Courtney Sargent, ’12, is a fifth grade teacher at North Pointe Elementary in Anderson.

Drew Mahaffey, ’12, will wed Amanda Johnson, a current student at AU, on July 22 at Tabernacle Baptist Church in Pelzer. He is employed with Anderson Federal Credit Union.

Brianne Holmes, ’12, is employed with Barnes and Noble.

Danielle Atkinson, ’12, is an audit intern for Capin Crouse LLP. She is also a graduate teaching assistant in accounting at Appalachian State University, where she is pursuing her master’s.

Chelsea Jones, ’12, wed Micah Roberts, ’12, on July 21. Chelsea is a teacher’s aid with Cedar Grove Elementary while Micah is a teacher at Palmetto Elementary.

Ashleigh Hart, ’12, wed Nick Marcie, a current student at AU, on June 2, 2012, at Augusta Road Baptist Church in Greenville.

Katelyn Harder, ’12, wed Jonathan Luna on June 2, 2012, at Augusta Road United Methodist Church in Pelzer.


Elise Welch, ’12, is the marketing director for The Peoples Bank in Anderson.

Jensen Seear, ’12, wed Laura Graham, ’12, on June 2. He is employed in sales at Eastern Industrial Supplies, Inc. Laura is a first-grade teacher for Marion School District One.

Laura Lennon, ’12, wed Bobby Curtis on June 16, 2012.

Alex Lewis, ’12, is employed with Anderson Federal Credit Union.

CJ Smith, ’12, is a math teacher at Liberty High School.

Brittany Arledge, ’11, is an interior designer for Chapman Design Group.

Steven Bailey, ’11, is an English teacher at Westside High School in Anderson.

Jamie Crighton, ’11, is the visual merchandising manager for J. Crew Factory Store in Bluffton. She will wed Danny Nash in September.
Taylor Hall, ’11, is a second grade teacher at Centerville Academy of 21st Century Learning in Anderson.

Braxton Maddox, ’11, wed Caroline Maxwell on March 10, 2012, at Buncombe Street United Methodist Church in Greenville.

Derrike Black, ’11, is the track coach at the University of the Cumberlands. He is pursuing his master's in education at Charleston Southern University.

Katelyn Conover, ’11, wed Brad Kessler, ’10, on October 23, 2011. Katelyn is employed at the British American School of Charlotte while Brad is an account executive for Imprinting Systems, Inc.


Blythe Hall, ’11, wed Daniel Scott Strawhorn on March 10 at Neals Creek Baptist Church. She is a teacher's assistant at Belton Middle School.

Kristin Smoak, ’11, is a first grade teacher at Sue Cleveland Elementary School in Greenville.

Morgan Johnson, ’11, wed Will Martin on March 24 at Concord Baptist Church in Anderson.

Kaleb Davis, ’11, has returned to Anderson University as the new assistant baseball coach. He wed Jamie Rusnak, ’09, on June 3, 2011.

Charlene Fidelia, ’11, is an administrative office support staff member at the University of North Carolina at Asheville.


Marcus Salley, ’11, is the drama teacher at Colonial Forge High School in Fredericksburg, Va. He recently completed a nine-month tour with the National Players Shakespearean Touring Company.

Rhynne Young, ’11, wed Thomas Alexander Owens on June 5, 2012, in the Disney Pavilion in Orlando, Fla. She is employed by VIP Marketing & Advertising.

Justin Funderburk, ’10, wed Hanna Smith, ’11, on July 7 at Bethel United Methodist Church in Spartanburg. Justin is a social studies teacher at E.L.
Wright Middle School in Columbia. Hanna attends The Medical Sales College in Denver, Colo.


Nikki Anthony, ’10, is the volleyball coach for Woodmont High School in Piedmont.

Jessie K. Cann, ’10, is assistant to the president of Erskine College.

Michael McMinn, ’10, is senior pastor at Northside Baptist Church in Calhoun Falls.


Adam Moseley, ’09, earned his master’s in mathematical sciences (concentrating in statistics) at Clemson University in May 2011. He is currently employed with AT&T.

Crystal Tuttle, ’09, wed Douglas Holland on November 19, 2011. She is an ABA therapist with the South Carolina Early Autism Project.

Kenny Smith, ’09, is a counselor aide at Bannum Place of Greenville. He began his master’s in math education with the University of Phoenix in June 2012.

Matt Jennings, ’09, wed Brittany Steen, ’11, on April 21, 2012. Matt works for Duke Energy as a member of IT support for the Carolinas. He completed his master’s in information technology in 2011 from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte. Brittany is a customer service representative for Synteen Technical Fabrics.

