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# Outlook

## Caring and Conserving: It's Business as Usual at Oxford

**T**o an outsider, Oxford might appear to be just another liberal arts college in a small Southern town. However, closer inspection reveals tangible evidence of innovative practices that address global concerns. Maybe it's Dean Stephen Bowen biking to work or students making biodiesel in chemistry class. Large or small, each action is vital to the Oxford Sustainability Action Plan (OSAP).

### Origins of OSAP

In 2005, Emory's strategic plan identified sustainability as a core principle. The plan requires schools to evaluate the impact of their operations against "sustainability's environmental, economic, and social bottom line," says Emory's director of sustainability initiatives, Ciannat Howett 87C. Developed within the context of Emory's plan, OSAP encompasses fourteen initiatives and is specific to



### The Science of Sustainability: Planned Facility Takes Decidedly Green Approach

Oxford's proposed Science and Mathematics Building will offer many learning opportunities, inside and out. Eloise Carter, professor of biology and project shepherd, says Oxford is striving for LEED platinum status for this facility.

Beyond energy savings and improved air quality, a "green roof" will be the building's most dynamic feature. Serving as an outdoor classroom, the roof will house a garden and greenhouse. "Green roofs conserve water, reduce heat load and noise pollution, and increase roof life by shielding UV rays," Carter explains.

Closer to earth, a constructed wetland will conceal an underground blackwater treatment system while teaching students about the environmental benefits of wetlands. It's all part of what will be a living example of sustainability. "Emory and Oxford are models for sustainable and healthy living, and I am tremendously proud to be part of this effort," Carter says.

East Village is one of Oxford's two new residence halls that implement Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) principles. LEED promotes a whole-building approach to sustainability by recognizing performance in five key areas of human and environmental health: sustainable site development, water savings, energy efficiency, materials selection, and indoor environmental quality.

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—Emory's director of sustainability initiatives, Ciannat Howett 87C

Oxford. It takes advantage of Oxford's ability to "come to consensus and do things fairly promptly," says Bowen. Howett concurs. "Oxford is a great example of taking the vision and making it their own." OSAP's goals include reducing energy use by 25 percent and tap water consumption by 10 percent.

### Values in Action

Bowen won't settle for mere "demonstrations of sustainability," he wants sustainability to be how Oxford does business. This is evident at his campus domicile where new windows and insulation are making a noticeable difference in energy consumption.

Sustainability not only saves money, it attracts students. "Admissions is finding that it's a recruiting tool," comments Howett. Perhaps you're a prospective student and member of the skeptical Y Generation. You're considering several schools and you wonder—how does Oxford walk the walk of sustainability?

### A Day in the Green Life

Pretend it's a typical day at this not-atypical school. You wake in your dorm,

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# Coloradan Finds Oxford a Good Fit with Her Green Values

**A**my Jingjing Yie 09OX is no stranger to sustainability. Her hometown of Boulder, Colorado, is known for being “green.” Yie, for example, tutored at an elementary school with “barely any trash in the trash cans,” because of its composting program. Just how has this young woman from a progressive Western city adjusted to life at a Southern liberal arts college? Quite well, actually.

## Raising Awareness

When Yie realized sustainability practices weren’t widespread in the South, she got busy. “She was anxious to get involved with CORE (Conserving Oxford’s Resources and Energy) in her freshman year,” recalls Theodosia Wade, senior lecturer in biology and CORE adviser. Created in 2005, the Student Government Association (SGA) committee is already making an impact on campus. “SGA felt sustainability was important enough to have its own committee,” says Wade.

One of Yie’s first CORE endeavors helped to address Georgia’s longstanding drought. Working with other students and Wade, Yie created shower stall cards reminding students to take short showers. This fall, dorm showers will feature timers to make students aware of the ongoing need to conserve water.

Yie also helped organize Lights Out Oxford, part of a nationwide event that asks people to turn



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—Amy Jingjing Yie 09OX


off all unnecessary electricity for one hour. “She does a good job encouraging other students and is able to get them on board,” Wade notes. The ability to rally others served Yie in good stead at

last spring’s well-attended Earth Day Festival. This environmental awareness event was open to the public and was organized by students.

According to Wade, Yie is a “role model for other students.” She is a dedicated recycler and a frequent Cliff rider. Back in Boulder, Yie’s family unplugs appliances that aren’t in use, and Yie takes the shower stall card lesson to heart. This year, she will be a CORE coleader.

