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Merrily Rolling Along

by Mary Beers

Professional development comes in many guises - lectures, collaborative discussions, transition meetings, speakers of national renown - but seldom do 12 teachers board a bus after a day of teaching and take off on a "rolling retreat" to St. Louis. On March 7, 2002, the Lexington School Preschool faculty members boarded a coach bus provided by Board President and parent **Alex Boone '75** and embarked on a journey to visit six independent schools with strong preschool programs.

Photo by Whitney Martin '88



Preschool Rolling Retreat participants, from L to R: Mary Beers, Karen Kirby, Emily Baxter, Kelly Mitchell, Margaret Barker, Cathleen Rawn, Shelly Rogers, Jackie Hawkins, Sherry Cline. Absent from photo: Gale Weissinger, Heather Stone, Kim Croft.

St. Louis is a center of excellence for the Reggio Emilia teaching approach - a method that has influenced the Lexington School Preschool - so some of the teachers refreshed their knowledge by visiting schools that employ the Reggio Emilia program. Other teachers visited schools that had recently finished construction projects to gain new ideas and validate plans for the new Preschool.

Before the trip, Lexington School Preschool teachers visited a variety of St. Louis school websites to determine which school they wanted to visit. After individual excursions, the teachers returned to the bus ready to share with colleagues the strengths and challenges of the schools they visited. The trip home was spent in discussion and planning for another, future adventure.

This unique professional development experience was made possible by the donation of the bus and the expertise of Board Member Molly Strassner, who lives in St. Louis and guided the Preschool in choosing quality programs to visit. The heads of the schools that our faculty visited were unanimous in their approval of our "rolling retreat," and several were very intrigued by the idea. Like Mrs. Frizzle in "The Magic School Bus" series that our students love so much, the Preschool staff knows that unusual opportunities are the way to foster lifelong learning.

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Current Student News

At the Speed of Lightning

Congratulations to **Emily Fixx '10** for winning the six-year-old girl category in this past summer's (August 18, 2001) "Fastest Kid in Town" competition. More than 80 meters long, and featuring heats and a final, the annual "Fastest Kid in Town" races are held in conjunction with Central Baptist Hospital's "A Midsummer Night's Run." Emily credits her ballet, recess, physical education classes, soccer and big brother chasing her around as reasons for her exceptional speed!

Fixx Family Photo



Emily Fixx '10 took home "The Fastest Kid in Town" medal for six-year-old girls last August.

The Sounds of Success

The Lexington School Speech and Debate Team completed another successful year, coached by teacher Gretchen Young. The Team had one of its winningest seasons in 11 years, coming in second out of eight teams in the Regional Tournament held at The Lexington School on February 2, 2002. The team then went on to The Kentucky Educational Speech and Drama Association (KESDA) State Tournament and placed third out of 10 teams.

James Lagrew '02 and **Magda Stewart '02** placed first in "Improvisational Duo," and **Heidi Zimmerman '03** placed first in "Prose." **Miles Hopgood '03** was sixth in "Broadcasting," **Caroline Boes '05** third in "Declamation," **Katie Priest '03** sixth in "Extemporaneous," **Julie Burchett '04** fifth in "Interpretation of Literature," **Shelby Martin '02** fourth in "Poetry," **Stephanie Bachas-Daunert '03** sixth in "Poetry," and **Miles Hopgood '03** third in "Storytelling."

Regional winners went to the Kentucky Junior High School State Speech Tournament in Bowling Green, KY. They placed fifth out of 45 teams in the state. Congratulations to **Megan Gilbert '03** who was fifth in "Broadcasting," **Sam Hunter '03** and **Miles Hopgood '03** who were fourth in "Duo Acting," and **Katie Priest '03** and **Leslie Ladd '05** who placed third in "Improvisational Duo."

Alumni Spotlight – Alden Purdy '99

by Whitney Martin '88

Lexington School alumni never cease to amaze, consistently proving that what they learn and who they become, while students at The Lexington School, carries on long after graduation. Such is the case with **Alden Purdy '99**, a senior at Lexington Christian Academy, who has recently received not only a Singletary Scholarship from the University of Kentucky but has also been named a National Merit Finalist.

Alden attended The Lexington School from pre-Kindergarten to ninth grade, graduating in 1999 as a member of the Permanent Headmaster's List. Other awards Alden received while at The Lexington School include winning the D.A.R.E. essay contest in sixth grade and taking home first place prizes in both "Broadcasting" and "Interpretation of Literature" as a School Speech Team member at the 1999 KESDA Tournament, and a fifth place prize in "Prose Interpretation" at the Kentucky High School Speech League State Tournament.

Purdy Family Photo



Alden Purdy '99 pictured with her family dog during her ninth grade year.

