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We have much to celebrate. The college was recognized—for a fourth time—with a perfect score on the Tennessee Higher Education Commission performance funding matrix. No other Tennessee Board of Regents institution comes close to that outstanding record. Our students perform better than native students at transfer four-year institutions. We graduated more than 750 students during our May commencement. Our job-placement rate for our students is more than 93 percent. We have honored Maryville Police Chief Tony Crisp and Darlene Branim, Barna Log Systems owner/president/CEO. Additional insight on these two outstanding Roane State alumni is presented later in this magazine. Yes, your college continues to maintain its high standard of academic excellence.

However, as with every organization, improvements can be made that will enhance student learning and competencies for the future as we enter our fourth decade of service to our expanded 10-county service area. Roane State is putting Learning First. We must ensure that our students experience extraordinary learning success in their earliest encounters with the college and establish a solid foundation for future learning. We will shape our culture by making learning the chief value and design principle in every college policy, procedure, plan, and initiative. The faculty is in the process of considering five Core Competencies that undergird the learning outcomes for a Roane State graduate. They are: *think, value, communicate, problem solve, and act*.



- Think: think clearly, critically, and creatively, as well as analyze, synthesize, integrate and evaluate in many domains of human inquiry;
- Value: make reasoned judgments and responsible commitments;
- Communicate: communicate clearly, critically, and creatively with different audiences using varied means;
- Problem Solve: provide clear, concise, and creative solutions to problems encountered in academe, the work place, and society.
- Act: act purposefully, effectively, and responsibly.

These underlying competencies can be applied in many contexts and must be developed over a lifetime. They set standards for how learning can be demonstrated and assessed in practice. They enable students and faculty to set learning goals and assess learning within and across the many disciplines of human inquiry.

We must continue to strive toward our goal of becoming a premier higher education institution focused on student learning, be a center for cultural and intellectual richness, and be an instrument for enhancing the quality of life of the citizens within our service area.

Gary Loff

Vistas | of Roane State

Roane County Campus

The country's governing document was in the spotlight on Sept. 17, the date that Constitutional Convention members signed the Constitution in 1787. During a Constitution Day observance, the main campus hosted U.S. District Judge Tom Phillips, who spoke on Constitution Article III regarding the judicial branch of government. The ceremony also included Revolutionary War reenactors in uniform.

Oak Ridge Campus

The seventh annual Street Painting Festival raised more than \$24,000 for scholarships for Roane State students. This year, the event—sponsored by the Rotary Club of Oak Ridge—drew some 200 artists of all ages from throughout the region. They painted 140 “sidewalk” squares on the Oak Ridge Campus.

Campbell County Campus

Roane State's Campbell County Higher Education Center officially opened this fall. The 18,000-square-foot facility was years in the planning and replaces the college's leased facilities in Woodson's Mall. In attendance at the ribbon-cutting ceremony was community philanthropist Ed Wheeler, whose generosity and vision were driving forces behind the center's construction. The center includes classrooms, computer labs, a community room and a student lounge.

Cumberland County Campus

Charlene Hall is the new director of Roane State's Cumberland County campus. A licensed professional counselor, Hall has worked in the airline industry, in sales, and most recently with the Cumberland County Schools. Named the county's 2001 Advocate of the Year for Children, Hall has also taught GED classes and worked with the Cumberland Housing Authority. Now it all comes together at the campus on Cook Road. “I feel blessed,” Hall said. “This job encompasses everything I've been training to do all my life.”



Vistas **continued**

Fentress County Campus

The American West is in the spotlight in this center's student lounge. The Western-themed décor includes original art by local artist and Roane State student Corey Dickens. The lounge includes tables, study areas and bulletin boards touting "J-Town News" and other items of local interest.



Knox County Campus

The Health Information Technology program (formerly Medical Records) has opened several HIT classes to the general student population to better educate a broader array of prospective professionals who need knowledge of this health-care field. The courses include HIT 102 (Fundamentals of Health Information Management), HIT 113 (Legal Aspects of Health Information), and HIT 107 (Medical Terminology).



Loudon County Campus

France was in the spotlight during the recent Multicultural Day celebration. Students, faculty and staff at this campus displayed a replica of the Eiffel Tower, enjoyed French cuisine and learned general facts about their chosen country.



Morgan County Campus

A campus in Wartburg will soon be a reality. A new higher education center there has received necessary state approval, and construction could begin soon on the 7,200 square-foot-facility to be located off Highway 62. Morgan County donors have given over \$1 million to make the project possible.



Scott County Campus

This center has expanded again. More than 2,000 square feet was added this fall for a Tennessee Tech University classroom and office, a testing center, and offices for Roane State professors Doris Chitwood and Andy Anderson.





