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Family Ties

**New President
Chris Whaley has
lifelong connection
to Roane State**

Letter |

from the President

I am honored and humbled to be Roane State's fifth president.

I am also thankful—thankful for the great work of Dr. Cuyler Dunbar, Dr. Sherry Hoppe, Dr. Wade McCamey and Dr. Gary Goff in making Roane State one of the top community colleges in Tennessee. Each past president made distinctive, positive and lasting contributions to the college you see today.

I am thankful to work here. Our world-class faculty prepares students well for their educational goals and careers, and they teach with a caring touch that makes students feel welcome and engaged. Our staff works one-on-one with students to help them navigate often-unfamiliar college processes. I have never worked anywhere that had the spirit of giving and collegiality that we have at Roane State.

I am thankful for our students. Many are first-generation college students who are establishing a legacy of education for their families. Many are working and raising families while going to school. They are brave and bold, and I am proud to serve them as president.

I am thankful for the college community. Over the past few months, I've had the wonderful opportunity to meet leaders, businesspeople, students and citizens across Roane State's service area. The college could not thrive without its many partnerships and its support from community members. Their efforts benefit our students each and every day.

I am also thankful for you, our Roane State alumni. As a Roane State graduate, I appreciate the connection we feel to the college. Roane State helped us take our first step into higher education and thoroughly prepared us for the road ahead, whether it was a bachelor's degree program or an exciting and challenging career.



As alumni, we can have a great influence on the future of Roane State and the students who will come through its doors in the years to come. Thank you for supporting Roane State, and I look forward to working with you as we continue the college's tradition of excellence.

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Roane County Campus

The Roane State-Bethel University 2+2 education program organized fascinating history lectures at the main campus. Speakers included Holocaust survivor Arthur Pais and Roane State chemistry professor Ron Sternfels, whose parents escaped Nazi Germany. World War II veteran Clinton E. Riddle of Sweetwater shared his experiences, and the college hosted Gerhard Hennes, a German World War II veteran who was stationed at the Army headquarters of Erwin Rommel.

Campbell County Campus

Roane State graduate Ashley Wilson of Jacksboro received the Lincoln Memorial University transfer scholarship, which provides full tuition. Wilson is married with two children. She earned her GED at 17 and enrolled at Roane State in the summer of 2009. Having a Roane State campus close to her Campbell County home helped her feel comfortable going back to school. "This campus being here tiptoed me into college," she said. Now, she has a full scholarship while she pursues a bachelor's degree in medical laboratory science. "This scholarship helps me tremendously financially and helps my confidence," she said.

Cumberland County Campus

The Cumberland Business Incubator has been LEED-certified (Silver level). LEED, which stands for Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design, is an internationally recognized green building program. Awarded by the U.S. Green Building Council, LEED certification recognizes projects that meet rigorous standards for energy efficiency. Silver is the third highest level of LEED certification. Crossville-based Upland Design Group served as the architect for the CBI. The 10,000-square-foot business facility includes office space and areas suitable for light manufacturing operations.

Fentress County Campus

Clarkrange High School graduate Jesica Copeland completed 27 hours of college credit in high school, just over a year of classes, thanks to dual studies classes offered through the Fentress County campus. In Fentress County, the Dr. Guy Pinckley Scholarship Fund pays any costs not covered by state lottery grants for dual studies classes, allowing students to take as many of the classes as they want, free of charge. Community Bank of the Cumberlands helps by purchasing textbooks. "Some of us would not be able to take college classes if it weren't for the Pinckley Foundation," Copeland said. "Having a year out of the way without having to pay for it helps with the classes I will have to pay for."



Knox County Campus

Paramedic faculty Marty Young and Mark Bodine were honored at the annual EMS Education Conference in Cool Springs. Young received the Full-Time Faculty Excellence in Teaching Award, which is based on academic excellence. Bodine received the Tennessee Emergency Medical Services Education Association's 2012 Carla Kelly Merit Award. This prestigious honor is given to an individual who has shown dedication to the field of EMS and to EMS education.

Loudon County Campus

The Rural Communities STEM Initiative's Lab-in-a-Box pilot program effectively boosted middle school students' interest in science or math, according to an evaluation of the program. Lenoir City Schools was one of the systems where the program was piloted. The initiative—led by Roane State, the East Tennessee Economic Council, Oak Ridge Associated Universities and additional businesses—provides lab materials and lesson plans to school systems.

Morgan County Campus

Roane State donated ACT preparation books and college success books to high schools in Morgan County and throughout the college's service area. The set of books includes flash cards for ACT preparation, books that provide ACT test-taking tips and exercises, and books about how students can excel in college. The donation was made possible by a Tennessee Board of Regents (TBR) Access and Diversity Grant awarded to Roane State in 2010. "This enhances student learning with more rigor, engages students to determine their careers and prepares students for college and to be successful in life," said Dallas Davis, principal of Central High School of Wartburg.

Oak Ridge Campus

Construction is under way on the \$13.8 million Health Sciences and Technology Building (scheduled for completion in Spring 2014). Inside the current building, the bookstore moved to a smaller location, and the former bookstore location is now a spacious area for Learning Support and the Learning Center. The library computer lab has been enlarged, and another study room has been added. The campus also has a new student parking lot.

