



# Roane State Today

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## A Stitch in Time

**With the help of Roane State, the renowned Appalachian Quilt Trail weaves through Roane County**



# Letter | “Roane State is changing.”

from the President

As with all Tennessee Board of Regents institutions, we have faced significant reductions in state funding. Our approach has been, and will continue to be, to accept this challenge, to examine our processes, and to determine our future rather than view ourselves as helpless victims.

Changes have included voluntary buyouts, new roles and responsibilities for many employees, and splitting the college’s continuing education functions among several departments. What has not, what will not, change is our commitment to students and to the communities we serve. Evidence of that steadfast commitment is apparent every day at Roane State. We have so much to be proud of.

G.I. Jobs magazine has included Roane State on its 2010 list of “Military Friendly Schools,” an honor afforded to only 15 postsecondary institutions in Tennessee and only two community colleges in the state. Our job placement rate for career-preparation programs was 97 percent for 2008-09.

Roane State is establishing a college police department, a major step forward in improving student safety. We continue to receive strong support for expansion of the Oak Ridge campus.

Our international education program is expanding. We now have dozens of foreign students studying at Roane State, and we have provided Roane State students with opportunities to visit countries such as Italy, France and Ecuador.



The dual studies program is allowing more and more high school students to earn college credit while in high school. We have received \$511,257 in new grant funding to enhance services to students and improve their opportunities for successful completion of college.

We have received enough funding to begin building the Cumberland Business Incubator, a facility that will help entrepreneurs start small businesses and expand them.

Remote Area Medical’s dental-and-vision clinic at Roane State helped hundreds of people by providing thousands of dollars in free care.

Arun Gandhi, grandson of India’s legendary leader Mohandas Gandhi, recently visited Roane State and shared his life lessons with students and community members.

Through all the change, we have had plays, lectures, art exhibits, summer camps, music, sports and much, much more. And this fall, we experienced an 11.9 percent increase in enrollment as we welcomed 6,281 students. Clearly, demand for Roane State’s services, for the outstanding education our world-class faculty provides, has not waned.

The new year will bring more change, more challenges. Some changes may be difficult, but as this past year has shown, we are resolved to meet obstacles with courage, creativity and a passion for students’ education.

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One of the four wooden quilt squares now placed in Roane County is a replica of the Randolph Family Pattern shown on the cover. The design, a copy taken from the original Randolph Family Pattern brought to Tennessee from Virginia, includes 1,200 yards of thread quilted by expert quilter Amanda Taylor of Rockwood. The quilt square is on display at Yonder Hollow in Rockwood.

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## Roane County Campus

Arun Gandhi, grandson of India's legendary leader Mohandas K. "Mahatma" Gandhi, visited the Roane County campus and the Oak Ridge campus. Gandhi held a forum with students at the Roane County campus and ate lunch with faculty and staff. He also delivered a public lecture to a packed house at the Oak Ridge campus. His visit was organized by the college's International Education Program.



## Oak Ridge Campus

World War II veteran Clinton E. Riddle appeared in his 1944 dress uniform and discussed his experience fighting in Normandy during a forum presented by the Social Science, Business, and Education Division. The forum was called "Warriors Among Us: Voices of East Tennessee Veterans" and also featured RSCC's Sandi Brock, a veteran, and a presentation by Honor Air. Several students and visitors stayed long after the formal presentation to speak with Mr. Riddle.



## Campbell County Campus

The campus hosted a "CSI Camp" as part of the college's "Kids at College" summer camp series. The camp, based on the popular TV show "Crime Scene Investigation," gave participants a chance to investigate a mock crime scene and solve a mystery. Area emergency and law enforcement personnel worked with the young people and taught them crime-solving techniques.



## Cumberland County Campus

Jack Parker has joined Roane State as director of the Cumberland County Center for Higher Education. Parker most recently worked as senior manager of field marketing for FedEx Corporation. He has extensive experience in business with particular expertise in sales, marketing, management and customer service. Parker succeeds Charlene Hall, who has retired.



## Fentress County Campus

The Campus Activities Board at the Fentress County campus organized a Halloween treat—a costume contest and pumpkin-carving contest. Students donned their spookiest, or in some cases just fun, outfits and celebrated Halloween in style. Bowls of candy were readily available to give students that needed sugar rush before class.

## Knox County Campus

A team of Roane State students won the Sputum Bowl, a quiz-bowl-style competition for respiratory therapy students. The respiratory therapy program is based at the Knox County Center for Health Sciences. The victory was especially impressive because the Roane State team defeated the University of Memphis, which offers a four-year program, in the finals.

## Loudon County Campus

The college's SAILS project continues to gain momentum. SAILS stands for Students Achieving Improved Learning Strategies, and the initiative is designed to help students become better learners. Student workshops on topics such as test-taking and active reading were held in fall 2009, and all campuses are displaying posters, such as the ones shown on the Loudon County campus, to raise awareness about SAILS. Roane State art students created the posters. For more information about SAILS, visit [www.roanestate.edu/sails](http://www.roanestate.edu/sails).

## Morgan County Campus

The Morgan County campus also embraced Halloween festivities with its own pumpkin-carving contest organized by the Campus Activities Board. Pumpkins featured intricate designs, including one bearing the New York Yankees logo and one with the Cleveland Cavaliers logo.

## Scott County Campus

The campus hosted a wide variety of camps this past summer, including "Adventures in Art," "Performing Arts Camp," and "Totally Awesome Science." Roane State's Jamie Stringer taught a camp about Web page design, which his young students thoroughly enjoyed.





# Reaching New Heights

Dual studies program has experienced rapid growth in past the five years

*By Owen Driskill  
Alumni Publications Editor*



*Roane State dual studies coordinator Cathy Day visits with students at Midway High School.*

