

Where Are They Now?

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1927

Julia Stubbs Edwards lives in Signal Mountain, Tenn. She graduated in GSW's second graduating class when it was Americus Normal College.

1935

Carlie A. (Red) Bell is a retired farmer and forestry owner in Blakely, Ga. He and his late wife, Grey, have five children.

1942

Betty Brinson Whittier, a retired accountant, lives in Atlanta, Ga.

1947

Joseph W. Reid, Sr. is a Carpet and Yarn executive in Dalton, Ga.

1948

Barbara Carver Fagan, a retired teacher and principal for Fulton County, Ga., lives in Newnan, Ga. and enjoys spending time with family and traveling.

1949

Helen Hoffmeyer Tippet retired from the banking business after 28 years.

1965

Gayle Peek Smith is a teacher with Barrow County Schools. She lives in Watkinsville, Ga., and has seven grandchildren and two dogs.

1968

Sara Lanthripp Giles is a campus supervisor for United Veteran Services of Ga., Inc. She and her husband, Rufus, live in Sandersville, Ga.

Brenda Hardy Shipp is a homemaker. She and her husband, Andy, live in Murray, Ky. They have one daughter and one grandchild.

1971

William L. Finney is a client manager for Cigna Healthcare. His wife, **Jane** ('71), is a teacher at St. George's Day School. William and Jane were recognized by the Auburn Parents Association as Parents of the Year in 2003. They live in Collierville, Tenn.

1973

Patricia Harter Lanning and husband, Richard E. Lanning, live in Macon, Ga.

1976

Robert A. "Alf" Tuggle is a scout executive for the Heart of Virginia Council of the Boy Scouts of America. He and his wife, Marianne, live in Midlothian, Va. They have two sons, Matt, 23, an Eagle Scout, and Brad, 20, who attained the Life Rank.

1977

Susie Everett Potter is a staff nurse for Palmyra Medical Centers in Albany, Ga. She and her husband live in Preston, Ga.

1978

Dessie Russell Perdue is the business manager for the Department of Real Estate at Georgia State University. She and her husband, Timothy, live in East Point, Ga., and they have two sons, Timothy and Matthew.

1979

Carolyn Moncus is a retired nurse. She lives in LaGrange, Ga., and is an avid gardener.

1981

Mattie S. Childs ('85) is a math teacher with Dekalb

County Schools. She recently published volume one of *Lesson Helpers*, a resource manual for teachers and study guide for students in grades 7-12.

1983

Mark Swicord is the director of the Emergency Department at John D. Archbold Memorial Hospital in Thomasville, Ga. He and his wife, Amy, live in Thomasville.

1985

Christopher L. Mitchell is a senior reporter for WMBB-TV in Panama City, Fla. He recently wrote, produced and edited the Rosalynn Carter Institute's video about its mission and work. He lives in DeFuniak Springs, Fla.



Kay (Strickland) Heath ('75 & '91), author of *Ida Claire, It's Summertime*, spoke recently with English students and other aspiring writers at GSW. The Dawson, Ga., resident and retired teacher, writes about growing up in Southwest Georgia during the late 1950s. Heath earned masters and specialist in education degrees from Georgia Southwestern. Her book is available at the GSW Bookstore.

1987

George Durell Price is a family independence supervisor for the State of Georgia. He lives in Thomaston, Ga.

1988

Lisa Wilson Davis is a pediatric resident at the Medical College of Georgia in Augusta, Ga. She received her medical degree in 2004. She and her husband, **Greg** ('89), live in Martinez, Ga. They have four children: Emily, 12, Adam, 9, Jordan, 8, and Katie Beth, 3.

1989

Fran Gurley Cape is a teacher for the Henry County Board of Education. She and her husband, **Vince** ('89) live in McDonough, Ga. They have two children: Clay 11, and Brett, 8.

1991

Karen Wilkerson Peck is a teacher for Ben Hill County. She and her husband, Tony, live in Fitzgerald, Ga. They have two children: Kelsey and Karla.

1992

Ken Janke ('94) is operations manager for International Coatings, Inc. in Dalton, Ga. He and his wife, **Michelle** ('96) have two children, Steven Ray, 4, and Rayanna, 2.

Laura West is a media specialist in Evans, Ga.

1993

David James Hicks is the principal of Carrollton Junior High School in

Carrollton, Ga. He received an Ed.D. in educational leadership from Valdosta State University in 2004. He and his wife, **Sara** ('91,'92), have two children: Mason, 8, and Dawson, 5.

Patricia A. Wilson is director of Financial Aid for South Georgia Technical College. She was awarded an Ed.D from the University of Georgia in 2004. She and her husband, Ron, have two children: Whitney, 17, and Steven, 13.

1994

Caroline Skipper Chandler is the executive director of Seminole County Family Connection in Donalsonville, Ga. She and her husband, William have a son, Winston Ivan Skipper Chandler, who was born in Russia Sept.28, 2002, and joined their family Aug. 26, 2003.

Jason C. Williams is an anesthesiologist for Albany Anesthesia Associates. He and his wife, Jill, live in Albany, Ga. and have two children: Joshua, 3, and Kate, 1.

1995

Ray Waits was involved in handling all of the dining functions for visiting heads of state at the G-8 Summit held recently on Sea Island, Ga. This included meal coordination for President George W. Bush and the First Lady.

