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Storm Stories: A family copes

We asked family members to share their experiences in the recent storms that have pounded our communities. Here are their stories:

Kathryn Moore The Simmons Camp

On August 29th, 2005, my life changed in a very dramatic way.

I'd returned to New Orleans after two years sabbatical working in Japan. I came back with a truckload of furniture, a heart full of hope and much anticipation at starting a graduate degree at Tulane. A week after I had driven over the Intercoastal into the city, I drove back over the same bridge encumbered with worries and anxieties about the storm headed our way.

I watched the tragedy unfold on network news, at once feeling distanced from it while watching every shot for a glimpse of my house, the neighborhood restaurant down the street or the perennial Mardi Gras decorations of the eccentric woman next door.

I returned to my house in the Uptown district six weeks after Katrina hit. Weeks earlier, the house had been an urban island surrounded by almost three feet of water.

As we drove through military checkpoints into the city, we passed houses with first floors out on sidewalks and boats run aground in major intersections.

My losses were considerable and my house was uninhabitable, but I was luckier than most. I had my life, my loved ones, a job to come back to, a place in my graduate program at Tulane and a loving family to take me in.

My new neighborhood now is a smattering of blue roofs and white FEMA trailers. Change is coming slowly to the city, sometimes in small ways, like the garbage being picked up the same day two weeks in a row.

One thing that is constant is the spirit of New Orleans, the spirit of loving life, music, food and people. In the past months, I've been amazed by the love and support for me and the city.

My life is not what I had planned it to be last August, but in many ways, it's so much better. The friends and experiences I've had because of Hurricane Katrina are invaluable, and I'll live here proudly and help do what I can to rebuild this city to be better than ever.

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Say 'Cheese' - It's a photo year

By Blaine Cavena

Most of you know there are two photo traditions at Camp Meeting: Dr John's slides (usually shown on Tuesday night,) and the black-and-white Camp Meeting albums.

While Macon and others add to the slides every year, the Taylor albums are updated only every five years. The last photos were taken in 2001, so it's time.

This means you'll see Blaine with his cameras wandering the grounds looking for interesting scenes (and interesting people - although he doesn't have to look very far to find them!) We also need to take group photos of each camp, which means we'll be looking to make appointments. See Blaine at the Edmond Taylor Camp for that.

If you'd like to see the Taylor albums from years past, just stop by the Edmond Taylor camp. You can wander back a half-century to the early 1950s with stops along the way at 1955, 1966, 1973, 1983, 1986, 1991, 1996 and 2001.

Through the years

Camp Meeting 1856 150 years ago

Camp Meeting was held the third week of September and weather was cool.

A memorial service was held for Mary Williams, wife of John Williams.

Camp Meeting 1906 100 years ago

All the camphouses on the grounds were occupied, and several families erected tents as well. Two campers, Buck and Jim Williams, joined the church, and Franc Blackwell, husband of Zaidee Taylor Blackwell, professed his faith.

Memorials were held for Jim Read, James H. Mann, Fred Battle, Dr. H.D. Harris and Julia Taylor Winston.

Camp Meeting 1956 50 years ago

Campers held a ceremony in 1956 dedicating the cemetery gates to the memory of Marion Thornton Jr., who died in World War II. During the ceremony, Thomas Lee Thornton and John Claiborne Thornton III were the first to open the new gates, signifying the entrance to a new life. Flag bearers for the ceremony were Nicholas Perkins Thornton III and Benjamin Weeks Sharpe Jr. The cost to build the brick gates totaled \$462.40.

The historical committee, including Jack Hamner, Lorraine Regen Thornton and Averil Crafton Taylor, finalized plans for publication of "The Taylors of Tabernacle." They agreed to sell the books for \$15.

Memorials were held for Carrie May Sherrill, Vernon Edenton, Lee Hardison, Bessie Livingston Mann and Lucy Claiborne Harvey.

Lee Ann Thornton, daughter of Guilford and Ann Thornton, was baptized.

Camp Meeting 1981 25 years ago

A committee was appointed to research Vol. II of "The Taylors of Tabernacle." Another committee was named to address the problem of empty camphouses.

Memorials were held for Walter James Cody, Virgil Jerome Jordan, Sam Taylor Sherrill, William Leland Battle Jr., Lylie Hamner Neff and Ralph Nash Jordan.

Baptized were Kathrine Charleen Schottelkotte, daughter of Patrice and Bill Schottelkotte; Robert Jordan Green IV, son of Robert Jordan; Joel Anthony Thornton Mann, son of Bobby and Lynn Thornton Mann; and Bradford Dayton Mann Jr., son of Bradford and Linda Hurley Mann.

Kalas returns to the Pulpit for weekend

We have another double-header in the pulpit this year. The Rev. Ellsworth Kalas will make his 15th visit to Camp Meeting, dating to 1964. He'll be here for the weekend, giving his final sermon during the Monday morning service.

The Rev. William Mallard will step into the pulpit Monday evening.

A graduate of Randolph-Macon College and Duke Divinity and graduate schools, he spent more than 40 years teaching at Candler School of Theology at Emory University before retiring in 2000.

Rev. Mallard has penned several books during his career and in 1994 was presented the Thomas Jefferson Award for outstanding service to Emory University.

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30 days before the start of
Camp Meeting

The next generation

Macon James Keathley, son of Alan and Leslie Keathley, born Aug. 16, 2005. He's the grandson of Jim and Sue Hurley Keathley and the great-grandson of Myra Jo Thornton Hurley the late L.Z. Hurley.

Brayden Edward Zinsner, son of Richard and Laura Zinsner, born Oct. 7, 2005. His grandparents are Dan and Emily Ann Neff Zinsner and his great-grandparents are Henry and Lylie Hamner Neff.

Hayden Grace Parks, daughter of James and Genia Thornton Parks, born Oct. 19, 2005. She's the granddaughter of Perk and Bettye Thornton and the great-granddaughter of Bill and Anne Thornton.

Jordan Vee Head, son of Jason and Laura Haynes Head, born Nov. 30, 2005. She's the granddaughter of Jack and Elaine Thornton Lee and the great-granddaughter of Bill and Anne Thornton.

Madalyn Rose Faletti, daughter of Jim and Jennie Walker Faletti, born Jan. 9, 2006. She's the granddaughter of Walter and Linda Walker and the great-granddaughter of Coleen and the late Louis Walker.

Anna Claire Thweatt, daughter of Donnie and Amy Martinez Thweatt, born Jan. 30, 2006. She's the granddaughter of Rick and Nan Hurley Downing and the great-granddaughter of Myra Jo Thornton Hurley and the late L.Z. Hurley.

William Alan Kendrick, son of Kenny and Dede Harmon Kendrick, born Feb. 6, 2006. He's the grandson of Ruth Thornton Harmon and the late Bill Harmon.

Sarah Jones Turner, daughter of Nathan and Tricia Turner, born Feb. 16, 2006. She's the granddaughter of Carol and Ned Turner and the great-granddaughter of the late Ed and Eppes McConnico.

Walter James Austin, son of Bobby and Shannon Kline Austin, born April 10, 2006. He's the grandson of the late Calvin Williams and great-grandson of the late Emily Chapman.

Margaret Alese Williamson, daughter of David and Jamilyn Williamson, born April 18, 2006. She is the granddaughter of Sandra and the late Read Williamson and the great-granddaughter of the late Billy and Lillie Read Williamson.

Thomas Thornton Napier Hathcock, son of Richard and Stephanie Hathcock, born June 14, 2006. He's grandson of Ginger Thornton Hathcock and the great-grandson of the late Nick and Pattie Fletcher Thornton.

Casey Ann Thornton, daughter of Laura and Regen Thornton, born June 15, 2006, She's the granddaughter of Macon and Terry Simmons Thornton and the great-granddaughter of Bobbie Barcroft Simmons and the late Jimmy Simmons, Lorraine Regen Thornton and the late Dr. John C. Thornton Jr.

In Memoriam

Ronnie Lewis, husband of Ruthie Harmon Lewis, born June 5, 1966; died Nov. 19, 2005.

Nancy Mann McConnico, daughter of the late Jack and Polly McConnico, born Aug. 31, 1930; died Jan. 18, 2006.

George Gaskins, husband of Celene Hughes Gaskins, born Sept. 26, 1938; died Jan. 18, 2006.