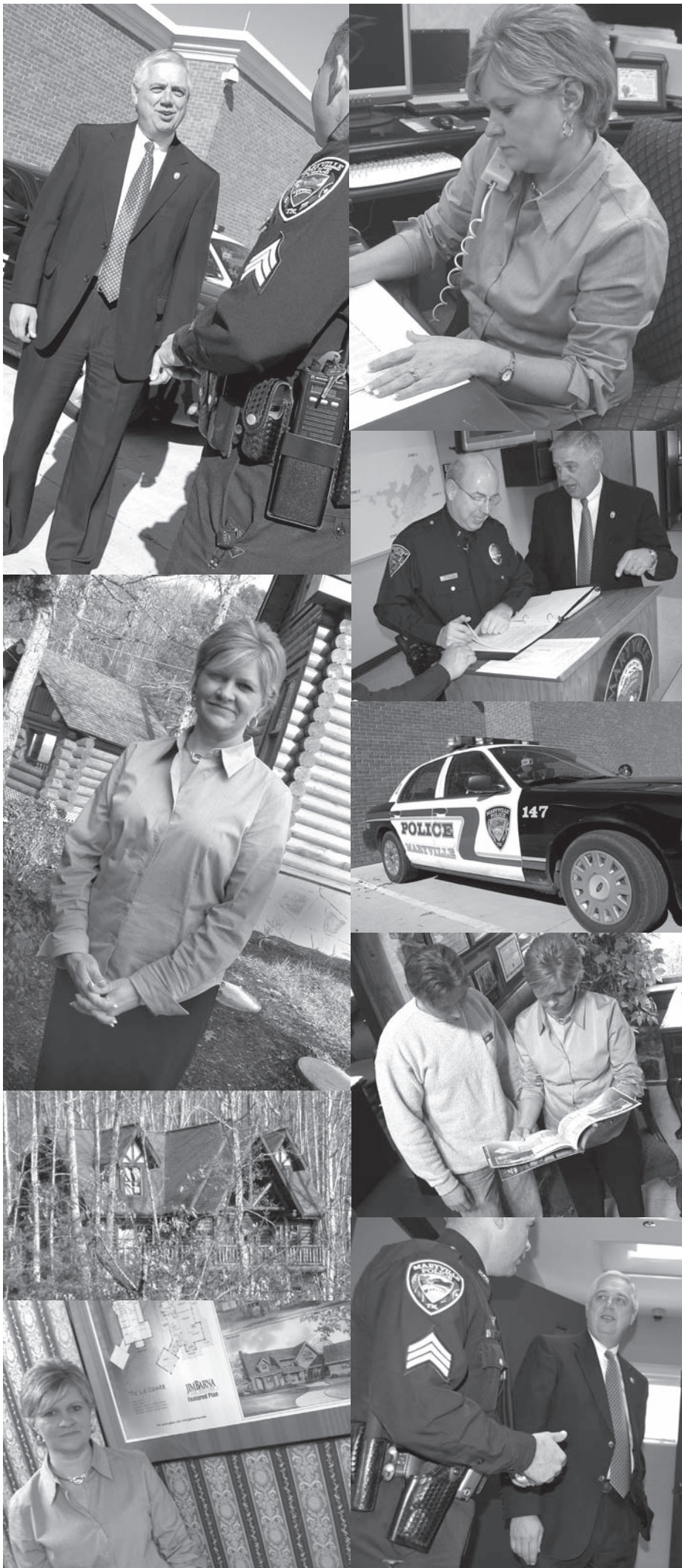
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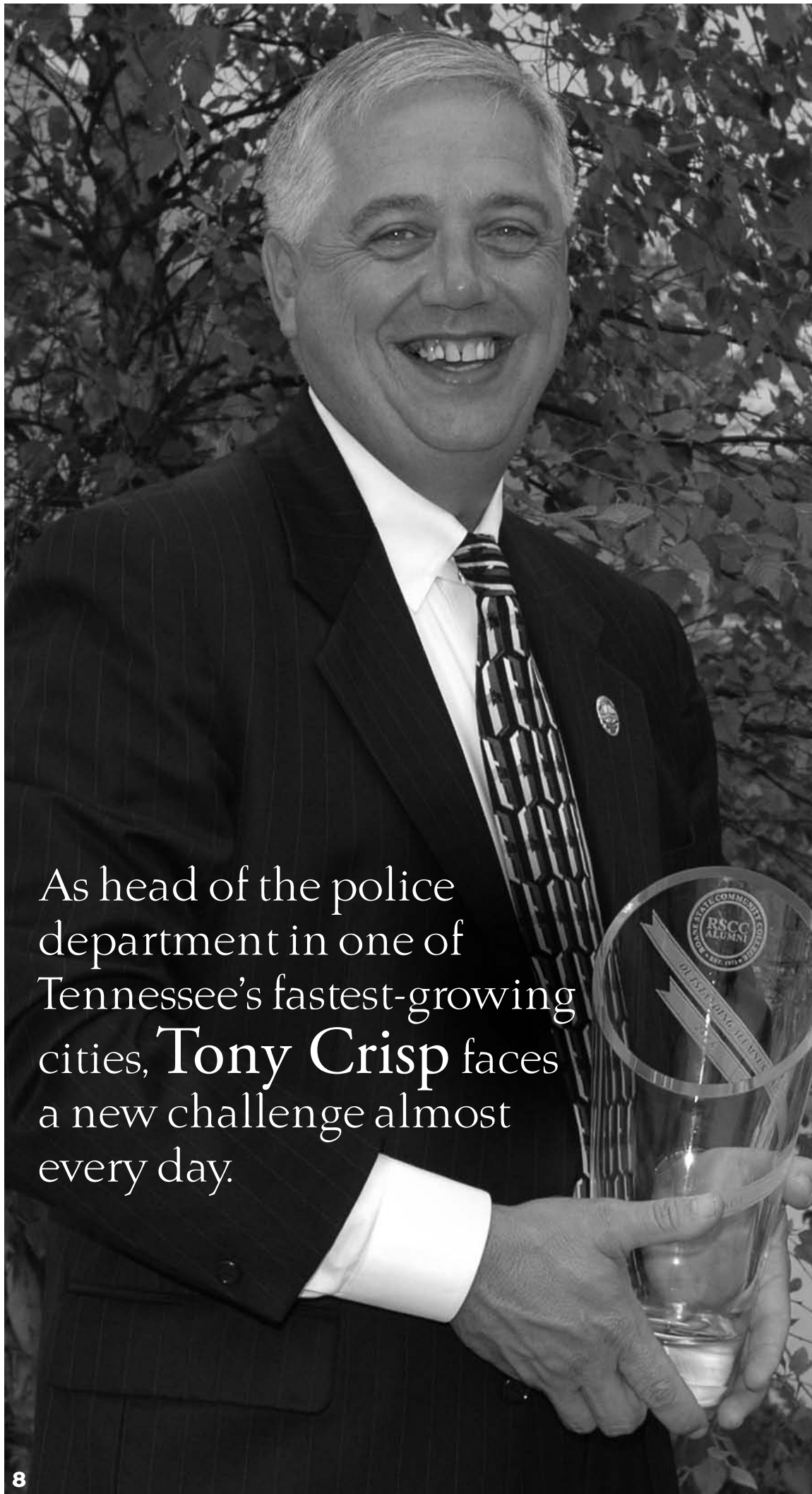
By Tammy Stanford, Alumni Publications Editor

Improving the quality of life in Roane State's communities—that's what the college's 2006 Outstanding Alumni of the Year are all about.

Darlene Branim, owner/president/CEO of Barna Log Homes, and Tony Crisp, chief of police for the City of Maryville, have been cited for excellence.

"Roane State is very proud of all our alumni," said Roane State President Dr. Gary Goff, "but this year we have selected Mrs. Branim and Mr. Crisp for special recognition because of their professional, personal and community accomplishments. They represent the very best of our college." (continued) **7**





As head of the police department in one of Tennessee's fastest-growing cities, **Tony Crisp** faces a new challenge almost every day.

The same spirit that helps Crisp meet those demands also led him to enroll at Roane State as an adult who had already started a career and family.

