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From the AARS President:

For the fifteenth year, the Association of American Rhodes Scholars (AARS) is pleased to present this newsletter introducing the newly elected Rhodes Scholars to their predecessors, to each other, to Oxford, and to individuals and educational institutions nationwide. It is indeed a joy to learn about these fine young people who will follow us to Oxford in late September.

In addition to introducing our 2009 Scholars, this newsletter reports on the thirteenth annual Sailing “Bon Voyage” Weekend sponsored by the AARS for the class of 2008 Rhodes Scholars, which took place in Washington, DC last September 27 – October 1. This weekend allowed the new Rhodes Scholars an ample opportunity to become acquainted with each other before traveling to Oxford and dispersing among the colleges. By hearing from and talking with a wide variety of Scholars of all ages in the course of the weekend, and by observing their predecessors at the Supreme Court, at the Aspen Institute, at the American Society of International Law and in the Congress, for example, these young Scholars gained a good understanding of how Rhodes Scholars value and pursue public service and participate in “the world’s fight.” The keynote speaker at the departure luncheon, attended by the new Rhodes Scholars and a number of old Rhodes Scholars, was Pulitzer Prize winning New York Times journalist Nicholas D. Kristof (Oregon and Magdalen ’81).

The AARS fosters intellectual and social fellowship among its members through facilitating events and reunions and through its publications and website (www.americanrhodes.org). It continues to facilitate the annual transfer of substantial gifts to Oxford, its colleges, and related entities through the American Trust for Oxford University. Additionally, the AARS participates in the appointment of the annual Eastman Professor at Oxford and funds the Professor’s salary as well as the maintenance of Eastman House. The quarterly publication of The American Oxonian brings current information about Oxford, articles of interest to the Oxonian constituency, class letters and the annual address list.

Both this publication and the Sailing Weekend described herein are sponsored by the Association of American Rhodes Scholars and are paid for by the dues and generous annual contributions of its membership. While financially and organizationally distinct from the Office of the American Secretary to the Rhodes Trust, many AARS activities enjoy the cooperation of the American Secretary in service to the Scholarships. Commended to you is this newsletter’s report from the American Secretary, Elliot Gerson, who provides an important update on the revised system of selecting American Rhodes Scholars.

On behalf of the AARS and its Board of Directors, I thank you for continuing your vital support.

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Jarrad Mattieu Aguirre

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**Proposed Oxford Course:** Medical Anthropology

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**Career Aspirations**
Global health, public policy

A native of Denver, Colorado, Jarrad Aguirre was inducted into Phi Beta Kappa as a junior. His senior project explores the therapeutic potential of stem cells for amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), also known as Lou Gehrig’s disease. He completed neuroscience research projects at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Stanford University, winning several awards for his work. Outside of basic science research, Jarrad is particularly interested in health disparities in the context of underserved, displaced, and indigenous populations. He followed this interest to Peru, where he studied the role of traditional medicine in indigenous communities in the Amazon and the Andes, and on the islands of Lake Titicaca. Additionally, he investigated the delivery of care to patients with dementia in a resource-poor district of Buenos Aires, Argentina. At Yale, Jarrad founded MAS (Math and Science) Familias, an organization that mentors and supports Yale Latino students interested in math and science. He also led service trips to an orphanage in Nepal (with the organization YNepal), and engaged indigenous issues worldwide through the Shipibo Artisan Initiative. After studying at Oxford, Jarrad plans to attend medical school, where he plans to continue his interests in health disparities and health policy.
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Career Aspirations
Teaching and academic research, biotechnology

David Bauer has coauthored a number of professional articles in nanotechnology and biochemistry and in 2008 held a visiting studentship at the Wellcome Trust Centre for Human Genetics at Oxford. He was the recipient of a Goldwater Scholarship in 2007 and a Truman Scholarship in 2008. Outside of the lab, David serves on the board of directors of the Creativity Foundation, which develops programs and public events to explore the phenomenon of creativity, and is an anchor for the “Study With the Best” program on channel 75 in New York. In winter 2009 he traveled to Liberia with the Liberian Mandingo Association of New York to instruct science teachers in using portable instruments to conduct lab classes in rural areas with little infrastructure. David enjoys learning languages and speaks Spanish, Italian, and Hungarian. At Oxford he plans to focus on the development of new single-molecule DNA sequencing methods.
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Brown University: A.B., Africana Studies, 2009

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Career Aspirations
Academia, government service, law

Rakim H. D. Brooks is a proud native of Harlem and the Bronx, New York. The recipient of a Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship, Rakim’s academic work has focused on the connections between public policy and political theory. He received the 2007 Charles Nichols Award for Leadership for his stewardship of the Africana Studies Departmental Undergraduate Group and served as a writing fellow and student facilitator. He assisted Professor Glenn Loury with his Tanner Lectures on Human Values, chaired the undergraduate academics and administrative affairs committee, and served on a task force to review Brown’s general education requirements. Rakim researched the constitutional status of Guantanamo Bay detainees as an intern at the Brookings Institution, drafted recommendations on improving public policies on race, poverty and workforce issues while at the Center for Law and Social Policy, and presented a paper at Columbia University’s Center for the Study of Ethnicity and Race. He was named a summer scholar by the Drum Major Institute and the Institute for Responsible Citizenship. Rakim is also a member of the 2008 class of John Kenneth Galbraith Scholars at Harvard’s Kennedy School of Government.
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Career Aspirations
Environmental economic policy