Scott County Campus

The Earl McDonald Scholarship Endowment is making a difference in Scott County. Thanks to the endowment, high school students in Scott County can take as many dual studies classes as they want, for free. Shana Martin finished three college-level courses while at Scott County High School. "It made me ready for college life," Martin said. "You have to study like a college student. I spent a lot more time studying than I ever had before. I started making note cards because you can take them anywhere and study."





A PASSION FOR THIS PLACE

By Owen Driskill, Alumni publications editor



Becoming president of Roane State is a whirlwind. The first month is spent on the road, visiting campuses and building relationships. During every visit, new Roane State President Dr. Chris Whaley never left a room without everyone understanding how much the college means to him. (continued)

“It’s almost impossible for me to describe my passion for Roane State without going back to the very beginning,” Dr. Whaley said. “The very beginning, for me, was the beginning of Roane State.”

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For Dr. Whaley, Roane State is home. He grew up here. He was a student here and sang with the Celebration Singers. He teaches at Roane State and has spent most of his professional life as a leader here.



Dr. Whaley (front row, center) was a Celebration Singer during his days as a Roane State student.

Dr. Whaley's father, Lowell, helped open the college's doors in 1971. As a boy, Dr. Whaley trailed after his father as Lowell and his colleagues worked in close quarters to get the first classes started. He remembers when staff members operated out of church basements and recalls the old days at Fairmont Elementary School where the kitchen was the science lab, and the cafeteria doubled as a library.

"It was those early days, and Dad's descriptions of this place and the people at this place, that made such an early impact on me," Dr. Whaley said. "It was incredible to hear him talk about the passion that the people at Roane State had for student success."

A graduate of Coalfield School in Morgan County, Dr. Whaley started his college education at Roane State. He graduated in 1989 and won the President's Award, Roane State's highest student honor.

"I remembered from Dad's descriptions just how wonderful the place was, and when I got here as a student, those things were reinforced with all the faculty members and the quality teaching and the activities that I was a part of," Dr. Whaley said. "The education and the quality of the preparedness that I got at Roane State were remarkable."

"It's the most nurturing education environment I have ever been around."

Dr. Whaley transferred to Middle Tennessee State University and graduated magna cum laude in 1991. He earned his law degree from the University of Tennessee College of Law in 1994. After three years in private practice, Dr. Whaley decided to return home to Roane State. He wanted to teach and "give back what I had received at Roane State."

"It's the most nurturing education environment I have ever been around, particularly for students who may be first-generation (college students) or who may not have any exposure to higher education," Dr. Whaley said. "Roane State is a place for students to start on the path to success because they are coming into an environment with faculty and staff who honestly care about students."

Dr. Whaley has been a faculty member—he still teaches—a program director, a dean and vice president of student learning/chief academic officer. His range of experience gives him a unique perspective on Roane State's significance in the communities that it serves.



Top to bottom: As a boy, Dr. Whaley spent many days at Roane State. He's passed on that tradition to his children. Dr. Whaley and daughter Tori help with the 2008 Teachers Supply Depot.; Dr. Whaley spent the early part of his Roane State career as director of the paralegal studies program. He continues to teach, never forgetting that a connection to students is what matters most at Roane State.



“Each Roane State campus is the hometown college for its community, and each community has different educational and civic needs,” Dr. Whaley said. “Roane State has worked very hard to tailor the delivery of higher education to the distinctive needs of each community.”

Dr. Whaley views the community college as a place where students—many of them first-generation college students—gain access to world-class higher education. He also understands that Roane State drives economic development by working closely with employers to offer relevant programs that meet employers’ workforce needs.

“Dr. Whaley’s proven dedication to student success, his overwhelming faculty support and his earned respect of the surrounding community make him the right choice to lead Roane State into the next important phase of its future,” Tennessee Board of Regents Chancellor John Morgan said when recommending Dr. Whaley as Roane State’s president. “Roane State already plays a critical role in the growth and development of its communities and the region, and I expect Dr. Whaley will continue that great work and position the college for even greater success.”

While Dr. Whaley embraces Roane State’s tradition, he also knows that part of his job is to encourage and lead new initiatives that will ensure Roane State remains among the best community colleges in Tennessee.

Above from left are Dr. Whaley’s stepfather and mother, Estel and Sandy Underwood; his daughter, Tori; Dr. Whaley; his wife, Cindy; his father, Lowell Whaley; and his son, Jonathan. Photo by Eric Barger.

He loves technology—follow him on Twitter @ ChrisWhaleyRSCC. As a professor, he taught classes through video conferencing and provided students with video podcasts of his lectures. Dr. Whaley also is committed to cultivating partnerships that will help the college expand its reach and contribute to economic development in the region.

“Roane State is moving forward,” he said. “We are going to continue to work to achieve great things as far as high academic standards. We are going to continue to improve and expand opportunities for workforce and economic development. We are

going to continue our community partnerships and expand those. And I want our students to be civically engaged while they are here.”