As a student at Lexington Christian Academy, Alden was honored numerous times, winning the Spanish I Award, the Honors English 10 and 12 Awards, the Desktop Publishing Award, and the Portrait and Figure Award in art. Alden also recently received the Rotary Club of Lexington All-Fayette County Academic Team Award, the Lexington Women's Club Creative Writing Award, and was selected as a Furman Scholar at Furman University, a Centre Fellow at Centre College, and nominated to apply for a Jefferson Scholarship at the University of Virginia. Her senior class also voted her "Most Likely to Succeed."

Purdy Family Photo



Alden Purdy '99 at age six, a few years after enrolling at The Lexington School.

As a junior, after taking the PSAT, Alden received notice she was in the running for National Merit placement. Senior year, she took the SAT and was soon after named a National Merit Semi-Finalist. Alden proceeded to apply for a Finalist position by sending in an application, essay and recommendation from her school counselor.

In February of this year, Alden received exciting news - twice. Not only was she declared a National Merit Finalist, the University of Kentucky granted her acceptance and also awarded her a Singletary Scholarship. Both of the honors give Alden a $500 annual stipend, and the Singletary Scholarship pays full tuition, room, board and books.

"I'm thrilled to be attending the University of Kentucky," Alden says. "I'm looking forward to the many opportunities I'll have, and I'm eager to see what a large school and campus will feel like for the first time." Alden plans on majoring in English, and says she would like to double major but wants to take several courses in a variety of areas before deciding on a second concentration.

In addition to academics, Alden will continue to passionately pursue horseback riding and stay involved with her church, as she has done for many years, but hopes to find several clubs at UK that will interest her. "Right now, I'm thinking I'll get involved with a Christian group and possibly the Outing Club. I'd like to try kayaking and rock climbing."

Bringing Down the House

by Whitney Martin '88

What involved a "cast of thousands," three months of rehearsals, and brought a 1962 Cadillac and two motorcycles to campus for photo-ops? The roof-raising Lexington School spring musical, "Bye Bye Birdie," directed by music teacher Nancy Ward and presented by the Middle School.

The 1960's musical comedy, written and composed by Michael Stewart, Charles Strouse and Lee Adams, wowed School audiences for five showings during the first week of February, and students gave a repeat performance of selected songs at the recent "Hoedown at the Horsepark" CELEBRATION festivities.

Auditions for the play were held the last Monday and Tuesday of October 2001, and starring roles were landed by the following students: **Will Parell '03** as Albert Peterson; **Shelby Martin '02** as Rosie Alvarez; **Ben Becker '04** as Conrad Birdie; **Megan Gilbert '03** as Kim MacAfee; **Sam Hunter '03** as Harry MacAfee; **Martha Prewitt '03** as Doris MacAfee; **John Stewart '05** as Randolph MacAfee; **Heidi Zimmerman '03** as Mae Peterson; **Jordan English '02** as Hugo Peabody; and **Julie Burchett '04** as Ursala.

Behind the scenes, students tackled everything from set design and lighting to ushering and technology needs. The Production Staff included: **Lacy Reinhold '02** as Stage Manager; **Leah Martin '02** as Student Director; **Carl Gray '02** and **Miles Hopgood '03** as Student Assistants; **J. P. Stilz '04** as Technical Director; and **Sarah Mikell '03** as Prop Mistress. **Cy Alexander '03, Max Clark '04, Clay Mason '03, Tyler Adkins '04** took charge of Lighting; **Lucy Owen '03** oversaw Set Design; **Adam Trontz '05** served as Head Usher; **Hughes Congleton '04, Brandon Leatherwood '02, Alvin Lin '04, Andrew Roberts '05** were Stage Crew; and **Nick Nardiello '03 and Sean Stokes '03** served as Tech Crew and compiled a wonderful pre-show video.

Also featured in the play were: **Mia Moross '02, Miles Hopgood '03, Mariam Hanna '03, Maureen West '02, Kate MacNeil '05, Harrison Langley '05, Daniel**

Photo by Bill Patterson '81



Board President and parent **Alex Boone '75** brought his 1962 Cadillac to campus, as well as two motorcycles, so "Bye Bye Birdie" cast members could strike a pose. Boone participated in the production of "Bye Bye Birdie" when he was a student at The Lexington School.

Archer '03, Jacob Rosenberg '03, Kyle Rosenstein '03, Michael Lyons '04, Tony Woomer '03, Russ Purdy '05, Lindy Elswick '04, Lindsay West '04, Catie Boone '05, Christi Scheib '03, Erica Ashley '03, Lucy Owen '03, Leslie Ladd '05, Caleigh Waldman '03, Lynn Dotson '03, K. K. Ramsey '03, David Parell '05, Tim Gilbert'05, Henry Bradley '04, David Lock '05, Teddy Yan '05, Courtney Damm '03, Laura Owen '03, Fielding Trapp '03, Brittany Burse '04, Emma Rummel '04, Brooke Baker '03, Leah Volk'04, Ann Whitney '04, Allison Hollins '05, Audrey Akers '05, Betsy Wilson '04, Stephanie Bachas-Daunert '03, Caroline Boone '04, Heather Dunham '04, Sarah Brown '03, Ryley Vaughn, Victoria de Leon '04, Aubrey Vaughn '05, and Ann Cowden '04.