Gordon Meers, father of Charleen Thornton, died May 7, 2006.

Lori Johnson, wife of John Mann Johnson, born July 9, 1964; died June 2, 2006.

Georgina Taylor, widow of Allen Robert Taylor, born Dec. 18, 1922; died July 1, 2006.

Remembering the Cemetery

Margaret Taylor and Julia Beth Caldwell of the Tabernacle Cemetery Fund would like family members to keep the cemetery in mind for memorial and other contributions. These donations fund the maintenance of our cemetery year round and are the primary funding source for its upkeep.

Contributions can be sent to Margaret Taylor, 4731 Mint Drive, Memphis, TN, 38117.

When two become as One

Elizabeth Cole Woods, daughter of Roger and Betty Hamner Cole, married Johnny M. Montgomery on Aug. 13, 2005, in Birmingham, AL.

Shannon Williams Kline, daughter of the late Calvin Williams, married Bobby Austin on Aug. 18, 2005. She's the granddaughter of the late Emily Chapman.

Jennifer Lynne Tremaine, daughter of Lynne Schottelkotte Tremaine, married Matthew Luedeke on Sept. 3, 2005, in Centerville, Ohio.

She's the granddaughter of the late Frank and Sarah Chapman Schottelkotte.

Tracy Elizabeth Hathcock, daughter of Ginger Thornton Hathcock, married Jason Moore Hale on Nov. 5, 2005, in Jackson. She's the granddaughter of the late Nick and Pattie Fletcher Thornton.

Linda Hamilton Manasco, daughter of Lyde Davis and the late J.C. Hamilton, married Ted Butler in February.

Ryan Price, son of Robert and Connie Price, married Jennifer Wilson on May 20, 2006. He's the grandson of the late Bob and Anne Coppedge Price.

Ted Lloyd, son of Bill and Chloe Shaw Lloyd, married Andrea on May 27, 2006, in Destin, FL.



∞ Week at a Glance ∞

Daily

- 7:15 a.m. Prayer meeting
- 9:30 a.m. Children's story hour at the church annex
- 10:30 a.m. School children's story hour at the Weddington Camp
- 10:30 a.m. Morning worship service
- 7:30 p.m. Evening worship

Saturday

- 9 a.m. Heritage Walk in the cemetery
- 9 p.m. Ice cream party at the Price Camp for college students

Sunday

- 7 a.m. Prayer meeting with communion
- 9:15 a.m. Love Feast at the church
- 10:30 a.m. Morning worship service, baptisms
- 1:30 p.m. Memorial service at the church
- 7:30 p.m. Evening worship

Monday

- 9:30 a.m. Story hour begins for toddlers and preschool children in the church annex
- 10:30 a.m. Story hour for school-age children at the Weddington Camp
- 1:30 p.m. Business meeting at the church

Tuesday

- 9:15 p.m. Camp Meeting slides at the church

Thursday

- 10 a.m. Story hour at the Weddington Camp
- 10:30 a.m. Children perform during the morning worship
- 7:30 p.m. Closing worship service

Rebuilding after the storm

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Terry Simmons Thornton, The Dr. John Thornton Jr. Camp

Macon and I lost our home in the tornado that ravaged Sumner County (Gallatin, TN) on April 7, 2006. We had gone into Nashville together for a meeting when the tornado came through, and we were unable to get back home for several hours after we got the word that our home had been hit. We built the house and would have been in it for two years last month.

There were walls left standing, but the structural damage was too great and it had to be taken down the rest of the way. We're currently renting a house in Hendersonville.

We're in the process of rebuilding the same house on the same lot. A good many of our friends in the neighborhood lost their homes, too. Many lost everything, and three in our neighborhood lost their lives.

We were able to salvage many of our possessions from the house. The Taylor cousins will be interested to know that, although the Camp Meeting slides are stored in a vault, we already had pulled the carousels with the years to be shown at this year's slide show to take them to be scanned to discs. They were in one of our closets when the tornado hit. Thankfully, they were undamaged and are now ready for the Meeting.

Charleen Thornton, The George and Joe Thornton Camp

(Charleen's parents, Evelyn and Gordon Meers, live in Biloxi, directly in the path of Hurricane Katrina. Despite her pleas to evacuate, they rode out the storm with Charleen's sister, Vicki, in their home overlooking the Gulf of Mexico. Charleen and Mack waited for word at home after the storm passed.)

Monday (Aug. 29) was horrid. I watched this storm hover over Biloxi and couldn't get through, even with cell phones, to Biloxi or Lumberton, where another sister was in the storm. When I got home that evening, about 5:15 p.m., my home phone was ringing and there was a short "blip" of a message. Several minutes later, a man from Alabama called me and said my brother-in-law, Butch, wanted to send me the message that they were alive.

Tuesday brought the real picture of this area to light. Mississippi was impassable. By Wednesday, Butch finally was able to get through to me and asked us to come down. Daddy had fallen during the storm as they left our house to walk up three houses to a high-ground level.

Mack and I were able to go Wednesday morning, and through the help of friends, we took generators, gasoline, water, supplies, food and much-needed medicines to people who had not only survived, but were pulling together to support each other. At one point, five houses shared one generator.

When I drove up the "path" to my parents' home, to see it standing, virtually unfazed, with my frail Daddy on the porch in his rocking chair, I can tell you God smiled as I did.

Daddy had watched my brother-in-law and two neighbors pull five people out of the storm surge that lodged in his front yard. He had seen two of his neighbors perish there, and knew one still under the debris. Emotionally, he was torn. I'll never forget his face.

But his smile came back, gradually, and he was able to return home a month later. I wish I could say it was to his old life. But there is still so much undone at his home, in his neighborhood and in his town.

Life will be new down there. He would be smiling at the continued efforts of folks volunteering from across the country.

(Charleen's father passed away May 7, 2006, from health problems related to the storm.)

Kinfolk Update 2006

THE BARCROFT SIMMONS CAMP

Laura and Regen Thornton welcomed a daughter, Casey Ann, on June 15, 2006 —just in time for Camp Meeting. She's the granddaughter of Macon and Terry Simmons Thornton and the great-grandmothers are Bobbie Barcroft Simmons and Lorraine Regen Thornton.

Bobbie Simmons continues to enjoy playing bridge online and visiting friends in Canada.

Regen passed his land surveyors exam and is now a registered land surveyor. He's been working with Surveying Services in Jackson for more than three years. His wife, Laura, has worked for the Alexander Thompson Arnold PLLC CPA firm in Jackson for almost two years.

Regen's brother, Ben, also works for Surveying Services in Jackson. Their sister, Lea, was commissioned a probationary elder at Annual Conference this year and has recently moved to Tullahoma, TN, to serve as associate pastor of Tullahoma First United Methodist Church.

Pat Simmons Moore, Bobbie's oldest daughter, continues to teach fifth grade at Benjamin Franklin International School in Barcelona, Spain. Her daughter, Kathryn, survived Hurricane Katrina and is now back at Tulane pursuing her doctorate in school psychology. Pat's son, Jourdan, spent eight months at Guantanamo and now is back in Rhode Island. Pat and Kathryn went to Newport earlier this month to spend a week with Jourdan.

Pat's sister, Brenda Simmons Lees, has been lab director at Tennessee Oncology for 12 years. Her husband, Mike, joined Symbility Solutions, a Canadian software company, as vice president of sales this year. Their daughter, Taylor, 13, has finished seventh grade at Sumner Academy, where she played soccer, basketball and was MVP in the girls division of the cross country team. Hannah Lees has completed fifth grade, where she also played all of these sports and achieved her advanced blue belt in karate. The family enjoyed their annual Aspen trip with the Macon Thornton family in February. In March, they cruised the Caribbean with the Bob Thornton family.

THE CALDWELL-THOMAS-YARBROUGH CAMP

Julia Beth Thomas Caldwell is still at Town Village in Memphis and is doing well. She took a very active role in the 180th celebration at First United Methodist Church in Memphis.

Susan Thomas Tucker spent a week in Ocean Springs, MS, last fall with the disaster relief group from Collierville Methodist Church to clean up after Katrina. She started working for Comprehensive Diabetic Solutions in November after receiving her Certified Diabetic Educator certification. She and her husband, Terry, celebrated their second wedding anniversary May 22. Terry remains with the refinery in Memphis, which was bought by Valero Refinery Group.