Asa Moran, ’09, is pursuing his MBA at Lenoir-Rhyne University. He is director of operations for Manifest Legends Multimedia, where he heads up photography, videography, graphic design, and web design and development.

David Crowther, ’09, is pastor of Mount Olive Baptist Church in Pittsboro, N.C. He has been accepted into the Ph.D. program at Southeastern Seminary.

Mollie Hyder, ’09, wed Grant Reeves, ’09, on July 14, 2012, at St. John’s United Methodist Church in Anderson.

Heather Martin, ’09, wed Kyle James on April 21, 2012.

Wendy Batten, ’08, is a sixth-grade teacher at LaFrance Elementary School.
Wade King, ’08, was named the 2012 Teacher of the Year at Pendleton Elementary School, where he teaches fifth grade math.

Kayla T. Guffee, ’08, and husband Byron welcomed a son Rollins Thomas on December 30, 2010. Kayla completed her master’s in literacy education in 2010 from The Citadel.

Megan H. Stafford, ’08, and husband William welcomed son Paxton James on March 8.


Joya Sellers, ’08, is a second grade teacher at Centerville Elementary in Anderson.

Sterling Kenny, ’08, wed Jason Draper on March 10, 2012.

Sterling K. Draper, ’08, is employed with TSAChoice and is in charge of their Greenville and Spartanburg area. Jenisha Berry, 08, is a registered nurse with AnMed.

DeeDee S. Whetstine, ’08, and Ryan Whetstine, ’08, welcomed son Thaddeus Ryan on March 11.

Brandon Loudermilk, ’08, is the program director for the high school assessment program (HSAP) with the South Carolina Department of Education.

Tadd Tatum, ’08, wed Meredith McKenzie Orten on April 20, 2012. He is a worship leader at NewSpring Church in Anderson.

Tiffiny Gilliland, ’08, wed Michael Francis on April 13, 2012.

Dee I. Self, ’07, and husband Jonathan welcomed a daughter Kingsley Ryan on April 14, 2012.

Beth Kay, ’07, is a ministry assistant with the church planting group of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Jack Ward, ’07, is a trainer for Acceleration Sports Institute in Greenville. He has earned the following certifications: TPI CGFI, NASM PES, and NASE CSSE.

Michelle Lodato, ’07, is the assistant director of financial aid at Erskine College.
Krystal M. Mainous, ’07, was named Teacher of the Year at Starr Elementary School for 2012-13.

Laneika K. Musalini, ’06, is the director of grants development at Tri-County Technical College.

Nolan Gottlieb, ’06, wed Margaret Tanner on July 21. He completed his M.A.T. from Georgia College in May and is teaching third grade science and social studies at Eagle Ridge Elementary in Milledgeville, Ga.

Rodney Lewis, ’06, is choral director and TV studio director at Barack Obama Elementary in Upper Marlboro, Md. He also coaches the boy’s basketball team at High Point High School in Beltsville, Md.

Robin S. Bracken, ’05, was named the 2012 recipient of the C. F. Reams Distinguished Teacher Award presented annually by Anderson University.

Loren Tallaksen, ’05, wed Tim Carr on May 29, 2011.

Derek Gillespie, ’05, is minister of youth and missions at Grace Community Church in Boca Raton, Fla.

Kari P. Lynch, ’05, and husband Justin welcomed a son Kellan on June 1, 2011.

Jason Ratliff, ’05, and wife Katie welcomed a daughter Bowen Kate on March 10, 2012.

Shaun Murphy, ’05, wed Austin Merritt on March 31, 2012.

Stephanie D. Bridges, ’05, and husband Brannon welcomed a son Lucas Aaron on February 28.

Josh Herlong, ’05, reached Pacesetter 40 in his first six months with Northwestern Mutual. This is an accomplishment that less than 10% of representatives achieve.

Jean Jones, ’05, was named Teacher of the Year at Varennes Academy in Anderson for 2012-13.

Kelli B. Petit, ’05, was named Teacher of the Year at Ben Hagood Elementary in Pickens for 2012-13.

Paige Eubanks, ’05, wed Lee Carter on June 16.