“Although I had several years of experience in law enforcement prior to my enrollment, I wanted to continue to broaden my knowledge and increase my opportunity for advancement,” Crisp said. “I am very proud to be a graduate of Roane State.”

Crisp graduated from Roane State in 2002. He's also a 1992 graduate of the FBI National Academy and continues to complete various continuing education courses to better fulfill his duties.

Crisp and his wife, Phyllis, have two grown daughters. He serves at the local and state level on the Fraternal Order of Police, and was instrumental in starting the highly successful “Shop With a Cop” program in Blount County.

“As a student, Tony was a most intelligent, highly motivated and eager learner,” said Scott Teeter, Roane State associate professor of criminal justice. “He was punctual, professional and personable during his time at Roane State.

“He continues to be a big asset for the college, serving on the criminal justice advisory committee.”

Crisp said he bears that task, and his job responsibilities, gladly: “As police chief, I know I set the standard for the department. I believe that the safety of our citizens is our first priority.”

“I strongly believe in the collaborative efforts among our own staff as well as other law enforcement agencies, the accountability of our department as we meet standards of accreditation, the fair and equal treatment of others, and the continuation of the great quality of life that Maryville citizens have come to expect.”

In 1994, Branim graduated summa cum laude from Roane State. She also earned her bachelor's degree with those highest honors from Tusculum College in 1996.

"I am very honored and humbled to have received this award," Branim said. "I am just an average person trying to make a difference in this world."

"The challenges, demands and opportunities I experienced at Roane State and Tusculum prepared me and gave me the confidence to reach for the stars. I would not trade the experience or my education for anything."

In 2001, Branim was named executive vice president at Barna. She became president and CEO in 2004 and bought the company in 2005.

Branim and her husband, Alfred, also a graduate of Roane State and who recently joined Branim at work at Barna, are active members of Mountain View Baptist Church and are members of the Kiwanis Club. Branim also has served on the boards of the Children's Center of the Cumberlands and the Boys and Girls Club of Scott County.

She and Alfred have two children — Ryan, 21; and Whitney, 18.

In nominating Branim for the Roane State honor, Wm. Paul Phillips, district attorney general, noted that her steady leadership was crucial at Barna immediately after Jim Barna, company founder and leader, unexpectedly passed away.

"At the time of Jim's untimely death, the future of the company was in doubt, along with many jobs in Scott County," Phillips noted. "Darlene accepted the challenge of becoming the CEO and arranged financing to save this valuable industry in our area."

In a 2005 feature in *Roane State Today*, Branim explained her philosophy as a true servant-leader who has worked in the company she now owns at all levels. "I don't consider myself any better than any other employee; I have a different title, that's all."

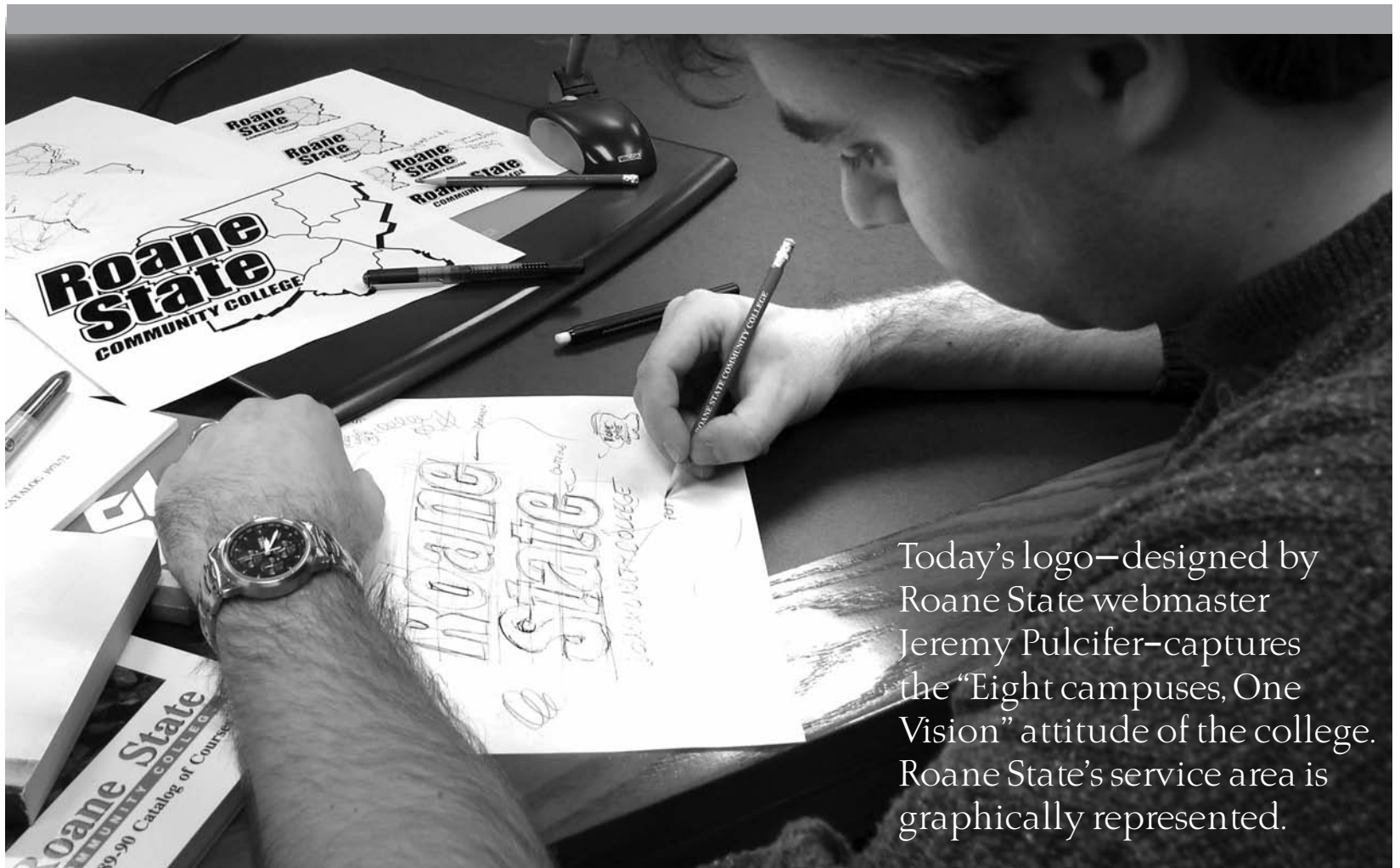


Darlene Branim started work as a receptionist at the Oneida-based log home company, which is known internationally for the quality of its products, in 1983. She was promoted often through the years, as she balanced work, family and school.

