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Upcoming events:

- 6/01-04 ARCS National Meeting, San Diego
- 6/08 Old Board/ New **Board Meeting**
- 9/14 Board Meeting
- 9/18 Fall Cocktail Party
- 10/19 Board Meeting
- TBD October Field Trip
- 11/17 Scholar's Luncheon Downtown Ritz Carlton
- 12/01 Board Meeting
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- 03/15 Board Meeting
- 04/27-30 Philadelphia Retreat

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ARCS Atlanta Welcomes Five New Members: Class of 2005

By Ginny Plummer ARCS Atlanta welcomes five new members to our chapter. (Note: sponsors' names are in parentheses.)
Sally Coith Boice



College and is married to William H. Boice, a partner in the law firm Kilpatrick Stockton. She chaired the Families First Dining for a Difference event and raised the most sponsorship dollars the event had ever received and also chaired the Atlanta Speech School Parent Teacher Organization. After attending last year's Scholar's Luncheon, unbeknownst to Debby Robbins, her host, Sally returned to her

to pledge their Christmas contribution monies to ARCS because she was so impressed with the organization. Her interests are historical renovations, science and sports, and the arts. Marie Brumley Foster (Ada Lee Correll, Gay Love) is the Director of the Zeist Foundation. She graduated from Vanderbilt with a BA in Education and received

running group and asked them







Class of 2005, left to right: (Top) Sally Boice, Marie Foster, Michelle Gandy; (Below) Randy Jones, Liz

her Masters from the University of Georgia. Her husband Brad is the President of the commercial real estate company New South Holdings. Marie is a legacy, daughter of Jean Stanback Brumley and is a Board member of Trinity School. She acted as an advisor to the Whitefoord Community Project. She developed the Pre-K program for the Project. Her other volunteer projects include the Speech School and the Atlanta Symphony. Her interests are education and philanthropy in Atlanta.



Michelle Gandy (Cheryl Dixon, Reg Bridges) is a registered nurse turned community volunteer. She graduated with a **Bachelors of Science** in Nursing from Tus-

kegee University. She is married to Dr. Winston Gandy, Ir., a cardiologist in the Atlanta Cardiology Group. Michelle is the past president of the Auxiliary to the Georgia State Medical Association, Past President of WINGS, (St. Joseph's Mercy Foundation), President of the Greater Atlanta Chapter of The Society, Vice President of the Lovett Middle School and Financial Secretary of Jack and Jill of America. She is on the Executive Committee of the American Heart Association and chaired the 2004 Woman to Woman Conference. She also serves on the boards of the Mercy Care Services and the Arthritis Foundation. Her interests are public relations, event management, publicity coordination and strategic planning. Celeta Randolph (Randy) Jones (K Maier, Lynne Land) was the creator of CHD Public Relations. She received a BA from Agnes Scott, and a MAT from Emory University. She has spent

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(Left) ARCS totes await members arriving in Highlands, North Carolina for the 2005 Spring Field Trip. See Photo Gallery on pages 4-5.

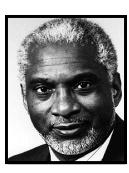
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Congratulations to Kay Weiss, named 2005 ARCS Light!



Greater San
Diego is the
sight for the
2005 ARCS
National
Annual Meeting
to be held
June 1-4.



Dr. David Satcher, Director of the National Center for Primary Care at the Morehouse School of Medicine

Member Spotlight: ARCS Light 2005 Kay Weiss

By Clare Whitfiield

I interviewed 2005 ARCS Light Kay Weiss in her home high up in the Park Place on Peachtree Condominium, surrounded by her collection of paintings. She pointed out two unusual paintings of her children, one in the dappled light of a forest, one in a casual family room setting. I learned that Kay has a fine arts degree from Georgia State University and has been a docent at the High Museum since

Kay grew up in Marietta, attending Marietta High School with Carol Teem's husband Martin. She met her husband Buddy on a blind date. She was employed in the finance division of Lockheed-Georgia at

She and Buddy, a C.P.A., were married and had two children, a son Charlie and a daughter Coco. Charlie is a fellow at Cambridge, teaching Ancient Greek and Latin, and is the father of a small son and daughter.

Coco is an investment banker in Nashville, except when she is taking time off for her two small children.