Jodi Barnes, ’05, is an online course designer with the Learning House.
Dohnia O. Galloway, ’04, and Ryan Galloway, ’03, were named winners of the South Carolina Farm Bureau Young Farmer and Rancher Achievement Award Contest in December 2011. Their grand prize was a Chevrolet Silverado, $1,000 cash, and an expense-paid trip to Honolulu, where they competed for the American Farm Bureau Young Farmer & Rancher Achievement Award. Dohnia was also one of nine U.S. teachers recognized by the American Farm Bureau Foundation for Agriculture for outstanding efforts to promote agricultural literacy in the classroom. She attended the National Agriculture in the Classroom Conference in Loveland, Colo. in June.

Adam Dymond, ’04, is principal at Pendleton Elementary School.

Ashley H. Tribble, ’04, and Jonathan Tribble, ’04, welcomed twin daughters, Olivia Claire and Neko Jan, in February 2012.

Rose M. Morrison, ’04, and husband Brian welcomed son Jude Lachlan on December 6, 2011. Older sister Annabelle Frances was born in 2009.

Sarah C. Latshaw, ’03, earned a master’s in human services from Liberty University in 2012. Her concentration was in health and wellness.

Jim Dochney, ’02, is the internet director at Ralph Hayes Toyota in Anderson. He is also the director of marketing for Manifest Legends Multimedia.

Ellen G. Keefer, ’02, and husband Allen welcomed son Luke Ethan on December 2, 2010. Ellen is a registered nurse for Hospice Care of South Carolina.

Jason Patterson, ’02, and wife Whitney welcomed a son Benjamin Hayes on May 27, 2012.


Jason Long, ’00, and wife Crystal welcomed a second daughter Kinsley Elizabeth on March 5, 2012.

Nichole Chestnut, ’00, is a special education teacher at CE Murray High School in Greeleyville.

1990s

Valerie Gaines, ’94, wed Roul Thacker on April 7, 2012, at Little River Zion Baptist Church in Kinards. Valerie is employed with Oconee DSS and is a member of the South Carolina National Guard 2nd/263rd ADA.
Sherri S. Phillips, '93, was named Teacher of the Year at Iva Elementary School for 2012-13.

Ed Duvall, '91, and wife April welcomed son Noah William on July 22.

1980s

Steve Hanvey, ’85, has been appointed to the position of director of instructional services for the School District of Oconee County.

Myron Duncan, ’83, is the elementary principal for Bucharest (Romania) Christian Academy. He represents the Association of Baptists for World Evangelism (ABWE), his missions sending agency.

Sandra W. Roper, ’80, has received an award for her work from the South Carolina Watermedia Society. Her work will be one of 30 artists featured in a statewide traveling exhibit, which kicks off in September. Prior to that exhibit, the paintings were showcased at City Art Gallery in Columbia from July 7-Sept. 2.

1970s

Tobie F. Presler, ’79, is the president of Chrysalis Autism Center in Rock Hill.

Andy Davis, ’72, is employed by the Adams 12 Five Star Schools system in Colorado. He had recently retired from the Cartersville, Ga. City School System.

1960s

Linda C. Keaton-Lima, ’68, has edited a book written by her father Claude "Red" Canup entitled War is Not Just for Heroes: World War II Dispatches and Letters of U.S. Marine Corps Combat Correspondent Claude R. "Red" Canup. It was published in May by The University of South Carolina Press.

Sherry P. Wilson, ’66, was inducted into the Athens Athletic Hall of Fame on May 14, 2012.

Gib Rogers, ’65, is the choir director for The Magnifiers (senior adult choir at Main Street UMC in Columbia.) He also serves as church pianist and hand bell director for Gilbert UMC.

In Memoriam
Toni Ann Brill, ’07, died June 22. She was a homemaker and a member of Riverside Baptist Church.

Audra Susanne Hayes Thames, ’88, died April 26, 2012. She was a member of Morningside Baptist Church and a teacher at Morningside Baptist Preschool.

Frances Proffitt Carter, ’76, died April 12, 2012. She was a dance instructor for many years in Greenville and was a member of First Presbyterian Church, Horizon Women’s Bible Study, and The Knitting Club.

Susan Neal Dickens, ’75, died June 19. She was a member of the national basketball championship team while a student at Anderson and went on to play for Clemson University. She worked at Rikard Nursing Home in Lexington and Alexian Village in Signal Mountain, Tenn., and enjoyed telling friends and family that she was retired. She volunteered at Good Works in Chapin and was a member of Chapin United Methodist Church.

John Lowell Aronson, ’74, died May 18, 2012. He was a sales representative and a member and elder of Central Presbyterian Church.