You Must Remember This

roane state's logo

Roane State's logo—the official graphic of the college—is a sign of the times. From funky '70s fonts to hip '90s multi-hues, the logo is the face of the place.



Today's logo—designed by Roane State webmaster Jeremy Pulcifer—captures the “Eight campuses, One Vision” attitude of the college. Roane State's service area is graphically represented.



Center Stage

By Tammy Stanford, Alumni Publications Editor

The curtain has risen on a new associate's degree in the performing arts. Roane State is offering what is perhaps the country's first two-year program in musical theatre.

Since its opening in 1971, Roane State has been a cultural gathering place for the community. The new degree is a natural fit, said Michael Golebiewski, theatre/speech professor. "We were already essentially doing (a major). We thought, 'Why not put it all together and give it a name?'" Golebiewski said. (continued)

Tradition, timing and resources have converged on stage in the O'Brien Humanities Building theatre.

The Roane State Playmakers have had but three directors in three decades—the late Bill Yates; Bruce Borin, a professionally trained actor and a Roane State professor; and Golebiewski. Said Dr. Myra Peavyhouse, Roane State humanities dean: “From Bill to Bruce to Michael, we have a long history of excellence.”

Also instrumental in the new degree: Roane State's music department and Kingston's Arts in Motion Dance Studio. In the future, the college's celebrated art department may also participate officially in the production picture, Peavyhouse noted. “We'll see art, music and theatre come together more and more,” she said.

Nine students are enrolled in the musical theatre major this fall. Most are performers in training, but two are interested in technical aspects—what goes on behind the scenes at a production.

“My goal for next year is to have simply a ‘theatre’ degree,” Golebiewski said. “There are interested, talented students who do things other than act, sing or dance.”

Live theatre should “push buttons and provoke thought” while broadening students' range of experiences, Golebiewski said.

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bruce borin



bill yates



golebiewski



“What’s great about this curriculum is that anyone interested can become involved whether it’s in production or performing.”



Crucial to any musical theatre program is the strength of the dance component. At Roane State, world-class expertise comes from Jennifer Venable Austin, owner of Roane County’s Arts in Motion Dance Studio.

Austin was an original member of the East Tennessee Children’s Dance Ensemble. After college, she danced as a soloist for UT’s New Repertory Dance Company. She continued training in New York City, with the Martha Graham Company, Alvin Ailey, Limon School, Joffrey Ballet, Bob Fosse, Luigi, Frank Hatchett and Joe Tremaine—all notable names in the world of dance.

“The major emphasis in the new (Roane State) program will be on technical basics,” Austin said. “Most students coming out of high school will have developed their strength in drama, music or dance, but probably not in all three. By focusing on technical basics, students can build important skills necessary for musical theatre.”

Austin also hopes the program will attract non-traditional students who love theatre but don’t know how or where to start toward pursuing a degree in the field. “We want this program not only to be challenging but fun. Roane State has a fabulous facility and with a musical theatre program, we can take college productions to the next level with a diverse student base and larger productions.”

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Theatrical productions help Roane State earn the “community” in its name. Golebiewski cited a recent play as example. “About 70 students and community members worked on the production,” he noted. “And they’re still talking about how much fun they had and how much they learned. I love the fact that I was able to facilitate such a good experience for so many people. I didn’t set out to do that; I was just telling a story.”

Golebiewski said the theatre troupe will continue to balance its repertoire to fit the tastes of a wide range of people. Coming up in spring 2007: “The Nerd,” a fun-filled romp; and “You’re A Good Man, Charlie Brown,” a revisiting of one of the college’s first productions.

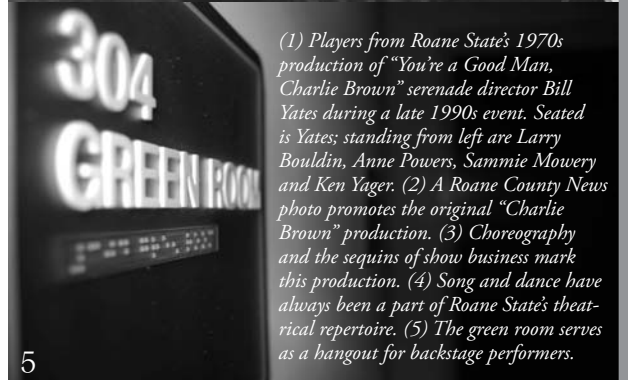
The Roane State Playmakers have also staged classic pieces by Neil Simon, Tennessee Williams and other time-honored playwrights.

In short, the college’s theatrical efforts have consistently reached out to a regional audience. The feeling that the college is THE place for theatre is alive and growing, Golebiewski said. “We’ll always have theatre. We’ll always tell and re-tell stories. It’s just a matter of providing a place.”

And now, a degree to go with it.



IN THE CAST OF “YOU’RE A GOOD MAN, CHARLIE BROWN!”, to be presented May 24, 25 and 26 at the Kingston Community Center by the Roane State Community College Drama Club are (left to right): Mike Griswold (“Snoopy”), Linda Simmons (“Lucy”), Larry Boldin (“Charlie Brown”), Roy Schubert (“Linus”), Ken Yager (“Schroeder”), and Sammie Reed (“Patty”). (Photo by Steve Crass.)



(1) Players from Roane State’s 1970s production of “You’re a Good Man, Charlie Brown” serenade director Bill Yates during a late 1990s event. Seated is Yates; standing from left are Larry Boldin, Anne Powers, Sammie Mowery and Ken Yager. (2) A Roane County News photo promotes the original “Charlie Brown” production. (3) Choreography and the sequins of show business mark this production. (4) Song and dance have always been a part of Roane State’s theatrical repertoire. (5) The green room serves as a hangout for backstage performers.

Spirit | superstars



From left are Randy Nesbit, Roane State athletic director; Heather DeLorenzo; Thomas Davis; Robert Gilmore; and Judy Tyl, Roane State vice president for students and enrollment management.

Three former Roane State student-athletes were recently recognized for having the highest grade point averages in the Tennessee Junior College Athletic Association in their respective sports.

Thomas Davis of Rockwood, a member of the Raider basketball squad, has transferred to Bryan College, where he is studying exercise and health science.

Heather DeLorenzo of Crossville, a basketball Raiderette, is now pursuing a degree in elementary and special education at Tennessee Tech University.

