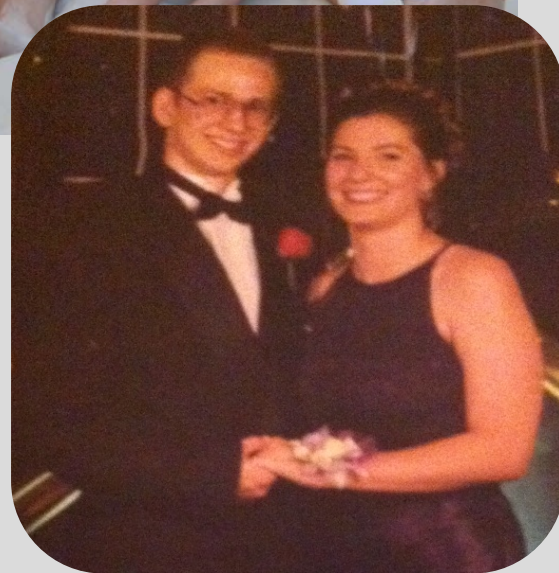


Happy Valentine's Day
February 14, 2012

ASMSA Alumni Couples



Tracey Borders Johnson (1997) & Lance Johnson (1997)

We met playing volleyball at the YMCA. We never really had a first date. We spent the entire bus ride to and from SLAAM in Louisiana together and after that we were together for good. We both attended the University of Arkansas and we were married in June 2000. We now live in Bartlesville, Okla., where Lance is a web applications developer at ConocoPhillips and Tracey is a stay-at-home mom to two beautiful girls. Lily is 6 and Lorelai is 2.



Sarah Harper Welch (1997) & Rich Welch (1998)

I (Sarah) was sitting in the 2nd floor dorm hallway with my friend Jaime. A boy walked by, and I immediately had an overwhelming feeling that this was the one. I spent the evening trying to talk myself off the ledge, because I was clearly insane. I hadn't even spoken to him or even heard his voice.

A few days later, Rich and I passed each other in the hallway, then simultaneously turned around and asked "Do you want to go down town?" We both said "yes," then went off to find another two people to check out with since it was a Friday night. I grabbed my friend Nick and one of the juniors on my floor.

It was one of the Gallery Walk nights; we strolled the galleries. Then, Rich and I ditched the other two so that we could spend some time together. We strolled the Promenade and had an amazing talk and walk. By the time I arrived back in my room, I knew I wasn't insane. He was the one.

We went on to attend college together at Missouri S&T (then UMR), including taking many classes together like sci-fi literature, minds and machines, and quite a few computer science classes. We married on Oct. 3, 2004 – the anniversary of that first date. We now live in Boulder, Colo.

Rich is a software engineer at TerraSpark Geosciences, a software development company focused on seismic interpretation. I am an agile coach at Exelis Visual Information Solutions, a software development company focused on extracting information from geospatial imagery and complex data.





Raven (Angela) Stone (1998) & Matthew Adcock (1997)

We were married on Oct. 31, 2003. Our son Darius Nazgûl Adcock was born Aug. 26, 2010.

My sister **Emily Reynolds (2001)** and her fiancé **Tony Pirani II (1998)** have a daughter Liliana Sophia Pirani. Tony's son, Tony Pirani III, is making plans to attend ASMSA in three years.

First cousins
Darius Adcock
and Liliana Pirani;
all four of their
parents attended
ASMSA.