Elizabeth Rylee, Susan's daughter, is attending Ole Miss and worked with the Red Cross in Oxford after Katrina. She traveled to Atlanta in February. Billy and Inez Thomas, Susan's parents, enjoy spending time with family at their lake house in Bay Springs, MS.

Terry's been volunteering with son Josh's scout troop. Josh Tucker won several academic awards this year and will begin eighth grade in the fall. Sarah Tucker graduated from Collierville High School in May and will be attending college in Oklahoma.

Brayden Edward Zinsner born Oct. 7, 2005 to Richard and Laura Zinsner of Mentor, OH. Grandparents are Dan and Emily Ann Neff Zinsner and great-grandparents are Henry and Lylie Hamner Neff.

Ruth and Les Yarbrough have just returned from an "In the Footsteps of Paul" tour of Greece & Turkey sponsored by their Birmingham church, Trinity UMC. Their daughter, Beth, is still working at Auburn University to finance her wanderlust. She traveled to the Galapagos Islands and Peru last summer. The four older grandchildren of Roger and Betty Hamner Cole spent a week with their grandparents in Birmingham in June.

Rhonda Cole, wife of Lawrence Cole, received her MSW in May from East Carolina University in Greenville, NC. She is a counselor in the Onslow County school system in Jacksonville, NC, and specializes in work with English as a Second Language (ESL) children. She grew up in Middle and South America as the daughter of Baptist missionaries.

Elizabeth Cole Woods and Johnny M. Montgomery were married August 13, 2005, in Birmingham, AL. She's the daughter of Roger and Betty Hamner Cole. Liz has one son, Raymond Woods.

Michael and Virginia Cole Floyd have moved back to Tampa, where Michael and two partners have begun Response Card Systems (RCS.) He's vice president of sales for RCS, which sells and leases hardware and software that make live events interactive.

Virginias' daughter, Olivia, will enter junior high this fall and is an accomplished ice skater. She also won honors in her piano competition and will be starting voice lessons soon. EmmaLee will start preschool this fall. She has learned to swim and loves her ballet. Matthew recently started swim lessons at the YMCA.

THE CHAPMAN CAMP

Genie and Ellis Taylor enjoyed a five-day pleasure boat adventure with friends up the Tennessee River late last summer. Genie is still working as an interior designer and is business manager for INTERIORS/Design Group in Memphis. Their daughter, Louisa, was in Nashville in May for the Special Olympics Spring Games, where she won a gold and a silver in swimming.

Jerry Ball, Ethel Chapman Ball's brother-in-law, will visit Camp Meeting this year and perform at both services Tuesday. An accomplished musician, he's played alto saxophone with the Four Tops, The Temptations and Frankie Valli. Ethel's husband is Roger Ball.

Shannon M. Kline, daughter of the late Calvin Williams and granddaughter of the late Emily Chapman, married Bobby Austin on Aug. 18, 2005. They welcomed Walter James Austin, born on April 10, 2006. Shannon also has a daughter, Abigail Kline.

THE ALEX CLAIBORNE CAMP

Alex Claiborne celebrated his 90th birthday June 7, holding his title as the oldest person on the campground. His wife, Libba Thornton Claiborne, supervised construction of a new wysteria arbor at their camp this summer.

Their, son Al, and his wife, Terry and Al Claiborne, traveled West in June with their sons, Alex, 13, and Rob, 8, visiting Mt. Rushmore, Little Bighorn and Old Faithful. Alex prepared a school display this year on Henry Ford, using a photograph of his great-great grandfather J. P. Pittman posing with a restored Model T Ford. Rob loves playing baseball and Cub Scouts. Alex is a Boy Scout.

Al's brother, Robert, lives in Towson, MD, with his wife, Mary Boswell, and three children. Robert Jr., 18, will attend Washington & Lee University in the fall. He served as a page in the spring for the Maryland Senate in Annapolis. His sister, Eleanor, 17, is looking forward to her senior year in high school, where she's an editor for the yearbook. She is a lifeguard this summer at the neighborhood pool. Younger brother Preston, 12, made his All-Star baseball team. He's also in Boy Scouts and playing the euphonium.

Mary Boswell continues to teach elementary school French and volunteers at the Walters Art Museum, where they're preparing for a major exhibit of the French artist Courbet this fall.

THE COPPEDGE-PRICE-WINSLOW CAMP

Brent Price, son of the late Bob and Anne Coppedge Price, is a radiologist in St. Petersburg, FL, where he lives with and his wife, Linda. Alisha, 22, graduated from the University of Miami in biology and religion with minors in chemistry and foreign languages. She plans to travel abroad on a philanthropic medical project next spring and to apply to chiropractic school next year. Her brother, Justin, 20, is installing electronics on a yacht this summer and working in boat maintenance. He plans to attend St. Petersburg College in the fall. Daniel, 18, graduated from high school this spring and toured Spain, France, Morocco, Italy, Greece and Turkey this summer. He will attend the University of South Florida in Tampa this fall.

The basketball team Phil Price coaches in St. Pete ended the season at 26-3 and made it to the final eight statewide. His new project is a cabin in the Georgia mountains. He and his brother, Jeff, went hunting with Jeff's twins, Faith and Hope, this year.

After spending nearly a year in an RV in their front yard after Hurricane Charley in August 2004, George and Cheri Price Winslow moved back into their rebuilt house in Port Charlotte, FL, this year. Cheri oversaw the house restoration while George labored to save his business managing orange groves. Suzanne Tipton of Brownsville visited the Winslows in Florida this year. Their daughter, Qwynne Winslow, joined a mission trip to Germany with her church this summer. She also finished her sophomore year in college, making frequent trips to nearby Chicago. Her brother, Rhett, is in real estate in Florida.

In January, Wyatt and Francie Winslow joined the rebuilding effort in Sri Lanka after the tsunami. They'll be back at Wheaton College this fall, where they're also active in the Antioch Community Church.

Faith and Hope, Jeff and Tonya's 9-year-old twins, enjoy horseback riding, soccer and cheerleading. Their brother, Phil, 5, is learning to fish.

Ryan Price, son of Bob and Connie Price and grandson of the late Bob and Anne Price, married Jennifer Wilson on May 20, 2006, in Orlando. They're living in Dallas, where Ryan begins chiropractic studies at Palmer Chiropractic School in September and Jennifer hopes to be teaching elementary school. Both graduated from Mississippi College one week before the wedding.

His brother, Rick, and wife, Brandy, are expecting their first child, a daughter, on July 15. Bella Mae, as she'll be named, will be the first girl born into Bob's household in 32 years and the first great-granddaughter of the late Bob and Anne Price. Rick is a project manager for Centex Homes in Port St. Lucie, FL. Rick's brother, Rob, and his wife, Christy, are expecting another boy in September. Their son, Neil, is 2. Rob will finish his residency in emergency medicine at the Carolinas Medical Center in Charlotte, NC next June. Ross, Bob and Connie's 13-year-old son, attended Camp Ridgecrest, NC in June. He will play junior varsity basketball and football next year at The First Academy in Orlando.

Bob has begun a career as a Realtor with Zip Realty and Connie is admissions assistant at The First Academy.

Rachel Crawford, daughter of Annette Coppedge Crawford and granddaughter of Frank Coppedge, will begin seventh grade in Melbourne, FL, this fall.

THE CRAFTON CAMP

Pattie Marie Thornton Crafton became a Golden Grad this year when she celebrated the 50th anniversary of her graduation from the University of Tennessee at Knoxville.

Her son, Nick, received the President's Award from the Tennessee Wildlife Federation in Nashville for his service and support of natural resource conservation.

Nick's brother, Joe, restored a large map of Haywood County from 1877 that had been stashed in the attic rafters of the family home in Stanton for almost 100 years. Thirty years ago, Joe Sr. saved it by placing it in a blueprint tube. The map, which is being restored, clearly shows the landowners' names and properties as they were in 1877. It will be available for viewing at Camp Meeting and Joe Jr. will take orders for professional copies. Proceeds will benefit the Stanton Preservation Trust.

You also may view parts of the map and place orders at www.craftonhome.com.