## Shared Values

When Yie first visited Oxford, she was impressed with peoples’ friendliness. She liked the idea that Oxford and Emory offered her “the small school and big school experience.” As student at Oxford, she appreciates the University’s culture of sustainability. “I go to a school where the administration and faculty are committed to sustainability. That makes it easier for us [CORE] to get things passed. I’m impressed that Emory has its own Office of Sustainability with a director, and also that Emory made Princeton’s top green schools list.”

The business/education major is keeping her options open. She hopes to attend graduate school and may join Teach for America, a two-year teaching stint in low-income areas. Or, she might get involved with some aspect of sustainable business. In the estimation of Wade, Amy Jingjing Yie is a “real go-getter” who will continue opening minds wherever she goes. 



Can you imagine a world where teenagers develop new cancer treatments?

Few college sophomores have the chance to help conduct a cancer research study, but Oxford College student Melody Rhine 07OX 09C did just that. Under the direction of two Oxford chemists, she worked to develop anti-cancer drugs through the design of novel gold compounds. The study, which will involve other Oxford students over the next several years, could yield valuable data about how these metal-based systems help fight tumors.

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Oxford College Class of 2008

## Class of 2008 Gift Exceeds Goal

**W**e are both proud and excited to announce that the Oxford Class of 2008 did not only reach, but also exceeded their goal of raising \$4,500. Currently, the class has received gifts and pledges totaling more than \$8,400, the most money raised by a single class. The Sophomore Class Gift Committee, chaired by Paula Zwillich 08OX, chose to use the funds to plant a Cherokee Princess dogwood in front of the Eady Admission Center. In addition, the generous donations received helped purchase a gazebo placed in the woods behind Seney Hall that serves as a tranquil location for studying or relaxing and also as an outdoor classroom. The remaining funds have been added to the Oxford College Scholarship Endowment Fund with the hopes of helping to create the opportunity for a prospective student to enjoy the unique Oxford experiences the Class of 2008 had the privilege to know.

Thank you to the Class Gift Committee, the students, parents, faculty, staff, and alumni who helped to make this meaningful gift possible. The dedication for the class gifts was during Oxford Homecoming on September 27, and members of the Class of 2008 returned to campus to share in the event.

# Bringing the Vision to Reality

## Campaign Oxford Begins



The last three years have been tremendously productive for Oxford College. Our distinctive role within the University is now clear, and we are fully enfranchised. We have a new residential complex and facilities across campus have been remodeled. We have added exciting new faculty, strengthened academic and campus life programs, and applications for admission are burgeoning. As significant as they are, these accomplishments are just a prelude to the Renaissance of Oxford College. Our current momentum in innovative pedagogy, the design of built spaces that maximize learning, and the creation of a campus culture that prepares Oxford alumni to be morally aware, engaged leaders has already carried us across the threshold. But just how far we get in bringing the Oxford vision to reality will depend on the Oxford Campaign.

At its heart, Oxford is the same today as it has always been. We appoint dedicated faculty who are interested in students as persons and who have high standards for student learning and character development. We recruit students who are creative, curious, socially engaged, and who want to learn. Students, faculty, and staff work together in a tight knit community for two years. After that, Oxford grads are ready to make their marks on the Atlanta campus and the world.

Although the heart has remained constant, how we work with students has changed. Oxford's faculty are known internationally for their innovation and effectiveness in teaching. We accomplish more with students today than we did even a few years ago. Much of this improvement has been possible only because we worked around the limitations of our long-outdated buildings, but we have taken this approach as far as it can go. Now we are energetically engaged with research on and design of new teaching spaces that amplify student learning. Plans for both the Library and Academic Commons, and the Science Learning Environment incorporate this learner-centered approach to

building design. The other critical needs addressed by the Oxford Campaign are for student scholarships and for annual gifts that let Oxford seize opportunities as they emerge.