Robert Gilmore of Rockwood, a Raider pitcher, also has transferred to Tennessee Tech, majoring in mechanical engineering.

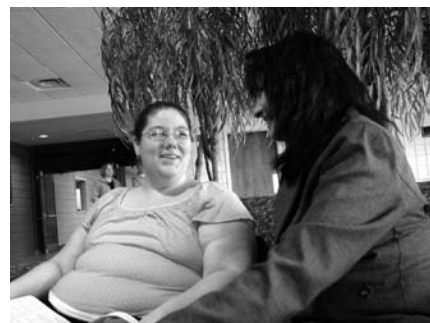
David Lane (at right) has joined the Roane State Raiders as assistant baseball coach. He's also an assistant professor of psychology.

As head baseball coach at Rockwood High School from 1994-2006, Lane and his teams won seven district championships and six regional championships, and played in five state tournaments.

"I adhere to a philosophy of 'demand and achieve excellence,'" Lane said. "I place high demands and expectations on myself. I try to convey those ideas to our players and my students."

Lane, who makes his home in Harriman with wife Melissa and their young children Dawson and Kailey, is thrilled to be at the community college. "The first day I reported to Roane State, I watched the sun rise over the ridge behind the baseball field. I told myself that day, 'This is a chance to do something great, to make a difference.'"





Making a Connection

By Jeff Gary, Director of Marketing and Public Relations

The primary objective of the Raider Connections program is to provide an opportunity for students to connect with Roane State faculty, staff, administrators and students who can encourage and motivate students toward the successful completion of their education pursuits.

Roane State student **Sherry Osborne** (this page, top) has faced many challenges in her life. Her nine-year marriage was becoming increasingly unhappy and unstable. She needed to get out.

"I took my three kids, the clothes on our backs and the diaper bag and I got out," the Campbell County woman recalls.

After working with social services and going through counseling, she knew she needed to take a dramatic step to make a positive change in her life for herself, her kids and for their long-term future. So, on the advice of a friend, she decided to enroll at Roane State.

Making the decision to go back to school after 16 years was relatively easy. Getting up the courage to walk in the door for the first time was the hard part.

"I actually drove to Roane State and sat in the parking lot. Then, I drove away. It took me a second time to actually get up the courage to walk in the door," she says.

It was for students like Osborne that Roane State's Raider Connections Mentoring Program was developed.

Says **Beverly Bonner**, assistant vice president for student services and multicultural affairs (this page, bottom), the overall goals of the mentoring program are:

- To promote the retention of students
- To ease their transition into college
- To enhance their college experience and sense of community in the college
- To increase academic success through a caring and supportive network of Raider mentors

"Mentoring is not necessarily a new concept," she says, "but it is proven to be one of the key elements in retention (keeping students enrolled) for colleges and universities."

The program, managed by Bonner and her RSCC colleague Sandra Cannon, Tech Prep coordinator, involves a network of students, faculty and staff throughout the college's service area.

"This program is particularly important because so many of our students are first-generation college students," says Judy Tyl, vice president for student services and enrollment management. "Familiarity with a mentor from the college can make a difference in retaining or losing a student when they encounter routine bumps in the road of life."

Success Stories

Those routine bumps in the road of life describe the situation that brought together mentor **Paulette Knight**, technical clerk for developmental studies, and student **Allie Davis** on Roane State's Oak Ridge Campus. Davis, who is legally blind, met Knight early on as Davis was getting acclimated to Roane State.

"I was scared about coming to a new college," Davis says. "But Paulette has helped me a lot and the program has helped me a lot. It's been really great."



"I feel it's more than just doing my job," Knight says. "I saw someone who was scared about coming to college for the first time. And she just made it so easy for me to help her."

Sometimes the "connections" develop spontaneously, Bonner says. A student meets a faculty or staff member and they strike up a quick rapport that puts the student at ease.

"The long-term contact the students develop with that individual is essential to the development of the mentoring relationship," Bonner says. "Students find someone they feel comfortable working with and they can come to them whenever they have a problem."

Osborne's relationship with **Tressa Murphy**, assistant professor of mathematics, in Campbell County follows along those lines.

"Part of our job is to guide and direct our students and to make sure that each student achieves the highest possible goals they can achieve. You can't just do that in the professor/student relationship. I think there has to be a lot more than that," Murphy says.

"Many students have real issues they have to overcome but adult students have unique life circumstances."

Murphy has worked with a number of Campbell County students through Raider Connections. Osborne is one of the most recent.

Osborne, who is hoping to be a nurse, juggles studying with the role of being a single parent. She also works 30 hours a week as a work-study student and a tutor.

Davis' unique challenges are different, but no less daunting. "But with this program, if you need someone to talk to or someone to help you, I know I can count on Paulette."

"It helps so much to have someone available to encourage and reassure the student, which is the role of the mentor," Tyl says. "Many of these relationships will continue long after the student leaves the college and can be valuable resources to them as they enter the workforce."

Growing Pains

In the college's early years, mentoring relationships happened naturally because everyone knew everyone due to the small nature of the school. But as Roane State has grown with eight campuses (and a ninth on the way), the relationships are even more crucial.

"Providing total online accessibility is great, but our students still need close personal contacts," Bonner said. "In a system of non-mandatory advising, these personal contacts are invaluable so that students do not make critical mistakes as they start the educational process. If students get lost and confused on campus, imagine how frustrating it can be trying to maneuver their way strictly online."

"And it's a relationship they will always remember."

To support students in a totally online environment, Roane State next spring will pilot the Raider Connections Online Student Mentoring Program via the Regents Online Degree Program (RODP). Some of the college's RODP faculty and staff have volunteered to be personal contacts in a chat room format for RODP students.

Meanwhile, the current program is making a difference for students. Knight says: "I think it's a great program. In the 27 years I have been working at Roane State, I have seen a lot of students who needed help. This program helps them take the edge off their fears."

Bonner sums it up. "Many students have returned to Roane State later and told us 'You made me feel confident. If it had not been for you, I would've dropped out.'"

Roane State Foundation

how a country boy from Huntsville chang



Earl McDonald (center) poses on the Roane County Campus in a 1990s photo. Joining him from left are: Barbara King, former Scott County Campus director; nephew Bill McDonald; Dr. Sherry Hoppe, former Roane State president; and Dr. Pat Land, former Roane State vice president.

In his 93 years, Earl McDonald worked hard and enjoyed a long marriage to the love of his life. He also gave away millions

McDonald, who amassed a fortune in the telephone and cable businesses, never forgot that he once was a boy in overalls fishing the New River in Scott County.