Lucas Brown grew up working as a carpenter’s assistant for his father and became interested in public service by doing volunteer construction work with his family’s church. He turned to environmental issues “after witnessing how unstable environments could harm people’s lives in New Orleans and in the coalfields of Appalachia.” Lucas’ environmental passion has manifested itself in a number of different areas, including research work for Washington, DC Mayor Adrian Fenty, assisting in the design of ILoveMountains.org, gutting hurricane-damaged houses in Louisiana, campaigning for a state senator, and working as a Congressional environmental lobbyist. At Oberlin, he co-founded a student-run loan fund for energy efficient projects and helped establish the SEED House, whose “quirky methods for reducing carbon emissions” were featured on the front page of The New York Times. In high school, Lucas was a National Merit Scholar and a member of the Virginia State Varsity Athletic Honor Roll; in college, he was a Udall Scholar and the recipient of Oberlin’s Jesse Philips Prize for the most outstanding junior in economics. Lucas plays jazz piano and tennis, and spends his time on the basketball court “fondly remembering when I used to be tall.”
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Career Aspirations
Education policy

Mallory Dwinal was elected to Phi Beta Kappa as a junior and named a 2008 Daniel Bonbright Scholar, awarded to the Northwestern University student with the most outstanding performance in foreign language studies. She is equally gifted in English, placing 7th in Impromptu Speaking at the 2007 American Forensics Association National Speech Tournament (having been 2007 Illinois State Champion in the same event). In 2006, Mallory founded and managed Social Enterprise for Language Foundations, a program that coordinates and funds English as a Second Language (ESL) education in Chicago’s port-of-entry elementary schools (the program has over 100 volunteers). She also is a site leader for a local outreach and education program for homeless people. Her efforts earned her a 2008 Evanston Area Outstanding Volunteer award and recognition as the 2008 International Studies Residential College Philanthropist of the Year. Mallory studied economics and Mandarin in Beijing for a summer, worked as a sales analyst in Mexico City, and interned at the Washington State Department of Commerce, where she researched trade and wrote a white paper on green collar job creation.
Abdulrahman Mohamed El-Sayed (Michigan)

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Career Aspirations
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Abdul El-Sayed is currently a MD/PhD student in medicine and epidemiology at the NIH-Funded Medical Scientist Training Program at the University of Michigan. As an undergraduate at the University of Michigan, he was a starting defenseman for the Men’s Lacrosse Team. He has served as vice-president of the Muslim Students’ Association, is co-president of the Muslim Medical Students’ Association, and is active in Muslim youth development. Abdul co-founded Healing at Home, a medical student organization that has raised over $15,000 and organized over 600 hours of community service for a non-profit clinic in rural Michigan. He also co-founded and led a medical mission to Puno, Peru to improve maternal and child health in the region. He has authored several academic papers in the areas of Arab-American health, the etiology of neural tube defects in Guatemala, and the social determinants of health in Ethiopia. Abdul was joined by President Bill Clinton as a speaker at the University of Michigan’s 2007 commencement. Abdul enjoys “time with my wife and family, good friends, travel, team sports, studying oratory and Qur’anic recitation, and cooking (and eating anything and everything).”
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Career Aspirations
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Matt Gethers studies biological engineering at MIT and has been a research assistant at the Endy Lab (in synthetic biology) and at the Chulabhorn Research Institute in Bangkok, Thailand, where he worked on biotechnology. When not in the lab, Matt is an avid fencer who was selected to the NCAA Fencing Epee First Team. At MIT he has been active as a member of the National Society of Collegiate Scholars and in 2008 was named a Burchard Scholar for his academic excellence and curiosity in the humanities, arts and social sciences. Matt has earned his EMT-B certification and was designer and head counselor for “Need It, Think It, Build It”, an engineering program for 7th and 8th graders.
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Career Aspirations
Education research, social entrepreneurship, public service, international relations

Julia Goyer is currently a graduate student at the School of Education at Harvard, where she is the recipient of the Presidential Scholarship and a Leadership in Education Award. As an undergraduate at Duke, Julia conceived (as part of the Vertical Integration Research Program) a collaborative study between two neuroscience professors; her work led to a first-author publication in the Journal of Cognitive Neuroscience and a presentation at the 2007 Society for Neuroscience Conference. With a fellowship from the Robertson Scholars Program, she raised $480,000 to build a multi-function sports court for a middle school in rural Vietnam and to found a three week sports-learning camp for 200 of the school’s 6th – 9th graders. Julia also taught health education and helped install water sanitation systems in the Orange Walk District of Belize. As a member of Duke’s varsity women’s tennis team, Julie twice reached the Final Four of the National Team Indoors and the quarterfinals of the NCAA National Team Championships. Her undergraduate awards include the Faculty Scholar Award (honorable mention), the Karl E. Zener Award in psychology, and recognition by the Carolina Panthers/Foundation for the Carolinas Scholarship Fund.
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Career Aspirations
Academia

Kyle Haddad-Fonda became interested in geography and history at a young age and has “always hungered to learn more about the world.” The 2001 National Geographic Bee Champion and captain of the gold medal-winning United States team at the 2001 International Geographic Olympiad, Kyle began studying Chinese in high school and started Arabic at Harvard. In addition to these languages, he studies Chinese and Middle Eastern history, focusing on interactions between these two regions, and has published a paper on the role of pan-Islamism in a 1930s Chinese-Muslim separatist movement. As a Weatherhead Center Associate and Fung Scholar, Kyle divided the summer of 2008 between Beijing, where he conducted research at the Chinese Foreign Ministry Archives, and Cairo, where he did research in the Egyptian National Library. Drawing upon this research, his senior thesis analyzes the development of Sino-Arab relations in the late 1950s. A recipient of the Detur Prize, Kyle also captained the Harvard College Bowl team to a national championship in 2008 and organized and edited the first three Harvard Fall Quizbowl Tournaments. Elected to Phi Beta Kappa, Kyle is a three-time John Harvard Scholar. He enjoys “orienteering and playing the harp in one of Harvard’s student orchestras in my spare time.”
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Career Aspirations
Infantry officer, judge