**The Library and Academic Commons (LAC)** will not be a typical repository of books. Instead, it will combine information resources with the support of information specialists in collaborative spaces designed to promote individual and small-group

### Campaign Emory Begins

- University-wide effort aims to raise: \$1.6 billion by December 2012
  - Campaign Oxford aims to raise: \$40 million
  - Oxford Campaign Chairs:  
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Henry Mann 62OX 64C
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learning. A significant collection of print-based materials will be complemented by the online information resources of one of the world's top research universities. Staff who are experts in information access and evaluation will be available at all hours as consultants and tutors. An Oxford-like feature of the new building will be the many spaces set aside for small groups of faculty, staff, and students to work together on projects. We know that Oxford students are social learners and in these spaces they will flourish.

**The Science Learning Environment (SLE)** also will be a distinctive building designed to catalyze learning by taking advantage of Oxford's setting and approach to teaching. Most science buildings have been designed with separate teaching and research facilities, and the faculty spend the majority of their time in the research areas. At Oxford, faculty spend much of each day with students and SLE faculty offices will have adjacent spaces for work with students. The layout of classrooms and laboratories will be highly adaptable to let each instructor and their students create a hybrid classroom/laboratory environment that supports their work best. The building itself will inspire scientific

curiosity with leading-edge environmental features including low-demand energy and water systems and a constructed wetland that will process wastes from the building. The SLE will extend into Hearn Woods where it will offer a view into the forest canopy.

**Scholarship Support** is vital if students from middle- and lower-socioeconomic backgrounds are to continue to attend Oxford College. The total cost of attendance is now nearly \$41,500 per year. When compared to the nation's median family income of about \$48,000, it is clear that most students can attend Oxford only with financial assistance. Our current scholarship endowment of \$19 million is important but actually provides only 7.6 percent of the financial aid students need each year. Other sources, primarily tuition dollars, have to make up the difference. Building the scholarship endowment is essential if we are to continue to enroll the kinds of students who have traditionally attended Oxford College.

**Annual Giving** is the fourth element of our Oxford Campaign. Annual gifts make it possible for the dean to remodel classrooms, upgrade residence hall facilities, support international travel programs, and generally to support a host of projects and programs that add vitality to the year's activity. Annual gifts are included in the total raised for the Oxford Campaign.

**The Renaissance of Oxford College** will be the rebirth of Oxford's early twentieth-century ethos in an early twenty-first century setting. This will be no small task. Although we are well along the way, it will require at least \$40 million in philanthropic support to bring this vision to fruition. Oxford has not had this scale of philanthropic support in the past, but it must in the future. No project during the next five years will be more important, and I, Oxford's development staff, and the entire Oxford community are dedicated to make it a success.

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## Campaign Volunteers Motivated by Love of Oxford

Campaign Emory, the University-wide effort to raise \$1.6 billion by December 2012, kicked off on September 25, 2008. Serving as Oxford's chair and cochair are J. Joseph "Joe" Edwards 54OX 56B 58B and Henry Mann 62OX 64C. Despite the different paths they followed after college, these men share a common love for Oxford and a motivation to be part of this ambitious undertaking.

As a recipient of the 2002 R. Carl Chandler Award for a Lifetime of Service to Oxford College and a permanent member of the Oxford Board of Counselors, Joe Edwards could rest on his laurels. This CEO of United Bank feels a deep sense of gratitude to the institution. "Oxford took a fifteen-year-old kid and put him in the right direction. It had a lot of effect on my life." Edwards' thankfulness toward

Oxford led him to establish the Brad Edwards Scholarship in memory of his son.

An award-winning architect, Henry Mann is retired from Perkins & Will, but is active in the Emory/Oxford community. He has served on the Board of Counselors since 1982. In his estimation, the campaign can take advantage of the alumni's

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—J. Joseph "Joe" Edwards 54OX 56B 58B, Capital Campaign Committee Chair

love of the institution. "The Oxford experience is phenomenal and almost everybody feels that way," he says. Mann says the campaign is essential to create additional scholarship opportunities, to build new facilities, and to improve existing ones.

While Joe Edwards realizes the current economy presents fund-raising challenges, he remains optimistic. "Oxford has a fine dean and a wonderful faculty. The system is working well. People like to support something like that." He notes that thanks to a large gift, Oxford's campaign is 45 percent ahead of its goal of raising \$40 million.

Mann is likewise upbeat about the campaign. He cites Emory's financial commitment to Oxford and asserts "the Oxford community is stepping up" to the fund-raising challenge. "It's not just Joe and me. It's volunteers out there sharing the Oxford message every day," Mann says. Those volunteers would agree with Edwards when he says, "Oxford is near and dear to my heart." With a love that strong, Oxford is certain to meet its fund-raising goal.



