ideas but are united by their survival of a period of instability whose end is not in sight. Having witnessed their former country, Yugoslavia, torn apart by civil war and their ‘new’ country, Serbia, crippled by NATO bombings, political intrigues, corruption, staggering unemployment and bleak prospects for recovery, these artists have turned to the creative potential of the human imagination to escape, confront and comment on a situation over which they have no control. Despite the specificity of the conditions under which these artists live and work, their works of art — poignant, inspiring, humorous or despairing — touch a responsive chord in the viewer that attests to their success at achieving an expression that is both universal and human.”

Terri Roberts, director of diversity and inclusion, has been selected to participate in the 2014–15 Leadership Johnson County class. She was guest presenter at two recent conferences, the Indiana Student Affairs Association conference, where she spoke on “Creating Effective Diversity Peer Education Programs,” and the National Association of Campus Activities Mid-America Conference, where she spoke on “Supporting and Engaging Multicultural Organizations at Predominately White Institutions.”

Gordon Strain, associate professor of theatre, was commissioned to create a multimedia installation piece representing the Dirty War for a gallery in Richmond, Ind. Strain is currently on sabbatical, wrapping up and creating new work that evolved from a Creative Arts Renewal Fellowship he received from the Indianapolis Arts Council in 2013. He held a solo exhibition in November of primarily sculptures from a body of work called “The Diminutive Man.” Strain described the work as a “somewhat humorous look at loneliness, humanity and scale.” In addition, he had two short stories published in Indy Writes Books, an anthology of Indiana authors, released in November.

Patrick Sullivan, adjunct lecturer of liberal arts, is a steering committee member and trainer on a nationwide project sponsored by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration. The Recovery to Practice project seeks to incorporate the vision of recovery into the concrete and everyday practice of mental health professionals in all disciplines.

Collaboration key to new director’s work

Danielle Faczan ’16 Pulliam Fellow

A veteran of the career services sector is collaborating with colleagues and community partners to help give students significant engaged learning opportunities in preparation of life after graduation. Jill Novotny serves as the new director of professional development and employer relations for Franklin College’s Engaged Learning Department.

Upon graduating from Butler University with a bachelor’s degree in business, Novotny spent a decade gaining marketing experience at a privately held service-organization. She later returned to Butler to teach marketing and information technology classes part time, obtaining her master’s degree with a focus on marketing and leadership in the meantime. Eventually, Novotny received the opportunity to work in career services at Butler, helping the university develop a four-year professional development plan that grew to be ranked second in the nation.

“I love working with college students and in career services and professional development,” Novotny said. “I had been doing that for 11 years. However, I was focused on business majors and so, as part of my own professional development, I wanted to expand the scope a little bit and branch out.”

Novotny’s Franklin College position has an internal and an external component. Internally, Novotny teaches courses, assists students with obtaining internships and helps with events that support professional development. Externally, which Novotny said is a new aspect of the position, she seeks to establish stronger relationships with employers already familiar with Franklin College as well as to familiarize new contacts with the institution.

“Helping faculty find ways to get more experiential learning in the classroom is also on our list of ways we can help students and their outcomes,” Novotny said.

Novotny’s main goal for her position is to create a four-year professional development plan for Franklin College and integrate it into all subjects. The plan would include required courses and internships, generating career mentors and other to be determined requirements. Although she said two members of the Engaged Learning Department are new and still “formulating the ‘how’s’ and the ‘what exactly’s’” of the plan, the big picture is to provide students with well-rounded experiences.

“I like how the Engaged Learning Department has a team of faculty, and I like that there’s a collaborative effort in putting the student first,” Novotny said. “The teamwork and collaboration are pretty exciting.”
New director focused on helping individuals develop, implement leadership skills

Thirty years of international business experience is helping a now-retired IBM executive teach Franklin College students and local officials about leadership.

Dale Rebhorn is the new director of leadership at Franklin College and the curriculum director for Leadership Johnson County (LJC). Rebhorn most recently was a director and vice president for IBM in New York, focusing on the areas of technical sales and services. He had previously worked in Japan and the Czech Republic. His decades of experience have taught him that leadership skills are needed by companies throughout the world, he said.

“I’ve spent about 25 years working as a people manager, working to develop other people,” he said. “The main development need I focused on was not so much on technical skills as much as management and leadership skills. Those are the skills that are in short supply everywhere. Good organizations are always looking to develop more leaders with more leadership skills.”

Franklin College offers a minor in leadership, and, along with running the institution’s program, Rebhorn is teaching one course this fall and will teach additional ones in the future.

He also has a role in planning the educational content of LJC. The organization partners with Franklin College and is aimed at promoting leadership in the community and influencing its future. Each year LJC selects a class of about 35 local business and organization leaders to go through a series of monthly, daylong activities. LJC participants meet other community leaders and discuss issues of public and professional concern.

Rebhorn replaces Bonnie Pribush, who retired in May.

Tandy Shuck, LJC executive director, cited Rebhorn’s previous work with technology and international business as key factors in his selection for the job. One way Rebhorn is helping LJC is examining the curriculum to see how it meshes with the needs and desires of the organization’s participants, she said.

“Our curriculum is already strong, but we are ready to incorporate some ideas that he brings because of his great experience,” Shuck said. “Leaders need to be flexible. We believe we are, and we’re ready to benefit from Dale’s experience and ideas.”

After looking at applications from the incoming LJC class members, Rebhorn identified two areas he wants to focus on, communication skills and how to best use new technology.

“In order to be a leader you have to be able to influence. To do that you have to be able to organize your thoughts well and present them,” he said.

He also has noticed interest in information technology, and specifically social media. In his career at IBM, Rebhorn’s specialties included distributed computing, client-server, e-business, Internet and IBM software.

“People want to know just how you use all this mobile technology. Everybody’s thinking about that,” he said.

The opportunity to take the new position comes at the right time in Rebhorn’s life, he said.

“I’ve been working with adults, and now I get to combine that with working with students who are mostly pretty new to the discussion of leadership,” he said.

His definition of leadership is the ability to help people help you accomplish mutually set goals. Working out the details of that is a lifelong effort, he said.

“There are entire books written just on defining the term. But it’s safe to say you can’t be a leader by yourself. You have to be involved with other people, and, ultimately, you and they have to be on the same page.”

He also believes everyone plays a role in leadership.

“A lot of people may not be a manager or have some formal title, but they still have a leadership function at work, in their community, their church or somewhere. There’s always a chance to bring new ideas into something,” he said.
New women’s basketball coach leads Grizzlies

By Dale Long
Sports Information Director

The Grizzlies welcomed a new women’s basketball coach this season. Dana Haggenjos serves as the ninth head women’s basketball coach in program history. She was a former standout player and assistant coach for 10 seasons at perennial NCAA Division III national contender DePauw University.

Director of Athletics Kerry Prather said, “Dana has prepared herself extremely well for this opportunity, having played and worked for one of the most successful Division III programs in the country. Her personal drive to succeed, along with the experience she has gained in a national championship program, will serve our student-athletes very well. Franklin College has a proud tradition in women’s basketball, and I am confident in Dana’s ability to lead the Grizzlies to future success on the conference and national levels.”

Haggenjos is a Mooresville, Ind., native who helped lead DePauw to a 270–34 record as an assistant coach from 2004–06 and 2007–14, including the 2012–13 Division III national championship.

Haggenjos said, “The competitive history of Franklin’s program made this a job that I have admired for some time. I love the Division III philosophy, with an emphasis on student-athletes that are committed to success on and off the basketball court.

“Franklin College has a family atmosphere that allows coaches to help players grow throughout their college careers. The college also offers outstanding academic majors that appeal to recruiting female student-athletes to the program.”