Photo by Bill Patterson '81



Ben Becker '04, who played Conrad Birdie, is pictured above center with cast and chorus members from the play.

The performance was choreographed by Eastern Kentucky University speech and theater department member Homer Tracy, while Head of Preschool Mary Beers and Spanish teacher Kimberly Tucker served as faculty assistants. In the pit orchestra, Nancy Ward and Kimberly Tucker represented The Lexington School, while outside musicians Rob Vanover, David Hummel and Jim Corcoran shared their talent. Costumes were provided by the Lexington Costume Company, and Pro-Sound and Lights coordinated the sound system. Building Superintendent Frank Mays, Physical Plant Assistant Melvin Kirkpatrick and the cafeteria staff were immensely helpful to the "Bye Bye Birdie" cast, as well.

Multitudes of friends, faculty members and families were instrumental in assuring that "Bye Bye Birdie" not only made it to the stage, but made a tremendous impact on audience members. Technology teacher Sue Miller and speech and drama teacher Gretchen Young volunteered with their husbands, as did current parent **Kimberly Knight '74**. Parents Reece Reinhold and Susan English assisted with the stage design concept and organized the cast meals and party, respectively.

The musical was a huge hit, bringing down the sold-out house night after night in February. Nancy Ward couldn't have been more proud of the students' efforts. "It's amazing to see students 'transformed' when they step onto the stage," she said. "The musical is definitely becoming a very important part of the Lexington School Middle School experience!"

Hats Off to the Hattons

by Whitney Martin '88

What do you get when you combine a love of basketball with the desire to make a difference? The Hattons - an athletic and devoted family with Lexington School ties. Made up of Vernon, Suzanne, Jeff, Terry and Steve, the Hatton family was a familiar group at The Lexington School for close to 15 years.

Vernon, better known as "Coach," headed the School's physical education department from 1968 to 1981 and was an All-American at the University of Kentucky. His wife, Suzanne, taught girls' physical education, and their three sons, **Terry '77, Jeff '76 and Steve '81**, were all students at The Lexington School.

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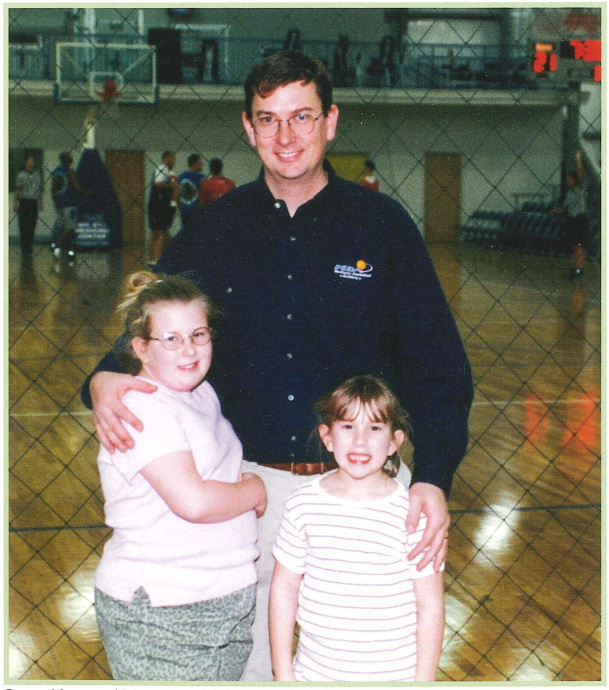


A jumpball starts a scrimmage game at the Hattons' KBA.

These days, the Hatton family is still closely linked to athletics. The Kentucky Basketball Association (KBA) was recently opened in Lexington, and its founders are Hatton brothers Terry and Steve. The booming company and its basketball program, seeks to improve the skill levels of local kids at an early age.

KBA offers basketball clinics and classes for boys and girls from age five to high school. In addition, KBA offers girls' volleyball clinics as well as leagues for men and women. The business is growing and kids are learning, and in the process, Terry and Steve are having lots of fun. It's a dream come true for them, as well as their family - a continuation of their passions from Lexington School days.

Photo by Bill Patterson '81



Steve Hatton '81 poses with his two daughters at KBA.

"It's so rewarding to see kids improve and grow, not only in athletic ability, but in self-esteem and confidence," Terry says.

He and his family know the importance of a solid background in both academics and athletics. The Lexington School was a key player in the Hatton brothers' development. "TLS was a wonderful foundation for all of us. I clearly remember the devoted faculty and the special trips we took to Cumberland Gap," says Terry. "The lessons and work ethic instilled by The Lexington School have lasted a lifetime. Our School experience taught us to think for ourselves and have high goals, and I am forever grateful for that."

KBA is a wonderful example of what a family can do and achieve, and The Lexington School is proud to be connected to such a special and talented group of people.