Joe Edwards



Henry Mann

# Catalyst for Local Change

If you saw businessman Scott Walton 89OX 91C step into his financial planning office, you might not picture him at the epicenter of a local sustainability movement. However, thanks to Walton's ability to connect people and ideas, he helped spark a grassroots sustainability organization in his sweet home Alabama.

Walton's love of the outdoors contributes to his interest in protecting natural resources. His physician father also made him intuitively aware of the connection between health and the environment.

## LEEDing by Example

When Walton renovated a 1940s building in Homewood, he had two requirements. "I wanted a shower since I bike to work, and I wanted to know about solar energy. We get lots of sun in Alabama." That's when his architect mentioned the U.S. Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) program. Discovering LEED transformed Walton's building into a sustainability showcase. His office features recovered oak flooring, a rooftop garden, recycled blue jean insulation, a 1,500 gallon cistern, and solar panels.

By moving toward sustainability, Walton changed his community. "Things amped up when I discovered green building, but there was no entity to share the message with the masses." As a result, Walton did what any twenty-first-century man on a mission would do. He sent an email inviting a dozen people to a sustainability discussion. Forty showed up. "There was a remarkable need, desire, and intensity" during that three-hour session.



Scott Walton, pictured on the roof of the Green Resource Center for Alabama, spearheaded sustainability in his area by sharing information and providing resources.

In one morning, the Green Resource Center for Alabama became reality.

Walton didn't just launch the idea and bike off into the sunset. "He opened his doors, making himself and his business available for meetings and for people walking in with questions," says Mark Rubino, executive director for the center, which is located in Walton's office building. The center now has a diverse board of directors and two full-time employees.

The center's website ([www.greenalabama.org](http://www.greenalabama.org)) says its mission is to "educate the public, industry professionals, and policymakers about design,

construction, and maintenance practices for environmentally sustainable living . . ." This central clearinghouse directs people to information resources, whether they want to build a compost pile or increase their R-factor.

— Mark Rubino, executive director,  
Green Resource Center for Alabama

## Building Momentum

Since the center opened in 2007, Walton has met with "over 3,000 people" including citizens, mayors, senators, and contractors. The center facilitates meetings between industry and environmentalists, conservatives and progressives. The State of Alabama asked the organization to collect data on green jobs to attract clean industry. Walton believes industry will embrace sustainability. "You save money, get good press, and it's the right thing to do."

Promoting sustainability in the Deep South might seem an uphill battle. Walton, who has climbed Mount Kilimanjaro, doesn't let preconceived notions get in his way. He admires Oxford professors for being "independent thinkers who care about the environment in a global way," and finds that, "When you pay attention to your environment, it can lead to big things." <sup>ox</sup>

# Death Be Not Proud

## Alumnus Stewards Land into Sustainable Resting Place

The land adjacent to Jim Bell's 68OX 71C Milton, Georgia, property has long been the burying ground for members of the Boiling Springs Primitive Baptist Church. Gazing over his pasture, Bell considered a similar, yet fundamentally different way, to preserve his bucolic landscape while generating income. In doing so, he entered a paradigm shift in the way Americans deal with death.

## Eternal Sustainability

Within a year, Bell went from no knowledge of green burials to learning about them from the front page of the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* and *National Geographic*. Before creating Milton Fields



Jim Bell provides an ecologically sound burial choice.

on seventeen of his thirty acres north of Atlanta, he consulted with the Green Burial Council (GBC) ([www.greenburialcouncil.org](http://www.greenburialcouncil.org)) and partnered with Conservation Burial Partners.

Essentially, green burials simplify the end-of-life process.

The deceased is not embalmed (it's not required by law) and is buried in a biodegradable shroud or coffin. Flat stone markers or GPS readings are substituted for monuments. Unlike manicured grounds, eco-friendly cemeteries cause no visual changes to the landscape. Ultimately, natural burial sites save

greenspace and greenbacks for the living while returning the deceased's remains to the earth in an uncomplicated way. As with other green burial grounds, a portion of the burial fee at Milton Fields will be donated to help the city purchase public greenspace.