For 13 years Kay owned a travel agency just off the square in Marietta. In her capacity as a travel agent, she was helpful in the early days of ARCS, helping plan trips to Cape Kennedy for a space launch and to St. Mary's to visit a submarine base. Carol Teem sponsored Kay for membership in the Atlanta Chapter of ARCS in 1993, its second year. Since then Kay has served as Newsletter Editor, Recording Secretary and Vice President of University Relations.

Anyone who has read either her newsletters or her minutes knows that she tries to select the salient points and make them clear.

Her biggest job has been Vice President of University Relations. In this position, which she has held for two years, she meets with the department chairs of all the university departments in which we support ARCS scholars, to tell them how many scholars we can support and to make sure that they are selected on time. She prepares packets for each of the scholars and she works with the three members of her committee who are responsible for collecting data on each student and photographs for the Scholars' Luncheon program. She collaborates with the ARCS President and the Scholars' Luncheon Chair in planning the awards ceremony in which the scholars receive their ARCS medallions. Kay says, "I love this job because I work with faculty and students. It keeps me squarely in touch with the mission of our organization. It is a privilege to represent ARCS to our recipient universities." Chosen by prior ARCS Lights, Kay will represent our chapter at the Annual National ARCS meeting this June in Coronado,

California. Congratulations,

graduate Medical School and

Kay!

Dr. David Satcher to Address ARCS Scholars Luncheon

By Gracia Conn

At the annual Scholars Luncheon in November, we will be honored to have as our featured speaker, Dr. David Satcher, MD, PhD. Upon returning to Atlanta, after a 20 year hiatus, Dr. Satcher became the Director of the National Center for Primary Care at the Morehouse School of Medicine. Along with that position, he is currently acting as the school's Interim President. Dr. Satcher is best known to us as the Surgeon General of the United States from 1998 to 2002. His emphasis was that of public health awareness for all groups of people.

A native of Anniston, Alabama, Dr. Satcher graduated from Morehouse College in 1963 and received his MD and PhD from Case Western Reserve Medical School in Cleveland, Ohio, in 1970. He did his family practice residency training at Strong Memorial Hospital, University of Rochester, UCLA, and King-Drew Medical Center in Los Angeles. From 1979 to 1982 he was Professor and Chairman of the Department of Community Medicine and Family Practice at Morehouse School of Medicine. He has served as Interim Dean at the Charles R. Drew Post-

President of Meharry Medical College in Nashville. He was Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and Administrator of the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry prior to his appointment as Surgeon General. Many honorary degrees and distinguished honors have been awarded to him, including the limmy and Roslyn Carter Award for Humanitarian Contributions to the Health of Humankind from the National Foundation for Infectious Diseases.

From the President's Desk

As our year together comes to a close I look back and think of all we have accomplished and shared. Our fall cocktail party to introduce our new members was one of the biggest ever and our computer workshop was fully attended as well. We had 365 join us for our Scholars Luncheon which honored 44 scholars. They are a delightful group and their scholastic efforts in the sciences are to be applauded. We had wonderful sponsors for our scholars and our luncheon and we are grateful to you, our members, and our sponsors for helping us support so many fine young people. The future looks bright with all of their exciting re-

We had a record turnout for our CDC field trip and saw the many facets of this incredible organization that strives to keep us healthy around the world. We enjoyed our Highlands Field Trip and look forward to our May 18th Annual Luncheon. We will have the pleasure of hearing Shannon Stott, an ARCS scholar we have supported for five years and is to graduate this summer. The Development Committee has been hard at work to raise money for our scholars we wish to support next year.



Please keep in mind that we are all fund raisers when it comes to supporting the ARCS mission and, considering the budget cutbacks in Congress, we need to support science research more than ever. We have come full circle since the days of Sputnik when the founding members felt the United States was losing its competitive edge in the fields of science and technology. We, as a national organization, can make significant contributions to our nation's future by supporting our scholars. Speaking of our National presence, I have recently attended a National Board meeting in Phoenix. You will be interested to know that we had special "Signing Ceremony" for all the chapter presidents to sign the new Chapter Affiliation Agreement. This will streamline our relationship with National and

ease some of the requirements of reporting our every move. I think it is a very healthy step and hope you will all support the by law changes it requires that have been sent to you. At the National meeting we learned that our Hach scholarships have been renewed which is wonderful. We also learned that as of this year over 52 million has been raised by ARCS nationally and we have supported over 10,474 scholars since our inception in 1958. That is worth "tooting our horn" about to anyone we can capture in an elevator or elsewhere to tell our story. I cannot close without thanking the wonderful board I have had this year. When you step into a new job and find so much support it makes it all possible. Everyone has done a superb job and for that reason we are one of the very strong chapters in our national organization. We have a great story to tell and I hope you will continue to share it with others in our community. Have a wonderful summer and