“You can’t take it with you. You can’t eat it. You can’t wear it. You’ve got to get rid of it for it to do you any good,” McDonald once said of money.

McDonald, noted Roane State President Dr. Gary Goff, “left a scholarship endowment that will have an almost unfathomable impact on his home community.”

In his lifetime, McDonald gave \$1 million to Roane State Community College for the Scott County Campus building fund.

After his passing, McDonald’s last will and testament bequeathed \$2 million to the Roane State Foundation to be used to establish a scholarship endowment for students attending the Scott County campus.

Born in 1913 in one of the most rural parts of the country, McDonald came of age in the height of the Depression. “Because I loved to read and to learn, I would sometimes confide to my brothers and sisters that I wanted to attend college after I finished high school. It seemed like such a preposterous idea to them, and it was,” McDonald said in 1994.

Enrolling at Tennessee Tech, he earned teaching credentials, then would work a year to earn money and go to college the following year. He graduated from Tech in 1937 with a degree in accounting.

n | ed the face of rural education in Tennessee.

Dr. Sherry Hoppe, former Roane State president and now president of Austin Peay State University, noted that McDonald never forgot his struggle. “He remembered the hours of traveling on long, winding roads that took him away from home and family in order to get his college education.”

To McDonald, access to higher education—both geographically and financially—was key for the men and women in his home region.

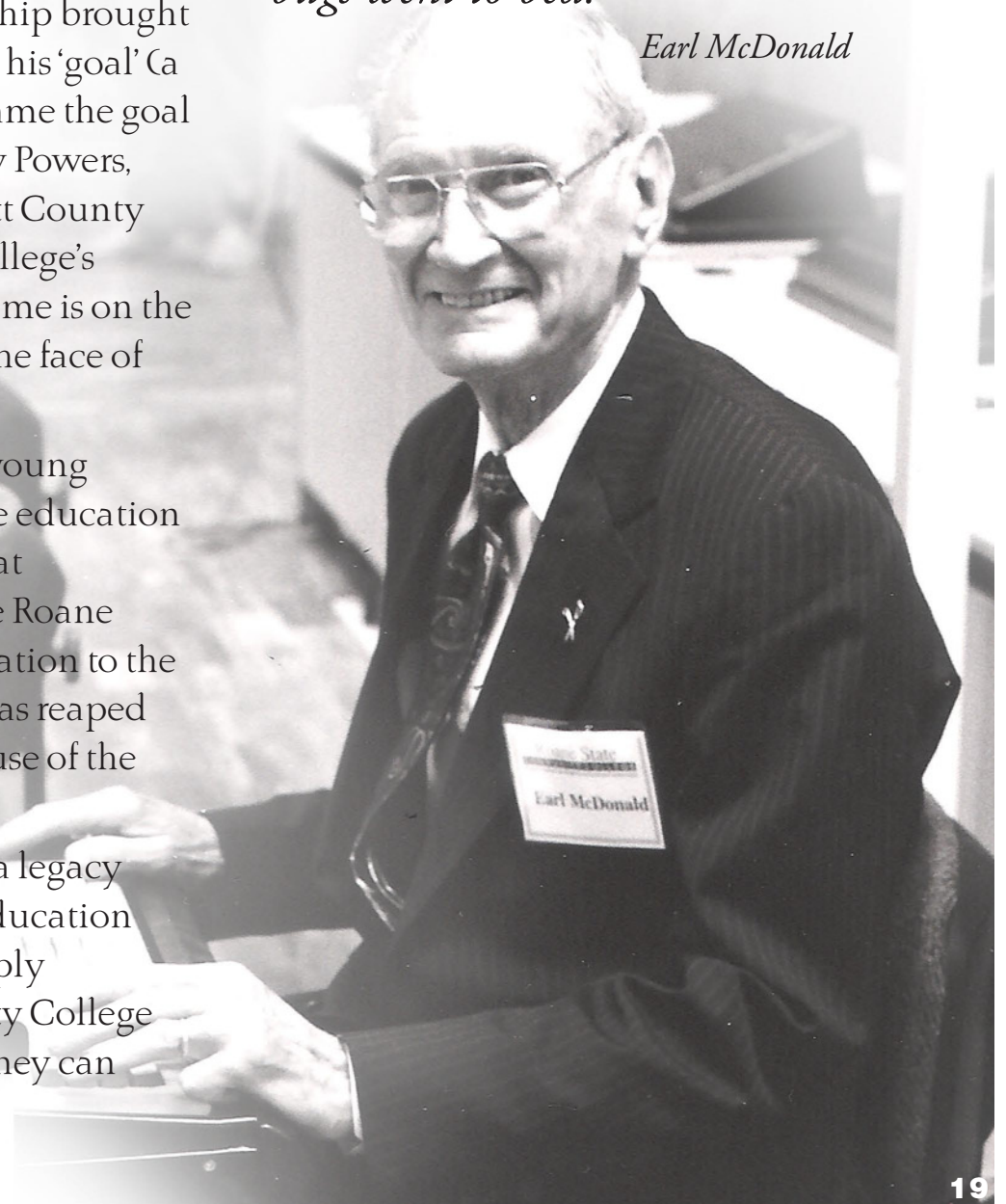
“Mr. McDonald’s display of leadership brought the community together to achieve his ‘goal’ (a Scott County Campus), which became the goal of the entire community,” said Tracy Powers, former director of Roane State’s Scott County Campus and now director of the college’s Campbell County Campus. “His name is on the building, but his dream is seen on the face of each student.”

McDonald never wanted another young person to wonder whether a college education was in financial reach. The place that McDonald first called home, where Roane State and Tennessee Tech take education to the people where they live and work, has reaped and will reap untold benefits because of the love of one native son.

Like Mr. McDonald, you can leave a legacy to help Roane State make college education accessible in your community. Simply include the Roane State Community College Foundation in your will. Your attorney can help you.

“As kids, we provided our own entertainment. Our parents didn’t plan things for us, and we were not in front of a television or a computer playing video games. Instead, we were in the river, valleys, mountains and front yards—playing until our mothers called us in, and the lightning bugs went to bed.”

Earl McDonald



News Notes |

from the headlines

Danny Gibbs has been named vice president for Financial Services at the college, while **Teresa Duncan** is the new vice president for Continuing Education and Workforce Development. Gibbs comes to Roane State from Volunteer State Community College. Duncan has worked at Roane State, her alma mater, since 1995.