— Joe Sehee, executive director  
of the Green Burial Council

## The High Price of Dying

On average, green burials cost one-half to two-thirds less than conventional burials. As sustainability gains momentum, more consumers question spending thousands on funerals when that money could help fund a grandchild's education. Green burial presents "an option that's ecologically sound and less expensive," says Bell and notes that many religious groups have practiced natural burials for generations.

## Consumer Education

Education is essential to addressing misconceptions about green burials. For example, the risk of ground water contamination appears minimal, according to a British study. And while some express concern that animals might disturb

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### Burial's Price to the Planet

Every year, conventional burials place the following materials into the ground:

- More than 800,000 gallons of formaldehyde
- More metal from caskets than was used in the Golden Gate Bridge
- Enough reinforced concrete from vaults (1.6 tons) to build a two-lane highway from New York to Detroit

\*Source: Green Burial Council

For more information about Milton Fields, contact Jim Bell at [bell@miltonfieldsgeorgia.com](mailto:bell@miltonfieldsgeorgia.com) or 770.751.1445.

natural burial sites, this hasn't occurred at GBC cemeteries.

Bell filters fads and fiction through a business lens. To him, green burials make good sense. "Sustainability is a practical application of theory," he says. Perhaps this practical, sustainable approach to death can prolong the life of our planet. <sup>ox</sup>

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# Sustainability Seminar Debuts at Oxford

**S**ustainability and environmental awareness permeate the culture of Emory University and Oxford College. It's logical, therefore, that those values are taught in the classroom. Last spring, two Oxford professors put their passion for sustainability into action by developing the college's first seminar on sustainability.

Assistant Professor of Physical Education and Dance Jasmin Hutchinson and Assistant Professor of Chemistry Jack Eichler were inspired to create the seminar after attending a Piedmont Project workshop. During this workshop, faculty members were able to explore issues affecting the Piedmont—the region where Emory and Oxford are located. Hutchinson and Eichler were “struck by the variety of workshop attendees interested in sustainability,” Hutchinson recalls. Their realization birthed the idea of an interdisciplinary seminar focusing on sustainability. They proposed that the course be taught by lecturers from different academic disciplines and backgrounds.

## Enthusiastic Response

Enrollment for the first seminar, Fossil Fuels and Sustainability, “filled right away,” according to Hutchinson. Seminar attendees represented a fifty-fifty mix of science and nonscience majors. The goal of the course was to give students a “multidisciplinary perspective on the use of fossil fuels for energy and its impact on local and global environmental sustainability.”

Each week, a guest lecturer spoke on an issue and engaged students in discussion. For example, Theodosia Wade, a biologist, discussed climate change. Eichler spoke about ground level ozone. Another week, Hutchinson lectured on the relationship between alternative transportation and health. A speaker from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention addressed public health. Additional topics included anthropology, fuel derivation, and economics.




Professors Jack Eichler and Jasmin Hutchinson developed Fossil Fuels and Sustainability, the first of a new sustainability-themed seminar that will be taught with rotating multidisciplinary themes every spring.

Students were given writing assignments that encouraged them to consider sustainability implications and solutions. “The students appreciated the multidisciplinary approach. Their sophistication grew from the first paper to the last,” Hutchinson notes. The seminar’s viability was further confirmed when the professors received an Incentives Fund Award and a Faculty Development Council Award for their efforts.

## Laboratory for Learning

The seminar has been so well received, it will be taught every spring with rotating themes. This will allow students to attend two seminars during

their Oxford tenure. Water issues will comprise the upcoming seminar’s theme. “Future seminars are open to other faculty with a desire to steward or teach,” Hutchinson explains, adding, “The seminar is a work in progress.”

Oxford’s small class sizes allow professors to be innovative educators, and this makes it easier to implement flexible teaching models such as the sustainability seminar. While this unique approach to sustainability education was incubated at Oxford, its impact could extend beyond the college. “Oxford is a great place to pilot this seminar, but I’d love to see it at Emory, too,” Hutchinson says. 

## Emory Cares International Service Day 2008

**S**tudents, alumni, parents, faculty, and friends of Oxford College are invited to participate in Emory Cares International Service Day 2008.

The college will use donations from Oxford- and Covington-area businesses and others to create and fill shoeboxes for Newton County foster children and local nursing home residents. Boxes will be filled with donated personal toiletries, activity books, small games, stuffed animals, socks, school supplies, and gift cards. The boxes will help children with the transition into a foster home, as well as serve as care packages for the elderly in area nursing homes.