Joe Jr. and Wendy's son, Reeves, plays basketball, flag football, tennis and baseball. David plays trumpet, tennis and soccer. Both boys attended Pine Cove summer camp. Their brother, James, plays tennis and attended Boy Scout camp. All three boys are involved in scouts. Wendy served as president of the elementary school PTA last year, and Joe will be the Dad's Club president this school year. Joe and some friends have started the Park Cities Quail Unlimited chapter. The family joined Wendy's family for a vacation at a ranch in Moose, WY, and they went snow skiing in Colorado.

Joe's brother, Gene, is chairman of the administrative board at Oxford University UMC and his wife, Angie, attended her 20th class reunion in Vicksburg last month. Gene's brother, Hugh, is renovating another house in Stanton.

THE CURRIE-LANE CAMP

Corrinne Lane took a break from her garden design business to travel in Greece and Turkey for two weeks this spring.

Her daughter, Dorothy Lane McClure, recently began a job as marketing director for explorefaith.org, a non-profit, ecumenical website that promotes inquiry and answers questions about Christian spiritual growth and faith formation.

Her husband, John, is a manager with Hicks Convention Services and continues to operate Happy Trees, his live foliage and tropical plant rental company. He also plays jazz bass and guitar for private parties and at church.

Their daughter, Corrinne, will begin fifth grade at Grace-St. Luke's School this fall, where she plays soccer and basketball. She was awarded a vocal scholarship to attend the Presbyterian Worship & Music Conference in Montreat, NC, this summer, and spent two weeks at Camp Skyline in Mentone, AL.

Jim and Linda Lane, along with children Berkley, 8, and Hunter, 6, of Murrells Inlet, SC spent their spring break in Staniel Cay, Exuma, Bahamas, where they enjoyed boating, snorkeling, petting sharks and exploring the area. Berkley, a rising third grader, enjoys dance and gymnastics and attended Camp Seafarer for a week in North Carolina. Hunter, a rising first grader who enjoys tennis and golf, spent a week at neighboring Camp Sea Gull. Jim runs Saratoga Construction, his custom home building company. Linda began a job with a small marketing firm and works from home. She also plays in a women's tennis league.

Martin Lane wrapped up shooting *Black Snake Moan* (with Samuel Jackson and Christina Ricci,) his first feature film as location manager. The film, set in a small southern town, was filmed partially in Stanton, TN and will be released in September. Other projects of note include work as location manager on *Southern Comfort*, a TV Pilot for Fox, and a commercial shoot for Krystal Restaurants. He will be working this fall on a dream job as *Sports Illustrated* is coming to Memphis to shoot a segment for its annual Swimsuit edition. His daughter, Anna Currie Lane, who will be entering the eighth grade, continued her thespian career, playing "Puck" in Hutchison School's performance of *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. An accomplished tennis player, Anna embarked on a whirlwind travel tour this summer including trips to Florida, Colorado and Costa Rica sandwiched around a month-long stay at Camp Seafarer.

Rick and Sally Currie continue to enjoy their granddaughter, Evie, the daughter of Elizabeth and Daniel Currie-Smith, who turned one on June 9. Their son, Richard, is still making music in the Kingsport area.

THE HAMILTON CAMP

Lyde Davis Hamilton is in great health and spent spring break in Hernando, FL, with her brother, Jerry.

Her daughter, Dianne, and her husband, Gordon Pfund, are enjoying retirement. Dianne's son, Wil, is bar manager at McEwens restaurant in Memphis. His brother, Jim, continues to run Ninth Wave, the high-tech home theater company he opened last year.

Dianne's sister, Linda, married Ted Butler in February. Her daughter, Leigh-Taylor, became engaged to Brad Harmon last fall and is planning a Sept. 30 wedding in Brownsville. She's been with Quiznos for three years and was promoted to corporate trainer in May. They recently bought their first house in Arvada, CO.

THE HARMON CAMP

Ruth Taylor Thornton Harmon, the camp's matriarch, has slowed down this year after several falls, but she's still able to keep up with the latest news in Brownsville via telephone.

The Harmon family suffered a tragic loss last fall when Ronnie Lewis, husband of Ruthie Harmon Lewis, died suddenly of heart failure on Nov. 19. He was 39.

Ruthie continues to work as a teacher's assistant at Anderson Early Childhood Center and does catering occasionally at Backyard BBQ. Tamera, 18, graduated from Haywood High School in May. An honor student, she will be taking her CNA exam in July and will attend Jackson State in the fall to major in nursing. Ruthie's son, Harmon, 14, likes fishing and mini-tractor pulling. He'll attend Crockett Christian School this fall. His sister, Katie, 11, is an honor student and received the Citizenship Award for her class this year. In January, the family attended the Southern Invitational Tractor/Truck Pull in Murfreesboro and went to the lake in Loudon, TN, for a week's vacation in the summer.

Mike Parker, husband of the late Becky Harmon Parker, is delivering RVs across the U.S. for Tiffin Motor Homes. His daughter, LeeAnna Parker Green, and her husband, Michael, live in Jackson. Michael traveled with Mike Parker to San Francisco during an RV trip. Michael's daughter, Ashley, a fifth grader, joined her grandfather on a trip to Albuquerque, NM. Ashley was a top reader in her school this year.

Her younger sister, Rebecca, 4, will begin preschool in the fall.

LeeAnna's sister, Molly, works at Anderson Early Childhood Center in Brownsville as the Project B.A. S.I.C. coordinator.

Patricia Harmon Herron, Ruth's daughter, and her husband, Gaylon, are getting ready for Gaylon's pancreas transplant, which should come sometime after August when his two-month workup is completed. Your prayers have strengthened him through kidney transplant and heart bypass surgery. Their daughter, Emily, graduated from Haywood High School in May and is pursuing a career in nursing. Her sister, Maggie Anne, a sixth grader, went to New York in May with her school's Beta Club. She also made Dixie Girls All-Stars.

Elizabeth Kendrick, daughter of Jay and Libby Harmon Kendrick and Ruth Harmon's granddaughter, graduated in May from Jackson Christian High School. She plans to attend the University of Tennessee at Martin this fall majoring in mechanical engineering. Her sister, Laura, completed eighth grade at JCS, playing middle and high school softball. She enjoyed a class trip to Chicago in April. Elizabeth and Laura spent two weeks this summer in St. Petersburg, FL, with Jay's parents, where they also spent a day with Philip Price. They'll travel to California at the close of Camp Meeting to spend a week with Kelsey and Hannah Tubbs, daughters of Dan and Bucket Tubbs of the Edmond Taylor camp.

Dede Harmon Kendrick and her husband, Kenny, welcomed their first child, William Alan Kendrick, born Feb. 6. He'll be called Will. Kenny is home now after a year's deployment in Iraq.

THE HURLEY-YOUNG CAMP

Dorothy Mann Hedgepeth, daughter of Bradford and Linda Hurley Mann and granddaughter of Myra Jo Thornton Hurley, graduated summa cum laude in May from Belmont University with a doctorate in occupational therapy. She will join Vanderbilt Stallworth Rehabilitation Center in Nashville.

Macon James Keathley, son of Alan and Leslie Presley Keathley and grandson of Jim and Sue Hurley Keathley, was born Aug. 16, 2005. He's the great-grandson of Myra Jo Thornton Hurley.

Anna Claire Thweatt, daughter of Donnie and Amy Martinez Thweatt and granddaughter of Rick and Nan Hurley Downing, was born Jan. 30, 2006. She is the great-granddaughter of Myra Jo Thornton Hurley.

Nan's daughter, Suzanna Martinez, began building a home on Ross Road near the campground in May.

Jim Young, son of Lois Thornton Young, is running his computer consulting firm, SOS-Systems, and volunteering with Memphis in May, the Tennessee Funfest, the Tunica RiverGate BBQ Festival and the St. Jude Golf Classic. He's also teaching spin classes at the Bartlett Rec Center or traversing the country roads on his touring bike. His wife, Hilda, continues her web mastering and marketing activities at Informa Economics, Inc. She also maintains web sites for the family church, St. Paul UMC in Lakeland, and the West Tennessee School Band and Orchestra Association. Their daughter, Hanna, graduated with honors from Cordova High School in the top 4 percent of the class with a 4.4 GPA. She will attend Auburn University this fall on scholarship, where she will major in Animal Science/Pre-Vet and will perform in the Auburn Symphonic Band.