Thirteen Roane State students received the **Gayle Mullins Memorial Student Book Scholarship** for fall semester. The scholarships are funded by Roane State's Support Staff Council in memory of longtime RSCC employee Gayle Mullins. As textbook costs escalate, these awards can put college in reach for many students. Scholarship recipients for fall 2006: **Nicole Acres** of Oneida, **Matthew A. Deal** of Kingston, **April Duncan** of Oneida, **Erik F. Erb** of Crossville, **Linda Fink** of Harriman, **Christian Houston** of Knoxville, **James Mead** of Jacksboro, **Janet D. Nelson** of Crossville, **Holly Popas** of Grandview, **David Lee Russell** of Greenback, **Dustin Keith Stedman** of Jamestown, **Jesse Valentine** of Knoxville and **Meaghan West** of Sweetwater.

Dr. Michael Laman is the new health sciences dean at Roane State. A certified respiratory therapist, Laman comes to Tennessee from South Louisiana Community College, where he was dean of applied sciences, business and technology.

Ken Yager, longtime adjunct instructor, has been named dean of business and technology for the college. Yager retired as Roane County mayor (county executive) this year.

The **2+2 program** that allows students to earn a bachelor's degree in elementary education is now offered at the Roane County Campus. The cooperative effort with Tennessee Tech University is also on-site at Roane State's Cumberland and Oak Ridge campuses.

Brenda Goslee, adjunct Roane State instructor, presented an organ recital to benefit the Louis Hughes Memorial Scholarship Fund at the First United Methodist Church in Oak Ridge. Jeffrey Heidle, well-known regional pianist, was a guest artist.



From left: Ken Yager, Teresa Duncan, Brenda Goslee, Danny Gibbs and Michael Laman.

Roane State Presents

Schedule of Events

performing and visual arts

Feb. 9-10 "Music for Lovers" by Roane Choral Society

The annual "Coffee and Confections Cabaret" is a romantic evening filled with love songs, candlelight, fruit, cheese and desserts. RSCC Student Lounge, 8 p.m., Tickets \$18 general/\$12 season pass holders. Reservations required: (865) 376-6710.

Feb. 16-17, 22-24 "The Nerd" by Roane State Playmakers

Willum Gilbert has a promising career as an architect, devoted friends, even, maybe, a serious girlfriend. Then Rick Steadman, the ultimate social misfit, comes to visit and puts everything in peril. The play escalates into madcap farce as Willum tries to out-nerd his sanity-destroying houseguest. RSCC Theatre, 7 p.m. Tickets \$10 public/\$7 students.

March 22-24, 29-31 Spring Concert by the RSCC Music Department

The final concert of the season will include performances of favorites from musical theatre and Broadway. RSCC Theatre, 7 p.m. Donations accepted at the door.

April 12-14, 19-21 "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown" by Roane State Playmakers

Rediscover the antics of Charlie Brown, Lucy, Linus, Snoopy and the other lovable Charles Schulz characters in this musical version of an average day in the life of Charlie Brown. For grades 2 and up. RSCC Theatre, 7 p.m. Tickets are \$10 public/\$7 students.

April 15 "Listen to the Children" by Roane Choral Society

This event showcases grant-winning children's music programs from the Roane County area. RSCC Theatre, 3 p.m. Donations accepted at the door.

April 27-29 Spring Dance Concert by Arts in Motion Dance Studio

The annual spring concert by area dancers is a delightful concert for the entire family. RSCC Theatre. Tickets \$15 and available only in advance through Arts in Motion. Tickets and information: (865) 376-0295.

Art Exhibits

Jan. 26-Feb. 9	Nancy McDonald
Feb. 16-March 2	Ralph Monday
March 16-April 5	Melinda Hillman and Ken Malveaux
April 17-27	Annual Student Art Show
April 20 (noon)	Awards Reception for Student Art Show

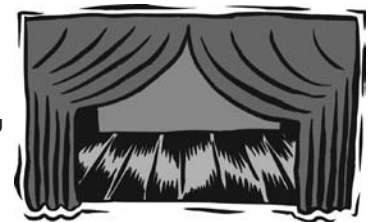
Arts and Lectures Committee Presentations

March 12	"Women in Jazz" with Galen Razzaq, flutist. Oak Ridge Campus City Room, 7 p.m.
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Join us for an evening of

"Dinner, Music, Art and a Play"



Thursday, Feb. 22
"The Nerd"

Thursday, April 19
"You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown"

Enjoy a great meal while being serenaded by the college's music department, then take in an art exhibit and a play.

RSCC Student Lounge. Dinner at 5:30 p.m., play at 7 p.m. \$25 per person. By reservation only: (865) 882-4507 or e-mail: bradleyjc@roanestate.edu

RSVP by Feb. 20 for "The Nerd"

RSVP by April 17 for "You're a Good Man"

All proceeds benefit the arts programs at RSCC. Sponsored by the RSCC Music and Art Departments, the RSCC Playmakers and the Roane State Foundation.

Check our Web site frequently for updates and additional performances at: www.roanestate.edu keyword: Roane State Presents

Alumni

alumni news

John Owings, Roane State class of 1983, became the new law director for Knox County in September. Owings has worked in the legal field for 16 years.

“I just received the RSCC Year in Review for 2005-2006. What an outstanding publication! Thank you and it is an honor to be a Roane State graduate.”

**Janie Tucker,
class of 1979**

“I received your Roane State Today (magazine) and other info, all of which I truly enjoy. As a Roane State graduate, I appreciate the up-to-date info about the college.”

**Cynthia R. Jones,
class of 1979**

We've missed you! Let us know where you have been by filling out the coupon below and send to:

**Alumni Relations
Roane State Community College
276 Patton Lane
Harriman, TN 37748-5011
e-mail: alumni@roanestate.edu
www.roanestate.edu/alumni**

In memoriam

Maurice Eugene Bedford of Oak Ridge, alumnus.

Tiffany Yvette Bryant Koontz of Harriman, alumna.

Donna R. Marlow of Harriman, alumna.

Tony Mason, adjunct business professor 1994-2006.

Melissa Ann Payne of Nashville, alumna.

Ellen (Eleazer) Raines, music professor 1990-1999.

Brenda S. Stanley of Oneida, alumna.

Carmen Yetieve Walls of Harriman, alumna.

Trevor Adam Willis of Harriman, alumnus.



Outstanding Alumnus Sought

We're seeking nominations for the 2007 Outstanding Alumni Awards to be given to an RSCC alumna and alumnus in recognition of outstanding service to their profession, to RSCC and to the community.