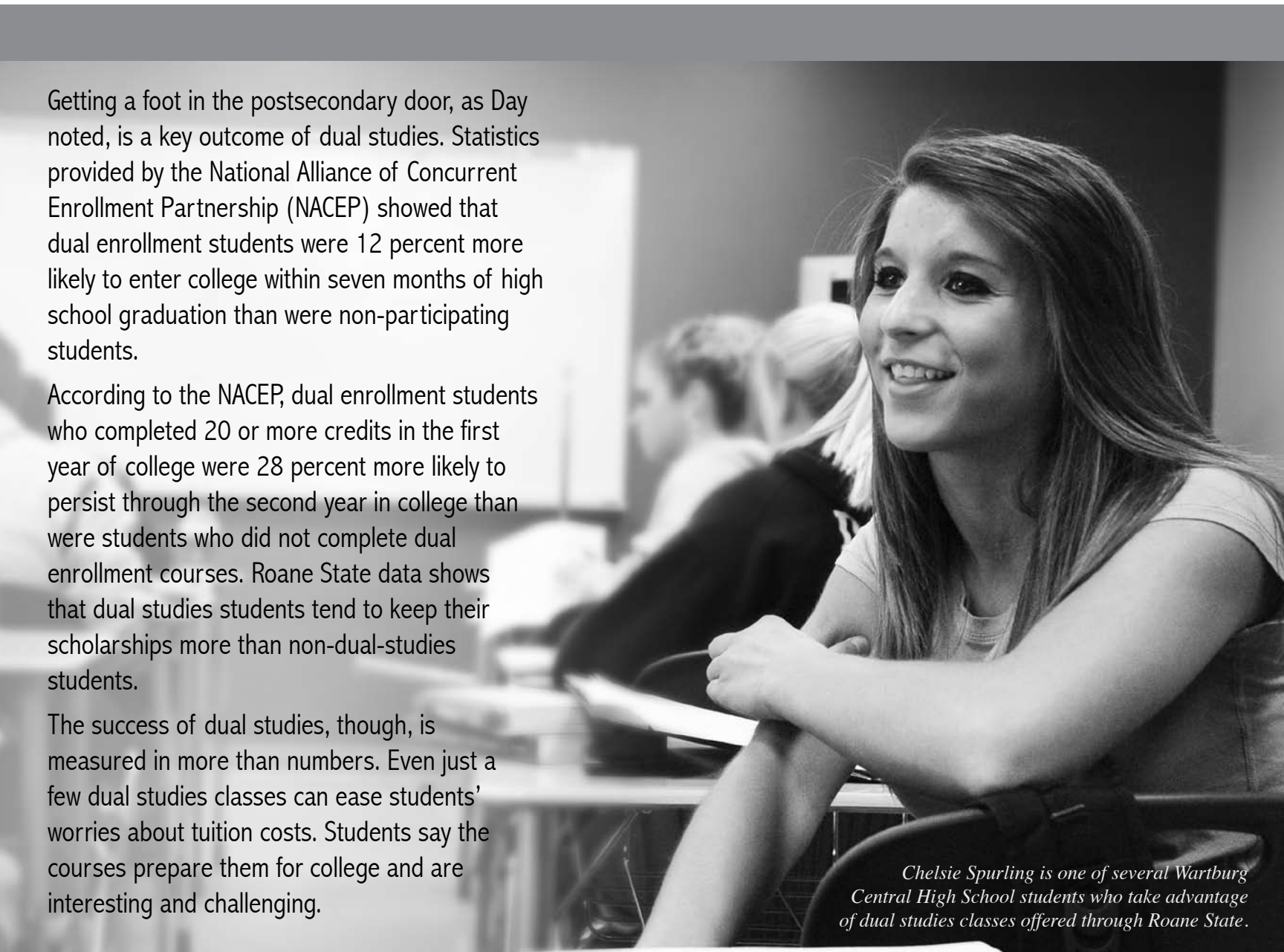
**The numbers are impressive.** Roane State's dual studies program, which allows high school students to earn college credit and high school credit at the same time, has grown tremendously. In fall 2004, 103 students took dual studies courses. In fall 2009, 682 students were enrolled in dual studies.

“The lottery scholarships made available through the state allow students who do not think they can go to college to get a foot in the postsecondary door,” said Cathy Day, Roane State’s dual studies coordinator. “Roane State has also expanded the general course offerings over the past few years to include courses such as First Responder, Introduction to Criminal Justice and Computer Applications, allowing high school students to explore career options before they graduate.”

Getting a foot in the postsecondary door, as Day noted, is a key outcome of dual studies. Statistics provided by the National Alliance of Concurrent Enrollment Partnership (NACEP) showed that dual enrollment students were 12 percent more likely to enter college within seven months of high school graduation than were non-participating students.

According to the NACEP, dual enrollment students who completed 20 or more credits in the first year of college were 28 percent more likely to persist through the second year in college than were students who did not complete dual enrollment courses. Roane State data shows that dual studies students tend to keep their scholarships more than non-dual-studies students.

The success of dual studies, though, is measured in more than numbers. Even just a few dual studies classes can ease students’ worries about tuition costs. Students say the courses prepare them for college and are interesting and challenging.



*Chelsie Spurling is one of several Wartburg Central High School students who take advantage of dual studies classes offered through Roane State.*

### **Community Support**

Jessica Conatser, a York Institute graduate, teaches sixth grade at York Elementary School. Through dual studies, she completed 28 hours of college credit in high school, went to Roane State for a year, and through Roane State’s 2+2 program with Tennessee Tech, completed her bachelor’s degree in elementary education in two years.

The Tennessee dual enrollment grant, funded by the state lottery, gives students \$300 for one dual studies class each semester. In Fentress County, the Pinckley Foundation pays any costs not covered by the state grant, allowing students to take as many dual studies classes as they want, free of charge. Community Bank of the Cumberslands also helps dual studies students in Fentress County by providing funding for textbooks. (continued)

- 1. Electoral College
- 2. Federalists vs. Anti-Federalists
- 3. Washington's first cabinet
- 4. John Jay
- 5. Election of 1796

Cumberland



“I was able to complete my freshman year of college in my senior year of high school,” Conatser said. “The dual studies program helped me accomplish my goal of becoming a teacher faster than if I had waited until after graduation. I got to start my career and provide for my family, which is the main reason I went to school.”

As in Fentress County, other communities have shown strong support for dual studies. In Scott County, high school students can take dual studies courses for free thanks to funding provided by the Earl McDonald Scholarship Endowment. Local individuals and businesses in Morgan County and Campbell County provide assistance to dual studies students. Roane State also lends a hand by helping to cover the difference between the \$300 lottery grant and the actual tuition and fees for a three-hour dual studies class, which typically costs \$378.

### Reaching Out

Roane State delivers dual studies to dozens of high schools, and thanks to cutting edge technology, is expanding the program’s reach.

The college received a \$265,000 federal grant, which it has used to add new interactive classrooms at York Institute, Oneida High School, Clarkrange High School and Jellico High School. Roane State campuses in Roane County, Oak Ridge, Morgan County, Campbell County and Cumberland County also equipped new interactive classrooms.

Interactive classrooms benefit students because they allow students to take classes offered on other campuses without leaving their own campus. The instructor teaches from an interactive classroom in one location, and thanks to the high-tech multimedia equipment and software, students at other locations can participate in class just as if they were in the same room with the instructor.

“With this technology, we can offer schools more dual studies options than we ever have before,” Day said. “Even if just a few students at a high school are interested, we can offer the class through the interactive rooms.”

Laura Galloway (above, center) took four dual studies classes in the interactive classroom at York Institute.

**“The classes have really been great,” Galloway said. “The teachers are really nice, and they really want to help you. They are very encouraging. I feel prepared. I know, going forward, how much work I’m going to need to put into college.”**

### Getting a Taste of College

Feeling prepared and comfortable with college is one of the common benefits dual studies students share when asked why they enrolled in dual studies.