A four-year varsity letter winner at DePauw from 1999–2003, Haggenjos ranks among the program’s leaders in career points, field goal percentage, free throw percentage, rebounding and steals. She earned all-Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference (SCAC) honors as a senior and finished second in the SCAC Player of the Year voting. She also was named to the SCAC Academic Honor Roll.

Haggenjos moved to the sideline in 2004, serving as a graduate assistant for head coach Kris Huffman from 2004–06. She earned the Women’s Basketball Coaches’ Association (WBCA) Graduate Assistant of the Year Award during the 2005–06 campaign. After spending one season as an assistant coach at Florida’s Nova Southeastern University, Haggenjos returned to DePauw as an assistant coach and helped the Tigers to a 34–0 record and the program’s second national championship.

Haggenjos said the head coaching position at Franklin College is a career milestone.

“I am thrilled with the opportunity to be leading this basketball program,” said Haggenjos. “I’ve enjoyed my experiences as a player and assistant coach at DePauw, Kris Huffman has been a great mentor and friend, and I honestly didn’t know if an opportunity like this one (at Franklin College) was going to come. I am ecstatic to get started.”

At DePauw, Haggenjos has mentored three All-Americans and served on a coaching staff that posted 20-win seasons, captured eight conference championships and made 10 appearances to the NCAA Division III tournament.

Haggenjos believes that similar success is in the future at Franklin.

“The sky is the limit here at Franklin,” said Haggenjos. “History has shown that Franklin is one of the top programs in the Heartland Conference and Great Lakes region. I am familiar with the team’s players after facing Franklin last season. They gave us a great challenge. There’s a lot of potential here, and I know we can take this program to the next level.”

Haggenjos earned a bachelor’s degree in kinesiology from DePauw in 2003 and received a master’s degree in recreation and sports management from Indiana State University in 2006. She is a member of the WBCA.

Want more athletics news?
Look for complete fall athletics coverage in the spring issue of the Franklin College Magazine. Also, keep up with your favorite teams at www.FranklinGrizzlies.com and on Facebook and Twitter.
By Dale Long
Sports Information Director

Fans had plenty to roar about on Saturday, Oct. 11, during the Homecoming football game against Earlham College. Running back Joey Pasquale '15 scored three touchdowns, helping the Grizzlies earn a 49–20 win over the Quakers.

“The Quakers were a much-improved football team,” said head coach Mike Leonard. “They were an aggressive team early on, but I’m very proud of how our guys played.”

Franklin had four scores of 17 yards or longer in the game.

Pasquale tied the contest at 7–7 on a 25-yard touchdown pass from quarterback Grant Welp ‘15 with 1:04 left in the first quarter. Kole Stogner ‘17 tallied a 17-yard rushing touchdown to give the Grizzlies a 14–10 advantage at the 8:57 mark of the first half.

Earlham got a 23-yard field goal to cut Franklin’s lead to 14–13 midway through the second quarter.

However, the Grizzlies scored twice over the final 1:43 of the period to pull away from the Quakers. Split end Mason Deal ‘16 caught a 13-yard pass from Welp. Then, Sam Otley ‘15 put Franklin ahead 28-13 with a one-yard score.

Franklin scored three quick touchdowns in the second half to build a 49–13 lead. Pasquale was on the receiving end of a 20-yard strike from Welp just 36 seconds into the period. Later, Pasquale had a 35-yard rushing touchdown to cap his big offensive day.

Quarterback A.J. Puente ‘17 found wingback Kendal Butler ‘16 for a six-yard score with 13:04 remaining in the game. Individually, Welp completed 22 of 28 passes for 302 yards and three touchdowns. Pasquale gained a team-best 78 yards on the ground. He also caught six passes for 71 yards and two touchdowns. Deal also had six receptions for a team-high 88 receiving yards. Wingback Zach Cole ‘15 had five catches for 72 yards.

Defensively, linebacker Jeremiah Windell ‘15 made a game-high 14 tackles. Linebacker Trevor Yates ‘15 recorded nine tackles.

Running back Kole Stogner ‘17 (42) follows his blockers, Sam Otley ‘15 (43) and Austin Carlton ‘16 (74), to gain positive yards in the football team’s 49–20 Homecoming win over Earlham.
Twin brothers Lucas and Jeremiah Windell '16 put on uniforms for the first time 15 years ago for a flag football game in their hometown of Corydon, Ind., and they have been inseparable on the gridiron ever since.

Uniform numbers 40 and 33 are the only discernible difference between these members of the Franklin College football team. They play the same defensive position (linebacker) and are the same height (5-feet-11) and weight (195 pounds). They are also both Dean’s List students and business-management majors.

“I have (Jeremiah) to lean on. We are each other’s support system,” said Lucas. “Football has taught us life lessons and allowed us to make many lifelong friendships.”

The duo does not lack experience, with Jeremiah making 34 tackles and forcing a fumble last season, while Lucas had 21 tackles and recovered a fumble as a sophomore.

“They play all-out every play. They both have physical tools, as far as speed, that allow them to be versatile to play both inside and outside linebackers,” said Steve Rock, special teams coordinator and linebacker coach.

Jeremiah and Lucas come from an enthusiastic football family. Not surprisingly, their parents, Mike and Angel, have been the twins’ biggest supporters, attending all of their sons’ games — home and away.

The family atmosphere that the Windells grew up with was something they wanted to carry with them through their college career, and they wanted to attend college together. After visiting Franklin College, the twins felt a connection to the campus. They sensed a community atmosphere and admired the college’s caring faculty and staff members.

“At Franklin, professors care about you,” said Lucas.

The Windells headed into the 2014 football season with high expectations of themselves and the entire Franklin team. They want to push themselves to become better players, while pushing the entire team to achieve goals of winning a fifth straight Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference championship, advancing through the Division III tournament, and, possibly, capturing a national title, they said.

“We both are looking forward to being on the field with the team, battling every game and being able to contribute to the team in a big way,” said Lucas.

Being born just seven minutes apart, the bond between twins Jeremiah and Lucas is something that’s unique to the Franklin College football program.

“There are times when we might butt heads, but we mean business when we step on the football field,” said Jeremiah.
At the halfway point of his senior year, biology major Jack Farnham ’15 is feeling less stress than many of his classmates. He already has what most of them want, a job offer.

“I’m excited and relieved,” said Farnham. “I received the job offer the day before I moved back to FC and it felt great, but things really sunk in after I told my friends. They told me I was lucky to have everything figured out before graduation. I realize that, and I’m grateful.”

Farnham’s lucky streak started at a fish fry hosted by Franklin Outdoors, a college organization for outdoor enthusiasts advised by biology professor and founder Ben O’Neal, Ph.D.

“Dr. O’Neal knew I’d been applying for a lot of summer REUs and lab-based internships so he mentioned that a contact of his was starting a clinical medical laboratory in Oak Ridge, Tennessee, and that he was looking for interns. That’s all I needed to know before I submitted my resume and cover letter,” said Farnham.

Farnham edged out his competitors, including some classmates, and began the summer internship with Discover Diagnostic Laboratory in early June.

The laboratory’s primary clients are doctors’ offices and pain clinics that need to run blood and urine tests for medication adherence. Test results will reveal if medications are being taken in accurate dosages and/or combined with other medications.

“Based on the results, a doctor can address and explain concerns and dangers to a patient who may be mixing medications or not taking them at all,” said Farnham.

Before moving to Tennessee, Farnham spent a week with one of the laboratory’s business partners making sales calls to doctors’ offices around Indianapolis.