Nominations can be made by anyone and must include a Nominee Information Form and a letter of recommendation. Nominees must have attended Roane State Community College for at least 30 semester hours or 45 quarter hours to be considered eligible for this award. A complete synopsis of selection criteria is contained in the Nomination Form and on the web.

If you know someone you feel should be recognized, it's easy to make your nomination. Call for a nomination form or print the nomination form and a complete list of criteria from www.roanestate.edu keyword: alumni

Selections will be made by the RSCC Alumni Recognition Committee.

Submit all nominations and materials by May 4, 2007 to:

Office of Alumni Relations
Roane State Community College
276 Patton Lane
Harriman, TN 37854
865.882.4503
e-mail: alumni@roanestate.edu

Name _____
(First) (Middle Initial or Maiden) (Last)

RSCC Degree(s) and/or Year(s) Attended/Graduated _____

Home Phone# _____ SS# _____

Home Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-mail Address _____

Occupation/Title _____

Employer _____

Permission to add to online directory? Yes No

Spouse's Name _____

Names/Ages of Children _____

Other news (marriages, births, promotions, awards, major accomplishments, retirement, other items of interest). Send photos (digital preferred). _____

Activities while attending Roane State (Student Government, Sports, . . .) _____

Calendar |

coming up at your community college

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- Jan. 6-7 ■ Oak Ridge Kennel Club agility trials
- Jan. 8 ▲ Raiderettes vs. Bryan JV (6 p.m.)
- Jan. 12-13 ■ J.R. Drake's Bull Riding
- Jan. 15 ▲ Raiders vs. North Atlanta Prep (7 p.m.)
- Jan. 16 Spring semester classes begin
- Jan. 18 ▲ Raiderettes and Raiders vs. Columbia State (6 and 8 p.m.)
- Jan. 18-21 ■ Ron McLoughlin Horse Handling School
- Jan. 20 ■ Volunteer Riding Association barrel race
- Jan. 20 ▲ Raiderettes vs. Caldwell (2 p.m.)
- Jan. 20 ▲ Raiders vs. Simmons (4 p.m.)
- Jan. 24 ▲ Raiderettes and Raiders vs. Motlow State (6 and 8 p.m.)
- Jan. 26-Feb 9 ● Gallery exhibit: Nancy McDonald
- Jan. 27 ■ National Wild Turkey Federation calling seminar
- Jan. 27 ▲ Raiderettes and Raiders vs. Hiwassee (6 and 8 p.m.)

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- March 2-4 ■ East Tennessee Cutting Horse Association
- March 3-4 ■ Mounted Police training for civilians clinic
- March 9-11 ■ Celebration Circuit Quarter Horse Show
- March 16-17 ■ R.A. Bright Rodeo
- March 16-18 ■ Ron McLoughlin Horse Handling School
- March 16-April 5 ● Gallery exhibit: Melinda Hillman and Ken Maleaux
- March 18 ▲ Softball Lady Raiders vs. Columbia State (1 p.m.)
- March 20 ▲ Softball Lady Raiders vs. Cleveland State (2 p.m.)
- March 22 ▲ Softball Lady Raiders vs. Motlow State (2 p.m.)
- March 22-24, 29-31 ● Roane State Concert Choir in performance
- March 23-25 ■ Tenn Valley Kennel Club agility trials
- March 24 ▲ Softball Lady Raiders vs. Vol State (noon)
- March 24 ■ National Barrel Horse Association
- March 30 ▲ Softball Lady Raiders vs. Chattanooga State (2 p.m.)
- March 30-31 ■ John Deere Horse/Power Day
- March 30-April 1 ■ East Tennessee Cutting Horse Association

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- Feb. 2-4 ■ East Tennessee Cutting Horse Association
- Feb. 3 ▲ Raiderettes and Raiders vs. Cleveland State (6 and 8 p.m.)
- Feb. 9-10 ● Roane Choral Society presents "Music for Lovers"
- Feb. 14 ▲ Raiderettes and Raiders vs. Walters State (6 and 8 p.m.)
- Feb. 16-18 ■ Jimmy Driver Horse Training Clinic
- Feb. 16-17, 22-24 ● Roane State Playmakers present "The Nerd"
- Feb. 16-Mar. 2 ● Gallery exhibit: Ralph Monday
- Feb. 21 ▲ Raiderettes and Raiders vs. Chattanooga State (6 and 8 p.m.)
- Feb. 22 ▲ Softball Lady Raiders vs. Lindsay Wilson (2 p.m.)
- Feb. 24 ■ National Barrel Horse Association
- Feb. 24 ▲ Softball Lady Raiders vs. Gordon College (time TBA)
- Feb. 28 ▲ Softball Lady Raiders vs. Young Harris (2 p.m.)

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- April 3 ▲ Softball Lady Raiders vs. Walters State (2 p.m.)
- April 4 ▲ Softball Lady Raiders vs. Tennessee Wesleyan (2 p.m.)
- April 6-7 ■ Smoky Mountain Classic Horse Sale
- April 10 ▲ Softball Lady Raiders vs. Hiwassee (2 p.m.)
- April 12-14, 19-21 ● Roane State Playmakers present "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown"
- April 13-15 ■ Circuit By The River Quarter Horse Show
- April 15 ● Roane Choral Society presents "Listen to the Children"
- April 17-27 ● Gallery exhibit: Student art show
- April 20-22 ■ Tennessee Reining Horse Association
- April 21 ▲ Softball Lady Raiders vs. St. Catharine (1 p.m.)
- April 22 ▲ Softball Lady Raiders vs. St. Catharine (11 a.m.)
- April 27-29 ● Arts in Motion studio spring dance concert
- April 28 ■ Roane County 4-H Horse Show
- April 28 ■ National Barrel Horse Association

■ Call the Henry/Stafford Agricultural Exposition Center at (865) 882-4590 for details.
 ● Roane State Presents: All events are in the theatre on the Roane County Campus. Call the numbers listed on page 5 for more information.
 ▲ Games listed are played on the Roane County Campus.

Mr. Raider rides again.



He's back and better than ever. The college's mascot has a new costume and invites area youngsters ages 5 to 10 to join the Mr. Raider Club. For a \$10 fee, members get admission to all home athletic contests, entrance to the club house in the gym, a t-shirt and "Raider Bucks" to spend at the concession stand. To join, go to www.roanestate.edu keyword: athletics and fill out the club application.



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