Making Common Sense of Things

by Whitney Martin '88

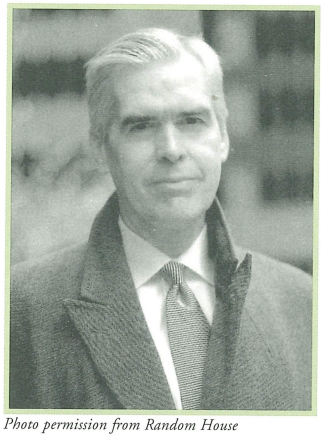


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This past fall, Lexington School graduate **Philip K. Howard '63** spoke at the University of Kentucky's 21st Annual Edward F. Prichard Jr. Lecture. Born in Atlanta, Ga., Philip K. Howard '63 attended The Lexington School, the Taft School, Yale University, from which he received his bachelor's degree in Economics and City Planning, and the University of Virginia from which he received a law degree in 1974.

From 1974-83, he worked as an Associate for Sullivan & Cromwell then held the position of Partner at Howard, Smith & Levin 1983-99. Currently he is Partner and Vice Chairman at Covington & Burling. All of the aforementioned firms are based in New York City.

His activities include serving as Chairman of New York City's Municipal Art Society, a civic group that has spearheaded initiatives to preserve Grand Central Terminal, Radio City Music Hall and the James A. Farley Post Office Building, and most recently, to create an interim memorial for the World Trade Center victims. He also writes op-ed pieces for *The New York Times* and *The Wall Street Journal* and speaks nationwide to judicial, government and professional groups.

Howard '63 is the author of the bestseller, "The Death of Common Sense: How Law is Suffocating America," and "The Collapse of the Common Good: How America's Lawsuit Culture Undermines Our Freedom." For the forthcoming "Oxford Companion to American Law," Howard is contributing the section on American law since 1968.

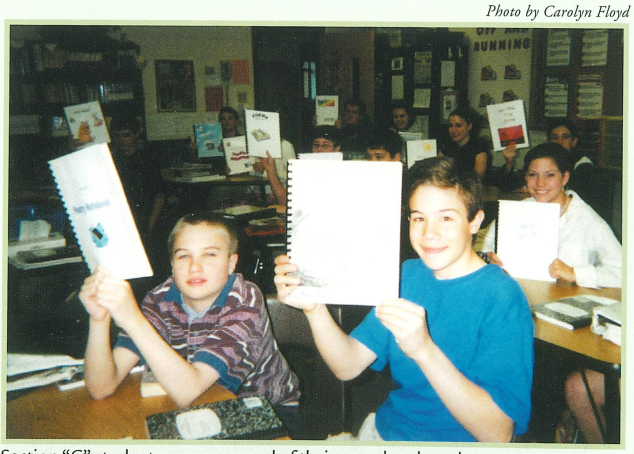
He is one of the nation's most prominent advocates for legal reform and regularly advises leaders of both political parties. He is the co-founder of the New Coalition for the Common Good, a bipartisan group whose board members include former Senator George McGovern and former New Jersey Governor Tom Kean. The Coalition is dedicated to overhauling America's lawsuit culture. His belief is that "the assertion of individual rights has become so zealous and nonsensical that it jeopardizes any consideration of society's common good."

The son of a Presbyterian minister, Howard '63 was raised in Lexington, Whitesburg and Mt. Sterling, KY, and spent many summers working the local tobacco fields. Howard '63 and his wife Alexandra, who live in Manhattan, have four children: Olivia (23), Charlotte (19), Lily (15) and Alexander (15).

Rhyme with Reason

During March and April, Mrs. Floyd's seventh grade English classes published original poetry notebooks. Their works included all types of poetry and poetic devices. An interesting aspect of the unit involved writing a poem using mathematical terms in correlation with their math classes. All poems were illustrated and bound, then shared with grandparents on Grandparents' Day. The creativity, imagination and originality displayed in the books showed that the students worked very hard and had a good time in the process. Bravo, seventh grade!

Photo by Carolyn Floyd

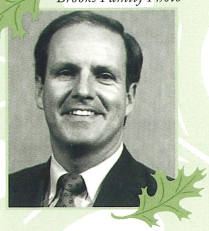


Section "C" students are very proud of their completed product, a poetry notebook. In foreground, from L to R: **Steven Davey '04, Ben Becker '04, Katie Simpson '04.**

Meet the Trustees

by Whitney Martin '88

In this issue, and in the next, *Pinpoints* will feature the members of the Board of Trustees. They are a diverse and talented group of individuals that give much of their hearts and time to The Lexington School, and they deserve not only coverage but gratitude. We hope the Lexington School community enjoys reading about this special and important collection of people. Stay tuned for additional profiles.