**“It prepared me for the class-work because it was more difficult,”** said Kasey Miller, a Cumberland County High School graduate who went to Tennessee Tech. **“You have to study more. There is a lot more to it, and I had to apply myself more.”**





Jessica Norman, a Clarkrange High School graduate and another Tennessee Tech student, said, **“I had to study more, and the study skills definitely helped me. Dual studies was a step into college, but not in such a big setting.”**

Gabe Bolling, a Campbell County Comprehensive High School senior, said his dual studies courses at Roane State’s local campus taught him the importance of staying organized.

**“You have to keep a good calendar to make sure you know when things are due,” he said. “You can’t do a 3,000-word research paper overnight.”**

Drew Jenkins (above, left), a senior at Wartburg Central High School, said dual studies is getting him “ahead of the game.”

**“There are higher expectations and more essays and papers, which I think will help me in the long run,” he said.**

Jodi Jeffers (above, center) teaches a dual studies college algebra class at Oneida High School, where she has worked for 20 years. She said dual studies has encouraged students to go to college.

**“These classes offer an opportunity to get a glimpse of the whole world,” she said. “Students are encouraged to go on because they already have a year behind them.”**

University of Tennessee student Kyley Dickson summarized the benefits of dual studies. A York Institute graduate, he is majoring in turf grass management.

**“Dual studies gave me the confidence that I could succeed in college, and I could just concentrate on adjusting,” he said. “The confidence makes all the difference in the world because I was not nervous about the schoolwork and could just concentrate on finding my way around UT. I was one step ahead of everybody else.”**

For more information about dual studies, contact Day at [daycl@roanestate.edu](mailto:daycl@roanestate.edu) or (865) 882-4504 or visit [www.roanestate.edu/dualstudies](http://www.roanestate.edu/dualstudies).

The Tennessee dual enrollment grant, funded by the state lottery, gives students \$300 for one dual studies class a semester. The Roane State Foundation is seeking to raise funds to help high school students afford more than one dual studies class a semester. For more information, contact the Foundation at (865) 882-4507.



# A New Direction

By Owen Driskill, Alumni Publications Editor

Once Matt Hundley walked through Roane State's doors, everything changed.

A high school dropout, Hundley did whatever it took to support his family. He delivered pizzas, delivered bread, sold shoes, worked construction. His wife, Angela, also juggled two jobs to support their two children. But Hundley wanted to someday get paid for “what I knew, rather than what I did,” and making ends meet kept getting tougher and tougher.

The Hundleys decided to relocate from Michigan to tiny Huntsville. Matt's parents lived in Scott County, and he and his father built a modest house on the family's property.

As Hundley and his family journeyed to their new home, Matt may not have even thought about the place that would change his life—Roane State's one-building campus, tucked away off Highway 63.



## Taking the Stage

Hundley stands in front of his English class at the Scott County campus. Today's topic is irony, and the show is about to start.

"I see teaching as theatre," said Hundley, now a member of Roane State's faculty. "I really enjoy the moment a student, who never realized they had an appreciation for a story, getting the meaning. One of those moments, and the whole thing is worthwhile."

Six years ago, Hundley was in the class rather than in front of it. Not long after his family moved to Tennessee, he decided to go back to college. His mother told him about Roane State, and Hundley, then 32, enrolled in 2003.

"I was surprised that I enjoyed it, and I was surprised that the college experience could facilitate my interests," Hundley said. "There was room for me to expand my intellect. The faculty's ability to interact with the students, to really teach someone, is what makes the difference."

Hundley fell in love with English and with teaching. In six years, he completed an associate's degree at Roane State, a bachelor's degree at the University of Tennessee and a master's degree through a national online university. He wanted to return to Roane State, to give back.

"He's a really good guy," said freshman Bryan Golden, one of Hundley's students. "If you ever need anything, he's there. This is the best English class I've had."

Hundley says the path that led him to Roane State helps him connect with students.

"It wasn't too long ago that I was sitting in that chair," Hundley said. "My real-world experience has taught me to stay grounded. I see the way education helped me and changed my life, and I want to bring that to the students. I have made the full circle."

## A Family Affair

Roane State has not only changed Hundley's life. He said he is the first person in his family to receive a college degree. However, since he first started at Roane State, Hundley's father, mother, wife and sister have all taken classes at the Scott County campus as they pursued various careers.

"I like to think they followed in my footsteps," he says, grinning.

Because education is part of the family, Hundley said his two children have grown up with the expectation that they will go to college and earn their degrees.

"This campus is so far-reaching in its influence in this community," Hundley said. "To say that Roane State has changed my life is an understatement. It has elevated our family to an entirely different level."



In 2003, Matt Hundley was a Roane State student. Now, he is one of the teachers. Opposite top: Roane State English professor Dan Foltz-Gray, left, congratulates Matt when he graduated from Roane State in 2006. Hundley and Foltz-Gray are now colleagues. Bottom: Matt and his wife, Angela, graduated from Roane State at the same time. Angela now teaches kindergarten at Burchfield Elementary School in Oneida.

# Up Close

2009 Outstanding Alumni

## June Laing

June McBee Laing, President of Laing and Associates, Inc. of Atlanta, is Roane State Community College's 2009 Outstanding Alumna.



Laing graduated summa cum laude from Roane State in 1982 with an Associate of Science degree in Medical Record Technology, and went on to earn a Bachelor of Medical Science (Health Record Administration) from Emory University, where she also graduated summa cum laude. Additionally, Laing holds a Bachelor of Arts in English from Limestone College and obtained a

Lawyer's Assistant Certificate from the National Center for Paralegal Training in Atlanta.



During her professional career, she was a manager with Ernst & Young LLP and Cap Gemini Ernst & Young U.S. LLC in Atlanta; a manager at Humana Inc's corporate offices in Louisville, KY; vice president for Channel Publishing Co. in Reno, Nev.; and a manager for Cascade Information Systems in Beaverton, Ore. Laing's profession also led her to consult on a Department of Defense contract, reviewing military medical records throughout Europe, Iceland, and the Azores. In 2003,

she founded Laing and Associates, Inc., a healthcare consulting company, and is its president.

Other professional interests led her to:

- Author many articles and the text Clinotes: The Clinical Bridge Between Diagnosis and Coding; be a contributing author to The Case Managers Training Manual
- Develop a clinical documentation management program and computer-based education course
- Chair the Council for Coding and Classification for AHIMA (American Health Information Management Association)
- Membership on the board of consultants for the publication ADVANCE for Health Information Professionals
- Membership on Roane State's Health Information Technology Advisory Committee

Laing is deeply committed to education and to her profession. Through the Roane State Foundation, she established the June Laing Scholarship in 1985, awarding an annual gift of \$500 to a deserving student majoring in health information technology. In 2003, she created a \$250 scholarship to honor Alice Moore, retired program director for Health Information Technology (previously Medical Records Technology). On a national level, Laing has also sponsored multiple scholarships given by AHIMA.

"My educational preparation at RSCC was challenging and joyous," Laing said. "This award is to honor my instructors, all of them, and is a reflection of their commitment to education. They should never think the precious gift of their time and energy is for naught. They will always be our teachers, and that debt is never forgotten."