As Dr. Whaley starts a new era at Roane State, he knows the college’s past gives it a strong foundation for moving forward because what matters most is already woven into the Roane State experience.

“In the end, it all gets back to making this connection with students and the community, and that’s one of the special things about Roane State,” Dr. Whaley said. “Making those connections is what makes Roane State a special place. It’s already part of our culture.”



This page, left to right: Dr. Gary Goff presents Dr. Whaley with the 2005 Outstanding Alumnus award.; Dr. Whaley’s formal presidential portrait.; A Celebration Singers alumnus, Dr. Whaley shows he still has the moves, and the voice, to rock the “Time Warp” with today’s Celebration Singers.

About Dr. Chris Whaley

Education

- J.D., University of Tennessee College of Law
- B.S., Political Science, Middle Tennessee State University
- A.A., Social Science, Roane State Community College

Experience

Roane State

- Vice president of student learning / chief academic officer, 2010-2012
- Dean of Social Science, Business and Education, 2002-2010
- Program director, paralegal studies, 1997-2010
- Professor of legal studies, 2007-present
- Associate professor of legal studies, 2002-2007
- Assistant professor of legal studies, 1997-2002

Dr. Whaley practiced law, primarily in areas of civil litigation, juvenile law and domestic relations, from 1994-1997. He is a Rule 31 civil mediator.

Higher education milestones

- Developed original curriculum for Roane State’s A.A.S. degree in paralegal studies
- Developed articulation agreements in legal studies to Middle Tennessee State University and the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga
- Implemented delivery of legal studies courses through distance education technology
- Formed the college’s first Student Learning and Diversity Committee
- Named Roane State Outstanding Alumnus

Publications

- Emphasis on Ethics (Quarterly Article), In Brief, Tennessee Paralegal Association
- Biography of Kenesaw Mountain Landis, Great American Judges, ABC-CLIO Publishing
- Contemporary Legal Issues: Domestic Relations, Paralegal Studies Videos, West Legal Studies & CNN
- Biography of Elihu Root, Great American Lawyers, ABC-CLIO Publishing
- Advanced Probate Issues for Paralegals, Institute for Paralegal Education



The letter was from the heart.

Gene Stewart, Roane State class of 1979, spotted an old advertisement for his alma mater and felt inspired to share his story.

It's a good one. A Clinton native, Stewart's ancestors worked in the coal fields.

"The rest of my family worked up in Oak Ridge," Stewart said. "I didn't have a clue anything existed outside of Knoxville. Farming, TVA and Oak Ridge are what I knew."

Baseball brought Stewart to Roane State in 1978, but as he said, "I learned real quick, I wasn't going to be a major league baseball player. I better have the grades."

He did have them. A Roane State dean's list student, Stewart transferred to the University of Tennessee and graduated with a bachelor's degree in industrial management and a minor in accounting. He has worked in technology ever since, and his career has taken him around the world. Stewart's letter struck a chord, and it inspired a Roane State commercial featuring Stewart. You can see the commercial and an interview with Stewart on Roane State's YouTube channel, roanestatecc.

"What I have done is not unique," Stewart said. "There are thousands of people who have come before me and will come after me."

Stewart's experience, however, is unique, as are all the stories of Roane State students and graduates. His letter reflects how a community college can change lives.

I came across an ad for the school, which led me to want to say thank you for the impact Roane State had on my life and career. I was there in 1978 and 1979, getting to play baseball for Larry Works and then Steve Peterson. I remember Andy Landers (now the coach at Georgia) and how good the women's basketball team was, watching them practice and thinking how tough they had to be to play for such a demanding and good coach. I also remember Pat Summitt bringing the Lady Vols down to scrimmage, something they probably don't do today.

More importantly, I remember the professors I had and how easy they made the transition from high school to college. Even though I finished up at UT, my fondest memories of college are the two years I spent in Rockwood, not Knoxville. I felt like part of a community, part of something other than a number or a face in a large lecture hall. I made many more friends at RSCC and still stay in touch with many of them.

I've gone onto a 25-year career in the software/technology industry, where I've been fortunate enough to see the world and do things I never dreamed I'd ever do, as a kid growing up in Clinton, TN. I attribute much of my success to my years in Rockwood, helping me learn things that I use today, helping me to build the confidence it takes to compete in the business world, building friendships I still have today.

Living in Atlanta, you always hear about all the Ivy League educations, the Dukes, Vanderbilts, as well as the Georgias and Georgia Techs and how prestigious they are. I'll put my career resume up against any of them and am proud to tell anyone of my experiences at Roane State. You DON'T have to have a private university education to succeed in life. Sometimes, you just need a place to start. I got my start at Roane State. I'm very proud of that!

Sincerely,
Gene H. Stewart
Class of 1979

Roane State

presents

March 23

Faculty Recital

The RSCC faculty come together to perform classic works both as soloists and in small ensembles. RSCC Theatre. Free to the public. 7 p.m.

April 6

Alumni Concert

The Music Department's annual alumni concert. Concert will feature current and past members of the RSCC Music Department including the debut of the 2013 Virtual Choir and Jazz Band. RSCC Theatre, free to public. 7 p.m.