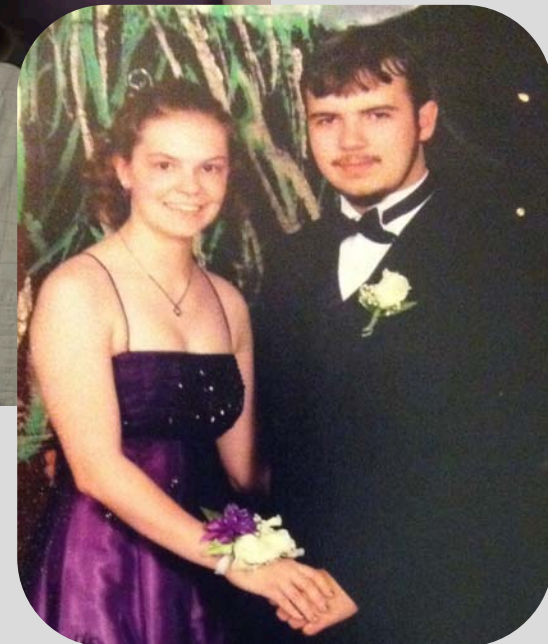
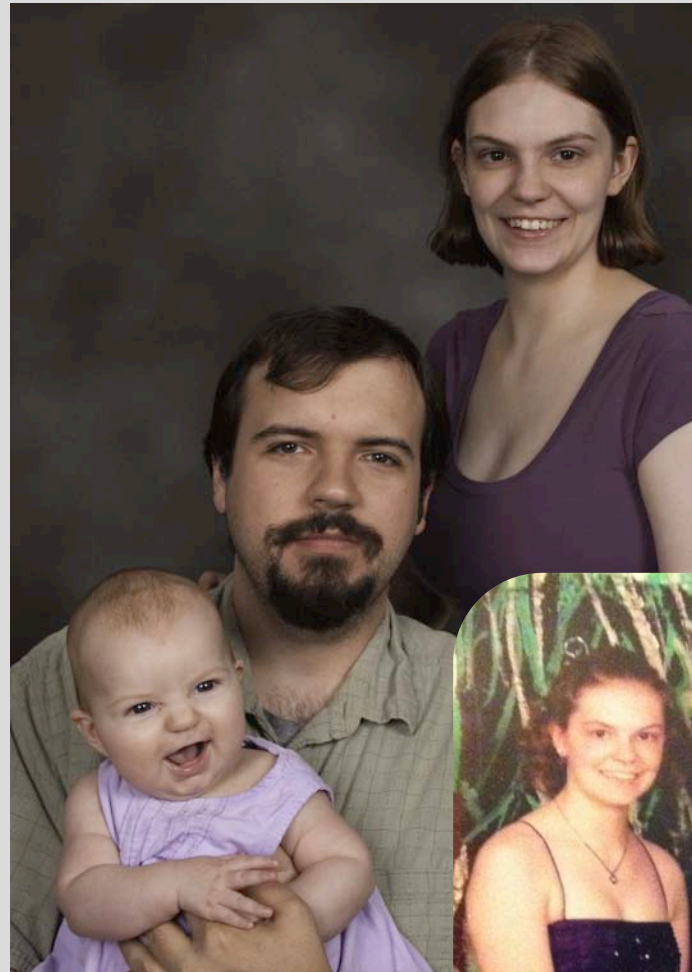


ReGina Finley Meyer (2004) & Aron Meyer (2004)

We met in RTT junior year when we had computers next to each other. However, we didn't start dating until November of our senior year, right before a closed weekend! We never really had a true "first date," spending most of our free time hiking the trails of Hot Springs.

We continued to date throughout college, both of us attending University of Arkansas in Fayetteville. We were married May 16, 2008.

We now live in Pryor, Okla., with a beautiful one-year-old daughter. Aron works for Baker Hughes as a pump engineer while Gina stays home to play with the baby. Aron is currently studying for his master's in mechanical engineering online through the University of Illinois.





Kara Martin (2007) & Kevin Cecil (2007)

We met in Fall 2006 in Dr. Hunter's chemistry class. We also had Mr. McElderry's Spanish together.

Our first date was in the spring of 2007; not sure exactly when but it was to downtown Hot Springs (of course). We went to a concert together.

We are engaged with a date set for February 2013. We currently live in Maumelle.

Kara is a commercial underwriter for Auto-Owners Insurance and graduated in May of 2011 with a BBA in insurance and risk management.

Kevin is finishing his last semester at the University of Central Arkansas and will graduate on May 5, 2012, with a BBA in insurance and risk management.



Lacey Stephenson Earls (2010) & Jacob Earls (2010)

We met in fall of 2008 when we both came to ASMSA as juniors. Our first date consisted of going to a concert featuring the country artist Corey Smith and occurred on March 13, 2010. My wife and I got married June 4, 2011.

We are currently living in Bryant and are both going to school and working. I am going to UALR for a construction management degree while Lacey is attending Henderson in Arkadelphia pursuing a degree in psychology.



Kelly Griffis Jordan (1996) & Jamie Jordan (1996)

We had a couple of classes together, but really got to know each other through mutual friends at ASMS. We started dating in March of 1995 and were married Sept. 18, 1999. We live in Little Rock with our two dogs. Jamie went to Ouachita Tech and is a nurse at Arkansas Cardiology & Internal Medicine Clinic. I got my degree from Pulaski Tech and am a respiratory therapist at Baptist Medical Center.

Here are some other ASMSA alumni who have tied the knot:

- Felicia Taylor Jewell (96) & Jeremy Jewell (96)
- Emmalee Carroll (96) & Joseph Lin (96)
- Jena White Selva (96) & John Selva (95)
- Lindsey Able Waddell (99) & Jack Waddell (99)
- Megan Anders Cates (02) & Ben Cates (02)
- Connie Henderson Ardwin (02) & Corey Ardwin (02)

(Thank you to Brian Shiro and Paul Parcon for sharing information about their classmates)

Thank you to all the ASMSA couples who shared their stories!

For the latest news on your ASMSA classmates, check the Class Notes page in the alumni section of the ASMSA website.



Congratulations to Tracey and Lance Johnson (1997) who won the ASMSA print by Hot Springs artist Alison Parsons, pictured at left working on the ASMSA painting.