Stephen Hammer has focused his undergraduate work on the final century of the Roman republic, “analyzing its critical personalities and philosophies.” He serves as cadet executive officer for Princeton’s Army ROTC program and in June 2009 will be commissioned into the infantry as a second lieutenant. Stephen has held internships with the Washington, DC-based Atlantic Council of the United States and with the Dallas County Criminal District Attorney’s Office. Stephen also plays lead alto saxophone in the university’s concert jazz ensemble. After a conversion at Princeton, Stephen became active in the campus Presbyterian ministry and has concentrated on articulating the responsibilities of committed Christians who are also called to public service. At Oxford, he hopes “to explore the intersection of faith and public service through the study of patristic Christian doctrine.”
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Career Aspirations
International agricultural development, entrepreneurship

Vincent Hofer works as a legislative correspondent for US Senator Sam Brownback in Washington, DC, focusing on rural development. While he was growing up in Franklin, Kansas, Vincent operated a small cow herd, owned a custom fescue harvesting business, and worked in a coal mine. Vincent led the K-State National Agri-Marketing Association team to back-to-back national championships, was a recitation instructor for a class of 40 students in agricultural economics, held leadership positions in numerous organizations and received K-State’s Anderson Award for Outstanding Leadership. In fall 2005 he studied in Geelong, Australia. In summer 2007 he was a financial analyst for the Inter-American Investment Corporation and a research assistant at Zamorano University in Tegucigalpa, Honduras, where he saw first hand the impact a lack of progressive economic development has on small farmers. A passionate outdoorsman, Vincent enjoys “traveling to new places, exploring Washington, DC, and playing sports.”
Scott William Hugo

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Career Aspirations
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Scott Hugo is a Regents Scholar at the University of California, Los Angeles and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa as a junior. His undergraduate research has focused on US-China relations, though he also spent a term at Oxford studying the politics of the Middle East. In 2008 Scott interned at the bipartisan Center for the Study of the Presidency in Washington, DC and drafted a white paper on nuclear proliferation and weapons of mass destruction. He also conducted research on Bush administration rhetoric and its impact on foreign opinion of the US. Scott volunteered in the “Bruins for Obama” presidential campaign and led a UCLA project to mediate middle school racial violence. In addition to being a sophomore captain of the UCLA rugby team, Scott played for the Oxford Greyhounds in 2007. This past summer he was a counselor at Quest Therapeutic Camp, focusing on assisting children with ADHD, Asperger’s Disease, and mild autism. At Oxford he looks forward to “gaining a more thorough understanding of the global political arena” so as to contribute “not only to American peace and prosperity but also to the betterment of the world.”
Christopher Daniel Joseph (California)

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Career Aspirations
Academia, non-governmental organization

Christopher Joseph attributes his passion for nature and the study of geography “to my upbringing in a small rural community on California’s Central Coast known as the Santa Ynez Valley.” At Oxford he hopes to focus on biodiversity, conservation, and management of the earth’s boreal forests. Christopher played varsity football at UCLA for four years (for the last three years he was a starter at two different positions on the offensive line). Christopher served in various leadership positions, including team captain and a class representative to a team leadership council. He earned honors as a three-time member of the NCAA Academic All District Team and the Academic All America Team for his last two years. Since graduating summa cum laude from UCLA in 2008, Christopher has coached a junior college football team to a conference championship, served as a personal athletic trainer to local high school athletes, and participated in a research and reclamation project on the native flora of Oahu, Hawaii.
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Career Aspirations
Humanitarian peace-building initiatives

Sarah Kleinman earned a BA in history, with a concentration in race and ethnicity, in 2007. After completing her master’s degree in sociology—in which she focused on social movements, comparative politics, and social change—Sarah conducted research in Uganda about the efficacy of healthcare service delivery as part of the Global Health Delivery Initiative, a joint project of the Harvard Business, Medical, and Public Health Schools. In the fall of 2008 Sarah returned to California to become the executive director of FACE AIDS, a non-profit organization (with which she volunteered as an undergraduate) which has over 120 high school and college chapters and which strives to build “a movement of young people dedicated to increasing global health equity” (www.faceaids.org). Sarah looks forward to focusing her Oxford studies on Africa, particularly on post-conflict state building. After Oxford she hopes to work on humanitarian peace-building initiatives through the United Nations or another multilateral organization.
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Career Aspirations
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Brian Krohn was born and raised in Cloquet, a small town in Northern Minnesota. A Goldwater Scholar, Brian graduated summa cum laude with departmental honors in chemistry. What began as a summer research project on biodiesel led, through collaboration with scientists at SarTec, Co., to a greener and more economical method for producing biodiesel which received accolades from Biodiesel Magazine and coverage on Good Morning America. Brian is listed as an inventor on both the US and International patent, is an author on the seminal paper for the novel process, and continues his work with SarTec. Currently he is involved in a project to develop a small-scale biodiesel reactor for use in remote and developing communities. He has taught English in Thailand, studied painting in Cyprus, and received an NSF REU grant to conduct research at the Technical University of Graz, Austria. He was the founding editor-in-chief of the interdisciplinary Augsburg Honors Review, the creator of the class “The Art, History, and Science of Brewing,” and served as president of the Chemistry Society. An “environmentalist and outdoor enthusiast,” he looks forward to studying the political, social, and economic impacts of global climate change while at Oxford.
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Career Aspirations
US Army service, professor of medieval history