Furthering the University’s mission of serving humanity, Emory Cares has grown into a worldwide celebration of service in more than forty-one cities in the United States and internationally. Alumni volunteer coordinators and onsite coordinators create service projects in each city, and many Oxford alumni have either coordinated or participated in the events around the country. Last



year, led by alumni volunteer coordinator Jennifer Hogan 95OX 97C, Oxford College and the Newton County Department of Family and Children Services collected and made packages of personal items for more than three hundred children and fifty elderly adults in Newton County. Their goal is to do even more in 2008.

The Oxford Emory Cares event will take place on Saturday, November 8, 2008, from 10:00 a.m. to noon in the Student Center at Oxford College.

You can bring along your family and friends to participate. Contact Tammy Camfield 89OX 91C for more information at [tcamfie@emory.edu](mailto:tcamfie@emory.edu) or 770.784.8414 or visit [www.oxford.emory.edu](http://www.oxford.emory.edu).


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one of several campus buildings that implement Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) principles. You pedal to class on a loaner from the Bike Share fleet. Next, you pass the Oxford community garden on your way to the cafeteria. You note that by the time your youngest brother attends Oxford in 2015, 75 percent of the food will be locally grown. After breakfast, you toss your juice bottle in the recycling bin, joining 59 percent of the campus population that recycles.

That afternoon, you spend a couple hours pulling invasive plants alongside OSAP facilitator, Erik Oliver, and volunteers from the SGA committee, Conserving Oxford’s Resources and Energy (CORE). Everyone’s buzzing about Emory’s place on *The Princeton Review’s* “2009 Green Rating Honor Roll.”

After a refreshing drench under your low-flow shower head, you visit Atlanta on Cliff—a campus shuttle running on 100 percent alternative fuel. You return to Oxford in time for a lecture on global water conservation, a topic that dovetails nicely with tomorrow morning’s sustainability seminar. Finally, you call it a day, feeling a little bit better about the world you’re helping to shape for tomorrow.

For more information on Emory/Oxford sustainability initiatives, visit [www.emory.edu/sustainability](http://www.emory.edu/sustainability). 

# Class Notes

Submissions to class notes are edited for style and length. Because of deadline and space constraints, some class notes already submitted will appear in the next issue. Mail class notes to the Alumni Records Department, Emory University, 809 Gatewood Road, Atlanta, Georgia 30322. Send news items to Oxford College via the web at [www.alumni.emory.edu/eaglenet](http://www.alumni.emory.edu/eaglenet).

## PRIOR TO 1970

**Larry Threlkeld 61OX** of Vidalia, Georgia, was elected probate judge for Toombs County.

## 1970-1979

**Barbara Pinsky 71OX 73C** was elected delegate to the Modern Language Association. She is an adjunct professor at Georgia Tech.

**Camille Davis-Williams 73OX 75C 81M 85MR** was named cophysician of the year by the Atlanta Medical Association (AMA). The AMA is the oldest African American physician organization in the country.

**John Fisher 77OX 79C** was selected as a check captain for QantasLink, a wholly owned subsidiary of Qantas Airways. He resides in Sydney, Australia.

**Angela Martin 77OX 79C 84M** held the grand opening for her new pediatric clinic on August 9, 2008, in Anniston, Alabama.

## 1980-1989

**BORN TO: Marc Haddle 87OX 89C** and his wife, Kelly, a son, Henry Lucas, on May 5, 2008. The family lives in Smyrna, Georgia.

**Larry Newton 87OX 89C** received a doctorate's degree from Georgia Southern University in 2007. He is an assistant school superintendent in Jones County and a part-time instructor at Georgia College and State University's graduate program in Macon, Georgia.

**Katherine Deaver Robinson 87OX 89C 96PH** is the program surveillance coordinator for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Global AIDS program, in Pretoria, South Africa. She relocated with her husband Brian Robinson 88OX 90C in January 2008.

## 1990-1999

**BORN TO: Nancy Lord Anderson 90OX** and her husband Joel, twins, a daughter, Katie Elizabeth, and a son, Spencer Philip, on January 25, 2008. The family lives in Hermitage, Tennessee.

**BORN TO: Heather Moyer Iglar 90OX 92C** and her husband Len, a son, Thomas Henry, on October 24, 2007. They live in Marietta, Georgia.