1996

Melissa Bartsch is a psychologist with Cornerstone of Recovery in Knoxville,

In Memorium

Class of 1926

Mary P. (Bennett) Casity
Silver Springs, Fla.
March 22, 2004

Class of 1933

Mildred (Burnam) Johnson Lonnecker
Chicago, Ill.
August 28, 2003

Class of 1934

Nixie (Christmas) Arflin
Vienna, Ga.
May 3, 2004

David T. Jennings

Jacksonville, Fla.
May 24, 2003

Class of 1938

Martha V. (Pate) Pittman Cheatham
Montgomery, Ala.
April 30, 2004

Audrey A. (Williams)

King
Columbus, Ga.
October 7, 2003

Class of 1939

Ellice Gay Richardson
Cuthbert, Ga.
February 2, 2004

Class of 1958

Howard Q. Kennedy
Helena, Ala.
July 9, 2004

Class of 1976

Bettie (Tolson) Rhyne
Americus, Ga.
February 9, 2004

Millard E. Agerton, Ph.D., died May 23, 2004, in Richland, Ga.

The retired educator was a 1942 graduate of the institution, and taught on campus from 1968-1979. Agerton established a scholarship in memory of his sister, Agnes E. Agerton, to recognize outstanding students majoring in English. He was



honored in 2000 with the "Excellence in Philanthropy Award" from the GSW Foundation, Inc. His financial support helped to renovate the University's observatory and refurbish its telescope. The Board of Regents officially approved the naming of the Millard E. Agerton Observatory earlier this year.

Tenn. She has completed her Ph.D. in Counseling Psychology at the University of Tennessee.

Donna Engle-Connolly is a Human Resources Manager for Reynolds Plantation. She and her husband, Chuck, live in Eatonton, Ga. They have one daughter, Makenna.

Vann F. Jones is the executive director of the National Grits Festival. He lives in Warwick, Ga.

Jane O’Gorman (’97) is the director of Public Services/ Continuing Education at North Georgia College and State University.

Andrew Pope recently left the District Attorney’s Office where he worked for the last five years and started his own law firm in Moultrie, Ga. He and his wife, Brecca, have two chil-

dren: Caroline, 3, and Anna Claire, 7 months.

1997

Treva Johnson (’00) is an adolescent counselor for Advantage Counseling.

Christopher M. Jones is a pharmacy manager for Walgreens. He graduated with a doctorate in pharmacy from the University of Georgia in Athens. He and his wife, Julie, live in Macon, Ga. They have two children: Hannah and Rebecca.

1998

Eugenia (Genie) Collins is a reporter for the Americus Times-Recorder. Her managing editor is **Beth Alston**, also an alumna of GSW. Genie lives in Americus, Ga.

Kimberly Hamlin Kennedy is a pharmacist with Clinic

Drug Store in Americus, Ga. She received her doctorate of pharmacy from Mercer School of Pharmacy in 2004. She and her husband, Jeremy, live in Preston, Ga. They have two children: Tyler, 2, and Corley, 7 months.

1999

Michael J. Ross is a reporter for the Americus Times-Recorder. He lives in Americus, Ga.

2000

Felicia O. Brown is a counselor for the Georgia Department of Corrections. She lives in Camilla, Ga.

Mark J. Cornman recently graduated from New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary with a Master’s of Divinity, specializing in Counseling and Psychology. He lives in Brunswick, Ga.

Sonya Ragan Jones is a 4-H agent for the University of Georgia Cooperative Extension Service. She was named 4-H Agent of the Year for 2004. She and her husband, John, live in Hawkinsville, Ga.

2001

Melaina Gilley is a counselor at Lee County High School. She and her husband, Scott, live in Leesburg, Ga.

Tina Nicole Smith Worley is a registered nurse in Cordele, Ga. She and her husband, Koby, have three children: Chase, 13, Ryan, 7, and Blake, 17 months.

2003

Karen Faith Myers is a microbiologist for Nestle Waters North America. She lives in Lake Park, Ga.



Homecoming 2005!

FEBRUARY 18-19, 2005

Schedule of Events:

Friday, February 18, 2005

President’s Donor Recognition
Reception
Pep Rally

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Saturday, February 19, 2005

Registration
Alumni Board Meeting
Silent Auction
Homecoming Luncheon
Tailgate Party
Basketball games against Brewton Parker College

We hope you’ll make plans to attend Homecoming 2005 to visit old friends, make new ones, and find out the latest news from your alma mater! Watch for your registration form in the mail!



Southwestern Symbol—Wheatley Administration Building offices have temporarily moved to other locations across campus, as a restoration of the structure is expected to be underway by Spring Semester 2005. Academic Hall was built on the site in 1907 and cost approximately \$28,000. On April 16, 1915, it was destroyed by fire. Architect Crawford Wheatley, a member of the local board, supervised rebuilding on the same site. The current building, with its trademark rotunda, was completed in 1918 and cost \$75,000. It is named in honor of Charles Huntington Wheatley, son of Crawford Wheatley, who died in 1991 and bequeathed 55 percent of his \$20 million-plus estate to the University. In Spring 2003, \$700,000 in planning funds was approved to renovate the building and restore its previous grandeur.

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