On the personal side, as a means of giving back to her community, Laing has prepared dinners for the Ronald McDonald House in Atlanta for eight years; been a volunteer builder for Habitat for Humanity; and contributed to the Thompson Cancer Survival Center in Knoxville.

Laing is the mother of five children: Leslie, Lance, Grant, Catherine, and Cynthia, and is "Nana" to eight grandchildren.





## **Dr. James Perkins**

Dr. James Perkins is Roane State Community College's 2009 Outstanding Alumnus.

Dr. Perkins is recognized not just for his contributions to the medical profession and to the community, but because he has always had a heart for people in need.

From his early days at Roane State (1996-1999), Dr. Perkins served students as a math tutor and assisted faculty in the Math Department as they learned new computer software to enhance their classes. Even after leaving Roane State, Dr. Perkins would often return and help faculty with software problems.

"As I now look back through my education, I appreciate my start at Roane State Community College," Dr. Perkins said. "The important part was not only the academics, but the staff that had a caring attitude and willingness to help students. As I finish my education, this attitude of the Roane State Community College staff has helped me understand the importance of caring for people."

Dr. Perkins earned a bachelor's degree in computer science from the University of Tennessee and his doctorate of medicine at the Meharry Medical College, School of Medicine in Nashville in 2007.

While at Roane State, Dr. Perkins received the Organic Chemistry Award and was a member of Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society. In medical school, he received the William V. Wallace Medical Education Scholarship and earned departmental honors in several areas.

Dr. Perkins also was the 2008 recipient of the Emergency Medicine Intern of the Year award at Louisiana State University Interim Public Hospital and served as a representative from the Emergency Department to the Graduate Medical Education Board in 2009.

Dr. Perkins is completing his residency at the Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center in New Orleans. He is a member of the Society for Academic Emergency Medicine (SAEM) and the American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP).

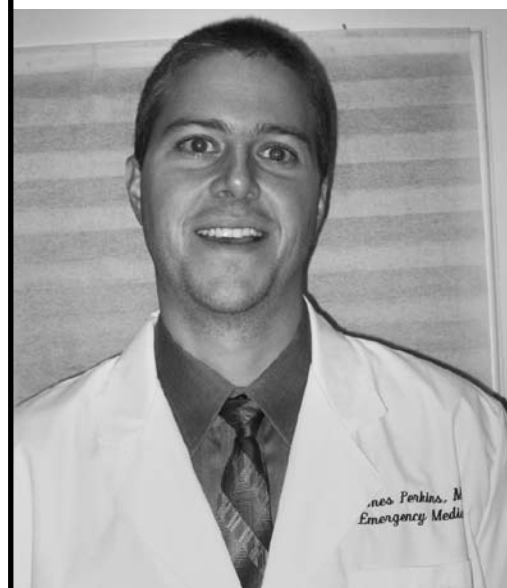
Dr. Perkins has spent countless hours helping those in need. After Hurricane Katrina, he served on two disaster management and recovery teams in New Orleans. Later, during Hurricane Gustav, he volunteered to remain in New Orleans to treat patients.

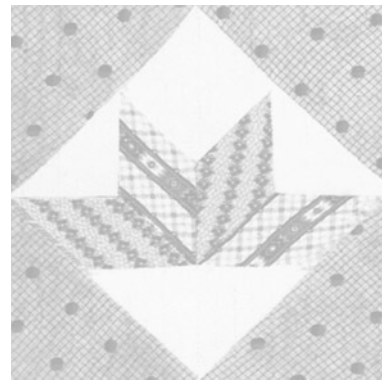
He volunteers at the Rebuild Clinic in New Orleans, which offers free medical service to the homeless. While in medical school in Nashville, Dr. Perkins worked with Habitat for Humanity, volunteered at homeless shelters in Knoxville, and organized angel trees to supply gifts to the homeless through Water Angels Ministries.

He participates in the annual Community Day at Meharry Medical College, teaching wellness education to children and their families.

Dr. Perkins is the son of Karen and Larry Perkins of Harriman. He has a brother, Larry Perkins, who was an adjunct faculty member for Roane State.

Dr. Perkins and his wife, Amanda, reside in Slidell, La.





# Artful Patterns

Roane State helps bring the Quilt Trail to Roane County

By Owen Driskill, Alumni Publications Editor

A project that started in the Roane State Community College Art Department has made its debut across

Roane County.

This summer, volunteers spent days in the college's theatre as they painted quilt patterns onto 8-foot wooden squares to be placed throughout the community. The Lowe's store in Harriman donated all supplies. Roane State art professor Bryan Wilkerson and his students oversaw the effort, which is part of the Appalachian Quilt Trail Project. The squares were on display in the Knoxville Museum of Art and then moved to their locations in Roane County.

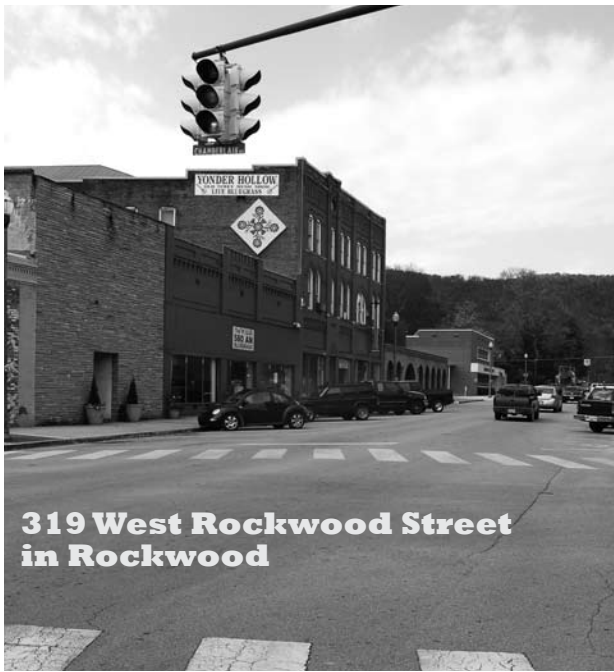


The four quilt patterns were taken from quilts that were originally created in Tennessee with two of them having direct ties to Roane County. One design, a copy taken from the original "Randolph Family Pattern" brought to Tennessee from Virginia, includes 1,200 yards of thread quilted by expert quilter Amanda Taylor of Rockwood. The design "Basket of Scraps," according to the book *American Patchwork Quilts* by Lenice Ingram Bacon, was sewn in 1880 by the Blair Sisters, who resided on a farm close to Kingston in what was then called Barnardsville.