“Based on the remarks his internship supervisor shared in a letter to O’Neal, it is clear Farnham followed the sound advice. Discover Diagnostic Laboratory CEO John Coffman wrote, “In
Coffman credited Farnham with overseeing the delivery, setup, installation and validation of laboratory instrumentation. Coffman wrote, "From day one, he was completely dialed into the project. He had even read the manuals before he arrived on site. It was clear to me after the first hour of maintenance education that I would be free to focus on driving business with Jack supporting our lab supervisor on the technical side."

Farnham oversaw the installation of a secure computer network and set up two hubs in physician offices, where the laboratory hired phlebotomy technicians to collect samples.

He also worked with the lab supervisor to run hundreds of samples and perform daily quality controls. Additionally, he helped the business achieve accreditation from the national laboratory oversight committee as well as the Tennessee state licensing committee.

Lastly, Coffman wrote, "I have been in the medical service field for 13 years (a chunk of it with Eli Lilly & Co.), and I can say that this has been, unequivocally, the best undergraduate internship experience that I can remember.

"We are counting the days to May 2015, delighting at the chance to bring Jack back full time, but also anticipating the pool of candidates that Franklin might be able to send us for our next wave of internships."

Farnham is also counting down the days.

"I owe tremendous thanks to Dr. O'Neal for his support and guidance and to all the science faculty whose classes gave me the skills and confidence to work in a professional setting. I also thank Mr. Coffman for giving me the freedom to learn so many facets of the business in a hands-on way and, of course, for the job offer. I can’t wait to get started."

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Mathes still stands out from her peers. She is one of only 400 individuals practicing in her specialty field, according to the American College of Veterinary Ophthalmologists.

"Being a specialist always presents challenges because you’re expected to be at the forefront of your field. Aside from surgery, a significant part of my job is staying informed about research and techniques that could help bring comfort to my clients," said Mathes.

Mathes has published multiple articles in professional journals and given many peer lectures, including one in Denmark on her corneal research at the University of Georgia. She has also developed a technique in private practice involving the harvest of a patient’s ear cartilage for eye globe reconstruction.

"Anytime you can harvest a patient’s own cartilage there’s less chance of rejection. In this case, the patient had a tumor that caused vision loss. After the tumor was removed, cartilage was used to reconstruct the eye, and it incorporated perfectly. The patient’s vision was restored," she said.

One of the reasons Mathes enjoys the field of ophthalmology is its instant gratification.

"You can literally change an animal’s quality of life in one day," she said. "It’s very rewarding to hear from owners about the positive changes their animals go through after a procedure. A dog, for example, might resume playing with toys that hadn’t been touched in years," she said.

After earning her veterinary degree in 2005, Mathes served with an animal hospital in Atlanta, where she started as an associate veterinarian and advanced in her position to hospital director. She later moved to Maine, where she worked for a small practice with several other specialists. In September, she returned to Carmel, Ind., her hometown, and began working for Circle City Veterinary Specialty and Emergency Hospital. You could say her career has come full circle.

"It’s been a crazy, awesome journey. Every day being an ophthalmologist is good," she said.
Engaging the entrepreneurial spirit

The Franklin College Magazine recently invited alumni entrepreneurs to share their perspectives on the benefits of a liberal arts background as well as the risks and rewards of owning a business. Our series begins with three profiles of alumni making their mark in communications, accounting and retail. Read on to learn what inspired them to engage their entrepreneurial spirit and how Franklin College played a role in the preparation.

Entrepreneurs interested in future participation may email editor Amy (Kean) VerSteeg ’96 for further details at aversteeg@FranklinCollege.edu.

Adding it up to experience

By Paige Clark ’16
Pulliam Fellow

Derek Smith ’10, CPA, is a numbers guy. Naturally, he ran the data, calculated the possibilities and rechecked the figures before investing his time and resources in starting a new business. The result is Edgewater Tax Group, a tax and consulting firm he founded in October 2013. One year later, operations are running smoothly, but getting started was another story.

“It was stressful,” he recalled with a chuckle. “I started in the late fall-early winter, and during that time there is not a lot of revenue opportunity for a CPA. It’s more lucrative in the spring, during tax season.”

In spite of a slow start, Smith stayed the course, fueled, he said, by his “passion to serve a niche” and his “competitive nature.”

Fortunately, he also had job experience from which to draw.

“I was lucky early on with valuable experience through internships,” Smith said.

During his Franklin College days, he interned with Kimball International and a couple of other small firms, which gave him a closer look at the reality of working in a highly competitive industry. After his graduation, he joined a large public accounting firm.

“I worked with really large companies and high-net worth individuals. It was exciting, but I always knew I wanted to own my own firm, where I could deliver highly personalized client service for small businesses and individuals,” Smith said. He then transitioned to a smaller firm that specialized more in his niche of clients.

“I prospered there and grew my book of business very fast. Eventually, I felt I was ready to launch my firm, which has been one of the best and most rewarding decisions of my life.”

Smith said there are many challenges to owning his own business, including standing out from the competition and staying updated on current tax codes while keeping up with daily operations. Still, he said, the rewards outweigh the challenges.

“The biggest reward for me is the freedom that I enjoy every day I go in to work,” Smith said. “I absolutely love being a CPA and servicing my clients and prospective clients at a very high level.”

Smith said he benefits from having a network of colleagues, including previous co-workers, whom he can call to brainstorm with or ask advice. He also values his Franklin College mentors, including accounting professors Scott Armacost, now retired, and Dan Andrews.

Both professors had professional experience in the field and strongly encouraged students to seek additional learning beyond the classroom, Smith recalled.

Since Smith has started mentoring others, he stresses the value of gaining real-world experience in one’s field. “I don’t care how many books you’ve read. You don’t know anything until you get first-hand experience,” he said.

He gives the same advice to students when volunteering with the Franklin College Office of Career Services. “I’ve been involved in conducting and giving feedback to students during some mock-interviews,” Smith said.

But his involvement doesn’t end there. He has also been working with the Office of Development and Alumni Engagement on starting a scholarship with his firm.

“I hope everyone can find that passion and love for a profession and start their own business or rise to the top of their field,” Smith said. “I also hope that when they do they give me a call to do their taxes!”
Getting to the point

By Paige Clark ’16
Pulliam Fellow

Professional communications strategist Marina (Dobrosavljevic) Marich ’96 has plenty to talk about these days. In addition to helping clients craft and tell their stories, Marich is developing one of her own as a first-time entrepreneur. Nearly two years after the business launch, she is reflective, grateful and motivated.

“It’s not often that people get the chance to start something new, and I really embraced the challenge and looked at it as a combo of all the things I had already been doing,” Marich said.

Marich had been doing a lot. While a Franklin College student, Marich pursued a double major in news-editorial journalism and Spanish. Her campus involvement included Tri Delta sorority, the women’s soccer team, Student Foundation and The Franklin, the college’s weekly newspaper, which she served as editor.

“It required a lot of juggling with class work as well as managing the staff,” Marich said. “It taught me leadership skills as well as time management and about being able to get everything done under a deadline.”

After graduating from Franklin College, Marich worked as a reporter for newspapers in Illinois and Arizona. She later moved to Washington D.C., where she earned a master’s degree in public communications from American University. Over the next 15 years, she worked for three different public affairs organizations in the nation’s capital.

When she, her husband and their two sons recently relocated to Chicago to be near family, the transition provided a chance for her to explore a new career opportunity.

In January 2013 she founded Dobro Communications, a firm offering services that help clients “get to the point” with strategies, messages and goals. The clients’ needs and expectations are diverse, making each work day a different experience, according to Marich.

“The rewards and challenges are one in the same,” she said.