**Katie Bailey Vigilante 90OX 92C 05G 09G** is a lecturer in political science at Oxford College. She and her family live in Atlanta.

**Gail Reid 91OX 93C** graduated from Georgetown University Law School and has joined the law firm Sutherland, Asbill, and Brennan in Atlanta.

**BORN TO: David Wall 92OX** and his wife, Lane, a daughter, Hannah Marie, on April 26, 2008. They live in Atlanta.

**BORN TO: Pamela Schmidt-Melish 93OX 95C** and her husband, Matt, a daughter, Gwenivere Malia, on October 24, 2007. The family lives in Vero Beach, Florida.

**BORN TO: Lisa Goetz Steenson 94OX 96C** and her husband, Lance, a daughter, Gina Fay, on March 19, 2008. The family lives in Chandler, Arizona.

**BORN TO: Justin Austin 96OX 98B** and wife, Jennifer, a daughter, Caroline Fern, on February 17, 2008. Justin is a director of finance and risk management at Madix. They live in Dallas, Texas.

**BORN TO: Daniel Cipperly 96OX 98C** and his wife, **Sarah Kemmerer Cipperly 04L**, a daughter, Claire Elizabeth, on March 12, 2008. The family lives in Marietta, Georgia.

**BORN TO: Susanna Carrasco Lockwood 96OX 98C** and her husband, Reid, a daughter, Adelaide, on February 5, 2008. The family lives in Atlanta.

# Development and Alumni Relations Office Expands



These smiling faces are members of Oxford's growing Office of Development and Alumni Relations. Now that Campaign Oxford is underway, you may see some of them at an event near you. From left, Assistant to the Director of Development Mary Barnes, Director of Development Heather Greene, Assistant Dean for Development and Alumni Relations Kevin Smryl, Assistant Director of Development Marvlyn Kirk, Director of Alumni Tammy Camfield, and Senior Secretary Sally Costantino. Alumni and friends are welcome to stop in and say hello when on campus. The Office of Development and Alumni Relations is located at 711 Emory Street.

**Melissa Traver Griffis 97OX 03T** was ordained at St. Luke United Methodist Church in Columbus, Georgia, on June 9, 2008. She and her family live in Savannah, Georgia.

**Isai Peimer 97OX 98C** accepted a position at Visium Asset Management located in New York as a health care vocational counselor.

**BORN TO: Emily Howard Staub 97OX 99C** and husband, Bernhard, a son, Alden Bernhard, on April 23, 2008. The family lives in Atlanta.

**Tresa Allen Chappell 98OX 00C 04M** is working in a private pediatric practice in Alpharetta, Georgia, and is married to Clay Chappell 04M, who is doing a cardiology fellowship at Emory.

**BORN TO: Jessica Elam 98OX 99C** and her husband, Jamie, a daughter, Arabella (Bella) Millay, on August 6, 2008. The family lives in Oxford, Georgia.

**BORN TO: Ryan Flynn 98OX 00B 08B** and his wife, Julie, a daughter, Sophie Hanna, on May 24, 2008. They live in Atlanta.

**MARRIED: Samuel Jackson 98OX 00C** to Louisa on May 24, 2008, at the Atlantis, Paradise Island, Bahamas. They live in Stone Mountain, Georgia.

**Chi Chi Okezi 98OX 00C** is the author of the book, *SIMPLEnetworking: Creating Opportunities. . . The new form of success!*, which is named after her company.

**BORN TO: Tracey Gilbert Rathbone 98OX** and her husband, Aaron, a daughter, Lila Grace, on December 1, 2007. They live in Marietta, Georgia.

**BORN TO: Michael Silverio 98OX 00C** and his wife, Phyllis, a daughter, Mia Therese, on June 2, 2008. They live in Roswell, Georgia.

**BORN TO: Kristen DeVetter Lynch 99OX 01B** and her husband, Jason, a son, Aiden Jon Lynch, on May 27, 2008. The family lives in Covington, Georgia.

**Shauna Alexander Rowland 99OX 01C 03G 05PH** won the Mrs. Georgia American Pageant on June 22, 2008. She represented the state nationally at the Mrs. American Pageant on September 2, 2008.

## 2000s

**BORN TO: Meleah Davis Clark 01OX 03C** and her husband, **Benjamin Clark 00OX 02C**, a son, Matthew Blair, on April 30, 2008. The family lives in Kennesaw, Georgia.