William “Bubba” Cooper Hightower, ’73, died May 4, 2012. He was the co-owner of Hightower Construction. Bubba was a life member of Berkeley Masonic Lodge #269, Omar Shrine Temple, the South Carolina Waterfowl Association, the United States Golf Association, and the South Carolina Golf Association. He is survived by his wife Libby Hightower, ’73.

William Robert Powell, ’73, died June 7. A veteran of the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict, he was employed by Piedmont Natural Gas for over 42 years. He was a member of Midday Lions Club, the Hiram Masonic Lodge, the Shriners, the Anderson Country Club, and the Lake Becky Association in S.C. He was also a very active and involved member of Boulevard Baptist Church for over 57 years. He is survived by his wife of 61 years, Martha Powell, who retired from Anderson University.

Judy Ford King, ’72, died March 16. She was employed with the City of Easley for 16 years and was a member of Brushy Creek Baptist.

Wayne Vissage, ’71, died January 11, 2011. He was retired from Clemson University Extension Service and was a member of Open Door Baptist Church.

Jerry Craft, ’71, died July 14. He was a member of Barkers Creek Baptist Church. He was retired from BP Amoco of Greenville and was currently the executive director of WebbCraft Family Foundation and the head coach of the Belton-Honea Path girls softball program.
Jo Earle Wooten Reynolds, ’67, died March 17. Jo was a member of Rock Bridge Community Church and an active member of the prayer team. She had been practicing nursing for more than 25 years, and she was currently the administrator of Oak View Health and Rehabilitation Center in Summerville, Ga.

Paul Edward “Ed” Matheny, Jr., ’67, died July 8. Rev. Matheny served as a part time pastor and minister of music in churches while in college and seminary. After graduation from Southwestern Baptist Seminary, he became the full time minister of music and education for the First Baptist Church of Thomasville, N.C., from 1972-1977; then from 1977 to 1994, he served as minister of education and church administrator for Boulevard Baptist Church in Anderson. In 1994 he moved to Smoke Rise Baptist Church, Stone Mountain, Ga., where he served as minister of adults and church administrator. Ed was an ASSIST leader with the Saluda Baptist Association, a state approved trainer for the South Carolina Baptist Convention, and a national campaign leader with adults for the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn. He also led in training at Ridgecrest Baptist Conference Center, White Oak Conference Center, and in local churches. After retiring from the ministry, Ed served as full time building consultant for America’s Home Place and was a licensed realtor with Anderson Area Properties. Survivors include his wife Betsey C. Matheny, ’68; son Paul Edward Matheny III, ’92, and daughter Marianne M. Norris, ’97.

Shirley Couch Way, ’65, died April 3, 2009. She taught school in Charleston, S.C.; Atlanta, Ga.; and Tuscaloosa, Ala. Shirley was a member of First United Methodist Church in Tuscaloosa.

Gary Ricker, ’63, died March 10, 2012. He was a registered architect and former employee of Fluor Corporation. He was also a deacon and member of Taylors First Baptist Church. He is survived by his wife Lea D. Ricker, ’64.

Peggy Anderson Chapman, ’63, died May 5, 2012. Prior to her retirement, she was an administrative assistant with Greenville Hospital System. She attended Providence Presbyterian Church.

Bill Shirley, ’61, died June 13. He was a retired textile salesman and a member of Boulevard Baptist Church in Anderson, where he worked in the senior adult transportation ministry.

Brenda Bowick Johnson, ’61, died March 8, 2012. Brenda was a member of Citadel Square Baptist Church and was a registered nurse.

Julia “Judy” Harden Phillips, ’60, died October 26, 2011. She was a devoted homemaker, loving mother, and a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Anderson.
Joe C. Martin, Sr., ’59, died June 22. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army, 82nd Airborne, the U.S. Air Force Reserves, and the U.S. Army National Guard for a total of 38 years. He retired from Anderson School District #5. He was a member of Divver Masonic Lodge, American Legion Post #14, and New Prospect Baptist Church, where he had served as a deacon and was a member of the Desire Sunday School Class and the Prospectors.

Phyllis Gail Manning, ’59, died March 16, 2012. She was veteran of the U.S. Air Force and worked in retail management for 20 years. She was also a member of the First Baptist Church of Iva, where she was a Sunday school teacher for many years.

Gail Teasley McGregor, ’58, died April 16, 2012. Gail had served on the Anderson University Alumni Board from 1997-2000 and was also a class agent for the Class of 1958. She was an accomplished business woman, who spent many years in the vehicle and equipment leasing industry. In 1982 she founded Southeastern Leasing, Co., Inc., in Anderson with her late husband, William F. “MAC” McGregor. Gail was a member of First Baptist Church of Anderson for over 60 years.