Brooks Family Photo

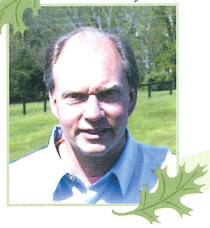
George S. Brooks II

George received a BA in English from Vanderbilt University in 1973 and a law degree from the University of Louisville in 1977. Following law school, George served as an officer and in-house council for several companies. In his last position, he was Corporate Secretary and General Counsel of Kentucky Utilities, which was listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

Upon the purchase of KU by LG&E Energy in 1998, George changed careers and became a financial consultant with Hilliard Lyons where he is a partner with his sister, Betsy. He primarily advises individual investors, but is also actively involved in setting up retirement plans for small businesses.

George is a Member of the Lexington Rotary Club. He has been a Trustee of the Bluegrass Trust for Historic Preservation, where he served as a Member of the Endowment Committee. He has also served the Episcopal Church, Lexington Diocese, as a Member of its Finance Committee.

George is a native of Winchester, KY. He is married to Kathy Carpenter Brooks. They have a daughter, **Callie '99**, who attends Deerfield Academy and a son, **John '02**, who is a freshman at The Lexington School.



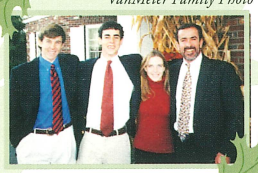
Bell Family Photo

Headley Bell '70

Headley's involvement and roots are deep with The Lexington School since his grandfather, Hal Price Headley, donated the land for the School campus and Headley attended the first Kindergarten class ever offered. In addition to many cousins and his two brothers, Headley's, and his wife, Nancy's, three children - **Price '97, Alice '00** and **Gardner '03** - have all attended and, according to Headley, "been afforded an education that is incomparable."

After his time at The Lexington School, Headley graduated from the Woodberry Forest School and Vanderbilt University. All of his children have benefitted much from their Lexington School education, with Price graduating from the Taft School and now attending Vanderbilt, Alice as a junior at Lexington Catholic, and Gardner going to the Lawrenceville School next year. Headley and Nancy feel their children's education is the greatest gift they can provide and feel indebted to the School for providing a strong foundation.

Headley's family is involved with Mill Ridge Farm, and he has been the President of Nicoma Bloodstock, a thoroughbred service-oriented business, for 23 years. Headley says "it is an honor to serve as a Trustee for The Lexington School."


VanMeter Family Photo

George M. VanMeter, Jr.

George graduated from St. Agatha Academy and Episcopal High School before attending Transylvania University, where he graduated in 1977 with a Morrison Medallion. George currently works as a real estate agent and sales associate in Lexington and was previously a Co-owner of the Lexington Brewing Company and a Little Caesar's franchisee. His first job was in sales for Snyder-Gorham Optical.

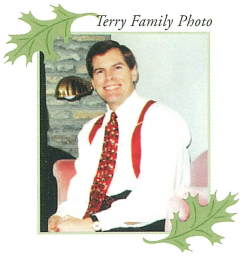
George is on Good Shepherd Episcopal Church's Vestry, on the Transylvania University Board of Curators and is involved with the Tom Browning Boys' and Girls' Club in Maysville, KY. His hobbies include running, biking, swimming, marathons, triathlons, golf and skiing. George has three children, **George '97**, **Rick '00**, and **Anne '03**.

Alice Chandler

Alice attended the University Training School in Lexington, KY, and the Ethel Walker School. Since 1962, she has been the owner of Mill Ridge Farm which comprises 1050 acres in Fayette County. Mill Ridge is a major consignor to the Keeneland Sales, races a few horses for itself and boards horses for many successful breeders both here and abroad. Mrs. Chandler has been a racehorse owner for 55 years.

She has been a Member of Kentucky Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders since 1976 and has served as its President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer and is currently a Trustee. She is Director and past President of the Kentucky Thoroughbred Association, Director of the Keeneland Association since 1981, a Member of the Jockey Club since 1989 and Chair of the Gluck Equine Center. She is also involved with the Kentucky Racing Commission, the Kentucky State Board of Agriculture, the Equine Drug Council and Director of the Breeders' Cup.

She is married to Dr. John A. Chandler and has four children: Patricia B. McDowell, Michael H. Bell, **Reynolds Bell, Jr. '67** and **Price Headley Bell '70.**

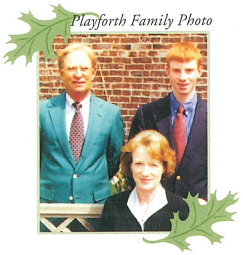

Terry Family Photo

Timothy E. N. Terry

Treasurer

Tim is the Managing Member of Terry Enterprises, LLC, a five-unit Fazoli's Restaurant franchisee as well as a Partner in Griffin Gate LLC, which owns the Lexington Marriott Resort at Griffin Gate. Previously, Tim has been involved with real estate management, was the President of Domino Stud, Inc., was the Internal Control Auditor for Coca-Cola bottling concerns in southern Illinois, the Controller for Howard Johnson's-North, Lexington Hilton Inn and Domino Stud, and served in various capacities with Terry Properties, Inc, a 33-shop Long John Silvers franchisee.