Gregory Lippiatt was ranked in the top 10% of the national list of commissioning US Army ROTC cadets for 2009. A Battalion Commander in the VMI Corps of Cadets, Gregory was awarded a Faculty Merit Scholarship for rising second- or first-class cadets displaying “excellence in scholarship, extracurricular activities, and high military standing.” His article entitled “Saint David’s Soldiers: The Experience of the Royal Welch Fusiliers on the Western Front” has been accepted for publication by the Journal of Military History. He has served as editor-in-chief of Sounding Brass (VMI’s literary magazine) and as president of the VMI English Society. Gregory has been involved in a number of honor societies, including Omicron Delta Kappa, Phi Kappa Phi, Phi Alpha Theta, and Sigma Tau Delta. He has been active on the field as a member of the VMI Rugby Football Club and, before his time at VMI, as an Eagle Scout.
Noelle Regina Lopez

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Proposed Oxford Course: Philosophy

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Career Aspirations
Education

As a philosophy major, Noelle Lopez has earned a number of academic and applied awards, including a Provost Junior Research Fellowship (for research in meta-ethics), a Donovan Fellowship grant (for a community-based social justice internship working with aspiring organic farmers) through the Agriculture and Land-Based Training Association, a Hackworth Ethics Fellowship (to design ethics programming for fellow students), and a Fallon Prize (for outstanding achievement in the study of philosophy). Named to the Dean’s List each year, Noelle was a research assistant for a project on Socrates and served as a tutor for several subjects (including Spanish, microeconomics, ethics, and English as a second language). She was active in Café Socrates, a weekly student-organized philosophy discussion group. Outside of the classroom, Noelle was captain (and top 5 varsity scorer) for SCU’s Women’s Cross-Country and Women’s Track teams. She also participated in a 10-day service and immersion trip in Puebla, Mexico. Noelle’s interests include “virtue ethics in scholarship and action,” environmental and sustainability issues, and “attempts at writing poetry, short stories, dialogues, and plays (I’m hoping to have one performed in the spring!”
Joshua Alfred Lospinoso (New Jersey)

United States Military Academy: B.S., Applied Mathematics and Economics, 2009

Proposed Oxford Course: Statistics

Josh Lospinoso was named Brigade Soldier of the Quarter, awarded for the highest military performance by a cadet at the US Military Academy. Josh has published ten papers in refereed social network analysis journals on topics ranging from theoretical statistics and utility theory to applied studies on the command and control systems of the future. As an intern at the National Security Agency, he completed classified work on synergizing social network analysis and on the monitoring of electronic communications to identify terrorist networks and reduce intrusions on privacy. Josh is the recipient of a number of military awards, including the Office of the Secretary of Defense Network Science Excellence Award, the National Security Agency STAR Award, and the National Defense Service Medal. He was also awarded the German Armed Forces Proficiency Badge for passing the physical standards set forth by the German Army. An avid photographer, Josh looks forward to working with Oxford student publications. He plans on making a career in the Army upon graduation, first as an infantry lieutenant and then as a military intelligence officer.
Scott Michael Moore (Kentucky)


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A Louisville, Kentucky native, Scott Moore is a Truman Scholar who is currently researching China’s environmental policy at Peking University as a 2008 Fulbright Fellow. He has published work on a variety of topics (including geopolitics and energy efficiency), wrote his senior thesis on national service, and graduated with highest honors. Scott was involved in environmental and international affairs while at the Woodrow Wilson School, where he also served as co-chair of the campus newspaper editorial board. Scott attributes his “passion for learning about the wider world” to the time he spent at the United World College of Hong Kong; he credits his soccer coach, who is also an environmental lawyer, with instilling a deep concern for the environment. He looks forward to his return to Oxford, where he spent two terms as a visiting student at Worcester College.
Caitlin Elizabeth Mullarkey

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Career Aspirations
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Cait Mullarkey hails from Wilmington, Delaware and became actively involved in cell biology research during her sophomore year at Swarthmore. For two summers she received research grants from the Howard Hughes Medical Institute to study the subcellular localization of a melanosomal protein involved in pigmentary glaucoma and glioblastomas. In the summer of 2008, she worked at Georgetown Medical College to complete her thesis research, which focuses on a novel characterization of the hNMB protein. Cait is a distinguished scholar-athlete who upon graduation will have earned twelve varsity letters in soccer, basketball, and track and field. Twice captain of the women’s soccer team, she lead Swarthmore to back-to-back ECAC titles. She is the first defender in conference history to be selected First Team All Conference for four consecutive years, earned All-Region honors for three years, and was recognized as an Academic All-American in her senior year. Cait holds the school record for steeplechase and is ranked in the top thirty nationally in the 800m and 3000m steeplechase for Division III. Cait aspires to a career as a physician-scientist “working at the interface of pure scientific research and clinical applications, particularly in the area of vaccine development.”
District XIV

Ashley Lynne Nord  
(South Dakota)

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Proposed Oxford Course: Condensed Matter Physics

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Originally from Rapid City, South Dakota, Ashley Nord graduated from the University of Minnesota with degrees in physics, astrophysics, and global studies. She conducted summer research in star formation at the University of Hawaii, neural imaging at the University of California, Los Angeles, and Latin American politics during a stay in Venezuela. Ashley’s physics thesis was titled “On the Evaluation of a Complex System using a Neural Network”; her global studies thesis examined US policy and the illicit drug trade from Colombia. A pole vaulter for the university’s track and field team, Ashley was a member of three Big Ten Championship teams and was a four-time Academic All Big Ten Honoree. Ashley plans to continue to explore the biological and medical applications of physics. She also intends to continue pole vaulting. In her free time, Ashley enjoys “all outdoor activities and is especially excited by rock climbing.”
District II