Josephine Tilton Berte, ’51, died June 5, 2011. She had worked for the Red Cross and was a member of the women’s auxiliary of St. Andrew Catholic Church, Cape Coral, Fla.

Dorothy "Dot" Wills Shore, ’50, died March 30, 2012. She was married for over 61 years to David Shore, ’49.

Catherine Martin Burriss, ’49, died May 29, 2012. She was retired from Clemson University and was a member of First Baptist Church in Anderson and the Fellowship Sunday School Class.

Louise Mattison "June" Brown, ’48, died December 29, 2011. She had worked as a bookkeeper for Home Credit Finance Co. for a number of years. She was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star and Concord Baptist Church.

Louise Moore Roper, ’48, died June 6. She was retired from Liberty Life and was a member of McCarter Presbyterian Church.

Sara Eunice Sullivan Pracht, ’48, died June 6, 2011. "Miss Eunice" was a poetess whose book White Heather was published in 1969. She was also published in National Poetry and Anthropology and numerous other poetry magazines, as well as the first volume of the South Carolina poetry handbook. She was a lifetime supporter of Anderson Community Theater and most recently participated in the 75th anniversary Celebration of Anderson Community Theatre. She was a member of Buncombe St. United Methodist Church, the Poetry Society of South Carolina in Charleston, and the Daughters of the
American Revolution. She was also a former member of the Anderson Mental Health Association and the South Carolina Mental Health Association.

Joseph Edward "Ed" Coleman, Jr., '48, died March 31, 2012. He was a retired colonel with the United States Marine Corps. He was married for over 64 years to Una F. Coleman, '48.


Hilda Mae "Kaye" King, '47, died May 14, 2012. She retired from the U. S. Air Force after 26 years of service on September 30, 1976, with the rank of Senior Master Sergeant. During her years of service, she received the Air Force Commendation Medal, the Air Force Good Conduct Medal, and the Air Force Longevity Service Award. She was also a member of the American Legion, The Retired Enlisted Association, and Midway Presbyterian Church in Anderson.

Ruby Cook Archer, '45, died March 18, 2012. Upon graduation from Anderson, she was assistant to the dean for several years. She was a member of the Fort King Presbyterian Church, Ocala, where she served in several capacities over the years: Session member, Sunday School Superintendent for the children, choir member, pianist, member of the Women of the Church and recipient of the Presbyterian Women's Lifetime Achievement Award. For a number of years, Ruby was director of music at Ocala's New Hope School and Opportunity Workshop at ARC (Association for Retarded Citizens) and worked with the citizens there in music. She's a 50-year member of the P.E.O. International Sisterhood, a sisterhood promoting educational opportunities for women, and served as president of the Ocala Chapter from 1977 to 1979.


Doris Carlton Gray, '44, died November 9, 2011. She retired from Gower Corporation after 32 years of dedicated service. She was a member of Northside United Methodist Church and was instrumental in the further development of the Boys Home of the South.

Elinor Maxwell Bond, '41, died March 18. She was a former member of the Pilot Club of Seneca, where she served in all the various offices. She was also the former governor of the South Carolina District of the Pilot Club International from 1962-1963 and she was an active and dedicated member of the Pilot Club of Hartwell for many years. She was retired from the Hart County School System, where she taught fifth and sixth grade English and reading at Hartwell Elementary from 1966 until 1988. She was affectionately known as "Mama Bond" by her students and was remembered as having a quote on her wall in her classroom; 1 Timothy 4:12 "Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example...in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith, and in
purity." She was a very devoted member of Hartwell First United Methodist Church. In her earlier days, she taught the Wallace White Men's Sunday School Class and led a devotion between services on Sunday mornings. She spread her love of the church and God to others in the community by starting what is now the "Dial-A-Prayer" ministry. Over the years, she was active in the Sojourners and the Sunshine Club. She was a member of the Live-Wire Wesley Class and the May Lily-McCurry UMW Circle Group. Elinor was always involved in the many activities at the church and was a spark of life to all she was involved in.

Martha Elizabeth ""Lib"" Tallevast Johnston, ’41, died May 9, 2012. She was a loving homemaker and also was a volunteer at Stone Elementary School, the Red Cross and served as a teacher for the Sunday School department. She was a member of the Daughters of The Nile, the Hillcrest Community Club, and Northside United Methodist Church.

Marie Wall Henderson, ’38, died February 14, 2012. She was retired from Liberty Life with 38 years' service and was a longtime member of Overbrook Baptist Church.