While Marich enjoys being the person that “gets in there and does the work,” she noted that entrepreneurship can be tough because there are many roles to fulfill concurrently. She, for example, must keep existing clients happy while also bringing in new ones to help grow the business. Sometimes the multiple responsibilities are stressful, but seeing clients achieve their goals keeps Marich motivated.

Before Marich became entrenched in entrepreneurship, one of the most important decisions she had to make was what to name her business. “I considered a lot of different options, but I came back to Dobro because it seemed to encapsulate everything I wanted,” she recalled.

Dobro is part of her maiden name, and it means “good” in Serbian. The business name Dobro Communications reflects Marich’s commitment to doing good work on behalf of clients and also honors her family’s heritage. Her parents immigrated to the United States from Serbia, and the culture remains a significant part of her family’s traditions.

“All those pieces fit nicely into the puzzle,” she said.

While becoming an entrepreneur required a leap of faith, Marich credits Franklin College for helping her develop the confidence early on to “branch out and try new things.”

“I felt prepared after college,” Marich said. “I attribute that to the real-world application that is emphasized at liberal arts schools. I think liberal arts schools do that better than any other schools, and I firmly believe that Franklin College does it especially well.”

To support Franklin’s efforts in the area of experiential learning, Marich has consistently reached out to her alma mater when seeking interns. Most recently, Marich mentored journalism major Olivia Ober ’15, a summer projects intern.

Marich’s personal mentors include two retired Franklin College professors, whose influence continues to guide her today. Journalism professor emeritus Jerry Miller taught Marich how to use The Associated Press Stylebook, an industry standard for news writing, and photojournalism professor emerita Susie Fleck helped Marich develop the skill set to think and create visually. Lessons from both professors helped guide Marich in the development of her firm’s website, for example.

Besides those influential professors, Marich said Franklin gave her a love for continuous learning.

“I still approach everything with a liberal arts mentality,” Marich said. “In the kind of work I do, I have to learn something about everything.”

Another key Franklin College experience that benefited Marich was the opportunity to travel abroad. She traveled between her junior and senior year to Spain after receiving a study-abroad scholarship. Since then, she has traveled to approximately 15 countries, sometimes for work and more often for pleasure.

“I feel like there are so many great experiences at Franklin College,” she said.
Danielle Faczan ’16
Pulliam Fellow

Erin (Esserman) Meek ’04 has always loved buying clothing and accessories that were just a little different from the mainstream. After deciding to stay home with her two sons in 2014, Meek got her chance to not only do something she loves, but also make a difference.

That difference is Feel Good Collections, a fair-trade business Meek developed as a first-time entrepreneur. “I recently learned about fair trade within the past couple years,” Meek said. “Fair trade means the items are handmade in a fair environment and the artisans are paid at a fair rate. Therefore, no sweat shops, child labor or one-cent-per-hour rates.”

Meek recalled that her husband, Eric ’02, thought up the company name. The two thought it would fit the company brand, and they could create several play-on-words phrases, such as “feel good about wearing fair trade” and “feel good about knowing where your accessories come from.”

“Since items in the collection are handmade, many of them come with a story of the artisan’s culture,” Meek said. “For example, I have headbands made from recycled Indian quilts and earrings and necklaces made from ethically-harvested bone.”

Entrepreneurship hadn’t been Meek’s original intention. She graduated Franklin College with a degree in elementary education and taught for 10 years, fourth- and fifth-grades, in Martinsville, Ind., and for the school program at Riley Hospital for Children before moving into business. Fortunately, Meek said what she learned through Franklin’s elementary education program is applicable to running a business.

“In order to run a classroom and function within a school setting, a must-have is people skills,” Meek said. “It’s the same for business. People skills are a must-have in order to communicate with customers and spread the word about fair trade.”

The Franklin College course Religion, Values and Self also served as an eye opener for the former freshman mentor and Pi Beta Phi member. “Coming from a small Indiana town, I wasn’t exposed to a lot of ‘culture’ locally or globally,” she said. “The requirements for the class made us get outside of our comfort zone and explore. It really helped open my eyes to the ways of life and needs not just within the U.S., but beyond our borders.”

To market Feel Good Collections, Meek maintains a virtual storefront through website and social media presence and occasionally hosts shop-at-home and boutique events.

Although she thinks being a sales person is difficult, Meek listed four rewards of running Feel Good Collections: Getting to help artisans worldwide make a better life for themselves and their families; helping customers buy accessories that are not only trendy but allow them to feel good about wearing something that is handmade and fair trade; shopping for new items; and flexibility, considering she is the sole employee of Feel Good Collections.

“When you start your own company, you are really putting yourself out there,” Meek said. “You’re saying to the world, ‘This is what I believe in, and I think you should think about believing in it, too.’”
The ’50s
Vera (Pacala) Evans ’54 was among winners of the Indiana 2014 Golden Hoosier Award. It recognizes senior citizens who have dedicated their lives to the betterment of their cities and towns through community service. The award has been presented by the Indiana Family and Social Services Administration’s Division of Aging since 2008. Annual recipients are nominated by members of their communities who were impacted by their volunteer efforts. The 2014 recipients and their nominators recently attended a recognition luncheon with Lt. Gov. Sue Ellspermann. Evans resides in Indianapolis.

The ’60s
Robert D. Schafstall ’65, a Franklin College trustee, recently was appointed chairman of the board for Mutual Savings Bank in Franklin, Ind. He served as the Franklin city judge for 40 years. He began his legal career in 1971 and is currently of counsel with Schafstall and Admire, LLP. He resides in Franklin.

The ’70s
C. William Allen ’75 is serving as Liberia’s ambassador to France. He holds a bachelor’s degree in journalism, a master’s degree in public administration and a doctorate in mass communications. He previously served as an associate professor for Virginia State University, University of North Carolina and Xavier University and as an adjunct professor at Johnson C. Smith University. He has written two novels, An Obituary for Hawa Barchue and The African Interior Mission.

Scott McCluckie ’75 retired in August, after nearly 35 years as a juvenile probation officer with the Marion Superior Court. He continues to run with the Hilltop Runners, participate as Dual-D and enjoy spending time with his wife, whom he calls “My Marcia.” Retirement also gives him more time to spend with his beloved son Nick, daughter-in-law Nikki, granddaughter Channing and grandson Dominick.

Kevin Widdison ’79 won first place for best local column and first place for best writing at the annual convention of the Oregon Newspaper Publishers Association in July. He also was promoted to editor at the Grants Pass Daily Courier in September 2013, after serving 17 years as city editor at the paper.

Grrreat news about Franklin plates!

Hoosiers, you can complete the entire Franklin College specialty license plate purchase or renewal process through the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles’ website, by phone or by mail. After ordering or renewing, you should receive your license plate or renewal sticker in the mail within 14 days.

Every $25 plate sale supports the Franklin Fund for Scholarships, a financial lifeline for the men and women who learn, grow and thrive on our campus. Our programs in professional development, leadership studies and community service distinguish Franklin’s liberal arts education and provide life-transforming skills for men and women who go on to make a difference in their careers, the community and the world.

Thank you for helping students and driving Franklin College into the future! Please note that, since the college receives sales proceeds via the BMV, the $25 is not tax-deductible, but it does count toward your annual giving total.

Out-of-state residents can purchase Franklin College vanity plates through the online bookstore at www.efollett.com!
The ’90s
Trena Paulus ’91 is a professor of qualitative research methods for the University of Georgia’s College of Education in Athens, Ga. Her first book, Digital Tools for Qualitative Research, was published in January.

Nancy (Powers) Crimmins ’96, M.D., and her husband, Jason, have adopted a son, Tate Filebar, from Shashemene, Ethiopia. He joins sisters, Anna, 9, and Molly, 6. The family resides in Cincinnati.