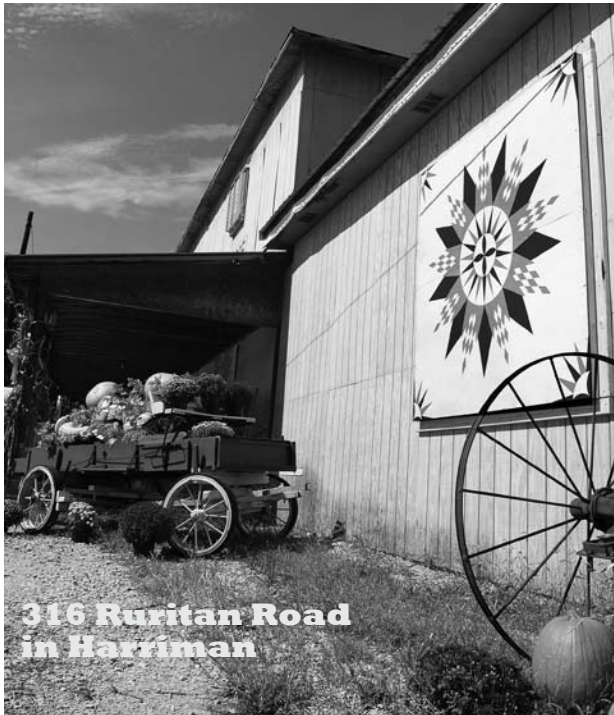
The Appalachian Quilt Trail is a program of the Clinch-Powell Resource Conservation & Development Council in partnership with numerous local and regional groups. The project is "dedicated to improving understanding, awareness, and appreciation of the unique traditions and communities of Appalachia through the promotion of heritage tourism and sustainable rural economic development."

In Tennessee, the trail covers approximately 300 miles and includes more than 330 squares. For more information, visit [www.vacationaqt.com](http://www.vacationaqt.com). More information is also available at [www.roanestate.edu/art/aqt](http://www.roanestate.edu/art/aqt).

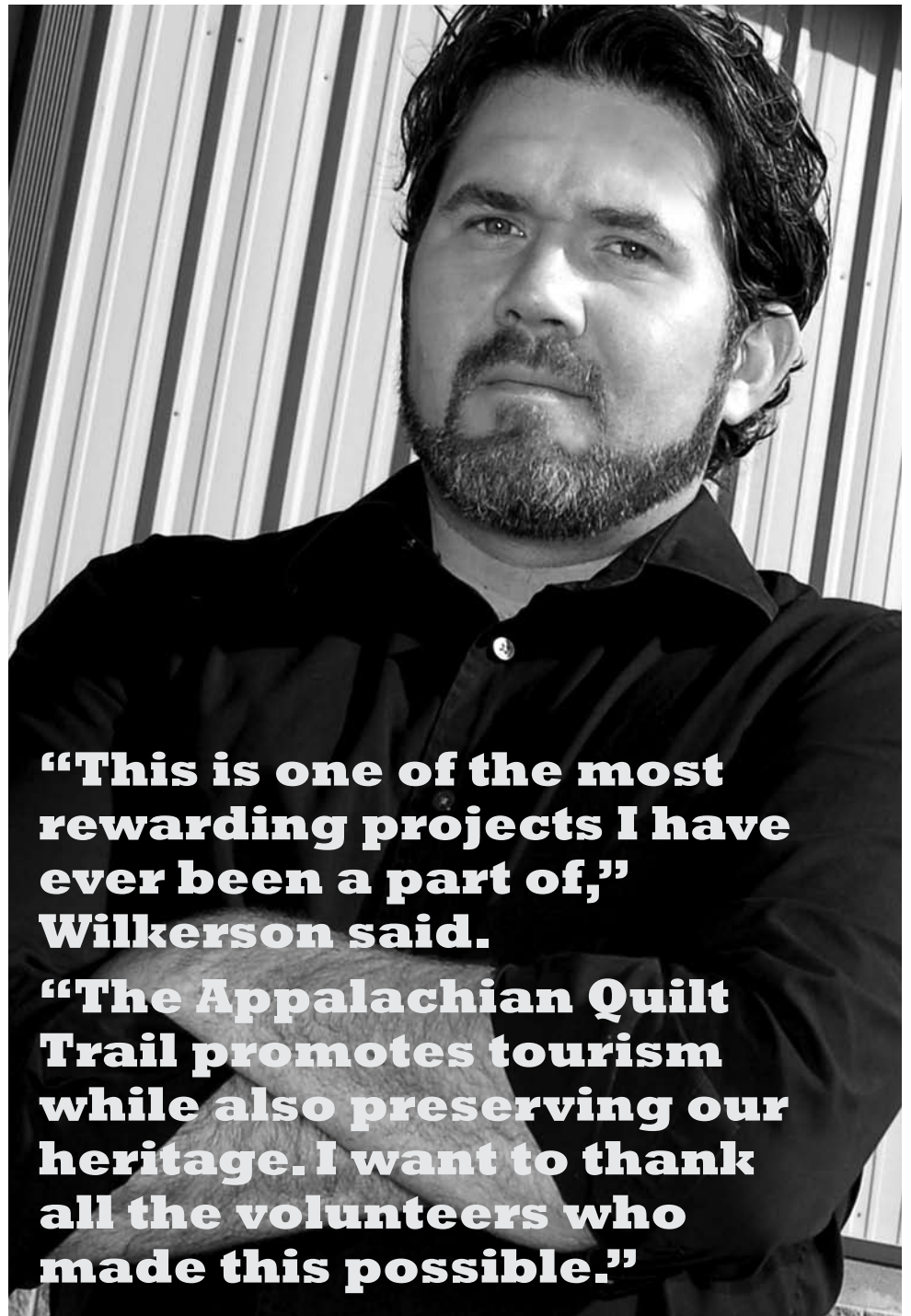




**319 West Rockwood Street  
in Rockwood**



**316 Ruritan Road  
in Harriman**



**“This is one of the most rewarding projects I have ever been a part of,” Wilkerson said.**

**“The Appalachian Quilt Trail promotes tourism while also preserving our heritage. I want to thank all the volunteers who made this possible.”**



**276 Patton Lane  
in Harriman**

The locations and corresponding quilt pattern are listed below.

**Henry/Stafford East Tennessee Agricultural Exposition Center**

Roane State Community College

276 Patton Lane

Harriman, TN 37748

Quilt pattern: Tennessee Walking Horse pattern taken from the Tennessee Sampler

**Yonder Hollow**

319 W. Rockwood St.

Rockwood, TN 37854

Quilt pattern: The Randolph Family Pattern (floral design)

**Rocky Top General Store**

316 Ruritan Road

Harriman, TN 37748

Quilt pattern: Sunburst

**The Roane Alliance**

1209 N. Kentucky Street

Kingston, TN 37763

Quilt pattern: Basket of Scraps

# Tributes

## **Anna Belle Clement O'Brien 1923-2009**



Former state Sen. Anna Belle Clement O'Brien died Aug. 31, 2009. "Miss Anna Belle," as she was affectionately known, was one of Roane State's superstar supporters and will be truly missed. The O'Brien Humanities Building on the Roane County campus is named for her.

A political pioneer and sister of former Tennessee Governor Frank G. Clement, O'Brien served as representative to the Tennessee General Assembly from 1975 to 1977 and as state senator from 1977 to 1991. She represented her beloved Cumberland County and was the first woman to chair a Senate committee. In 1982, she campaigned to become the first female governor of Tennessee but lost in the Democratic primary.