April 12

Sophomore Recitals

Rebecca Staton, mezzo-soprano; Mason Van Horn, tenor; Dr. Geol Greenlee, piano; Slade Trammell, piano, Princess Theatre, free to the public, 6:30 p.m.

April 18-28

Tartuffe

Tartuffe by Moliere is a rollicking five-act comedy that tells the story of a hypocrite impostor who tries to destroy the domestic happiness of a charmed citizen of wealth. This fantastical farce fails to disappoint with its slapstick, bawdy buffoonery, and satirical lyrical laughs. RSCC Playmakers at the RSCC Theatre. General admission \$10, students \$7. April 18-20, 25-27 at 7 p.m.

April 21 & 28 at 2 p.m. (matinee).

May 5

Requiem

The RSCC Concert Choir and St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church Chancel Choir combine to perform Requiem by Bradley Ellingboe under the direction of church minister of music and RSCC alum, Brian Bacon. This performance is the last step in preparation for the New York City tour both groups will take in May where they will perform the work with Mr. Bacon in Carnegie Hall. St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, Fairfield Glade. Ticket prices TBA. 3 p.m.

May 10-12

Spring Dance Concert

The annual spring dance concert by Arts in Motion Dance Studio is a delightful concert for the entire family. Roane State Theatre. Tickets are \$18 and available in advance through Arts in Motion, (865) 376-0295, and at the door. For best seating, buy tickets in advance. May 10 & 11, 7 p.m., May 12, 2 p.m.



Top to bottom clockwise: President Chris Whaley steps into a "Time Warp" with members of the RSCC Celebration Singers; Dancers of all ages perform during the Spring Dance Concert in May.

Alumni Virtual Choir and Jazz Band 2013

What is a virtual choir or band? A virtual choir or band is created when students, alumni, and faculty submit videos of themselves singing a single choir part or playing a solo instrument and those videos are compiled into a single video by our technology staff to create a "virtual" choir or band. This year, the Virtual Choir will premier an original composition by Roane State faculty member Dr. Geol Greenlee. The text is a haiku written by RSCC student Chris Arnold, an honorable mention winner in RSCC's "Same Difference Diversity Contest" in Fall 2012.

How it Works...

- Step 1 Download the music from this website: www.roanestate.edu/virtualchoirproject
- Step 2 Practice your part while listening to the sing-along or play-along video.
- Step 3 Create a video of yourself, singing or playing your part while watching and listening to the sing-along or play-along video.
- Step 4 When you are satisfied with your video, publish it to YouTube using either the Public or Unlisted setting by February 28.
- Step 5 Complete the online form at www.roanestate.edu/virtualchoirproject including your video URL. Your video will be edited and included in our "virtual" choir or band.

Virtual Choir and Jazz Band 2013 videos will be debuted at the Alumni Concert, Roane County Campus, April 6, 2013.

For complete details go to: www.roanestate.edu/virtualchoirproject

Up Close

2012 Outstanding Alumni

A decorated law enforcement officer and an accomplished scholar have been named Roane State Community College's 2012 Outstanding Alumni.

The recipients are **Jeff Burchfield** of Maryville, captain and training supervisor for the Blount County Sheriff's Office, and **Dr. Barry Vann** of Corbin, Ky., professor of higher education and geography at the University of the Cumberlands.

Burchfield graduated from Roane State in 1993 with an associate's degree in police technology. He spent eight years with the Maryville Police Department before joining the Blount County Sheriff's Office in 1996.

In 2001, he became the first director of the Blount Special Operations Response Team, a multiagency task force for rescue and recovery operations. The team is a model of cross-agency cooperation and collaboration.



Burchfield has studied at the FBI National Academy and worked undercover for numerous federal agencies. He has assisted with arrests in 50 states and five countries.

Burchfield is also a community-minded leader who has participated in youth projects and fundraisers for those in need. As a member of Lodge No. 9 of the Fraternal Order of Police (FOP), he was head counselor for the lodge's youth camp for underprivileged children and an organizer for the lodge's "Shop with a Cop" program.

Burchfield has served in many officer positions with the FOP, is a board member for the Blount County Rescue Squad and is a public safety scuba instructor.

During his career, Burchfield has received more than 20 awards and commendations. In January 2012, he received the Albert Pierce Medal for Heroism in recognition of his achievements.

"My instructors at Roane State really encouraged and motivated me," he said. "They saw potential in me that I didn't realize was there. I'll always be grateful to Roane State and my instructors for the knowledge and inspiration they instilled in me."

Jeff Burchfield

Dr. Vann is director of the Ed.D. program at the University of the Cumberlands. He graduated from Roane State in 1985 and received his bachelor's degree from Tennessee Tech in 1988.

Dr. Vann has a master's degree in geosciences from Western Kentucky University, a doctorate in adult education from the University of Arkansas, and a Ph.D. dually awarded by the Department of Geographical and Earth Sciences and the School of Theology and Religious Studies at the University of Glasgow in Scotland.

Dr. Vann taught at the University of Dundee in Scotland, served in leadership positions at Delta State University in Mississippi and Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College, and was founding director of Lincoln Memorial University's Appalachian Development Studies program and geography program.