Tim graduated from the University of Kentucky in 1978 with a BS in Accounting. Honors and civic involvement include: Fazoli's Franchisee Advisory Council, the Rotary Endowment Board, the American Heart Association, Treasurer of Wood Street Maintenance Association, and the Blue Grass Council Boy Scouts of America Executive Board. He and his wife, Susan, have two children, **Allison '03** and **Nicholas '07**.


Playforth Family Photo

Elizabeth Playforth H'00

Elizabeth graduated from the University of Kentucky with a BA in History and from Eastern Kentucky University with a nursing degree. She and her husband, Herman, have a small horse farm of Thoroughbreds and sport horses.

She began her volunteer work at The Lexington School by serving on the Board from 1994-2000. She was Chair of the Live Auction for Celebration in 1997 and served as Co-chair with Herman for three years – their final year being that of the School's 40th Anniversary. She has returned to the Board this year where she is a Member of the Preserving Excellence Campaign Steering Committee.

Elizabeth is an avid fox hunter with the Iroquois Hunt Club where she is a Fieldmaster She has also served on the High Hope Steeplechase Committee and was a steward for the NSHA and Junior League, Lexington Ball. She and her husband are the proud parents of, **John '99**, who will graduate from the Groton School this spring and attend Harvard University in the fall.

A Birthday for Barbara

by Whitney Martin '88

The Lexington School library is a renowned gathering place, both during and after school, and for a variety of meetings, functions and celebratory events. But never before has it been the site for a birthday party of more than 200 guests! This past April, former colleagues, family members, friends and former students came from near and far to honor former first grade teacher, **Barbara Bale H'00.**

Photo by Shelby Bale



From L to R: Ginny May, Muffy Lyster, Liz Santen.

Barbara taught first grade at Meadowthorpe Elementary from 1961 to 1973 and at The Lexington School from 1973 to 1999, and to her many beloved students she was a memorable and pivotal teacher. With her calm and kind demeanor, and her uncanny ability to understand the mind of a child (she awed them all with her magical Paddington Bear dollhouse), she no doubt served, for 37 years, as a welcoming soul to many a child's entry into the academic world. But students were not the only recipients of Barbara's love and friendship - throughout the years she touched many of her co-workers, relatives and friends with her gentle spirit. All said, a party honoring Barbara Bale seemed the perfect thing to plan for a spring day.

Photo by Shelby Bale



From L to R: Barbara Groves, Sara Meekins, Libby Geddes.

Former parents Ginny May and Sue Glover, former Kindergarten teacher Patty Cordy Henrickson and current parent and Director of Alumni Affairs **Lucy McKinstry '66**, coordinated the event. On the day of the party, Barbara Bale arrived at The Lexington School and led an impromptu processional to the library where punch, desserts and a glorious array of flowers awaited her and her guests.

The party progressed with all the guests and well-wishers eagerly lining up and waiting their turn to speak to Barbara. One special moment of the day occurred when a lady approached Barbara and said "I was in your first grade 39 years ago!" Without hesitation, Barbara exclaimed "Debbie Grider!"

"The moment was priceless," Barbara said. "It was worth more than a lifetime of teaching!"

There were a wide variety of wonderful gifts, including candles and photographs, personal notes and cards, even a wonderful book about an educational trip with Paddington Bear, created by former student Emily Cathcart. Other surprises were a La-Z-Boy Luxury Recliner and computer programs. Lexington School grandparent Ray Betts gave a touching address, and a cake decorated with Paddington Bear helped to set the festive mood.

"Everything was planned and done with such consideration," Barbara said. "In recent years I have entertained myself with the thought of the proverbial three wishes, one of which was for a gathering of former students. Not only was it granted, it exceeded my expectations."

And Barbara is not alone in that remark. All present thoroughly enjoyed seeing the guest of honor - a lady that certainly holds a special place in many hearts and whose influence has, for years, given many a reason to celebrate.

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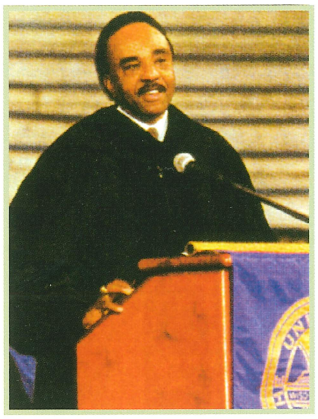
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Barbara Bale H '00 visits with, from L to R: Elizabeth Hughes, **Lucy McKinstry '66** and Joy Bale Boone.

The Lexington School CAMPUS Happenings

The Unity in Education Lecture Series



On Tuesday, April 16, 2002, Clifton Taulbert – nationally renowned educator, speaker and humanitarian – spoke to members of The Lexington School and Sayre School communities. His two lectures "Character Education – a Life Plan Not a Lesson Plan" and "Building a 21st-Century Community" were open to parents, faculty members and other Central Kentucky guests. The Unity in Education Lecture Series is annually co-sponsored by The Lexington School and Sayre School.