Have a wonderful summer and come back renewed for a great fall.

Teed Poe President



Ada Lee Correll has been selected as a Woman of Achievement by the YWCA.

Special thanks to
Ginny Plummer
for chairing the
2005
Membership
Committee and
for collecting the
biographies for
the article on
page 1.

Highlands Field Trip April 29- May 1, 2005

Forty-eight ARCS members and spouses were treated to a fantastic weekend in the southern Appalachian Mountains "exploring the rain forest of the Highlands Plateau". The event was kicked off with a cocktail buffet at historic Highlands Country Club where a bagpiper greeted us with sounds of the hills. On Saturday we convened at the Performing Arts Center, where we heard

lectures by Dr. Robert Wyatt, Executive Director of the Highlands Biological Station and Dr. Randolph Shaffner, historian and owner of Cyrano's Book Shop. The group was particularly intrigued with Dr. Wyatt's description of the flora and fauna of the local rainforest environment, one of only two that exist in the United States. Our morning ended with a private tour of the American

Museum of Cut and Engraved Glass. After spending a leisurely afternoon, we retreated to the fabulous mountain home of Carol and Martin Teem for a final evening of fine dining and fellowship. And all this was preceded by a golf outing on Friday for a few! Many thanks to committee chairs Jan Bennett, Anne Boyd and Betty Feezor for their excellent organizational efforts.



Sue and John Wieland were recently honored for their many contributions to Families First.

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Faces in Highlands • Faces in Highlands Faces in Highlands Faces in Highlands • Faces in Highlands Faces in Highlands • Faces in Highlands



Madeline Adams



Paula Bevington



Aileen Hatcher



Eileen Christman



Kitty Hawks



Jane Dolinger



Marcia Donnell

• April 29-May 1, 2005 • Field Trip to Highlands, NC •

Digital photography for the trip was provided by Betty Feezor. In all captions, people are identified from left to right unless otherwise noted.



(Above) Larry and the Ladies: Posing with Larry Klamon at the Friday night Welcome Party are Ann Klamon, Paula Bevington, Betty Mori, Jan Bennett, Carol Teem and Ginny Plummer.



















(Above) Couples enjoying the elegant dinner party on Saturday night and the home of Carol and Martin Teem: Ronnie Martin and Rich DeMillo; Beverly and David Stacy; Jane and Steve Dolinger; Keith and Peggy Cooley; Doyt and Gracia Conn.



Superb flowers! Jan Bennett with florist Anne Boyd.





(Above) Toasts at the opening reception: Jan Bennett and Ann Klamon, David and Anne Boyd, Michelle Nordin (right) with her daughter Natalie. (Right) Bag Lady Betty Feezor inspects the ARCS totes before the guests arrive.









(Left) Crisp breezes greeted us in Highlands, whipping the flags at Highlands Country Club. (Above) K Maier; Marcia Donnell, Ginny Plummer and John Donnell; Anne Boyd. (Top right) Betty Mori, Warren and Sally Jobe, and Jean Mori. (Bottom right) Marty Gillin, Madeline and Howell Adams, and John Gillin.



• "Exploring the Rain Forest of the Highlands Plateau" •

• 48 Members and Spouses • Education • Fellowship • Fun •



(Below) Highlands Field Trip Committee Chairs Betty Feezor, Jan Bennett, and Ann Boyd.



Ginny Plummer and Carol Teem ringing the dinner bell (above left); (Below) John and Susan Higley with Barrett Hawks; Golfing foursome Keith Cooley, Eileen Christman, Ginny Plummer and Peggy Cooley.