THE ALSEY JOHNSON CAMP

The Johnson family is mourning the loss of Lori Johnson, wife of Johnny Johnson, who died of ovarian cancer on June 2. She was 41. She and Johnny, son of Dr. Sue and the late Alsey Johnson, have a daughter, Anna Claiborne, and a son, Luke.

THE JACK JOHNSON CAMP

John and Linda Johnson, Jim and Beth Johnson, and Ed and Capp Saunders are all enjoying their retirement. The Croffords are spending the summer in London.

THE McCONNICO CAMP

Nancy Mann McConnico, daughter of Jack and Polly McConnico, died Jan. 18, 2006, after a 15-month battle with ovarian cancer. Her children, Denise Taylor and Dean Carlton DuBois Jr., lost their father, Dean Carlton DuBois Sr., two months later in Columbia, SC.

Dean is an architect in Washington, DC, though he escapes to Florida and the Caribbean for projects he's working on, including the new training facility and corporate offices for the Tampa Bay Buccaneers. Partner Bart Hudson is executive director of Florida House. Located on Capitol Hill in Washington, DC, it is the nation's only state embassy. He accompanied Columba Bush, Florida House's chairwoman, to Mexico in June.

John and Tina McConnico are living in the San Francisco Bay area, where John has been senior art director at Nimblefish, a multimedia ad agency, for nearly six years. Tina accepted a new job this year as a senior designer for Old Navy, working out of Gap, Inc. headquarters in San Francisco. They enjoy taking short day trips around California.

Denise is working at Grace-St. Luke Episcopal School (GSL) in Memphis. Her book, A Parents' Guide to Memphis, has sold "in the tens." She recently returned from a 13-day trip to Europe, where she helped chaperone 20 middle-school students around Italy and Greece. Her husband, Sledge, returned to the Appalachian Trail this year for another week of trekking through the hinterlands. He's also a member of the Memphis Runners Club. Their son, Will, 14, graduated from eighth grade at GSL. He was class salutatorian and won the school's top honors in Latin and history. He also helped tie the school record in the 4-by-4 track relay. His brother, David, 24, moved back home after two years in Idaho. He is now working on the farm for his dad and is an avid body builder. Andrew, 21, transferred to Ole Miss recently. For spring break, he spent nearly two weeks in Japan visiting his girlfriend, Margo, who was there for a semester.

Carole Jean and John Davis McConnico III have recently returned from France, where they visited John's brother, Hilton. John still enjoys sailing while Carole Jean volunteers at the historic Christ Church, near their Virginia home. They added another grandchild this year for a total of 12.

Davis travels weekly for his job in sales. He's still recovering from the recent hurricanes that pounded his home in Pensacola. His daughter, Autumn Lee, 14, is an honor student who loves reading and Broadway musicals. She and fellow classmates took a trip to New York City this year to see "Phantom of the Opera." Her brothers, Jack, 13, and Benjamin, 10, both excel in baseball and swimming.

Rob, husband of the late Mary Mann, is a great hands-on dad, with his sons, Davis, 10, and Robert Taylor, 12. Both are active in sports and are very good students.

Hilton McConnico lives in Bagnolet, France, a suburb of Paris, where he designs for companies like Hermes, Daum Crystal and Marshall Field's.

THE SCHOTTELKOTTE CAMP

Jennifer Lynne Tremaine, daughter of Lynne Schottelkotte Tremaine and granddaughter of the late Frank and Sarah Chapman Schottelkotte, married Matthew Luedeke on Sept. 4, 2005, in Centerville, OH. Jennifer is a nail technician and Matt works for MetLife Insurance.

They'd planned a cruise for their honeymoon, but it was canceled the day before the wedding so the ship could be used for disaster relief in New Orleans. Instead, they went to Las Vegas, staying in a timeshare owned by their maid-of-honor's father.

Jennifer's sister, Sarah, finished her second year at Ohio University, where she's studying microbiology. She's considering veterinary school after graduation. Sarah was inducted into the school's honor society and is taking additional classes this summer.

Suzie Schottelkotte and her husband, Al Smith, are collaborating with law enforcement on a cold case team that calls attention to unsolved murders. Suzie, a reporter with The Ledger in Lakeland, FL, is writing news stories on the cases and Al, a private investigator, manages the www.coldcaseteam.com website.

Their son, Taylor, 19, is pursuing a degree in engineering on scholarship and his sister, Lauren, 16, landed her first job this summer in the child support division of the State Attorney's Office. She also got her first car—a restored 1971 Cutlass Supreme.

THE SHARPE CAMP

Andrew Tims, son of Mary Lewis Tims and grandson of John and Carolyn Sharpe, has a summer job, is going on a mission trip with his church and is participating in several basketball camps. His brother, Samuel, also is involved in basketball camps. Samuel and his brother, Matthew, visited Chattanooga, where they visited the aquarium and attended a baseball game. Matthew and his sister, Mary Randall, participated in Vacation Bible School.

Whenever they have a free weekend, the entire Sharpe family, including John and Carolyn, enjoy going to Pickwick Lake.

Mary Claiborne Sharpe, daughter of Mary Ann and John Sharpe Jr. and granddaughter of John and Carolyn Sharpe, is taking tennis lessons and participating in Vacation Bible School. Her sister, Sadie McConnico, also is in Vacation Bible School, taking swimming lessons and was chosen to participate in Camp Invention this summer. Both girls and their cousin, Mary Randall Tims, daughter of Mary Lewis Sharpe Tims, just returned from a trip to St Louis, including visits to Six Flags and the Water Park. Mary Claiborne and Mary Randall also went to Lakeshore summer camp,

Ginger and Ben Sharpe live in Snoqualmie, WA with their two children, Benjamin, 2, and Atlee, 5. Both children have been in Spanish immersion preschools, and Atlee will start kindergarten this fall. Ginger's dental practice continues to grow and Ben recently joined a startup company in Seattle called Biego that develops web-based applications.

Dicky and Beth Sharpe Meena live in Collierville with children Shea, 5, Emily, 3, and Jake, 1. Dicky is traveling more to Nashville and Florida to manage construction projects for Montgomery Martin. Beth and the girls took a great trip with Martha to Disney World this spring.

Joe and Elizabeth Gallina Sharpe live in Nashville with their three children, where Joe continues his work in psychiatry. He joined a new medical group, Heritage Medical Associates, in June. Sophie, 5, and McConnico, 3, have been taking swimming lessons while Alexander, 1, watches from the sidelines.

Roy and Martha Sharpe White are spending their time in Destin FL, Memphis and Jackson. They cruised to Nova Scotia and Eastern Canada this year, and Martha will travel to Nicaragua in the fall for missions in Child Evangelism.

Susan Sharpe serves as senior pastor at Forest Heights United Methodist Church in Jackson. She has been reappointed to that church for a seventh year. Susan was selected to teach preaching and worship at Memphis Theological Seminary from January through May. Most of her students were in their final semester in seminary.

Susan was among 20 pastors selected internationally by Candler School of Theology at Emory University for a 13-month educational experience called "The Institute for Preaching and Pastoral Renewal." They traveled to the Holy Land for two weeks in April, and Susan said the experience was life-changing. She also enjoys walking, reading and painting.

THE SHAW CAMP

Lynn & Mary Ann Bond Shaw are attending the Military Order of Stars & Bars Convention in Mobile in July.

Jim and Bess Shaw Adkins' son, Tom, is planning to build a home on Fripp Island, GA. His wife, Jan, will retire from teaching in one year.

Jerry and Helen Bond Shelly are spending two weeks in Ireland. Helen's daughter, Elizabeth, has received a full academic scholarship to Vanderbilt University.

Beth Shaw Newman, daughter of Battle and Helen Jane Shaw, received her Ed.S. degree in educational psychology from the University of Memphis and is working on her doctorate.

Jane Shaw spent her summer vacation in Gatlinburg.

Ted Lloyd, son of Bill and Chloe Shaw Lloyd, married his new wife, Andrea, on the beach in Destin FL, on May 27, 2006. His brother, Bob, became engaged to Beth Newcomb from Memphis.

Bate Bond, son of the late John Bate and Barbara Bond, plans to marry Karley Timbes on July 29 in Jackson. Bate graduated from Middle Tennessee State University in Murfreesboro in May with a degree in industrial engineering.