Mark E. Jones ’97 was named director of the Columbus (Ind.) Parks and Recreation Department in July. He has been with the department for 18 years, most recently serving as director of sports programs and athletic facilities.

Mike Young ’97 became director of sports medicine at Kennesaw State University in 2012. He resides in Woodstock, Ga., with his wife, Lindsey, and daughter, Ella. This past summer, he was interviewed on “CBS News” regarding his professional opinion about the impact of the NCAA’s new policy for head injuries.

Shelly Perry ’98 has been selected VIP Woman of the Year for 2014–15 by the National Association of Professional Women. She has been recognized for excellence and dedication to her profession and her positive impact on the lives of others in her community and around the world. She currently teaches at the Paramount School of Excellence and previously was a program director with the YMCA of Greater Indianapolis.

Yancy Cottrill ’99, Esq., recently began a position as staff attorney of Congress in the Federated States of Micronesia.

Eric Richards ’99 was selected president & CEO of Cancer Support Community (CSC) Central Indiana in April. CSC is a non-profit organization ensuring no one faces cancer alone through a variety of psycho-social programs for the entire family. He resides in Indianapolis.

The ’00s
Jeff Goedeker ’01, M.D., and his wife, Marissa (Knecht) ’02, are the parents of a daughter, McKenzie Rose, born July 29, 2014. She joins siblings Brady and Gabi.

Angela (Meyer) Miessler ’01 and her husband, R.C. ’02, are the parents of a daughter, Elizabeth Zelda, born Sept. 7, 2013.

Sarah Jean Rosenbaum ’02 and her husband, Oysten Nilsen, a Norwegian exchange student who attended Franklin College from 2001–02, are the parents of a daughter, Lilly Ann. She joins siblings, Klara, 10, William Ben, 8, and Henrik, 6. The family resides in Franklin, Ind.

Matt Worland ’02 has been appointed to the National Teachers Council of iCivics Inc., the nation’s leading civic education program founded by retired Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O’Connor. The organization’s mission is to improve the civic literacy of American students. Worland is a teacher for Clark-Pleasant Middle School in Whiteland, Ind.

Gregory Armbruster ’04 and his wife, Laura, are the parents of a son, Leo Daniel, born June 22, 2014. He joins siblings Stephen and Catherine. The family resides in Indianapolis.

Brett Widner ’04 participated in the 2014 U.S. Golf Association Men’s State Team Championship at French Lick’s Pete Dye course.

Grab a growler at alumni’s new Indiana brewery

Four Franklin College alumni are taking being a Grizzly to a whole new level. Jason Swift ’95 and his wife, Shelley (Caudill) ’95, along with Dan Noah ’94, and his wife, Leighanne (Cross) ’97, are partners in a new venture called Wooden Bear Brewing Co., in historic downtown Greenfield, Ind.

The two couples all met while students at Franklin and have been friends ever since. Jason and Dan started tasting various craft beers several years ago and eventually got hooked on the home brewing hobby. They decided to take brewing to the next level by opening a microbrewery just east of Indianapolis in Hancock County, which had no breweries when they began scouting out a location.

The Swifts and Noahs partnered with two other couples to found Wooden Bear Brewing, which operates in a renovated 6,000-square-foot space that once served as Greenfield’s opera house in the late 1800s. They named the brewery after a wooden bear they saw at a potential brewery site, and, although they didn’t stick with that locale, the name stuck. They’ve been happy to chat with several Franklin College alumni who have stopped in to have a beer and say hello.
The three-day event featured teams from all 50 states. Widner joined two Hoosiers in representing the Indiana team. Widner won the 2013 and 2014 Indiana Mid-Amateur Championship. He previously played golf for the Franklin College Grizzlies and was the 2004 Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference Most Valuable Golfer. 

Stefanie Davis ’06 completed a masters in library science degree at Indiana University-Purdue University in Indianapolis this June with a 4.0 GPA. 

LaKisha (Snyder) Jones ’06 and her husband, Kevin, are the parents of a daughter, Kinley Irene, born Nov. 22, 2013. She joins a sister, Reaghann. The family resides in Saint Paul, Ind. 

Wilson Mack ’06 recently racked up several honors during the 48-Hour Film Project in Indianapolis. Mack’s film crew, Short Pants Productions, won Best Film, Best Use of Line, Best Writing and Best Directing for their project, Wagon Trail. Mack’s wife, Annie (Wantz) ’06, helped with props and costumes, and their friend, Megan Cummings ’06, was the lead female actress. 

Megan Knoll ’07 recently started Word Nerd Editorial, a freelance editing, writing and proofreading business. She previously spent seven years with John Wiley & Sons, as a copy editor for the For Dummies product line. 

Aidan Rogers ’08 has published her second book, Unfolded Hands. The book takes a practical look at prayer. It is available online. She also has been accepted to Lincoln Christian Seminary, where she will pursue her masters of divinity degree. She is working toward board certification as a professional chaplain. 

Eric Bradner ’09 began working as a reporter for CNN Politics in September. He previously worked for POLITICO and the Evansville Courier & Press. 

Ty Eaton ’09 and Amanda McIntosh ’10 married on Oct. 4, 2014, at Parkview Church of the Nazarene in Nashville, Ind. She is a Franklin College senior admissions counselor, and he is a ticket sales executive for the Indianapolis Indians baseball team. The couple took a honeymoon to Walt Disney World in Florida. 

Got a future Grizzly? 

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Experience Costa Rica with alumni, friends

Join alumni and friends, in conjunction with Nature Travel Specialists, on an exploration of Costa Rica in Central America next November. Costa Rica is known worldwide for the beauty of its natural landscape, including beaches, mountains and rainforests.

According to the country’s tourism board, Costa Rica covers only 0.03 percent of the globe’s surface but shelters 5 percent of the existing biodiversity in the entire world. Nearly 26 percent of Costa Rica is composed of conservation and natural protected territory.

During this trip, Barry Knisley, Ph.D. and a Franklin College professor of biology from 1969–79, will help participants learn about flora and fauna of the rainforest while exploring the beauty of Costa Rica. Plan ahead, and join the fun!

Costa Rica Trip Quick Facts:

- **When:** Nov. 7–14, 2015
- **Cost:** $2,024 double occupancy (approximately); $2,424 single occupancy (approximately)
- **What’s included:** Eight days and seven nights in Costa Rica, most meals in-country (excluding two), accommodations, transportation, in-country guide and some excursions
- **Participants must book their own round-trip flight.**
- **Deposit and application due May 1, 2015**

See itinerary for details: [www.naturetravelspecialists.com/costarica/franklincollegeCR.htm](http://www.naturetravelspecialists.com/costarica/franklincollegeCR.htm) or contact Brooke (Wagoner) Worland ’99, dean of alumni and student engagement, at (317) 738-8167 or bworland@FranklinCollege.edu.

Nominations needed for honorary degrees, awards

The Franklin College Honorary Degrees Committee seeks nominations from alumni for honorary degree recipients for the 2015 Commencement and baccalaureate. If you would like to make a nomination, please provide a brief summary of the person’s accomplishments and, if applicable, their connections to the college and/or state of Indiana. Please be sure to include your name and phone number with the nomination. Email nominations by Feb. 1, 2015, to Vice President for Academic Affairs David Brailow at dbrailow@FranklinCollege.edu or by U.S. mail in c/o Franklin College, Office of Academic Affairs, 101 Branigin Boulevard, Franklin, Indiana 46131.