Ginny Plummer and Eileen Christman making the turn (above); John Higley and Jean Mori enjoy a tour and tasting in Martin Teem's wine cellar (below).







From the left below, our spouses spotted around Highlands: Gus Bennett, Warren Jobe, Howell Adams, Milton Bevington, Barrett Hawks and John Gillin.

























(Below left) Caroline Gilham, John Higley and Madeline Adams. On Saturday night, (center) guests enjoyed a spectacular buffet and kudos to our hosts, Carol and Martin Teem (below right).







• Ecology • Flora • Fauna • Geology • History • Biodiversity •



Marty Gillin



Frannie Graves



Susan Higley



Betty Mori



Sally Jobe



Ann Klamon



Ronnie Martin

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UGA Scholar Sarah Whitehead Finch hopes to work for a biotech or pharmaceutical company.



Our February field trip featured a view from the roof at the Centers for Disease Control.



Gay Love was the honoree at the 2005 Heart Ball benefiting the American Heart Association.

Scholar Sighting: Sarah Whitehead Finch

By Gracia Conn

A serendipitous call to Sarah Finch's mother led Sarah to become interested in genetics. When Sarah was a sophomore at Miami of Ohio in Oxford, Ohio, her mother, a registered nurse, received a page from a company called Gene Screen. Her mother knew they had paged the wrong number, but upon inquiring she learned that it was a paternity testing lab located in Dayton, Sarah's hometown. As a result of this conversation, Sarah worked as an intern at Gene Screen that summer and as a junior took a genetics course and worked in her professor's (Dr. Hoffman) genetics lab. This "sealed the deal" and Sarah was hooked on genetics.

As a high school student Sarah was interested in science and was influenced most by her chemistry teacher, Mr. Carpenter. In Sarah's words, "He was a great teacher and he made stuff easy to learn." Growing up, Sarah played soccer and ran track, but her passion was making good grades. If she had spare time, she would love to read novels, but right now her outside reading is history and art articles in the Smithsonian Magazine.

David, her husband, graduated last fall with a PhD in Industrial Psychology, and moved to Stamford, Connecticut. Sarah used her ARCS scholarship to purchase a computer so she could write her dissertation

and communicate with David by email. She'll join him after she graduates in the fall and hopes to work for a biotech or pharmaceutical company. Regarding ARCS, Sarah said, "We're lucky to be a part of ARCS. You people are great!"

Scholar Sighting: James Pendleton

By Martha Peake

ton entered Morehouse a "young man of great expectations". This month he will graduate, still young, but with even greater expectations. As a freshman, James hoped to do well in his studies, participate in extra curricular activities and go on to a good medical school for his MD. But that was before he met his advisor. Dr. Joseph McKay. James credits Dr. McKay with challenging him to set his already high expectations even higher. He calls Dr. McKay a "great motivator".

Four years ago, James Pendle-

James has certainly achieved his goals. During his college career he has excelled in many areas. He is a member of the Dean's List and Honor Roll, Beta Kappa Chi Scientific Honor Society, Alpha Epsilon

Delta, a national pre-med honor society and MARC (Minority Access to Research Careers). During summer vacations he has done exciting research at Rockefeller University in New York where he investigated nucleocytolasmic trafficking (a cellular defense system much like virus protection systems on computers) and at the National Institute of Neurological Disorder and Stroke in Bethesda, MD characterizing proteins involved in spastic paraplegia.

Also busy outside the classroom and lab, James has served as president of his fraternity and as editor of the campus newspaper-- two very time consuming and challenging jobs. In his free time he enjoys writing poems and essays and playing basketball.

What will he do for an encore? This summer James will enter

Johns Hopkins pursuing his MD. and PhD simultaneously. He hopes to specialize in neuroscience concentrating on movement and degenerative disorders such as Parkinson's and Alzheimer's. James thanks ARCS for its support, which enabled him to participate in extracurricular activities and to do the summer research rather than getting a

job. We congratulate James on his success and wish him well in this most important work.