He is most noted for his work in religious and historical geography and human-environmental relationships. Dr. Vann has appeared as an expert on Fox News, Science Fantastic, Ecotopia and BBC Scotland.

Dr. Vann has written more than 20 articles and seven books. His writings have appeared in the Huffington Post, the Journal of Historical Sociology, the Journal of American History and in many other academic publications. Dr. Vann has also directed 40 dissertations that led to doctorates.

Originally from Oliver Springs, Dr. Vann struggled with math and writing when he started at Roane State. With encouragement and one-on-one help from his Roane State professors, Dr. Vann persevered. From those early days at Roane State, he has become a distinguished writer and educator.

"Roane State faculty helped me develop math and writing skills," Dr. Vann said. "My love of history and my love of social geography was born at Roane State. Roane State's professors inspired me to learn something that could have some relevance and value to other people."



Dr. Barry Vann

Spotlight

Paul Phillips understands the value of Roane State.

"I have always loved Roane State," he said. "It would be impossible to overstate the importance of Roane State to the counties its serves."

A longtime advocate for the college, Phillips now has a more hands-on role as the new executive director of the Roane State Foundation.

"The foundation's role is critical to continuing and advancing Roane State's efforts to give people in its communities access to an outstanding education," Phillips said.

Phillips retired in 2012 as district attorney general for the 8th Judicial District, a post he held for 33 years. The district includes Campbell, Claiborne, Fentress, Scott and Union counties (and previously included Morgan County), all communities where many Roane State students and alumni live and work.

"I feel very close to the counties that Roane State serves," Phillips said. "Roane State has had a tremendous, positive influence on these communities."

As executive director, Phillips serves as chief administrative officer for the foundation's board of trustees and directs the foundation's programs. He succeeds Melinda Hillman, the college's Vice President for Advancement and Community Relations.

Hillman had served as the foundation's executive director in addition to her responsibilities as leader for the college's Oak Ridge campus and seven additional satellite centers. Hillman continues to lead the Oak Ridge campus and satellite centers.

"I've been honored to work with our board over the last 15 years to provide opportunities for students and to support Roane State's mission," Hillman said. "The foundation is in great hands with Paul as executive director, and I look forward to helping him expand the foundation's efforts to serve the college, its students and the community."

Phillips has taught for Roane State, served as a board member of the Roane State Foundation and as chair of the advisory board for the college's Scott County campus in Huntsville. His volunteer efforts at Roane State have included raising funds to provide scholarships to high school students taking dual studies courses. The courses allow high school students to receive college credit and high school credit at the same time.

"The great part about Roane State is that it makes higher education accessible to young people of modest means and to working adults," Phillips said. "Keeping higher education accessible and available at all of the college's locations is crucial. That would be my dream—we never pull back on making higher education accessible."

Phillips' legal career includes involvement in numerous professional organizations, and he has often been recognized for his advocacy of children in need. Phillips founded child advocacy centers in Jamestown, Oneida, LaFollette, Maynardville and Tazewell. In 2000, he received the Patrick H. McCutchen Award for Tennessee Child Support Enforcement, and he has been inducted into the Boys and Girls Club Scott County Hall of Fame.

Phillips is a 1971 graduate of Berea College, and he earned his law degree from Vanderbilt University in 1975.

For more information about the Roane State Foundation, call (865) 882-4507.



Dr. Anne P. Minter, one of Roane State's first faculty members, died on Dec. 24, 2012.

A chemistry professor, Dr. Minter was instrumental in building the Mathematics and Sciences Division, including coordinating transfer arrangements with universities, equipping science labs, and expanding science and math courses to Roane State's Oak Ridge location.

"She was one of the original faculty of Roane State, and she 'wrote the book' on being chair, then dean, of the Math-Science division," said Dr. Larry Bouldin, dean of the division. "It was a pleasure to know and work with this fine lady. I will always remember her fondly."

Dr. Minter retired in 1988 as professor emeritus of chemistry. She and many of her colleagues returned to Roane State in fall 2011 to celebrate the college's 40th anniversary.

"It's like planting a seed and watching it come up and grow and flourish," she said of seeing Roane State expand over the past four decades.

Dr. Minter described how she and her colleagues expected excellence from the moment the college opened its doors in 1971.

"You don't accept sloppy work," she said. "You set a standard, not because you want to be mean, but because you want to help the students achieve the goals they have. The faculty all had to have this enthusiasm about building and building it right and building it better than somebody else has done before."

Dr. Bouldin said one of his proudest accomplishments is having the Mathematics and Sciences Division's conference room named in Dr. Minter's honor. Artist Jim Brown, who taught art and humanities courses at Roane State, donated one of his works for the conference room.

"All of us who knew her benefitted greatly from our association with her," Brown said. "We, at Roane State, were very fortunate to have had her there in the beginning to help set the high standards that came to characterize the college. It is sad to say goodbye."