According to O'Brien's obituary, "As chair of the Senate Education Committee and the Joint Oversight Committee on Education, she helped oversee the bipartisan effort to pass the most comprehensive and dynamic reform of classroom education in the history of Tennessee."

## **Dr. Paul Goldberg 1945-2009**



Paul Goldberg, one of Roane State's most passionate advocates and leaders, died May 30, 2009. He worked tirelessly in the Roane County community to promote education, industry, arts and leadership. Dr. Goldberg was instrumental in establishing Leadership Roane County, was active in Harriman Rotary Club and Roane County United Way and worked at Roane State for 36 years.

He was also active in East Tennessee Leadership Association, Nine Counties One Vision, Tennessee Community Education Association and the Tennessee Alliance for Continuing and Higher Education. Dr. Goldberg won several distinguished awards, such as the Barbara Beeler Award for Outstanding Service, the Roane County Chamber of Commerce Distinguished Service Award and the Robert M. Smith Outstanding Tennessee Leadership Educator Award.

Thoughtful, intelligent and compassionate, Dr. Goldberg was often the first person to lend a helping hand to a co-worker or welcome a newcomer to Roane State. Hundreds of people attended a celebration of life in his honor, further illustrating his profound influence on the Roane State family.

# Roane State

presents

February 18-21, 25-28, 2010

## **The Boys Next Door**

by Tom Griffin

This play about four mentally handicapped men who live in a home together in New England is filled with laughter and compassion. RSCC Theatre, Feb. 18-20, 25-27 at 7 p.m.; February 21 & 28 at 2 p.m.

March 19-21, 2010

## **The Motherland**

The Celebration Singers, Jazz Band and newly formed Bluegrass Band present a concert of international music. Dancers from Arts in Motion and musical guests complete the performance. Suggested donation of \$10 per person. RSCC Theatre, Friday & Saturday, Mar. 19 & 20 at 7 p.m.; Sunday, Mar. 21 at 3 p.m.

April 8-11, 15-18, 2010

## **To Kill a Mockingbird**

by Harper Lee

Set in the small Southern town of Maycomb, Alabama, during the Depression, To Kill a Mockingbird follows three years in the life of 8-year-old Scout Finch, her brother, Jem, and their father, Atticus Finch—three years punctuated by the arrest and eventual trial of a young black man accused of raping a white woman. RSCC Theatre, Apr. 8-10, 15-17 at 7 p.m.; Apr. 11 & 18 at 2 p.m.

April 30-May 2

## **Spring Dance Concert**

Arts in Motion Dance Studio

The annual spring concert by area dancers is delightful for the entire family. Tickets are \$15 and available in advance through Arts in Motion. For best seating, buy tickets in advance. Call (865) 376-0295. RSCC Theatre, April 30, May 1 at 7 p.m.; May 2 at 2 p.m.

All performances are subject to change.

Check Web site periodically for updated information.

[www.roanestate.edu/theatre](http://www.roanestate.edu/theatre)

## Visual Arts

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O'Brien Art Gallery Schedule

For specific dates and updates to exhibits please visit [www.roanestate.edu/art/gallery](http://www.roanestate.edu/art/gallery) or contact Bryan Wilkerson, Assistant Professor of Art and Design, (865) 882-4649 or [wilkersonbs@roanestate.edu](mailto:wilkersonbs@roanestate.edu)

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## **James Nathan Greene Memorial Show**

April 2010

## **Annual Spring Student Art show**

*Opposite from top to bottom: Student artist at work; (next two pictures) dancers pack in lots of hours of rehearsal for the annual Nutcracker performance in December.; Arte d'Italia! 2009 exhibit in O'Brien Art Gallery.*





# News Notes

from the headlines



**G.I. Jobs magazine** has included Roane State on its 2010 list of “Military Friendly Schools,” an honor recognizing the top 15 percent of colleges, universities and trade schools doing the most to embrace America’s veterans as students. Roane State is one of 15 postsecondary institutions in Tennessee to make the list and one of only two community colleges.

Roane State’s job placement rate for its career-preparation programs was **97 percent** for 2008-09, a Tennessee Higher Education Commission report said. The report included data for 33 programs designed for students who want to enter the workforce after graduation.

Roane State has received two **U.S. Department of Education grants** totaling \$511,257. A \$435,396 grant will help Roane State and its partners better serve adults, especially those who have lost their jobs and are seeking training and education. A \$75,861 grant will help Roane State provide students with a free study skills course. “The grants would not have been possible without the support of our community and business partners and Representative Lincoln Davis,” Roane State President Dr. Gary Goff said.

**Roane State students are learning around the world.** Three nursing students spent two weeks in Ecuador last summer, where they visited the capital city of Quito, toured local health-care facilities, provided services to children and helped plant yucca, a staple crop in the region. College trips also included visits to Italy and to France.

**Remote Area Medical’s dental-and-vision clinic** at Roane State served 715 people and provided \$140,315 worth of free care. The clinic was held Sept. 19-20 in the Student Lounge at the Roane County campus. According to Remote Area Medical, free dental services included 758 extractions and 173 fillings. Vision services included 415 eye exams (with eyeglasses given to patients).

**Melinda Hillman** has been named vice president for Oak Ridge and satellite campuses. Hillman succeeds Russ Schubert, who retired in July after 17 years at Roane State. In addition to her new duties, Hillman will continue as executive director of the Roane State Foundation. **Linda Brown**, the Roane State Foundation’s accountant, has been named Director of Foundation Operations.

Roane State assistant baseball coach **David Lane** has been named head coach. Larry Works, who had been part of Roane State's baseball program since it started in 1972, decided to step down as head coach. **Adam Hall** has been named assistant baseball coach. Also, **David McGreal** has been named assistant basketball coach, and **Jennifer Rather** is now assistant softball coach.

Roane State received an \$880,000 federal grant for the **Cumberland Business Incubator** (CBI), a new facility on the Cumberland County campus that will help entrepreneurs start small businesses and expand them. The grant from the U.S. Commerce Department's Economic Development Administration (EDA) was the culmination of efforts to fund the \$1.28 million facility. The Cumberland County Commission and Crossville City Council have each committed \$250,000 for construction of the CBI.

Fundraising for expansion of the Oak Ridge campus continues to be a success. **WSI-Oak Ridge** has contributed \$150,000, and the **Oak Ridge Institute for Continued Learning** (ORICL) has contributed \$25,000.

Roane State's Public Relations Department won a 2009 National Council for Marketing and Public Relations (NCMPR) District 2 Medallion Award. The awards recognize excellence in community, technical, and junior college marketing and public relations activities. The department won a Silver Medallion in the Advertising category for a series of newspaper advertisements designed by graphic designer **Sandi Roberts**.

Roane State has named **Matt Foster** as its new Director of Public Safety and Chief of Police. Foster will lead the establishment of a Roane State police department and provide training for students, staff and community members regarding a variety of topics related to personal safety and crime prevention. He will oversee security on all nine Roane State campuses.