THE SORRELLE CAMP

Bradford Maher Williams, along with Jean Brand and mother-in-law and business partner Gail Carver, catered a private gathering at Graceland in Memphis that included Oprah Winfrey and Lisa Marie Presley. They were given full access to Elvis' kitchen.

Bradford's husband, Bradley, works for Swift Transportation. Their son, Benjamin, will begin the second grade at Richland Elementary in Memphis. He plays basketball, T-ball and golf. Elizabeth Allen will begin junior kindergarten at Lord of Life Lutheran Church where Bradford will teach pre-kindergarten in the fall.

Patrick Maher is maintaining his mother's farm in Brownsville while working for Kelso Custom Woodworks. Woodson Maher is business development manager for Imagin in Nashville.

THE EDMOND TAYLOR CAMP

Aileen Taylor Smith, daughter of the late Edmond and Averil Taylor, enjoyed a cruise from Vancouver to Alaska last September. She continues to act in commercials and is a volunteer with Story Tellers of Toronto and the Heritage Society.

Gail and David Smith, son of Aileen Taylor Smith, live in Cincinnati. Their daughter, Christine, 14, graduated from eighth grade, where she studied piano and voice. Her brother, David II, 11, recently attended a two-week All-Star soccer camp.

David's sister, Averil King, lives in Toronto with her husband, Dave, where they are active in choral music. Averil continues her career in menswear. Their son, Daniel, 16, was awarded a scholarship to fly glider planes in a six-week summer program with the Royal Canadian Air Cadets and has been selected to be the squadron band major in the fall. He also has been accepted to an advanced science program allowing him to complete his 12th grade high school credits at the Ontario Science Centre. His brother, Kevin, 13, completed seventh grade and continues his schooling in French. He is also in Air Cadets, participates in the Air Cadet band and will be attending their basic training camp this summer. He recently completed music camp, where he played the saxophone.

Averil's sister, Joannah Lawson, and her husband, Brian, live in Toronto with their children Tristan, 7, Alexander, 5, and Gillian, 2. They took the boys skiing in Big White, British Columbia this year. Joannah took Alexander to Manhattan this May, where they stayed with Brian's cousins and explored the Central Park Zoo and the Museum of Natural History. Tristan is involved with chess club, skating and tennis. Alexander participates in gymnastics and tennis.

David Taylor, son of Margaret and the late David Eugene Taylor and nephew of Aileen Smith, along with his wife, Judith, and sons Duncan, 17, and Mac, 13, left New Orleans just before Hurricane Katrina hit. They found refuge in Nashville with Judith's parents until November.

Their home had not been flooded or looted, so they felt very fortunate. However, the two boys' schools are located downtown and were ruined. They were sharing facilities with schools in Jefferson Parish, where they live, so it seemed safe to return. Mac returned to his school, but Duncan elected to return to Nashville to finish his junior year in high school. He enjoyed a spring break trip to California, where he and Margaret visited the Cavena and the Tubbs families while they looked at colleges.

David's brother, Richard Taylor, and his wife, Lara Bess, continue work on the Taylor family homestead, New Hope, near Tabernacle. They've finished rebuilding the windows, the exterior siding and the interior drywall. Lara Bess teaches Sunday school, scrapbooks with friends and attends women's Bible study. Their children attend Trinity Christian Academy in Jackson. Their son, Jackson, 13, played middle school football, basketball and golf. He was chosen to participate in the Duke University Scholarship Program this year. Will A., 7, broke his arm in April, but still managed to play baseball and continue his piano lessons. Younger brother Jed, 5, will begin kindergarten in the fall and enjoyed playing soccer this year.

Richard's sister, Susannah Lipinski, and husband, Matt, continue to restore their hundred-plus-year-old farmhouse. Mila, 7, completed first grade while participating in ballet and soccer. Szczesny, 5, finished preschool and had fun in ballet, ice skating and gymnastics. Susannah taught quilting classes, demonstrating how to make pictures into quilts. Matt works for Cummins in Columbus, IN.

Mary Cavena's longtime friend and traveling companion, Dudley Lee, died this year at 96 following a short illness. This spring, Mary visited Mexico and the Copper Canyon country.

Carol and Dave Cavena, Mary's son, completed a large remodel and addition to their home. Their son, Chuck, 15, finished his sophomore year in the honor society while enjoying soccer and baseball. His brother, Bill, 10, also is playing baseball and made the All-Star team while finding time for the cello. Mary, 8, enjoys volleyball and soccer, riding horses and playing piano.

Dan and Bucket Cavena Tubbs are welcoming Austin, 20, back from his last year in Hawaii. He'll enter a selective upper division Music/Music Industry degree program at California State University at Northridge, near Los Angeles, this fall. Kelsey, 18, was homecoming queen for her high school and a finalist in the California Homecoming Queen competition. She participated in varsity water polo and played flute. She will be a freshman at California State University at Sonoma, in Napa-Sonoma, in the fall. Hannah, 15, finished her freshman year with honors, joining her sister in water polo and band while still finding time for acting.

Blaine Cavena is still with IBM and will be back to Camp Meeting with all his cameras. He spends his spare time backpacking in the mountains.

THE EDWIN TAYLOR CAMP

George Gaskins, husband of Celene Hughes Gaskins and son-in-law of Matilda Taylor Hughes, died on Jan. 18, 2006, after heart surgery.

Matilda Hughes is living at the Wesley Fountain assisted-living center in Milan. Three campers graduated from high school this year: Anthony Wade, Kristin Taylor Fowler and Amanda Wright, and Victoria Hughes graduated from the University of Tennessee at Martin. Kristin plans to attend the University of Northern Alabama to major in pharmacy. She performed with her high school band this year at Carnegie Hall in New York City.

Summer Lyons, daughter of Donny and Cindy Lyons and granddaughter of Ernestine Hughes Gray, received special honors this year in basketball and music and is a member of the National Junior Beta Club. Donny recently painted "The Dyer Eagles" on the gymnasium floor at Summer's school.

Amber Lyons, wife of Bill Lyons II, traveled with her church in Florence, AL, to assist with the Hurricane Katrina disaster aid. A registered nurse, Amber provided health care to those hurt in the storm.

THE BILL THORNTON CAMP

Bill is residing at Sunnyvale Manor in Brownsville and hopes to make it out to the campground during the week. His wife, Anne, is enjoying her time at home on Tabernacle Road.

Perk, Bill and Anne's son, continues in his small animal practice and Bettye, his wife, teaches at Cumberland County High School. They attended his 35th class reunion at Auburn in the spring of this year. They both are teaching the preschool Sunday school class at church.

They welcomed a granddaughter to the fold this year. Hayden Grace Parks, daughter of James and Genia Thornton Parks, was born Oct. 19, 2005.

Genia and James are pastoring at the United Methodist Church in Williamsburg, Iowa. They also have a son, Jamison, who's 2 ½.

Genia's brother, Edward, and his wife, Kristy, celebrated their anniversary scuba diving in Jamaica in May. They live in Nashville with their son, Will, who's 18 months old.

Jack and Elaine Thornton Lee, Bill and Anne's daughter, returned from 12 days in Maui, compliments of their company. They, too, welcomed a grandchild this year when Jason and Laura Head gave birth to Jordan Vee Head on Nov. 30, 2005. Grandma was present at his arrival, too! Jack also has a new granddaughter, giving them seven grandchildren. They've spent most of their leisure time at their mountain cabin in Canyon Creek, MT. They are beginning their fifth year managing Hunters Pointe Retirement Residence in Helena, MT.

Laura and Jason Head live in Las Vegas, where Laura is a registered nurse in the ICU and Open Heart Unit. Jason is staying home with Jordan.

Chad and Margaret Harrison, Elaine's daughter, live in Danville, CA, with their son, Drew, 4, and daughter, Taylor, 1. Chad works for Verizon Business and Margaret is working part-time at the children's swim school.

THE GEORGE AND JOE THORNTON CAMP

Charleen and Mack Thornton, son of the late George and Virginia Thornton, spent the fall helping Charleen's family recover from Hurricane Katrina in Biloxi and Lumberton, MS. They all survived the Aug. 29 storm and are building life again. One of the tragedies this year was the passing of Charleen's father, Gordon Meers, on May 7.

Mack had back surgery in April to repair a ruptured disc, but he's recovering well. He plans to pick up his adventures with Lewis & Clark, which he forfeited in 2005 because of the hurricane in August. His family hopes he gets to "meet them in St. Louis" in September for the finale.