Top: Dr. Minter grading student papers during Roane State's early years. Center: Affectionately known as the Dirty Dozen, Dr. Minter and the college's first faculty and staff established a tradition of excellence at Roane State. Listed with their initial role with the college are front, from left, Helen Randolph (chemistry professor), Dr. Minter (chemistry professor) and Nancy Fisher (chair, Humanities). Back row, from left are Bill Murray (mathematics professor), W. Carroll Marsalis (chair, Technologies), John Needham (librarian), Harold Underwood (chair, Mathematics and Sciences), Jim Kring (biology professor), and Dr. Cuyler Dunbar (the college's first president).; Bottom: Dr. Minter in the conference room named in her honor. From left are Dr. Cuyler A. Dunbar, the college's president from 1970-1988, and Dr. Larry Bouldin, dean of the Mathematics and Sciences Division. The painting behind them is by artist Jim Brown, a colleague of Dr. Minter.

Spirit

remembering Dr. Anne P. Minter, 1928-2012



President's Report

Summary of Student Financial Aid Awards 2011-2012

Federal Programs	
Pell Grants	\$13,008,302
FSEOG	123,489
FWSP	175,710
FFELP (loans)	9,206,032
Americorp	6,913
Subtotal	\$22,520,446

State Programs	
TSAC Awards	\$ 649,977
GEARUP	144,625
BYRD	3,000
Lottery Scholarships	
HOPE	2,173,520
Aspire	619,869
Merit	8,000
Access	10,718
Non-traditional	346,421
Dependent Children	
Helping Heroes	7,500
Access & Diversity	120,619
Subtotal	\$ 4,084,249

Institutional Programs	
Departmental Scholarships (music, art, athletics, SGA)	147,032
Academic	45,000
TN Scholar	5,500
Out of State Fee Waivers	178,392
Subtotal	\$ 375,924

Private Programs	
Foundation	\$ 154,238
Private	386,470
Subtotal	\$ 540,708

Total All Programs \$ 27,521,327

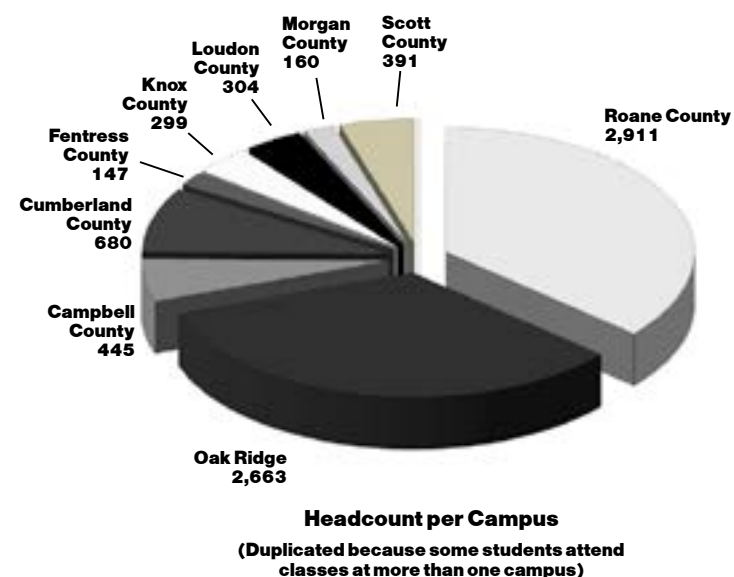
Duplicate awards may be reflected in this total program summary.

Revenues and Expenditures 2011-2012

Revenues	
Tuition and Fees	\$ 20,462,544
State Appropriations	15,813,143
Federal Grants and Contracts	15,128,480
State Grants and Contracts	5,171,589
Local Grants and Contracts	76,734
Private Grants and Contracts	102,503
Private Gifts	696,240
Sales and Services of Educational Activities	42,726
Sales and Services of Other Activities	437,081
Endowment Income	0
Other Sources	37,813
Auxiliary Enterprises	355,961
Total Revenues	\$ 58,324,815

Expenditures	
Instruction	\$ 19,558,187
Public Service	2,144,204
Academic Support	2,079,240
Student Services	4,470,711
Institutional Support	5,483,996
Operation and Maintenance of Physical Plant	4,015,478
Scholarships and Fellowships	19,193,745
Mandatory Transfers	0
Non-Mandatory Transfers	(808,000)
Auxiliary Enterprises	37,539
Auxiliary Non-Mandatory Transfers	277,789
Total Expenditures	\$ 56,452,888

Total Enrollment	Headcount
Unduplicated headcount	6,508
Full-time equivalent	3,902



Foundation

financial summary
(internally prepared)
June 30, 2012

Balance Sheet

Assets	
Cash	\$ 3,137,317
Short-Term Investments	0
Long-Term Investments	6,805,088
Real Estate	153,500
Pledges Receivable (Net of Discounts of \$3,382)	535,912
Other Receivables	59,489
Other Assets	70,787
Total Assets	\$ 10,762,093

Liabilities and Net Assets

Accounts Payable	\$ 34,697
Other Payables	4,724
Total Liabilities	39,421
Net Assets	10,722,672
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$ 10,762,093

Statement of Revenue, Expenditures and Changes in Net Assets

Revenue and Other Additions

Gifts (Net of Pledge Write-offs of \$973)	\$ 362,821
Private Grants	10,000
Miscellaneous Income	7,098
Investment Income	175,050
Donated Services	188,064
Donated Materials and Equipment	106,271
Net Realized/Unrealized Gain (Loss)	(143,154)