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Career Aspirations
Historian, professor

Timothy Nunan hails from Palos Verdes, California, “an equestrian suburb of Los Angeles populated by doctors, lawyers, and peacocks.” Tim is currently a Fulbright Scholar in Germany, where he is translating a book by the jurist Carl Schmitt and researching gay life in Berlin in the 1920s and 1930s. As an undergraduate Tim traveled widely, including language study in Munich and St. Petersburg, an archaeological trip to Teotihuacán and Monte Alban, astrobiology research in Yellowstone National Park, and reportage from a creationist convention in suburban Pennsylvania. At Oxford he hopes “to learn more about economic, developmental, and extra-European history, and I am especially excited to acquaint myself with the Indian, Pakistani, and Bangla cuisine of Britain.” In high school Tim played offensive and defensive line for the football team. In his free time, Tim enjoys “reading fiction (favorite authors: Borges and Aleksander Wat), collecting maps of cities and rail systems, and picking tangelos in the California desert for my 89-year-old grandmother.”
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Career Aspirations
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A Goldwater Scholar and junior inductee to Phi Beta Kappa, Anthony Palisch was awarded the American Chemical Society Analytical Chemistry Award in 2007. He has held research assistantships at Princeton (elucidating viral-host protein interactions during infection) and Duke (investigating the expression of the calcium response factor gene within a transgenic mouse model). Active in student government as the president of the student senate, Anthony was also editor in chief of The Cento college newspaper and a founding member of the Centre Science Journal. At Center he received the John Howard Duff, Jr. Memorial Award (for outstanding junior), the Richard Stanford Watson, Jr. Memorial Award (for citizenship), and the Max P. Cavnes Freshman Book Prize. Anthony was also a Rotary International Ambassadorial Scholar and is an avid soccer player. In the spring of 2009, Anthony traveled to Cameroon to deliver medical supplies as part of a sustainable development and health care program he founded.
Robert Jisung Park

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Career Aspirations
Policy work in sustainable development, environmental economics

Jisung Park grew up in the fields around Lawrence, Kansas before moving to Seoul, Korea at the age of nine. After spending four years in Korea, he returned to the US and attended Phillips Academy, where he was first introduced to “the analytical power and practical relevance of economics.” Between Phillips and Columbia, he taught English in Seoul and spent three months in Australia doing a research program in rainforest ecology and management. His academic work as an economics-political science joint major has allowed him to marry his long-standing interests in the conservation of environmental resources with the pressing economic and political dimensions of sustainability. Jisung’s senior thesis looks at the potential for carbon credits to reduce pressures on tropical deforestation in Brazil. Jisung spent his junior year abroad in Oxford at Lady Margaret Hall. An avid basketball fan since the age of five, Jisung played for the Oxford Twos and currently plays on the Columbia women’s practice squad. Jisung sings jazz a cappella with Uptown Vocal and is currently an editor in economics for *Consilience*, an inter-disciplinary journal of sustainable development.
Myron L. Rolle

(Florida)

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Career Aspirations
Neurosurgeon; global health advocate and worker; National Football League player

An Associated Press Football All-American and Touchdown Club of Columbus Collegiate Male Sportsman of the Year, Myron Rolle received research funding for his study of cancer cell proliferation rates. He founded “Our Way 2 Health” (a health and wellness curriculum addressing diabetes and obesity for 5th grade students at the Seminole Tribe of Florida charter school) and mentored at-risk students at RAA middle school in Tallahassee. Myron was an invited guest at the 2009 Presidential Inauguration and was a William J. Clinton Distinguished Lecturer at the Clinton School/Library. Both his hometown of Galloway, New Jersey and his collegiate home of Tallahassee, Florida have issued proclamations of “Myron Rolle Day.” In addition to playing in the National Football League, Myron plans to become a neurosurgeon involved in global health work.
District VI

Aisha I. Saad  
(North Carolina)

University of North Carolina: B.S.P.H., Environmental Health Science; B.A., Spanish, 2009

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Career Aspirations
International environmental law

A native of Cairo, Egypt, Aisha I. Saad grew up in Greenville, North Carolina. Aisha has spent time researching and interning with community NGOs in India, at Cairo University’s Teaching Hospitals, and with the Peruvian Ministry of Health. She is fluent in Arabic and Spanish and is working to further her proficiency in French and Hindi. Aisha spent a summer interning with the brownfield-developer Cherokee Investment Partners, an experience which inspired a trip to India where she explored Cherokee’s philanthropic cleanup offer of the historic Union Carbide disaster site. Through her service on the chancellor’s student advisory committee, as president of the Interfaith Alliance, as outreach coordinator for the Muslim Students Association, and as opinion editor of the Daily Tar Heel, Aisha has “initiated difficult dialogues on campus while bridging communities.” Aisha’s love for the outdoors was inspired by a month-long backpacking course with the National Outdoor Leadership School and she now enjoys hiking and trail-building with the Friends of the Mountains to Sea Trail.
Abigail Pamela Seldin (Pennsylvania)

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Career Aspirations
Cultural anthropology

A University of Pennsylvania University Scholar, Abigail Seldin was elected as a junior to Phi Beta Kappa. Having graduated Phillips Academy Andover, where she won the Marshall S. Kates Prize in US History and the Herbert Scoville, Jr. Prize in Nuclear Studies, Abigail submatriculated into the University of Pennsylvania’s anthropology masters degree program during the first semester of sophomore year, at the age of 18. In 2006-2007, she was selected for the National Science Foundation Research Experiences for Undergraduates “Native Voices” Program, which provided funding and support for the exhibit “Fulfilling a Prophecy: The Past and Present of the Lenape in Pennsylvania.” Abigail was also awarded a National Science Foundation Research Experience for Undergraduates fieldwork grant for research in Roc de Marsal, France. Her career goals are “to examine the role of subversive objects in the maintenance of minority cultures, especially secret cultures, and to actively participate in the redefinition of museums as centers for broad public learning.”
Malorie Nicole Snider

