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Dave Bauer, Mathematics '69, is a special projects consultant for George Mason University. He helps academic departments identify their core skills from an external perspective and develop relationships with external organizations that share a common interest. Bauer is retired from IBM where he worked on a variety of information technology and relationship building activities. He lives in Fairfax with his wife and three sons. He is also involved in leading youth sports and recreation programs for the City of Fairfax and Fairfax High School.



Ken Rollins, Political Science '64, has launched an art consulting company, Rollins Fine Art, LLC, (RFA) in partnership with his son, architectural designer Noah A. Rollins. RFA

represents more than 150 artists nationwide on a non-exclusive basis. The artists work in all media and on any scale. The company works primarily with architects, developers, interior designers, corporations, public art programs and private collectors. Projects include the placement of existing works of fine art and crafts, or the development of site specific commissions for appropriate situations. In addition to his Political Science degree from USF, Rollins has a graduate degree in Ceramics and Sculpture from the University of Tennessee and a certificate from the Getty Museum Management Institute. He received the Lifetime Achievement Award from both the Florida Association of Museums and the Florida Art Museum Directors Association. He is also a former United States Naval officer and a Vietnam Veteran.

James R. Ward, Mathematics, '66, M.A. Natural Sciences '73 & Ph.D. Natural Sciences '75, was named Professor Emeritus at the University of Alabama at Birmingham.

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Scott Campbell, Zoology '79 & Ph.D. Biomedical Sciences '85, was named executive director and CEO of the Foundation for the National Institutes of Health. Prior to this appointment, Campbell served as the national vice president of research programs at the American Diabetes Association.



Shelley Carson, English '71, is the author of a new book based on her creativity research: *Your Creative Brain: Seven Steps to Maximize Imagination, Productivity and Innovation in Your Life* (Jossey-Bass/Wiley). Dr. Carson is an instructor and researcher at Harvard, where she teaches creativity, abnormal psychology and resilience. She has won multiple teaching awards for her popular course "Creativity: Madmen, Geniuses, and Harvard Students." Dr. Carson's research on creativity, psychopathology and resilience has been widely

published in national and international scientific journals, and her findings have been featured on the Discovery Channel, CNN, NPR, the BBC and Radio Free Europe, as well as in *Newsweek*, *Scientific American*, and *Psychology Today*. Dr. Carson is a featured blogger for The Huffington Post, with her blog Creativity in the 21st Century, and she writes the popular *Psychology Today* blog, Life as Art. She maintains an active speaking schedule outside of the classroom, talking to such groups as the Congressional Biomedical Research Caucus, the National Council on Disability, the Massachusetts Manic Depressive and Depressive Association, and the One Day University lecture series. Since 2006, Dr. Carson has served as a senior consultant and subject matter expert for the Department of Defense project afterdeployment.org, which provides innovative online mental health assistance to service members returning from Iraq and Afghanistan.



Carol J. Cook, Elementary Education '73, was elected chairperson of the Pinellas County School Board at an organizational meeting Nov. 16. Cook was elected to the school board in 2000 and re-elected in 2004 and 2008. Cook served on the Florida School Boards Association Board of Directors and has served on several task forces for the Florida Department of Education. She is a past president of the Pinellas County Council of PTA's. She was also named as the legislative liaison to the Florida School Boards Association.



Brenna Malouf Durden, Special Education '74, was named to the 2011 edition of *The Best Lawyers in America*, in the area of real estate law. Durden is a shareholder in Lewis, Longman & Walker, P.A., a firm with offices in Bradenton, Jacksonville, West Palm Beach and Tallahassee.



Sonja Garcia, M.A. Library and Information Science '77, was presented with the Graduate Celebratory Alumni Award by the Dean of USF's Graduate School, Dr. Karen Liller, in September. Garcia is a former USF Library administrator and a former member of the USF Board of Trustees. She earned a Bachelor of Science degree from Florida A&M University before completing her Master of Arts at USF. She has completed numerous leadership, management and development training programs. Garcia is also the recipient of the Jean Key Gates Distinguished Alumni Award, presented by the USF School of Library and Information Science, and a recipient of the Kente Award, presented by the President's African American Advisory Committee. She has also received keys to four cities for her community building efforts in Florida, Georgia and South Carolina.



Harold G. Jeffcoat, History '73 & M.A. History '88, was named as president of Millikin University in Deatur, IL, in November. Previously, Dr. Jeffcoat served as president and CEO for 10 years at Texas Wesleyan University in Fort Worth.

Kim Klein, Art '78 and Mass Communications '81, of Shelburne Falls, MA, has joined Florentine Films, the production company of documentary filmmaker Ken Burns, as the vice president of development for The Better Angels Society. The society, with advisors throughout the U.S., is associated with WETA-TV, the non-profit PBS affiliate in Washington, D.C. that has been Burns' production partner for the last 25 years.

Sidney Matthew, Business Economics & Psychology '72, is a Tallahassee attorney and author of *Bobby: The Life and Times of Bobby Jones*, a biography of the late Harvard graduate, lawyer, author, Grand Slam winner and Augusta National founder. The coffee table book is in its third printing, and a documentary of the same name aired on national television before the final rounds of the Masters tournament last April.



W. Michael Montgomery, Mass Communications '76, was voted No. 1 Plan Advisor in the U.S. in the \$5 - \$15 million plan category by The 401kWire, a leading industry website. In the survey of employers and his fellow consultants, over 75,000 votes were cast for over 2,500 advisors. Earlier in 2010, Montgomery was named one of the 100 Most Influential People in the defined contribution field. Montgomery is managing principal of Montgomery Retirement Plan Advisors. Based in Tampa, his firm provides fiduciary and plan consulting services to sponsors of 401(k) plans across the U.S., and to several Florida municipal government plans.



Ken Otero, Education '75, is deputy superintendent with the Hillsborough County School District, specializing in curriculum. He was a social studies teacher and assistant principal at Plant High School before being named as principal of Sligh Middle School and Tampa Bay Technical High School, respectively. He left Tampa Bay Technical to join the Hillsborough County School District as a general director of secondary education, then became general director for Area VII schools and assistant superintendent for Administration. He served as chief of staff within the county school system prior to taking his current position as deputy superintendent. He is active in the Tampa Bay community and currently serves on the Florida Aquarium Board of Directors and on St. Joseph's Children's Hospital Advisory Board.



Lee Patouillet, American Studies '75, has founded Patouillet Consulting, a higher education advancement consulting firm. Dr. Patouillet has led three different