The Alumni Council also seeks nominations from alumni for Hail to Franklin award recipients for Homecoming 2015. If you would like to make a nomination, provide a brief summary of the person’s professional accomplishments, service work and/or volunteerism on behalf of the college. Email nominations by Feb. 1, 2015, to Associate Director of Alumni Engagement Joanne Parish at jparish@FranklinCollege.edu or by U.S. mail in c/o Franklin College, Office of Alumni Engagement, 101 Branigin Boulevard, Franklin, Indiana 46131.
in July at The Hillview Country Club in Franklin were provided by Renee (Kean) Knight ’06.

Rachel Konchinsky-Pate ’11 and Zach Morris ’11 married on the Franklin College campus, Jan. 18, 2014. The ceremony was held in Custer Theatre, and the reception was in the Johnson Center for Fine Arts. Casey Hayes, Ph.D. and assistant professor of music at Franklin College, was the wedding officiant. Zach recently graduated from Naval Officer Candidate School in Newport, R.I. He is working toward becoming a pilot for the U.S. Navy. The couple anticipates moving soon to Pensacola, Fla., where he will attend flight school.

Mandie Waling ’11 moved back to Indiana in August 2014 to start work at the University of Notre Dame as the associate coordinator for the Office of Disability Services.

Cory Beeson ’12 and Sarah Nerz ’11 married on June 14, 2014, at Southern Dunes Golf Course and Country Club in Indianapolis. The wedding party included Sean Beeson ’09 (best man), Sam West ’12 (groomsman) and Sam Norris ’11 (bridesmaid). Cory is a sixth-grade social studies teacher at Linton-Stockton Junior High School. Sarah serves as a Title 1 aide at Worthington Elementary School.

Kerri (Kinker) Meyer ’13 and her husband, Jason, are the parents of a daughter, Tilly Jennifer, born Sept. 10, 2014. The family resides in Batesville, Ind.

Aaron Blair ’14 was accepted into Indiana University School of Medicine. He attends at the Fort Wayne, Ind., campus.

Cody Price ’14 accepted a biochemist position with Eli Lilly & Co.

Jacie Shoaf ’14 has joined Indiana Lt. Gov. Sue Ellspermann’s office as digital media manager. She oversees social media and website information. She resides in Indianapolis.

Emily Winship ’14 is the new gallery director for the Hoosier Salon, a statewide nonprofit arts organization whose mission is to create an appreciation of visual art by promoting Hoosier artists and their work.
The ’30s
Bernice (Heller) Kenny ’32 died Oct. 16, 2014, at the age of 104. She had been a Tri Delta member at Franklin. She taught economics and health at Brownstown (Ind.) High School. Later she was employed as a cashier with First National Bank in Brownstown, where she then served on the board of directors and became vice president. After the bank went through a merger, she served on its board of directors for 34 years. She was a member of Brownstown United Methodist Church. She was preceded in death by her husband, Joseph H.’31.

The ’40s
Mary L. (Vandivier) Eggers ’43 died Sept. 8, 2014. She attended Franklin College for two years and was a member of Tri Delta. She completed her bachelor’s degree in education at Indiana University in Bloomington. She was a member of Morgantown United Methodist Church but was active most of her life in the Christian Church Disciples of Christ. Survivors include her husband of 71 years, Norman E., their three children and five grandchildren. She resided in Morgantown, Ind.

Mary “Sue” (Breeding) Barnett ’45 died Sept. 18, 2014. She had been a PE major and Tri Delta member at Franklin. Her family and church were two of her greatest joys. She was active in First Christian Church of Lynn, Ind., for more than 50 years. After she was widowed by H. James (Jim) ’48, she moved to Michigan, where she attended Outreach Christian Church. She was also a member of Bible Study Fellowship International for more than 20 years. Survivors include four children, 12 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren. She resided in Lake Odessa, Mich.

Mary (Bennett) McQuinn ’45 died June 18, 2014. She had attended Franklin and the Indianapolis School of Medical Technology. She was a member of Tri Delta and served as president of its alumnae association. She also volunteered with Fairfax Community Church and junior theatre and museum organizations. Additionally, she was a partner in the investment group of McQuinn, Herman and Kephart for 29 years. She was preceded in death by her husband, W. Jones ’45. Survivors include two children, two grandchildren and a great-grandchild. She resided in San Rafael, Calif.

Doris “Dody” (McCullough) Loomis ’46 died July 17, 2014. She had been a chemistry major and Pi Beta Phi member at Franklin. She later pursued graduate studies in landscape design at Radcliffe University and developed an affinity for horticulture and organic gardening. She was an active member of the First Parish Congregational Church in Dover, N.H., and the Church of the Palms in Sarasota, Fla. She was preceded in death by her husband, Capt. Lester G. ’47. Survivors include two children and two grandchildren. She resided in Dover.

James L. Early ’48 died Sept. 1, 2014. He had been a biology major, Kappa Delta Rho member and football player at Franklin. He also was a WWII veteran who served with the U.S. Army. He built a career as an educator and school administrator. Upon retirement, he enjoyed life on Dauphin Island, Ala., where he was a member of St. Francis Episcopal Church. He was preceded in death by his wife of 64 years, Mary A. (Kirklin) ’43, and a son. Survivors include two children, four grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Joan “Jody” (Minner) Melloan ’48 died July 26, 2014. She had been a history and journalism double major and Tri Delta member at Franklin, where she also was on The Almanack yearbook staff. She built a career as a freelance writer for magazines. In the early 1990s, while residing in Brussels, she wrote a regular column for the Indianapolis News, chronicling her political and social observations derived from travel throughout Europe and Asia. She also wrote gardening columns and was active in the garden club of Westfield, N.J., where she retired. Survivors include her husband, George, their three children and a grandchild.

Virginia “Ginger” (Johnson) Lewis ’49 died Oct. 31, 2013, after an 18-month battle with lung cancer. She had been a chemistry major and Delta Zeta member at Franklin. After raising five children with her husband, she returned to school to earn her master’s degree in elementary education from Cambridge College. She then began a career teaching third and fourth grade for more than 29 years in the Sandwich School System. She was a leader in school drama departments and enjoyed directing plays, recitals and chorus performances. Survivors include five children, 12 grandchildren and one great-grandchild. She resided in Sandwich, Mass.

The ’50s
Robert G. “Bob” Smith ’50 died Aug. 25, 2014. He had been a Spanish major and Phi Delta Theta member at Franklin, where he also was on the golf and football teams. He was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Army and retired as president of Mutual Building and Loan (now Mutual Savings Bank) in Franklin. He was active in the community throughout his 60-plus years in the Franklin Rotary Club. Additionally, he served on the Franklin College Board of Trustees from 1986 to 2007, serving a term as treasurer in addition to serving on several committees. He also served a term as president of the Alumni Council. In 1985, the college presented him an Alumni Citation in recognition of his professional and civic contributions. He was a lifelong Presbyterian. Survivors include his wife of 64 years, Rosejane (Pruitt) ’49, their children, Carol, Connie and Robert G. II ’82, two grandchildren and one great-grandchild. He was preceded in death by daughter Beverly and a grandson. He resided in Franklin, Ind.

Jack M. Byrum ’51 died June 12, 2014. He had been a chemistry major and Lambda Chi Alpha member at Franklin, where he also played football. He was a general manager for Eli Lilly and Co. at the Clinton Laboratories and Elanco Plant in Dunderry, Ireland, retiring in 1993 after 42 years of service. He was active in the community as a former board member for Union Hospital in Terre Haute, Ind., where he was committee chair for physician recruitment. He also was a former Boy Scout leader and district lay leader for the United Methodist Church in Clinton, Ind., where he and his wife were residents for 18 years. They also were members of Grace United Methodist Church in Franklin, Ind. Their loyalty and generosity extended to Franklin College, where they were part of the Old Main gift society and the founders of an endowed student scholarship. He was preceded in death by his wife, Erma. Survivors include three children, five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. He resided in Franklin, Ind.