Their son, Trey, completed his second year with the Barrett Banking School in Collierville. His brother, Alex, returned to college at the University of Central Arkansas in Conway, AR, in January.

Mack's sister, Janet Thornton Lee, is doing contract work for Xerox, substitute teaching and enjoying her three granddaughters. Moon Lake is still her favorite place to relax.

Her son, Stephen Lee, Jr., and his wife, Ashlie, celebrated their sixth wedding anniversary. Stephen is a sales executive with Xerox and Ashlie is a tradeshow coordinator with Smith & Nephew Orthopaedics. Their daughter, Jordan Taylor, 3, will begin pre-kindergarten at Woodland Presbyterian School in August. They visited the lake in Lula, MS as much as possible this year, along with a lake house owned by Ashlie's family at Reynolds Plantation near Atlanta.

Suzanne and Jeff celebrated their first anniversary in April. They're living in Memphis, but plan to relocate to Nashville in the next few months. They traveled to Amsterdam and London in the summer, and took a skiing trip to Lake Tahoe in February with some college friends. They spent Christmas at Uncle Bob Thornton's home in Knoxville. Suzanne is employed with Johnson & Johnson in their oncology breast care division and was honored as the North American sales representative of the year. The honor included a trip to Bermuda in June.

Jeff works for Automatic Data Processing as a sales director in the Memphis office and will make the transition with ADP to their new home in Nashville.

David Thornton Lee, Janet's son, his wife, Emilie, and daughters, Hayden and Caroline, live in Collierville TN., where David works for Ethicon Endo Surgery, a division of Johnson & Johnson. Emilie is involved with monogramming and appliquéing.

Hayden, 5, is moving from St. George's School to Woodland Presbyterian Day School, where she will be in senior kindergarten. She has enjoyed ballet and soccer this year. Caroline, 2, attended Mother's Day Out at St. George's this year. The family enjoys their new place and boat at Moon Lake.

Carolyn and Cole Thornton, son of the late Joe and Lucy Thornton, are scheduled to move into their new home this month. They have built in The Bluffs, a golfing community about 30 miles north of Baton Rouge in the St. Francisville community.

Cole and Carolyn's daughter, Cydnie Thornton Randow, is living in Charleston, SC, with her husband, Ben, and sons, Ben Jr., 5, and Jack, 17 months. Ben Jr. played soccer for the first time this spring and will start kindergarten in the fall at a magnet school for the arts. The Randows are spending much of their summer at the beach. Ben Sr. is Chef de Cuisine of The Jasmine Porch restaurant at The Sanctuary Hotel on Kiawah Island and is starting work on a cookbook. He's been with Kiawah Island Resort for eight years.

Last October, Cole, Jr. accepted a manager's position in property management with Kiawah Island Golf Resort, near Charleston. His son, Cole III, 4, is involved with play school and swimming. His sister, Brittany, 12, had a good school year and was a standout on the volleyball team. They enjoyed a great Easter week vacation with the whole family at Kiawah.

Jeff and Sarah Thornton Jenks, daughter of Joe and Becky Thornton, are living in Memphis with their daughter Maddie, 5, and son, Will, 2. Maddie took art lessons this year, played soccer and will be in senior kindergarten this fall. Will had surgery in May and has been in high leg casts this summer, but is doing well.

Sarah's brother, Richard, and his wife, Stephanie, are moving to Athens, GA., where Richard has accepted a position as the dean of academics for grades 7-12 at Athens Academy.

This year marks Joe Thornton's 25th anniversary as minister of Lester's Chapel United Methodist Church. His wife, Becky, has retired as librarian at Haywood High School.

Bob Thornton, son of the late George and Virginia Thornton, is still making a living selling and developing industrial real estate in East Tennessee. Donna, Bob's wife, has retired from teaching and spends her spare time gardening.

Bob's daughter, Cameron, 13, will be in the eighth grade at Farragut Middle School, where she played soccer and made the dance team. Her sister, Payton, 10, will be in the fifth grade at Farragut Intermediate School, where she made the Impact Soccer Team. The family enjoyed a cruise with the Lees family during spring break.

Donna's son, Joseph, 22, will graduate from UT in December with a major in history and a minor in political science. Her daughter, Elizabeth, 21, completed her third year at Pellissippi State where she is majoring in elementary education. She traveled to Australia this summer and now is working at the state Senate in Nashville. Caitlin, 17, will be a senior at Farragut High School, where she was homecoming princess and prom princess for the junior class. She traveled to Colorado this summer with Young Life.

THE GUILFORD THORNTON CAMP

Ann Thornton, widow of the late Guilford Thornton, is enjoying her circle of friends in Nashville. Her son, Gif, and his wife, Anna, live nearby with their four children. Anna Russell, 12, graduated from the sixth grade and played Dorothy in her school's production of *The Wizard of Oz*. Richard, 10, plays basketball and baseball, and Cole, 8, enjoys painting, nature-hiking and critter-collecting. Little John, 4, is coming into his own and loves to talk all about it.

Larry and Lee Ann Thornton Tilley live in Durham, NC. Their daughter, Ann, attends the Savannah College of Art and Design, and her brother, Laurence, is coaching high school and college-level lacrosse in Knoxville, where he is taking summer school classes.

Susan Thornton of Brentwood continues to line up interesting construction projects – including work on the historic Belmont Mansion - and spends many volunteer hours at the Harpeth Hall School and Brentwood Methodist Church. Ask her about her trip to Russia.

THE JOHN CLAIBORNE THORNTON CAMP

John Claiborne Thornton III is traveling nationwide with his environmental engineering work. He also serves as president of the Tennessee Home Education Association (THEA.) Lana, his wife of 33 years, loves home schooling Trevor and her volunteer work.

Christina moved from DC to San Antonio in January, where she's a political consultant in multiple elections. She ran in the Marine 30th Annual Marathon thru DC, around the monuments, to honor her cousin Joel, who was serving with the Marines in Iraq. She finished in 4 1/2 hours.

John IV lives in Nashville, works with NetStreet, an insurance brokerage firm, and coaches high school soccer. He also heads his own company, Golden Concepts. He's made two trips to Colorado, where he climbed a 14er and spent the night on the mountain.

Trevor, as a ninth grader, worked on academics, competed in debate, participated in speech and soccer, served as vice president of a civics club called Generation Joshua, but mostly intensified his music studies, continuing piano, violin and adding viola.

THE MARION THORNTON CAMP

The Marion Thornton camp expanded this year with four new rooms behind the original camp.

Linda Farmer continues to work at the Glankler Brown law firm in Memphis. She spent Mother's Day this year in Alexandria, VA with her son, Michael, and his family.

Michael and Suzanne Nicholas are adding on to their home in Alexandria, VA to accommodate the arrival of their third child in mid October. Lane Nicholas, 3, finished her first year of preschool. Her brother, William, is 1. Michael continues to work at The Bond Market Association in Washington, DC.

Elizabeth Nicholas Pinckernell is selling real estate in Memphis. Her daughter, Bailey, is going into the fifth grade at Hutchison School. She plays tennis and piano, and participates in theater. Her Destination Imagination team won first place at the state tournament and went on to the Global Tournament in May, where they finished ninth out of 58 teams. Her sister, Mary Lane, will be in third grade this fall at Hutchison School. She plays tennis and the guitar and enjoys theater, art, reading and swimming.

Susan and James Dennis took their boys, Thomas and Pearson, to Disney World for spring break this year. Thomas celebrated his seventh birthday having breakfast with Mickey, Donald, and Goofy. Susan continues to work from home for Kyphon. Last fall, James began working for Bank of Bartlett as a commercial credit analyst. Thomas will be in the second grade at Christ Methodist Day School in Memphis, where he plays basketball and soccer. Pearson finished preschool at Lord of Life Lutheran Church and will begin junior kindergarten in the Fall at Christ Methodist Day School. He enjoys playing soccer.

Chris Nicholas took a job in August as financial service representative for First Tennessee Bank in Memphis. He's training for the 2007 Memphis in May triathlon. His brother, Michael, will be competing with him. Chris also has convinced his brother-in-law, James Dennis, to compete with them.

THE NICK THORNTON CAMP

Jerilyn continues to enjoy her work as a junior high librarian. The highlight of her year was a Disney Cruise in February with son Matthew and Kristen and their three oldest children. The trip was a gift from Kristen's mother, who also went on the cruise.