Harvard University: A.B., Biological Anthropology, 2009
Proposed Oxford Course: Medical Anthropology

District VIII
(Texas)

Malorie Nicole Snider

Malorie Snider was born and raised in Friendswood, Texas and is currently concentrating in biological anthropology and mind, brain, and behavior studies. Malorie’s work as a clinical research assistant at Texas Children’s Hospital inspired her to begin her studies of American Sign Language and to continue her work with disabled and chronically ill children. Each summer, she volunteers as a counselor at the Hole in the Wall Gang Camps for children living with chronic or life-threatening illness; she also directs Harvard’s mental health peer counseling center. Mallory’s combined interests in mental health, neurobiology, and genetics have formed the basis of her senior thesis research on the genetics of childhood temperament at the Psychiatric and Neurodevelopmental Genetics Unit of Massachusetts General Hospital. As a consequence of a sophomore year paleontology course, Malorie spent the summer digging for dinosaur fossils as part of a field crew based in Hell Creek, Montana. Inducted into Phi Beta Kappa in her junior year, Malorie was awarded the Bowdoin Prize for essays in the natural sciences, the Detur and John Harvard Prizes for academic excellence, and the Jacob Wendell Prize for exemplary all-around achievement.
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Career Aspirations
Education, government

Shad White is a 2007 Truman Scholar and a 2008 summa cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa graduate of the University of Mississippi. Shad ran his first victorious statewide political campaign (Stacey Pickering for State Auditor) as head campaign coordinator at age 21. Shad has worked at the Winter Institute for Racial Reconciliation, as a policy analyst at the US Department of Education (in the Office of Postsecondary Education), and as a policy fellow at the Pew Center on the States, researching early education models. He wrote his senior honors thesis on K-12 education finance in Mississippi. While at Ole Miss, Shad spearheaded a successful effort to overhaul textbook pricing and disclosure policies at all eight public universities in the state. In high school Shad was named a Lindsay Callahan Scholar, recognizing him as among the top 16 academic-athletes in the state, regardless of sport. In his spare time, Shad enjoys “playing guitar and singing in weddings, restaurants, concerts for a good cause, and outdoor shows.” In 2008, Shad joined former Senator Trent Lott, New York Giants quarterback Eli Manning, and many others in the Ole Miss Hall of Fame. Shad is “a proud and lifelong resident of Mississippi.”
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Career Aspirations
Social entrepreneurship and international development

Alia Whitney-Johnson has focused her study of civil and environmental engineering on international development. She helped refine a process for converting agricultural waste into charcoal for use in Haiti, conducted tsunami relief work in Sri Lanka, worked to develop appropriate technologies in Guatemala, and has been a consultant to the World Bank. She is also the founder of MIT’s first annual cultural show in celebration of Black History Month. After traveling to Sri Lanka in the summer of 2005, she founded the Emerge Bead Program to enable Sri Lankan teenage mothers—ages 10-18 and survivors of sexual abuse—to become entrepreneurial jewelry designers through a curriculum emphasizing personal discovery, mentorship, and business knowledge. She went on to form Emerge Global, Inc. (www.emergeglobal.org), a non-profit organization that aims to empower young women who have survived sexual violence by helping them “to rediscover and celebrate their personal beauty, develop their self-sufficiency, and become leaders within their own communities.” A Truman Scholar, Alia was also named one of Glamour Magazine’s Top Ten College Women (2007). She loves “traveling, salsa dancing, and the very special girls of Emerge.”
Lindsay Marie Whorton

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Career Aspirations
Education policy

Lindsay Whorton is a native of Independence, Missouri and an accomplished scholar-athlete. She was named an Academic All-America First Team member and the Missouri Valley Conference Scholar-Athlete of the Year, and was nominated for the NCAA Woman of the Year Award in 2008. A three year captain, she helped lead the Bulldogs to a regular season and conference tournament championship and an NCAA tournament appearance. Lindsay has been active in speaking and reading at local schools and mentored younger athletes by coaching a competitive team of high school girls as well as a youth team. While at Drake, she was a member of several on-campus organizations, including the Student Athlete Advisory Committee, the Intercollegiate Athletic Committee, and the Organizational Council. Lindsay also enjoys drawing and painting, and exhibited work in Drake’s Annual Juried Art Exhibition.
Anna Yermakova

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Career Aspirations
Interdisciplinary professorship, music, education