**Dr. Lou Rabinowitz** has joined Roane State as its workforce connections director. Rabinowitz will serve as the college's primary point of contact for business and industry. His goals will include increasing non-traditional student enrollment, developing new workforce programs for credit and non-credit and supporting other college non-credit activities. Rabinowitz's office is located at the college's Oak Ridge campus, and he can be reached at (865) 481-2037 or rabinowitzlo@roanestate.edu.

*Captions: Roane State coordinator of veterans benefits Sandra Grice chats with sophomore Renard Flowers, a former Marine.; Lenora Herndon is an example of Roane State's outstanding job placement rate. A 2008 graduate, she is an optician in the Vision Center at the Wal-Mart Supercenter in Rockwood.; Roane State nursing students helped many children when they visited Ecuador.; Hundreds received dental and vision treatment at the Remote Area Medical clinic.; Melinda Hillman; Linda Brown; David Lane; Adam Hall; David McGreal; Jennifer Rather; Sandi Roberts; Matt Foster; Dr. Lou Rabinowitz.*



# President's Report

## Summary of Student Financial Aid Awards 2008-2009

### Federal Programs

Pell Grants	\$ 6,338,949
FSEOG	111,552
FWS	155,765
FFELP (loans)	5,040,828
Other: GEARUP, ACG, BYRD, AMERICORP	218,154
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$ 11,865,248</b>

### State Programs

TSAC	\$ 521,489
Lottery Scholarships	
HOPE	1,978,527
Aspire	502,728
Merit	9,000
Access	11,265
Non-traditional	49,823
Dependent Children	6,249
Helping Heroes	2,500
Other: Waivers	120,519
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$ 3,202,100</b>

### Institutional Programs

Total Disability Fee Waivers and Over Age 60 Fee Waivers	\$ 106,850
Employee Fee Waivers	141,130
Departmental Scholarships (music, art, athletics, SGA)	101,912
Academic	279,760
Diversity	98,053
TN scholar	4,550
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$ 732,255</b>

### Private Programs

Foundation	\$ 193,004
Private	300,429
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$ 493,433</b>

**Total All Programs \$16,293,036**

Duplicate awards may be reflected in this total program summary.

## Revenues and Expenditures 2008-2009

### Revenues

Tuition and Fees	\$ 14,397,180
State Appropriations	18,354,242
Federal Grants and Contracts	7,341,119
State Grants and Contracts	4,682,475
Local Grants and Contracts	9,667
Private Grants and Contracts	90,594
Private Gifts	592,271
Sales and Services of Educational Activities	3,926
Endowment Income	0
Other Sources**	644,360
Auxiliary Enterprises	315,225
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 46,431,059</b>

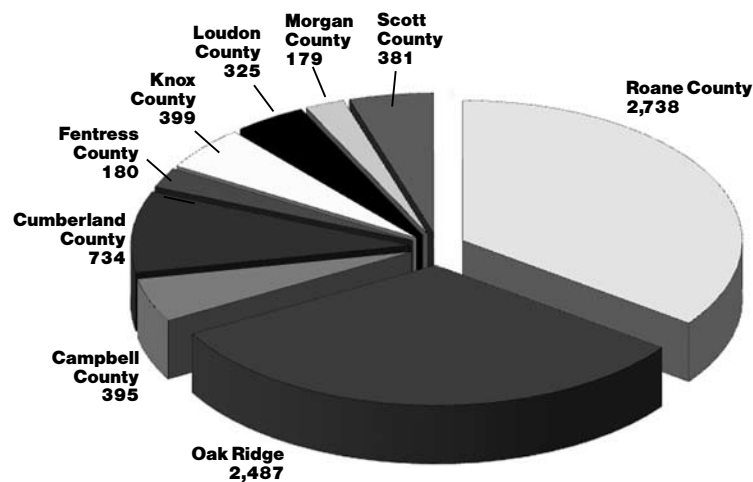
\*\* cash contributions, accounts receivable collections and in-kind gifts

### Expenditures

Instruction	\$ 18,732,607
Public Service	987,394
Academic Support	2,046,299
Student Services	4,172,891
Institutional Support	4,810,434
Operation and Maintenance of Physical Plant	3,739,392
Scholarships and Fellowships	11,032,049
Mandatory Transfers	0
Non-Mandatory Transfers	358,700
Auxiliary Enterprises	54,285
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 45,934,051</b>

### Total Enrollment Headcount

Unduplicated Headcount	6,281
Full-time Equivalent	4,227



Headcount per Campus  
(Duplicated because some students attend classes at more than one campus)



# Foundation

financial summary  
(internally prepared)  
June 30, 2009

## Balance Sheet

### Assets

<b>Cash</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>486,148</b>
<b>Short-Term Investments</b>		<b>2,473,516</b>
<b>Long-Term Investments</b>		<b>4,692,144</b>
<b>Real Estate</b>		<b>153,500</b>
<b>Pledges Receivable (Net of Discounts of \$48,690)</b>		<b>1,116,584</b>
<b>Other Receivables</b>		<b>88,403</b>
<b>Other Assets</b>		<b>68,353</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>9,078,648</b>

### Liabilities and Net Assets

<b>Accounts Payable</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$14,274</b>
<b>Other Payables</b>		<b>7,365</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>		<b>9,057,009</b>
<b>Total Liabilities and Net Assets</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>9,078,648</b>

## Statement of Revenue, Expenditures and Changes in Net Assets

### Revenue and Other Additions

<b>Gifts (Net of Pledge Write-offs of \$472)</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>3,490,853</b>
<b>Investment Income</b>		<b>175,239</b>
<b>In-Kind Receipts</b>		<b>26,589</b>
<b>Net Realized/Unrealized Gain (Loss)</b>		<b>(878,752)</b>
<b>Total Revenue and Other Additions</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,813,929</b>

### Expenditures and Other Deductions

<b>Scholarships</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>418,839</b>
<b>Campus Projects and Activities</b>		<b>135,679</b>
<b>Administrative Expenses</b>		<b>31,213</b>
<b>In-Kind Expenses</b>		<b>26,589</b>
<b>Trust Payments</b>		<b>1,294</b>
<b>Total Expenditures and Other Deductions</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>613,614</b>

<b>Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,200,315</b>
<b>Net Assets June 30, 2008</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>6,856,694</b>
<b>Net Assets June 30, 2009</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>9,057,009</b>

## Outstanding Alumni Sought

Roane State Community College is seeking nominations for the 2010 Outstanding Alumni Award 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:

1. the Nominee Information Form
2. a letter of recommendation
3. a resume of the candidate

Nominations should include the nominee's name, address, date of graduation and degree (to be verified by RSCC personnel) and information detailing how the nominee meets each of the three criteria. To be eligible, nominees must have attended Roane State Community College for at least 30 semester hours or 45 quarter hours.