Kristen lost her father, Tom Murray, in August due to complications from his bone marrow transplant. They were grateful he lived long enough to see their fourth child, Thomas, his namesake. Their son, Travis, 7, played T-ball and will be in first grade this fall. Hayden, 5, is in ballet and is taking swimming lessons this summer. Sydney, 3, is fun-loving, and Thomas, 1, is crawling and starting to stand.

Matthew is practicing estate law in Memphis. Kristen had successful minor leg surgery on her varicose veins and is biking with the her family. Matthew and Kristen celebrated their 14th anniversary in March.

Nick IV has become a partner in his medical group and practices at The Emory Family Clinic in Powell, north of Knoxville. Kristin is a pharmacist at Children's Hospital. They are both very active in their church.

Daniel works with Southwest Electric and obtained his real-estate license last year. He's also joined the Army National Guard and continues his labor of love—the renovation of the Thornton Homeplace.

Robert Earl and Betsy Thornton celebrated 40 years of marriage last September. Betsy's mom, Margaret Mann, celebrated her 94th birthday.

Their son, Carl, and his wife, Lee Ann, run a farm in Brownsville. Their son, Sam, 5, finished kindergarten this year and participated in T-ball and swimming lessons. Annie will be 2 in August.

Carl's sister, Blanche, and her husband, John King, traveled to California in January, where John attended the National Cotton Council meeting in San Diego. Blanche and the children, Robert Allen and Taylor Ann, visited Disneyland and the San Diego Zoo.

Robert Thornton works with his brother, Carl, on the farm. He took a skiing trip to Colorado with Mississippi State friends in the spring.

Thomas Thornton Napier Hathcock was born June 14, 2006, to Richard and Stephanie Hathcock. He's the grandson of Ginger Thornton Hathcock. His great-grandparents are the late Nick and Pattie Fletcher Thornton.

Tracy Elizabeth Hathcock, daughter of Ginger Thornton Hathcock, married Jason Moore Hale on Nov. 5, 2005, in Jackson.

THE TURNER-LANE CAMP

Mary Lou Turner Lane continues to enjoy living on Mt. Nebo and working in the Dardanelle, AR, school district as the Alternative Learning Environment teacher.

Tripp and Linda Lane have almost completed their dream home on Mt. Nebo and hope to move in this summer. Tripp has started a job as shop foreman of North Point Mazda/Volkswagen in Little Rock.

Taylor and Kristi Lane and their daughters, Frances, 4, and Louise, 2, moved from South Florida to Shelbyville, TN last fall. They purchased a small 50-acre horse ranch with an 8-stall barn in the Flat Creek area. The family currently has two Tennessee Walking Horse brood mares, both safe in foal to former World Grand Champions. They also have a newly born weanling stallion and a yearling filly.

Kristi is enjoying a new job as director of industry development for the Tennessee Walking Horse Breeders' and Exhibitors' Association. She's developing a long-term strategic plan for the breed and is traveling internationally to explore other major equine breeds. Taylor is still driving a tractor-trailer from coast to coast. He's learning how to take care of the new farm.

Eagle and Natalie Lane purchased another small farm in northern Haywood County with plans to grow cotton on it for a few years, and eventually build a home there. Eagle enjoyed a prairie dog hunting trip to Mobridge, SD, over Memorial Day weekend. He's also working to complete his private pilot's license.

Ned and Carol Turner enjoy spending spare moments at their cabin on Bear Creek in Marianna, AR.

Ned has been elected to the board of the homeowners association at Bear Creek. He's also on the board and is vice president of the Marianna Country Club. When they're in Memphis, they enjoy their seven grandchildren and continue to work at Carol's plant business.

Loring Turner Porter is teaching resource at Houston Middle School in Germantown, and she's taking Jazzercise. Her husband, Ethan, works for Pool Contractor's Supply. His newest endeavor is organizing and leading activities for the middle and high school youth at Bartlett United Methodist Church. Owen, Loring and Ethan's 6 ½-year-old son, will begin first grade at Farmington Elementary in Germantown. He had a great T-ball season with two home runs. He enjoys FasTracKids, an enrichment curriculum. Loring and Ethan's youngest son, Brady, is 3.

Nathan and Tricia Turner gave birth to their third daughter, Sarah Jones, on Feb. 16. Sisters Martha Eppes, 3, and Amelia, 1, welcomed her home.

Mike and Morgan Turner Curlee live in Germantown, TN, with their two children. Morgan teaches second grade at St. George's Independent School and Mike works in U.S. marketing at FedEx. Their son, Thomas, 3, has enjoyed swimming lessons this summer and is preparing to start PK-3 at St. George's this fall. His brother, Turner, is 1 ½.

THE LOUIS WALKER CAMP

Coleen Walker made a big move this year to Sugar Creek Retirement Center in Brownsville. Her friends at the First Presbyterian Church have made it a relatively easy transition.

Her daughter, Kate Walker, is a broker at The Cedars of Chapel Hill, NC.

Walter, Kate's brother, and his wife, Linda, still live in Orlando, where Walter is the executive director of Pareto Media. Their son, John, completed his freshman year at the University of North Florida in Jacksonville. His sister, Anna, and her husband, Jeff Wood, live in Birmingham, where Jeff is an environmental attorney with Balsh & Bingham. They have an 18-month-old son, Heath.

Jennie Walker Faletti and her husband, Jim, welcomed a daughter, Madalyn Rose, on Jan. 9. They have moved from Colorado Springs up the mountain to a new home in Woodland Park, CO.

THE WEDDINGTON CAMP

Kelly Weddington, daughter of Will Allen and Nancy Weddington, graduated from Union University in May with a degree in elementary education. She became engaged to Mike Young in March and they're planning an October 7 wedding. Mike owns Young's Construction Co., a commercial roofing business, and attends Mid-America Seminary in Memphis. They are very involved in inner city ministry in Memphis and foreign mission work.

Will Jr. attended Jackson State this year while continuing his work with a local farmer. His brother, Thomas, completed his freshman year at Union University and is transferring to Mississippi State in the fall.

Ryan, a high school freshman, and Cameron, a fifth grader, completed another year of home schooling. Ryan played basketball on the church league team and worked in construction with his grandfather this summer. Cameron played baseball this summer and his team placed first. Will Allen was head coach for his team and also will be coaching Cameron's All-Star team.

THE WILLIAMSON CAMP

David Williamson, son of Sandra and the late Read Williamson, and his wife, Jamilyn, welcomed a daughter, Margaret Alese, on April 18. She's the great-granddaughter of the late Lillie Read and Billy Williamson.

David's brother, Stephen, became engaged this year. Their mother, Sandra, lives in Nashville.

Roger and Nancy Williamson Pardo are living in Florida, but may be moving back to Memphis. Her daughter, Maggie, and her husband, Charles, have two children, Emily, 13, and Johnathan, 8.

Grant and Mary Williamson Alexander are looking forward to becoming grandparents in October when their son, Sam, and his wife, Charlotte, have their first child.

Mary's daughter, Hannah, and her husband, Charles McCall, are midway through a two-year mission trip to Santa Cruz, Bolivia. They left last August and have stayed in touch with Mary and Grant through plenty of emails.

James and Sarah Walton Hearn are moving to Florence, AL, where James will be a professor at the University of Northern Alabama and Sarah plans to begin nursing school.

Prayer list proposed

The Campground Children's Committee is considering the distribution of the children and young people in the family so interested campers can pray for the rising generation. Jerilyn Thornton and Robert Price are steering this effort. They anticipate that such a list could be acquired from the family genealogy. The list would be based on each child's birthday hopes that campers will pray for these young people at least on their birthdays.

Jerilyn said this proposal will be brought before the Business Meeting on Monday for approval. Anyone with questions or concerns should see Jerilyn or Robert during the week.

Taylor genealogy books can still be purchased

Volume III of "The Taylors of Tabernacle," published in 2004, is still available through the campground Historical Committee. The books are \$40 and can be purchased during Camp Meeting.

The first edition of "The Taylors of Tabernacle" was published in 1957, and those are no longer available. It was reprinted in 1985, but those are sold out as well. A second volume published in 1983, with updated genealogy, also is sold out.

Volume III is available through Joe and Becky Thornton.