Anya Yermakova grew up in Elektrostal, Russia and moved to the Chicago area when she was eleven. Elected to Phi Beta Kappa as a junior, she has conducted research in the fields of neuroscience, biomedical engineering, chemical engineering, and ethnomusicology. Her current academic interest lies in finding the most appropriate mathematical means to quantify the patterns within biological systems. She aims “to be involved in the discovery of a new model within biological networks with great predictive value” and hopes to unite her scientific academic work with philosophy. Anya performs solo piano and chamber music concerts, has participated in music festivals around the world, and has written compositions that focus on the regeneration of improvisation in “classical” music. She is a member of a Chicago-based Russian camping group KOCTEP, where she frequently performs with her parents as a bard guitarist and singer. Having conducted research in Spain on the communicative aspects of flamenco performance with an undergraduate research grant, Anya dances flamenco, plays flamenco piano, and choreographs flamenco for her dance group BLAST (Ballroom Latin and Swing Thing). Anya also enjoys “playing badminton, running, skiing and backpacking,” especially with Northwestern’s backpacking leadership group Project Wildcat. She speaks Russian, Spanish, French, and Portuguese, and hopes to continue to learn more languages.
THIRTY-SEVEN Rhodes Scholars-elect were present for this year’s Sailing “Bon Voyage Weekend in Washington, DC — the 33 U.S. Scholars-elect (one deferred from 2007), together with four 2008 Scholars-elect from other Rhodes jurisdictions (one each from Kenya, Jamaica, St. Vincent & The Grenadines and Bermuda). After a brief orientation on Saturday afternoon, the 2008 Rhodes Scholars-elect and assembled AARS Board members enjoyed an informal dinner and lively conversation at the home of Lissa Muscatine (California and Wadham ’77) in Bethesda, Maryland — a festive environment which allowed Scholars new and old to get better acquainted.

On Sunday morning, the women in the class of 2008 joined Rhodes Scholar alumnae for breakfast and conversation. The breakfast was followed by a panel discussion for all Rhodes Scholars led by Casey Cep (Maryland/DC and Magdalen 2007), Adam Chandler (North Carolina and Queen’s 2006), Samsher Gill (Minnesota and New College 2006), Eugene Shenderov (New York and Magdalen 2005), and Leana Wen (Missouria and Merton 2007) who discussed the practicalities of life in Oxford. That afternoon, the group enjoyed a docent-led tour of the Phillips Collection as well as a reception and informal dinner at the home of American Secretary Elliot Gerson (Connecticut and Magdalen ’74).

On Monday, the Scholars-elect attended a panel “Politics 2008” at The Aspen Institute, featuring Hillary Clinton speechwriter Lissa Muscatine, Howard University School of Law Dean Kurt L. Schmoke (Maryland/DC and Balliol ’71), Peter Beinart (Massachusetts and University ’93) of The New Republic, and Grant Crandall (Iowa and University ’69), the general counsel of the United Mine Workers of America. That afternoon, Scholars-elect visited the American Society of International Law for a discussion of human rights and public advocacy with leading figures Maryana

At the Saturday dinner

Politics 2008 Panel at the Aspen Institute

Senator Lugar takes questions at the Capitol breakfast
Iskander (Texas and Trinity ’97) of Planned Parenthood, human rights lawyer Martina Vandenberg (California and St. Antony’s ’90), Susan Karamanian (Alabama and Somerville ’80) of George Washington University Law School, and Tomasz P. Malinowski (New Jersey and St. Antony’s ’89) of Human Rights Watch. Lively conversation characterized both panel discussions as the group explored pressing domestic and international concerns. That evening, Board Members and local Rhodes Scholars hosted 12 small group dinners throughout the DC area.

Tuesday morning began with a breakfast at the Capitol hosted by Senator Richard G. Lugar (Indiana and Pembroke ’54) and retired Senator Paul S. Sarbanes (Maryland/DC and Balliol ’54), together with Representative James H. S. Cooper (Tennessee and Oriel ’75). The Senators and Congressman each made brief remarks and entertained questions from the group. After breakfast the Scholars-elect enjoyed a personal tour, led by Senator Sarbanes, of the Capitol building, including the Capitol Rotunda and the original chambers of the US Supreme Court before being set free to explore Washington on their own. That afternoon the group convened at the Supreme Court, where University of Virginia Professor A. E. Dick Howard (Virginia and Christ Church ’58) offered brief remarks on the Court and its Justices before introducing Associate Justice David H. Souter (New Hampshire and Magdalen ’61). Justice Souter spoke informally to the Scholars about the Court and his education, and generously responded to questions from the Scholars. That evening, the Scholars-elect enjoyed a reception at the home of the British Embassy’s Deputy Chief of Mission, Dominick Chilcott, and his wife. The evening concluded with a production of William Congreve’s The Way of the World at the Shakespeare Theater.

The annual Departure Luncheon was held at the Cosmos Club on Wednesday, October 1st. The Scholars-elect were guests of the Association. A
number of Board members and several spouses as well as many other Rhodes Scholars were present. Following the introduction of the Scholars-elect by the Rhodes Trust’s American Secretary, Elliot Gerson, Pulitzer Prize winning *New York Times* journalist Nicholas Kristof (Oregon and Magdalen ’81) gave the keynote address, in which he discussed his own experiences fighting the world’s fight as a journalist.

The new Scholars departed that evening by air for London Heathrow, where they were met the next day by American Rhodes Scholars of 2007 and accompanied to Oxford.

The 2008 Bon Voyage Weekend Committee was chaired by George Keys (Maryland/DC and Balliol ’70). Thanks are also due to Dick Howard for his help in arranging the Supreme Court visit, to Lissa Muscatine for generously hosting the Saturday dinner, to Elliot Gerson for hosting the Sunday evening dinner and the

With Senators Lugar and Sarbanes at the Capitol
Aspen Institute panel, to Neil R. Brown (Iowa and Merton 2002) for organizing the Rhodes Scholar panel and the visit to the Capitol, to Susan Karamanian and Martina Vandenberg for arranging the panel at the American Society for International Law, and to the 12 small group dinner hosts and other Rhodes Alumni guests who do so much to extend the AARS’s welcome to the new class of Scholars. This year’s Sailing Weekend is scheduled for September 26-30, 2009, again in Washington, DC. The Sailing Weekend and the Departure Luncheon are sponsored by the AARS and are supported entirely by the contributions of its members.