Clifton Taulbert is the author of "Once Upon a Time When We Were Colored," "Watching Our Crops Come In," "Little Cliff and the Porch People," and the Pulitzer Prize-nominated book "The Last Train North." He is also the author of the renowned "Eight Habits of the Heart," in which he presents eight universal and timeless ideals that are not held captive by race, gender or geography. He is the Founder of the Building Community Institute and serves on the boards of the University of Tulsa, the Oklahoma Investment Forum and Oklahoma Public Television. He has won many honors, including the NAACP 1996 Image Award and the United States Air Force Enlisted Airmen Hall of Fame. Taulbert's presence and words enlivened School audiences and community members were honored to have such a prestigious guest and speaker on campus.

Community Service Honor

Students from The Lexington School (Middle School), Lexington Christian Academy's Centenary and Immanuel campuses, and Sayre School received awards at a ceremony held at God's Pantry Food Bank on March 27, 2002. A total of 24,433 pounds of food were collected by children in 13 Fayette County private schools in January and February during the annual "Kids Helping Kids" Winter Food Drive.

The Lexington School Middle School came in first place with a total of 5,319 pounds of donated food, and won second place for amount of food per student: 33.2 pounds.

Oops!

Correction

In the Winter 2002 edition of *Pinpoints*, a photo caption was incorrect. Photo is reprinted below with the correct caption

Photo by Whitney Martin '88



Present at the time capsule burial, from L to R: **Claire Tri '01, Katherine Ruch '01, Jessica Brown '01, Rachel Leep '01, Alex Huber '01, James Frazier '01, Luiza De Camargo '01, David Priest '01, Ashley Baldwin '01, Jennifer Boone '01, Rachel Ball '01** (hidden), **Katie Hollins '01.**



KinderKlasse student, **Eliza Jane Schaeffer '13**, assembles "cooties" with her





Delaney Maxson '11 listens to her grandmother read from "Where the Wild Things Are."



Seventh grade students put on a musical production for their grandparents.

All Photos by Bill Patterson '81

h her grandfather.





Manneja Cordray '11, a Kindergarten student, completes a project with her grandmother.



Bo Phillips '11, with his grandfather on the playground.



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"English" 101

by Whitney Martin '88

When is learning about English, a lot like learning about music? When the English in question is **Victor English '74**, a Lexington School graduate who is both a tenor and guitar player. Victor got his start in music as a child, inspired by his musical father and the "Beatles Invasion," and played guitar off and on from age eight until he was a teenager.

He decided about three years ago to get more serious about his guitar playing, and it's paid off. For the past year-and-a-half, he's played guitar and sung in a local band, "Off the Clock," that specializes in folk and classic hits by bands and singers such as America, Blues Traveler, Jimmy Buffett, the Eagles, James Taylor, Van Morrison, and of course, The Beatles. The leader of the band is his brother-in-law, Glenn Acree, who is the father of Lexington School first grade student, **Taylor Acree '10**.

Victor also sings tenor in the choir and on the Worship Team at Versailles United Methodist Church. He enjoys the musical variety in his life. "Singing at church is obviously different than playing with my band," Victor notes. "But singing and learning different types of music gives me a greater appreciation for music in general."

The English lesson doesn't stop there, however. Victor's wife, Susan, is a talented musician, too. She sings soprano for the church choir and Worship Team and was involved in musicals as a youth. When she attended Western Kentucky University, she sang in a band. According to Victor, "Susan's favorite artist is Bonnie Raitt, and she sounds just like her. Susan has one of the prettiest voices I have ever heard."

It's no wonder, then, that the English children, **Jordan '02**, **Marshall '06** and **Ellee '10** are musically inclined. Jordan plays guitar, sings and leads music for the youth group at church. His interest in guitar took off when Victor, a few years ago, gave his old guitar to Jordan.