Total Revenue and Other Additions \$ 706,150

Expenditures and Other Deductions

Scholarships	\$ 387,514
Campus Projects and Activities	225,287
Administrative Expenses	65,807
Donated Services	188,064
Donated Materials and Equipment	106,272
Trust Payments	1,630

Total Expenditures and Other Deductions \$ 974,574

Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets \$ (268,424)
Net Assets June 30, 2011 \$ 10,991,096
Net Assets June 30, 2012 \$ 10,722,672

News Notes

from the headlines



Roane State earned national recognition with a visit from **Dr. Jill Biden**, wife of Vice President Joe Biden, and two visits from U.S. Secretary of Labor **Hilda Solis**. Dr. Biden and Solis highlighted the college's successful industry partnerships during a stop on their "Community College to Career" bus tour in February 2012. Solis returned to Roane State in October to recognize the college's leadership of a consortium that received a \$12.57 million federal grant. The grant will help the state's community colleges and technology centers produce more graduates qualified to work in health care.

Roane State was ranked 27th among the top 500 community colleges nationwide, according to a 2012 survey by StateUniversity.com. Roane State's ranking was the highest of any community college in Tennessee.

The new Learning Support Lab at the Roane County campus has been named for **Dr. Harold Underwood**, one of the college's first faculty and staff. Underwood served as Academic Vice President, and he taught developmental mathematics.

Dan Foltz-Gray, associate professor of English and coordinator of Learning Support-Reading and Writing, received the 2012 Sarah Ellen Benroth Award for Outstanding Teaching. **Tammy Robinette**, administrative secretary for the Nursing Division, was named the 2012 outstanding support staff member. **Deb Miller**, director of grants development, was named the 2012 administrative staff member of the year.

Loretta Starnes of Sunbright received Roane State's highest student honor, the 2012 President's Award. **Breanna Daigle** of Crossville was named the college's Outstanding Freshman.

Top to bottom: Roane State students were honored to meet Hilda Solis (center) and Dr. Jill Biden (right).; Pins illustrating Roane State's national ranking are worn by the college's proud staff.; Dr. Larry Bouldin (left), Dr. Harold Underwood (center) and Dr. Gary Goff at the Learning Center lab dedication reception.; Dan Foltz-Gray; Tammy Robinette; Deb Miller; Breanna Daigle; Loretta Starnes.

Calendar

coming up at your community college

feb

- Feb 1 HOSA Competition
- Feb 1-3 Tennessee Valley Kennel Club
- Feb 5 Raider Baseball vs Cleveland State, 1 pm
- Feb 8 Raider Baseball vs Lake Land College, 1 pm
- Feb 8 Raiderettes/Raiders Basketball vs Volunteer State, 6 & 8 pm
- Feb 8 Raiderettes/Raiders Basketball vs Motlow State, 2 & 4 pm
- Feb 9 National Barrel Horse Association: Exhibitions 10 am, race 3 pm
- Feb 15 Raider Baseball vs Olney Central, 1 pm
- Feb 16 East TN Black Angus Show/Sale Show, 9 am
- Feb 16 Raiderettes/Raiders Basketball vs Cleveland State (Pink Game), 5 & 7 pm
- Feb 16 Boy Scout Merit Badge College
- Feb 17 Raider Baseball vs Marshalltown 1 pm
- Feb 18 Knox Co 4-H, 10 am - 5 pm
- Feb 22-24 East TN Cutting Horse Association
- Feb 23 Raiderettes/Raiders Basketball vs Walters State, 5 & 7 pm
- Feb 26 Raiderette Softball vs TN Wesleyan (DH), 2 & 4 pm
- Feb 26 Raider Baseball vs Walter State, 2:30 pm

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- Mar 1 Raider Baseball vs Jackson State, 2 pm
- Mar 2 Raider Baseball vs Jackson State, noon
- Mar 1 & 2 JR's NCA Pro Rodeo, 8 pm
- Mar 5-9 Men's & Women's TCCAA Regional Basketball Tournament, Tullahoma, TN TBA
- Mar 8 Raiderette Softball vs Cleveland State (DH), 1 & 3 pm
- Mar 8-10 TQHA Celebration Circuit
- Mar 9 Raiderette Softball vs Cleveland State (DH), noon & 2 pm
- Mar 11 Raiderette Softball vs Union College (DH), noon & 2 pm
- Mar 12 Raider Baseball vs Maryville, 1 pm
- Mar 15 Raider Baseball vs Chattanooga State, 2 pm
- Mar 16 Raider Baseball vs Chattanooga State, noon
- Mar 15 & 16 Spring Instrumental Concert, 7 pm
- Mar 16 & 17 TQHA All Novice
- Mar 18-23 Women's NJCAA National Basketball Tournament, Salina, KS TBA
- Mar 19 Raider Baseball vs Cumberland University, 1 pm
- Mar 19-23 Men's NJCAA National Basketball Tournament, Hutchinson, KS TBA
- Mar 19 Raiderette Softball vs Gadsden State (DH), 2 & 4 pm
- Mar 22 Raiderette Softball vs Jackson State (DH), 2 & 4 pm
- Mar 23 Faculty Recital, 7 pm
- Mar 23 TN Reining Horse Association 8 am-10 pm
- Mar 23 Raiderette Softball vs Jackson State (DH), 2 & 4 pm
- Mar 25 Raider Baseball vs Tusculum College, 2 pm
- Mar 28 Raider Baseball vs Dyersburg State, 2 pm
- Mar 29 Raider Baseball vs Dyersburg State, noon
- Mar 29 & 30 Roane, Claiborne & Knox Co. 4-H Show, 8 am- 10 pm