Criteria for Selection

1. Noteworthy professional contributions
  - a. Contributes to one's profession (beyond normal requirements and expectations)
  - b. Received professional awards or recognition
2. Contributes to the spirit and values of Roane State Community College
3. Contributes to the community through community service or volunteer work

Selections will be made by the RSCC Alumni Recognition Committee.

Deadline for submission of nomination: May 30, 2010

Call (865) 882-4640 or e-mail a request for application (alumni@roanestate.edu) or you may print the Nominee Information Form directly from the Web at: www.roanestate.edu/alumni

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

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

## 1973

### Patti (Brown) Davis

(A.S. Education) retired from 34 years of service as a kindergarten teacher with Cumberland County Schools. She is married to Gordon Davis, and they have two children: Brad, 28, and Julie, 23. She was in Roane State's first graduating class. She serves on the UT Alumni-Cumberland County Board and Relay For Life-Cumberland County. She resides in Crossville, TN.

## 1987

### Sheila Goodson

(Office Information Technology Certificate) has been with Farm Bureau Insurance since 1987 in customer service and as a rural health representative. She resides in Lancing, TN.

## 1989

### Sondra Darlene Bull

(A.S. General) is employed by Bank of America in its Credit Card Services Division. She resides in Thomaston, MA.

## 2002

### Aimee J. (Marcum) Phillips

(A.A.S. Nursing) is the Director of Nursing at Oneida Nursing and Rehab Center. She is married to Michael Phillips, and they have two children: Haley, 12, and Tyler, 3. They reside in Helenwood, TN.

## 2006

### Amy E. (Newman) Jackson

(Polysomnography Certificate) is a manager with Sleep Labs of the South and has a business of her own. She is married to Keith Jackson, and they reside in Cleveland, TN.

## In Memoriam

Floyd Doughty, 1973, AS Education, Kingston, TN  
 Brian Leopper, 1977, AS Business, Oliver Springs, TN  
 Patricia (Simpson) Black, 1982, AS Nursing, St. Clair Shores, MI  
 Mollie Crawford, faculty, Rockwood, TN  
 Brenda Dugger, 1993, Office Information Technology, Kingston, TN  
 Dr. Paul E. Goldberg, administration/faculty, Kingston, TN

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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

RSCC Degree(s) and/or Year(s) Attended/Graduated \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone# \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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Occupation/Title \_\_\_\_\_

Employer \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Names/Ages of Children \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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# Calendar

coming up at your  
community college



jan

- Jan 8-10 Oak Ridge Kennel Club - Dog Agility Trials
- Jan 9 Raiders vs. St. Catharine JV, 7 pm
- Jan 15-16 National Barrel Horse Association
- Jan 16 Raiders & Raiderettes vs. Cleveland St., 5 & 7 pm
- Jan 22-23 Hedrick Productions
- Jan 29 Raiders & Raiderettes vs. Jackson St., 6 & 8 pm
- Jan 30 Raiders & Raiderettes vs. Columbia St., 2 & 4 pm

feb

- Feb 5 HOSA Competition
- Feb 5-7 East TN Cutting Horse Association
- Feb 6 Baseball vs. Vincennes, 1 pm
- Feb 7 Baseball vs. Vincennes, 12 pm
- Feb 9 Baseball vs. Tusculum, 1 pm
- Feb 10 Raiders & Raiderettes vs. Chattanooga St., 6 & 8 pm
- Feb 12-13 National Barrel Horse Association
- Feb 16 Softball vs. Young Harris, 2 pm
- Feb 18-21, 25-28 "The Boys Next Door," RSCC Playmakers
- Feb 20 Boy Scout Merit Badge College
- Feb 19-20 Baseball vs. Hiwassee, 1 pm
- Feb 20 Softball vs. Florence-Darlington JC, 11 am
- Feb 20 East TN Black Angus Show
- Feb 22 Softball vs. Lee JV, 2 pm
- Feb 26-27 East TN Barrel Racers Association

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- Mar 2 Softball vs. Cleveland, 2 pm
- Mar 5, 6 & 8 East TN Cutting Horse Association
- Mar TBA James Nathan Greene Memorial Gallery Exhibit
- Mar 6 Baseball vs. Volunteer St., 1 pm
- Mar 8 Softball vs. Jackson CC of Michigan, 2 pm
- Mar 10 Baseball vs. Olney, 1 pm
- Mar 10 Softball vs. Univ. of Cumberlands JV, 2 pm
- Mar 11 Softball vs. Lindsay Wilson JV, 2 pm
- Mar 11-14 Celebration Circuit TQHA
- Mar 17 Softball vs. TN Wesleyan JV, 2 pm
- Mar 19 Baseball vs. Chattanooga St., 2 pm
- Mar 19-21 "The Motherland," RSCC Music Department
- Mar 19-21 TN Valley Kennel Club
- Mar 20 Baseball vs. Chattanooga, 12 pm
- Mar 20 Softball vs. Volunteer, 12 pm
- Mar 25-26 Academic Festival
- Mar 26 Baseball vs. Motlow, 2 pm
- Mar 26-27 Hedrick Rodeo
- Mar 27 Baseball vs. Motlow, 12 pm

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- Apr TBA Annual Spring Student Art Show
- Apr 2-4 East TN Cutting Horse Association
- Apr 3 National Barrel Horse Association
- Apr 5 Softball vs. Univ. of Cumberlands JV, 2 pm
- Apr 6 Softball vs. Motlow, 2 pm
- Apr 7 Baseball vs. Bryan, 1 pm
- Apr 8-11, 15-18 "To Kill a Mockingbird," RSCC Playmakers
- Apr 9-11 Circuit By The River Quarter Horse Show
- Apr 10 Baseball vs. Dyersburg, 12 pm
- Apr 16 Softball vs. Columbia St., 2 pm
- Apr 16-18 Oak Ridge Kennel Club
- Apr 17 Softball vs. Jackson St., 12 pm
- Apr 17 East TN Barrel Racers Association
- Apr 19 Baseball vs. TN Wesleyan, 1 pm
- Apr 20 Softball vs. Walters St., 2 pm
- Apr 20 TMTA Contest
- Apr 20 Awards Night
- Apr 23-24 Music Recitals
- Apr 23-25 TN Reining Horse Association
- Apr 24 Baseball vs. Columbia, 12 pm
- Apr 27 Baseball vs. Young Harris, 3 pm
- Apr 30-May 2 Spring Dance Concert, Arts in Motion Dance Studio
- Apr 30-May 2 East TN Cutting Horse Association

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- May 1 National Barrel Horse Association
- May 7-8 Commencement
- May 8 TN Ponies of America
- May 14-15 Relay For Life-Roane County
- May 14-15 Smoky Mountain Walking Horse Show
- May 22-23 Oak Ridge Kennel Club
- May 27-30 TQHA Hillbilly Classic





Raider red shines proudly at Roane State. Each campus had a slight make-over this fall as new banners replaced the old ones. The change adds a dash of vibrant color along the paths that visitors, faculty, staff and students walk every day.



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