Joan (Rose) Martin ’52 died Sept. 9, 2014, after a courageous fight with cancer. She had been a chemistry major and a Tri Delta member at Franklin, where she enrolled at age 16. She pursued myriad interests throughout her full life, becoming an accomplished folk-art painter and, after her kids left the nest, banker. She
was an avid gardener and enjoyed game nights with a group of friends dubbed the Mah Jongg Mavens. She also was active in the First Congregational Church. Survivors include her husband of 62 years, Gerald “Jerry” E. ’51, whom she met on a blind date at Franklin College, their two daughters and a grandson. She resided in Hendersonville, N.C.

Martha (Hanes) Ziegler ’52 died Sept 13, 2014, after suffering complications from a fall. She had majored in English and was a member of Zeta Tau Alpha at Franklin. She gained national recognition as a leader and activist in the fight to secure educational rights for children with disabilities. Her work occurred at a time in the United States when millions of children were legally excluded from school and parents were urged to institutionalize their children. Working in Massachusetts with a coalition of professional organizations seeking to end this exclusion, she spearheaded a coalition of parent-led organizations, including the Federation for Children with Special Needs, which she founded in 1974. Today, generations who have benefited from Ziegler’s work are living previously unimaginable lives as valued members of their communities. One of the individuals was the inspiration for Ziegler’s book, My Daughter, My Teacher: Mary Ann Autistic in English and Spanish. In recognition of Ziegler’s civic leadership, Franklin College presented Ziegler with a Lifetime Achievement Award during Homecoming festivities in 2013. Her survivors include two children. She resided in Woburn, Mass.

Carolyn (Gitzen) Schluck ’55 died Oct. 9, 2014. She graduated from Butler University and Franklin College, where she had been a Spanish major and Zeta Tau Alpha member. Her teaching career included Indiana and Florida public schools as well as positions with University of Minnesota and Florida State University. She was co-founder of the Schluck School and a founder of the School of Arts and Sciences. Survivors include her husband, Gerald, and their five children. She resided in Tallahassee, Fla.

Morris W. “Mo” Davis ’57 died June 9, 2014. He had been a business major and Lambda Chi Alpha (LCA) member at Franklin, later serving for 25 years as head of the fraternity’s house advisory council. In 1984 he received the LCA National Order of Merit Award, the fraternity’s highest recognition. He also served on the Franklin College Alumni Council. He was a veteran of the Korean War, having served with the U.S. Army. He retired from L.S. Ayers and Co. in Indianapolis after 34 years of service as vice president and treasurer. He then served as auditor for Howard Schultz & Associates for 12 years. Survivors include his wife, Sue V. (Miller) ’56, two children and four grandchildren. He resided in Franklin, Ind.

Richard A. Harrison Jr. ’57 died Sept. 21, 2014, after suffering a collapsed lung and pneumonia. He had been a business major and Sigma Alpha Epsilon (SAE) member at Franklin. He earned a graduate degree from Yale University and became a play director for theatres in Minnesota, Wisconsin and California. He also served as a professor and mentor at several California state universities. In 1981, he joined the San Diego County Office of Education/Instructional TV and from 1988–2010 was the production and programming manager. His professional accolades as a director and producer included Emmy, Tony and Tony nominations. To ensure he could continue making a positive impact in the world, he included Franklin College in his estate plans and funded two scholarships, the Richard A. Harrison/Class of 1957 Pledge Class Endowed Scholarship for Indiana Alpha Chapter of Sigma Alpha Epsilon and The Richard A. Harrison Endowment for Theatre (a visiting artist fund). He was a member of the Franklin College Presidents Club giving society and a resident of San Diego, Calif.

Janice K. (Deputy) Kelly ’58 died Sept. 2, 2014. She attended Franklin College and had been a member of Pi Beta Phi. She was retired from Eli Lilly and Co. Her interests bowling, tennis, riverboat junkets. She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert L., and a stepdaughter. Survivors include her three siblings and a stepdaughter. She resided in Indianapolis.

Clinton E. McCord ’58 died July 13, 2014. He had been an English major at Franklin. He was a veteran of the U.S. Air Force and served with the military police. He earned a master’s degree in education from Butler University and taught at Seymour High School for 35 years, retiring in 1997. He was active in the community through the Jackson County Humane Society, which he helped establish, and Immanuel Lutheran Church. He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Norma Jean. He resided in Seymour, Ind.

Beverly A. Dildine ’59 died June 9, 2014. She had been an elementary education major and Pi Beta Phi member at Franklin. Her teaching career with Fort Wayne (Ind.) Community Schools spanned more than 30 years. She was a member of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church and an active volunteer at the Fort Wayne Museum of Art and the Lincoln Museum. Survivors include two sisters. She resided in Fort Wayne.

The ’60s
Roy L. Dickinson ’60 died Oct. 10, 2014. He attended Franklin College for one year and then Eastern New Mexico University where he received degrees in history and social science in 1963. He then attended night school at what was then called Indiana University School of Law–Indianapolis. He was admitted to the Bar Association in 1967 and served in Johnson County, Indiana, as juvenile referee and deputy prosecutor for a few years. Lastly, he served the youth of Johnson County as public defender for more than 30 years. He received several awards acknowledging his outstanding law career, including the 2012 Atticus Finch Award, created by the Johnson County Bar Association. His wife, Betty Jean, survives. He resided in Franklin.

Joyce E. [Anderson] Wargo ’63 died Aug. 2, 2012. She attended Franklin College and had worked at the Hammond (Ind.) YMCA as a child care provider. She was founding president of the local Epsilon Sigma Omicron Reading Club and was a member of First Christian Church, Disciples of Christ, in Valparaiso, Ind., where she resided. Survivors include a son.

Valerie A. Tuttle ’69 died May 25, 2014. She had been an English major and a resident of the Overstreet House in Franklin. She later earned a master’s degree in English from Seton Hall. She achieved a long career in public service, starting as a social worker at the New Jersey Division of Developmental Disabilities and later in Georgia, where she earned a graduate degree in social work at Atlanta University. She held various positions as a service provider, manager and program and policy specialist for 35 years with the Georgia departments of behavioral health and developmental disabilities, and human resources. Survivors include her daughter. She resided in Atlanta, Ga.
OBITUARIES

The ’70s

Earl Stanfield ’71 died Oct. 12, 2014. He had been a history major and member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon at Franklin. He built a career in education and was retired from Columbus (Ind.) Middle School. He was a loyal Franklin College supporter who frequently attended athletic and cultural events on campus. He also was a member of the President’s Club giving society. He resided in Columbus, Ind.

Larry D. Simpson ’88 died Sept. 28, 2014, after suffering a heart attack. He had been a journalism major and Phi Delta Theta member at Franklin. He was owner of The Hope Star-Journal, which he published for six years. He also worked as a news correspondent for White River Broadcasting from 2013 until his death. During his six years as a newspaper publisher, he won the praises of readers and peers in the industry for his constant improvements in both content and design. He was active in the community as CEO for Heritage of Hope, Inc., former president of the Hope Area Chamber of Commerce and vice president of the Hope Community Center Board of Directors. He also was a member of the First Baptist Church of Columbus, Ind., where he resided. Survivors include his parents and three siblings.

Wayne J. Ewbank ’72 died Sept. 5, 2014. He had majored in English and worked for the college radio station, WFCI, at Franklin. He was a member of Spring Hills Baptist church. Survivors include his wife, Leslie Ann, and their three children. He was preceded in death by a daughter. He resided in Newark, Ohio.