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- Apr 3 Raiderette Softball vs Univ. Cumberlands (DH), 2 & 4 pm
- Apr 5 Raiderette Softball vs Dyersburg (DH), 2 & 4 pm
- Apr 5 Raider Baseball vs Southwest, 2 pm
- Apr 6 Raiderette Softball vs Dyersburg (DH), noon & 2 pm
- Apr 6 Raider Baseball vs Southwest, noon
- Apr 5-7 Oak Ridge Kennel Club, Dog Agility Trials, 8 am-4 pm
- Apr 5-7 East TN Cutting Horse Association
- Apr 6 Alumni Concert, 7 pm
- Apr 9 Raiderette Softball vs Covenant (DH), 2 & 4 pm
- Apr 10 Raider Baseball vs Hiwassee, 2 pm
- Apr 12 Sophomore Recitals, Princess Theatre, 6:30 pm
- Apr 12-14 American Truck Historical Society - Truck Show
- Apr 16 TMTA Math Contest
- Apr 17 & 18 Academic Festival
- Apr 18-21 & 25-28 RSCC Playmakers present "Tartuffe"
- Apr 19 Raider Baseball vs Motlow, 2 pm
- Apr 19 Raiderette Softball vs Chattanooga State (DH), 2 & 4 pm
- Apr 18-21 TQHA Circuit By The River
- Apr 20 Raider Baseball vs Motlow, noon
- Apr 20 Raiderette Softball vs Chattanooga State (DH), noon & 2 pm
- Apr 26 & 27 National Walking Horse Assoc., Cumberland Classic Regional Championships

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- May 3-5 East TN Cutting Horse Association
- May 3-5 Region VII Baseball Tournament, Columbia, TBA
- May 11 NBHA, 11 am-9 pm
- May 17 & 18 Smoky MNT Walking Horse Show
- May 25-26 TQHA Hillbilly Classic, 8 am
- May 30-Jun 1 Eastern Region 4H

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- Jun 7-9 TN Reining Horse Association
- Jun 15 NBHA, 11 am-9 pm
- Jun 20 - 23 TQHA Dogwood Classic, 8 am

For the most up-to-date schedule of sports, Expo Center and theatre events, visit:

www.roanestate.edu/athletics
www.roanestate.edu/expocenter
www.roanestate.edu/theatre

Alumni

alumni news and class notes

Outstanding Alumni Sought

Roane State Community College is seeking nominations for the 2013 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

To be eligible, nominees must have attended Roane State for at least 30 semester hours or 45 quarter hours.

To nominate someone, print the Nominee Information Form directly from the web at: www.roanestate.edu/alumni or call (865) 882-4640 to have an application mailed to you.

Deadline for submission of nomination: May 15, 2013

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

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Stella (McCabe) King

(A.S. Education) is a pre-K assistant at Spring City Elementary School. She is married to Howard W. King, and they have 5 grown children: Greg, Janet, Gilbert, Scot and Jonathan. They reside in Spring City, TN.

1983

John E. Owings

(A.S. General) is an attorney and served as the Chief Deputy Law Director for Knox County from 1990 to 2006 and as Knox County Law Director from 2006-2008. He joined the law firm of Robertson, Overbuy, Wilson & Beeler in 2008. He is married to Margaret C. Owings, and they have 2 grown children: John and Barrett. They reside in Knoxville, TN.

In Memoriam

Dr. Michael Curran, former Dental Hygiene Program Director, passed away unexpectedly on Jan. 8, 2013. Dr. Curran taught at the college from 1990-2011.



A documentary commemorating Roane State's 40th anniversary received three prestigious honors. Alumnus **Keith McDaniel** of Secret City Films in Oak Ridge wrote and directed "Roane State: 40 Years of Class." The documentary received second-place in the Telly Awards, a third-place award from the Tennessee College Public Relations Association and a 2012 National Council for Marketing and Public Relations District 2 Silver Medallion Award.



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Name _____

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

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

Home Phone# _____

Home Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email Address _____

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). _____

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



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There were smiles, hugs, laughs and a few tears as Roane State said goodbye to President Dr. Gary Goff, who retired in October. Joined by wife Heidi, and his mother Mary Ruth, Dr. Goff was moved by a plaque signed by colleagues and friends. In his farewell remarks to the college, he said, "My love for each of you and for Roane State continues to be the central focus of all that we have done together for the past seven years. Thank you to each and every one of you for all that you do for Roane State and our students."