Scholar Sighting: Alex K. Harris

By Gracia Conn

When Alex Harris was seven, his father retired from the military and moved the family to his hometown of Hogansville, Georgia. Never really interested in the arts, young Alex excelled in math and science, and is following in his brother's foot steps by graduating with a degree in biochemistry from LaGrange College in LaGrange, Georgia, and pursuing a PhD from the University of Georgia. While serving in the Air Force he became interested in becoming a Physician's Assistant and planned to do it through the military program. This, however, backfired in 1998 when he was diagnosed with diabetes and had to resign from the military. This turn of events led him to the University of Georgia to pursue a PhD in biochemistry.

Because of his personal experience with diabetes, Alex has concentrated his research on Type I diabetes and its relationship to strokes. Through his studies at the Medical College of Georgia in Augusta (MCGA), he has been able to apply his basic research with clinical studies. He recently spent six weeks in clinical pharmacology and six weeks in the Department of Endocrinology. When he completes his PhD this fall, he plans to get his Masters in the Physician's Assistant School at MCGA.

Alex is married and has a four year old son with whom he

enjoys bass fishing. Future aspirations include learning to play the violin. Alex commented that he is grateful to have an ARCS scholarship and said, "As a student it takes a long time to get where you want to be and this involves a lot of education."



Alex Harris is pursuing a PhD in biochemistry at the University of Georgia



at this year's Swan Ball benefiting the **Atlanta History**



Mary Ellen and John Imlay were honored



Fifth Year ARCS Scholar Shannon L. Stott will address the **Annual Meeting at Cherokee Town Club** on May 18.

Scholar Sighting: Adewole S. Adamson

By Clare Whitfield

When I interviewed Ade at Morehouse today, he had just returned from a visit to Harvard Medical School where he has been accepted. He will participate in a remarkable program in medical technology. Only 30 students from around the world were accepted into this special collaboration between MIT and Harvard. Ade will take some of his classes at MIT and some at Harvard. He hopes to graduate with an MD/ PhD. I would be surprised if he doesn't come up with some brilliant new medical discovery on the way.

I say that because right now Ade is heading up a groundbreaking research project at Morehouse Medical School. He is turning mouse stem cells into the smooth muscle cells

found in blood vessels. In other words, he is transforming undifferentiated stem cells into heart cells. He is looking at the genes that regulate this transformation to find out exactly what they do and what turns them on and off.

Not only is Ade doing advanced research as a Morehouse undergraduate, but as a National President's Scholar he has written a policy paper he will present in Washington, DC in May that will propose how the Bush Administration can change its present policy and open up stem cell research without compromising its moral principles.

Ade's mother, a foreign service officer, picked Adewole's name because it means "Royalty Enters the House" in the Yoruba language of Nigeria. Eldest of

four children. Ade has lived in Somalia, Montreal, and Guatemala. His mother's career took the family to Somalia, and his father's medical residency in Radiation Oncology took the family to Montreal, where Ade attended a French-speaking school. No wonder he is the top-ranking French student in his graduating class at Morehouse.

And on top of all that, he was a semi-finalist to be a Rhodes Scholar



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the last 20 years working with global corporations such as Coca-Cola, Ritz-Carlton and IBM. For 10 years, Children's Healthcare relied on her agency for strategic counsel in developing mission statements, core services and merging Scottish Rite with Egleston. Her work with the Carter Center's Atlanta Project was enormously successful. She received the Silver Anvil. the highest honor bestowed by the Public Relations Society of America. After she sold her business, she began volunteering as an Advisor to the Presbyterian Homes, while acting as the Volunteer Coordinator for the Social Press Activities for the History Center. Her interest is definitely public relations.

Liz Mori Lauer (Betty Mori, Kathy Harmon) is a business woman turned community volunteer. Liz received her BBA degree in accounting from the University of Georgia, and her MBA from Harvard University. She is married to Peter Lauer, the Managing Director of the Corporate Executive Board in Washington, D.C. She is a legacy, the daughter of Betty Mori. Liz worked for Price Waterhouse Consulting Services, and for Mori Luggage as the Director of Marketing and Services. She is Cochairman of the Warren T. lackson Elementary School Read a Thon, and is on the Speech School Guild and the Gala Committee. Before coming to Atlanta, she was on the boards of the Arlington Community Temporary Shelter, and the Habitat for Humanity in

New York City, Atlanta, and India. Her special interests are project management, education and community.



Let Freedom Ring! Save the date and make plans now to attend the 2006 ARCS Retreat to Philadelphia on April 27-30, 2006.