From the American Secretary

The Rhodes Trust was very pleased to announce in February the appointment of Professor Don Markwell as Secretary to the Trustees and Warden of Rhodes House in succession to Sir Colin Lucas, who retires at the end of June 2009. Professor Markwell is an Australian Rhodes Scholar (Queensland and Trinity ’81) and is currently Deputy Vice-Chancellor of the University of Western Australia. As a Rhodes Scholar, he completed the M.Phil. and later the D.Phil. in International Relations. After a year at the Woodrow Wilson School at Princeton, he returned to Oxford where, after tenures as a Research Fellow and Tutorial Fellow, he became University Lecturer in Politics. From 1997 to 2007 he served as Warden of Trinity College at the University of Melbourne, and was a Professorial Fellow of that university in political science and public policy. He took up his present position at the University of Western Australia in January 2007. Professor Markwell’s academic and professional interests have been wide-ranging, and his work in education reform and educational philanthropy is known world-wide.

The American Rhodes Scholar class you read about in this newsletter, as usual, needs no special introduction for you to see how remarkable it is. Each new Rhodes Scholar combines academic excellence with distinctions in other endeavors, demonstrated leadership, and ambition to make a difference in some important aspect of society, science, arts or letters. Each reflects the breadth of fields for which Oxford’s scholarly resources are supreme, and each exhibits the vigor necessary to realize their goals.

When we changed our Rhodes election procedures four years ago, we said we would, periodically, carefully review them. We have in fact done so each year, and feel confident that the single tier has served the Rhodes Trust, candidates, and universities very well. We also anticipated that we would probably
need to make some adjustments in the districts over time to continue to ensure that each applicant pool is approximately the same size.

Accordingly, based on the average numbers of applicants per state over the past five years, we are making a number of changes that will allow applicants to be confident that no one is appreciably advantaged or disadvantaged by the size of the applicant pool entered.

We have taken a special step to address the fact that the number of California applicants has risen to the point where its pool, even as a lone state, has been consistently and significantly larger than any other and is now substantially greater than 1/16th of the total pool nationwide (in fact, it is closer to 1/10th). This year, we are creating two different districts that include northern and southern California respectively (each combined with a nearby state).

These districts will further level the playing field nationally. Californians will have no advantages over anyone else. Depending on county of residence, a California applicant, like any other, will at most have two districts of eligibility—either by location of residence or by location of university attended. Finally, if the numbers of actual applicants from the northern or southern portions of the state should vary significantly from that predicted by our model, a few candidates will be randomly reallocated to the other California district before the file review begins. A California Scholar, like all American Rhodes Scholars since 1904, will still be elected as a representative of their state and be will be designated as such (not as a Scholar representing only southern or northern California). The Rhodes Trustees have approved this change; I believe it remedies an important and, frankly, longstanding statistical unfairness in the geography of our competition.

This year’s class was the first ever to apply to Oxford using an online instrument (as you know, Rhodes Scholars must apply to Oxford after their selection; the Rhodes Scholarship does not assure a place). We hope that we will soon be able to extend online features to the American selection process as well.

ELLIOT F. GERSON
American Secretary to the Rhodes Scholarship Trust
About the Rhodes Scholarships

The Rhodes Scholarships were established in 1902 by the Will of Cecil Rhodes, the British philanthropist and colonial pioneer. Rhodes hoped that the Scholarships might improve “the lot of humankind through the diffusion of leaders motivated to serve their contemporaries, trained in the contemplative life of the mind, and broadened by their acquaintance with one another and by their exposure to cultures different from their own.” Rhodes intended that his plan of bringing able students from throughout the English-speaking world and beyond to study at Oxford University would “aid in the promotion of international understanding and peace.” (See further Oxford and The Rhodes Scholarships.) Each year, 32 Americans are among approximately 80 Rhodes Scholars selected world-wide to take up degree courses at Oxford.

Cecil Rhodes wrote that Rhodes Scholars should “esteem the performance of public duties as their highest aim” and outlined four criteria of selection: 1) literary and scholastic attainments; 2) fondness for and success in sports; 3) truth, courage, devotion to duty, sympathy for and protection of the weak, kindliness, unselfishness, and fellowship; and 4) moral force of character and instincts to lead, and to take an interest in one’s fellow beings.

Interested applicants are encouraged to consult the fellowship office of their own college or university, or the American Secretary of the Rhodes Scholarship Trust: Elliot F. Gerson, 8229 Boone Blvd., Suite 240, Vienna, VA 22182. Phone: (703) 821-5960. Fax: (703) 821-2770. E-mail: amsec@rhodesscholar.org. Or visit the web site at: www.rhodesscholar.org.

About the Association of American Rhodes Scholars

The mission of the AARS is to bring Rhodes Scholars in the U.S. together in support of the Rhodes Scholarship and Oxford University through events, publications, networks, and the web. We provide the social, intellectual and professional outreach to reflect on our shared experiences and extend our current opportunities. We promote exchange and goodwill among the peoples of the diverse countries from which Rhodes Scholars and other Oxonians are drawn.

AARS plans and supports several activities including national and class reunions, regional events, and the Bon Voyage Weekend/Orientation for new Scholars. The Association publishes an annual newsletter, The American Rhodes Scholar, as well as the quarterly journal, The American Oxonian, which includes articles, book reviews, class letters and the annual Address and Occupations List of American Rhodes Scholars and other Oxonians. It also hosts the website www.americanrhodes.org. It administers the Eastman Professorship Trust and the American Trust for Oxford (ATFO). AARS members pay modest dues annually; many members also make generous additional donations. AARS does not receive funding from the Rhodes Trust nor does it have responsibility for the Rhodes Scholar selection process in the U.S.

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