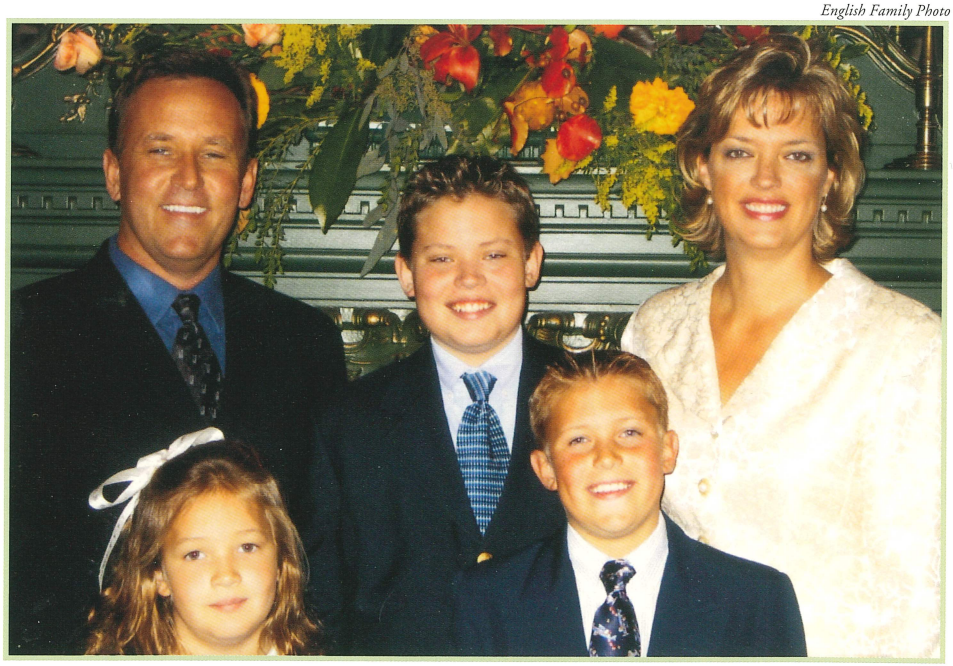
Marshall has been playing the saxophone since September 2001 and has been singing since he could talk. He's also played the piano and harmonica, but the sax seems to be his thing. "He played solo for 250 people at a Christmas party after studying the sax for only three months," says Victor. "So, I guess he's not shy."

Then there's Ellee, a first grader, who's just coming into her own musical style. "She plays a mean tambourine and wants to take piano lessons," Victor says. "I keep telling her that the family needs a drummer, but we'll see what route she takes!"

As a family, Victor and Susan have done some duets at church, and Jordan and Victor played together for an Easter sunrise service. Marshall and Jordan have "worked up a tune or two" for the sax and guitar, and Ellee sings with her mom and dad before bed every night.

"Of all the things I enjoy about The Lexington School," Victor says, "it's been watching the music department develop over the years. The teachers really instill a love of music in the students at an early age. I've been blown away by some of the holiday and Spring Sing programs the School has put on."

English Family Photo



From L to R: **Victor English '74, Ellee English '10, Jordan English '02, Marshall English '06** and Susan English.

Alumni *News*

Marshall Groves '88 serves as an MH-53 helicopter pilot for the United States Air Force in Afghanistan. The helicopters are the largest the US owns and are used to deliver Special Forces teams, as well as offering search and rescue capabilities when required.

Matt Groves '90 flies large cargo transports (C-130's) for the United States Air Force. In February 2002 he left for duties in Europe. When not on active duty, Matt lives in North Carolina.

Sarah Ford '91, a member of a multi-cultural ballet company in Chicago called "Deeply Rooted," has started her own company and show which will go on tour this summer in Brazil. Sarah organized all the lighting, costumes and choreography for the show's debut in February 2002, even renting a large theater for the act. When she travels to Brazil this summer, she will take some of her own dancers with her and train others on site.

Erin Ford '93 will travel to Nicaragua this summer as an agent for "Potters for Peace." She'll live in a small rain forest village that is without running water, electricity or English-speaking residents. The goal is to help local villagers with their pottery industry. The program is a part of Erin's Antioch University experience that requires students to periodically study off campus as they work toward a degree.

Robert Karem '93 and **Leslie Elliott '94** work for Senator Mitch McConnell in Washington, DC. Lexington School eighth grade students saw both Robert and Leslie on their fall trip to the Capitol.

Matt Hartley '95 was among 35 Centre College students that traveled to Samoa, Tonga and Fiji for a three-week trip to study the tourism and economic anthropology of the islands. Matt kept a journal and did field projects in specific areas.

Molly Baumann '98 attends Centre College in Danville, KY.

Ann Chapman Breeden '98 attends Wofford College in Spartanburg, SC.

Eli Zimmerman '99 is a senior in the Math, Science and Technology Center at Paul Laurence Dunbar High School. He is a member of the state champion Academic Team and the winner of the William H. Danforth "I Dare You" Leadership Award. He is currently the president of his school's Spanish Honor Society and his synagogue's youth group. In the spring of 2001, Eli was named a Governor's Scholar. Eli is active in Beta Club, Key Club and the Mayor's Youth Council.

Isabel DeCamargo '00 and **Will B. VanMeter '99** were recognized as part of Sayre School's homecoming court on February 1, 2002. Will B. was further honored that day as he was crowned homecoming king.

Photo by Ginger Martin



Members of the Class of 1994 gathered this winter for a holiday dinner. From L to R: **Liz Martin '94, Julia Santen '94, Clay Chapman '94, Janet Baker '94, Ellen Stilz '94, Cecilia Moore '94, Katherine Alford '94.**

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May at The Lexington School means Little Kentucky Derby time! Fans and bystanders of the big event, from several years ago, are pictured above.