The ’80s

Mamun Ur Rahman ’80 died Aug. 15, 2014. He had majored in business and played soccer at Franklin. He worked for the government of Bangladesh, the United Nations Development Programme, the Asian Development Bank (ADB) and Grameen Bank. In recognition of his academic excellence and professional leadership qualities, he was awarded a global Chevening Scholarship from the British government. He resided in Bangladesh.

Homer J. Hayes ’97 died July 30, 2014. He had been a political science major and Sigma Alpha Epsilon member at Franklin. He worked for Code Blue in the insurance industry. Survivors include his mother and five siblings. He resided in Dayton, Ohio.

The ’90s

Scott D. Adams ’96 died July 21, 2014. He had been an education major at Franklin. He spent 16 years teaching, coaching and inspiring children attending public schools in Indianapolis, where he resided. Survivors include his wife, Jamie, and their son.

The 2000s

Nickolaus “Nick” E. Schultz ’13 died Sept. 7, 2014, after suffering injuries from a gunshot wound during the line of duty. He was an officer for the Merrillville (Ind.) Police Department. He had been a sociology/criminology major at Franklin, where he also was a four-year member of the Grizzlies’ football team and served as an offensive lineman and captain. Survivors include his parents and a sister. He was a resident of Lowell, Ind.

Friends of Franklin College

Scott A. Harris died Oct. 21, 2014. He was employed by Sodexo food service at Franklin College for 25 years. He enjoyed fishing, watching NASCAR and rooting for the Colts. Survivors include his wife, Anna. He resided in Franklin, Ind.

Marcia M. Markert died March 1, 2014. She was a former member of the executive board of Friends of Franklin College and a 30-year employee of the college’s library. Survivors include her husband, Dan, and their son, Michael. He resided in Indianapolis, Ind.

The Hicks have deep roots at Franklin College, where several generations have attended and served in leadership capacities. In recent years, Carol and Don had graciously volunteered as guest hosts for several alumni events in Florida. Survivors include Don, their three sons and seven grandchildren.

Leslie F. “Buck” Matthews died Sept. 9, 2014. His father, Louis B., Ph.D., was a minister and professor of philosophy and religion at Franklin College, where his mother, Reka Blanc, Ph.D., also taught Spanish classes. She was the recipient of an honorary Franklin College doctorate in 1974. In memory of his parents, Matthews made arrangements for his estate to establish two endowments at Franklin College, one supporting library resources and the other providing student scholarships. After he was graduated from Vanderbilt University, Matthews served as a combat aviator with the U.S. Navy and later built a 30-year career as a commercial pilot with American Airlines. He was an avid horseman, fox hunter, musician and dancer. He was preceded in death by his wife of 36 years, Linda, and two older brothers. Survivors include his sister, Maryka Goldberg, a friend of Franklin College. He resided in Tryon, N.C.

Ruth Murphy died May 27, 2014. She was the widow of Robert M. Murphy, a Franklin College professor of philosophy and religion from 1960–77 and a 1984 recipient of an honorary doctorate. He preceded her in death, as did a son, John Robert. Survivors include two children. She was a resident of Franklin, Ind., where she attended First Baptist Church.

Teresa (Hogue) Waltz died May 5, 2014, after a battle with kidney cancer. She had worked for the last 14 years as a teacher and Title I assistant at Indian Creek Elementary School in Trafalgar, Ind., where she resided. Prior to teaching, she worked as a receptionist for Aldi Inc. in Greenwood and as an administrative assistant for the Franklin College Office of Admissions. Survivors include her husband, Greg, and their children, Levi ’14, Christina and Garrett.

Evelyn Wolford died Aug. 6, 2014. While raising seven children she had been active in many civic, arts and religious organizations. She was a Kentucky Colonel, a member of the English Speaking Union and an associate member of the Pendennis Club. She also was the author of prize-winning poetry and co-author with her husband of Going On, a published collection of poetry. She was preceded in death by her husband, Thorp L., a longtime Franklin College trustee and the recipient of an honorary doctorate in 1998. Together, the Wolfords funded an endowed chair and scholarship at Franklin College and often sponsored underwrote events for alumni and friends in the Louisville area, where they resided. Survivors include children, Elizabeth Wolford-Finch ’65, Linda, Stephen ’71, Richard, John, Mary and Roger ’78, 15 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.
Remembering a Franklin College friend …

Kindness, devotion and generosity are a few of the many characteristics that endeared Paula Dietz among everyone fortunate enough to know her. Franklin College lost a longtime friend when Paula died July 19, 2014, at age 93.

She was a devoted wife to her husband of nearly 68 years, Cliff, their three daughters, Sharon, Stephanie and Jennifer ’77, and their families, including nine grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Paula’s American Baptist faith was the foundation of her life. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Franklin but prior to relocating to the area had been a longtime member of Central Baptist Church and later the First Baptist Church of Indianapolis, serving with many of the women’s groups. She also was active with the American Baptist Women’s Association, having held several offices.

Paula’s faith led to a nearly lifelong relationship and commitment to Franklin College. She and Cliff became acquainted with the college in the 1940s when their friend, Wesley Haines, served as president. The college’s welcoming atmosphere and American Baptist heritage made a favorable impression upon the couple, who spent the next several decades blessing the campus community with their time, talent and treasure.

Their early involvement included organizing a Franklin College church relations program, in part to help strengthen American Baptist ties. The couple also made college history in 1979, when they became charter members of the President’s Club giving society. Two decades later they became charter members of the college’s Leaders for Life Campaign. Further, the couple provided funding for Dietz Residence Halls, the west and center sections of the residence hall constructed to replace Bryan Hall, which was destroyed by fire on March 27, 1985. Further, they financed the Dietz Center for Professional Development, a specialized residence hall that integrates career preparation into daily living.

Over several decades, the couple established numerous student scholarships, including the Engineered Models Corp. Endowed Scholarship, Dietz Gifted and Talented Scholarship, Dietz Travel Endowment and Clifford and Paula Dietz Excellence Endowment Scholarship. The couple also established the Clifford and Paula Dietz Franklin College Library Rare Book Endowment Fund when they established the Clifford and Paula Dietz Award for Faculty Excellence in 1980.

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Eric Thompson ’16 thought he had his future figured out before he ever began classes at Franklin College. He had already chosen a major and envisioned a college schedule that would allow him to continue playing a sport he loved in high school. Those plans changed after he moved onto campus and had the chance to explore new interests and build meaningful relationships.

“I truly believe Franklin has given me opportunities I wouldn’t have received anywhere else,” said Thompson. “The first time I visited and sat in on some classes I was really impressed by the personable professors, and that has continued to be my experience. All of my professors have been interested in my goals and willing to help me figure out how to achieve what I want.”

With guidance from professors, Thompson recently transitioned to an exercise science major, putting him on the path toward his dream career in corporate wellness/fitness coaching. “I wouldn’t have discovered my passion without the job-shadowing opportunities I had last year,” he said.

Thompson said he also wouldn’t have discovered his new favorite stress-reliever if it weren’t for encouragement from his Franklin College track coach. “Now I also run cross-country. I’m really proud to be part of two teams of people who truly make a difference in each other’s lives.”

Thompson is a member of Phi Delta Theta fraternity and serves as an Admissions Office ambassador.

“Both experiences give me a voice. Through the fraternity, I get the chance to talk about the college with alumni, and, through admissions, I get the chance to talk about it with prospective students,” said Thompson. “At Franklin, it’s all about the connections.”

Your gifts to the Franklin Fund for Scholarships enable the college to assist Thompson and other students who will go on to lead and serve in their professions, communities and the world. Please remember; every gift counts — every year.

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