**MARRIED: Elizabeth (Mueller) Carewe 02OX 04C** to Adam Carewe on May 2, 2008, in Lyons, Colorado. The couple graduated from New York Medical College that month. They live in Denver, Colorado.

**MARRIED: Kelly Adams 02OX 04C** to Erik Lips on May 31, 2008, in Atlanta. Kelly works in enrollment services at Oxford College.

**MARRIED: Kirsten Clark 02OX 04C** to Andrew Stearns on August 2, 2008, in Tampa, Florida.

**Emily Allen 06OX 08C** was selected as one of the four Robert T. Jones Scholars from Emory University.

**Sam Bradford 06OX 08C** was selected as one of the four Robert T. Jones Scholars from Emory University.

**MARRIED: Sarah Gordy 07OX 10C** to John F. Kennedy on August 2, 2008. They live in Atlanta.

## DEATHS

*The Emory flag will fly at half staff over the Oxford Green on September 28 to honor and remember these members of our community.*

**Nat C. Robertson 37OX 39C** of Princeton, New Jersey, on April 24, 2008.

**Drury Reid Willcox Jr. 37OX 39B** of Montezuma, Georgia, on July 3, 2008.

**Thomas E. Reeve 39OX 41C 44M** of Carrollton, Georgia, on June 12, 2008.

**John R. Hayes 42OX 44C 46M** of Kerrville, Texas, on January 6, 2008.

**Thomas M. Browne 43OX** of Milledgeville, Georgia, on April 16, 2008.

**Julian G. Suhrer 43OX 47M** of Jacksonville, Florida, on June 21, 2008.

**Arva C. Floyd 44OX** of Bethesda, Maryland, on March 3, 2008.

**Edgar McLarin 48OX 50C** of Chicago, on April 4, 2006.

**Edwin Lawson Franklin 49OX** of Savannah, Georgia, on October 27, 2007.

**Donald E. O'Rourke 51OX53C** of Gallipolis, Ohio, on February 3, 2007.

**Robert H. Wright 51OX 55D** of Columbus, Georgia, on February 17, 2008.

**Burns Caldwell Cox Jr. 53OX** of Tucker, Georgia, on May 9, 2008.

**John A. Evans 56OX 58C** of Corpus Christi, Texas, on March 30, 2008.

**Stephen Cantrell Deas Jr. 57OX** of Eatonton, Georgia, on November 16, 2001.

**Bobby L. Bowen 61OX** of Palmetto, Georgia, on April 11, 2008.

**Robert Stanley Campbell 64OX** of Tucker, Georgia, on April 22, 2008.

**Gay Baker Mosteller 70OX 72C** of Liburn, Georgia, on May 26, 2008.

**David V. Fox 71OX 73C** of Richmond, Virginia, on July 29, 2005.

**Glenn A. Thompson 71OX 73C** of Wagner, South Carolina, on May 31, 2008.

**Jan Cashion Stuenkel 75OX 77N** of Morganton, North Carolina, on October 27, 2007.

**Donna Renee Jensen 82OX** of Little Rock, Arkansas, on June 2, 2008.

**John Lewis Keller 04OX 07C** of Atlanta, on August 25, 2008. ☞

# Faculty Notes

## Murdy and Greene Honored

Former Dean Bill Murdy was honored on the Atlanta campus this past May as a recipient of the Distinguished Emeritus Award for 2008. Every year the Emeritus College selects two to four emeriti professors to receive these awards. The recipients are chosen by a nominating committee for their outstanding contributions to their field, to the University, and to the wider community.

Former Dean Dana Greene received the Heilbrun Distinguished Emeritus Fellowship Award for 2008-2009 to carry out research on the biography of poet Denise Levertov. The fellowship carries a \$10,000 scholarship and each year awards two emeriti faculty from the arts and sciences the chance to continue and advance the research they have pursued throughout their careers.

## Baird and Morris Retire

Associate Professor of Physics Bill Baird 67OX 69C retired in June after more than twenty-six years of service to Oxford and its students. He taught summer school at Emory before traveling to Russia this fall.

Matt Morris, associate professor of French, retired in June after thirty years of teaching at Oxford. His retirement plans included codirecting an international colloquium in June at the University of Poitiers in France.