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*Snicker's Cake*



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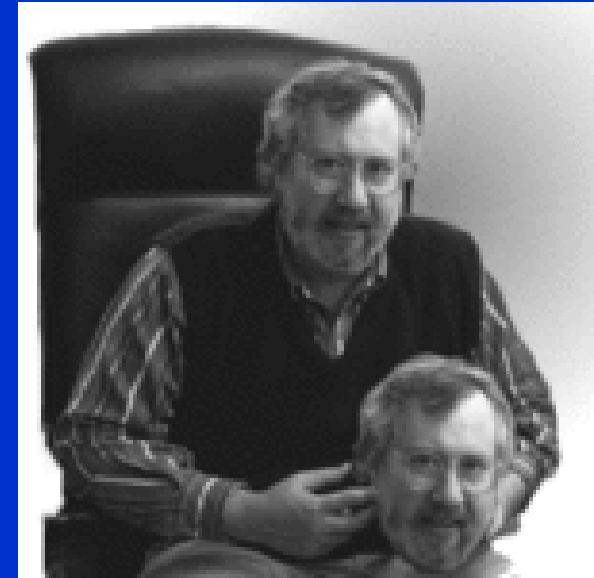
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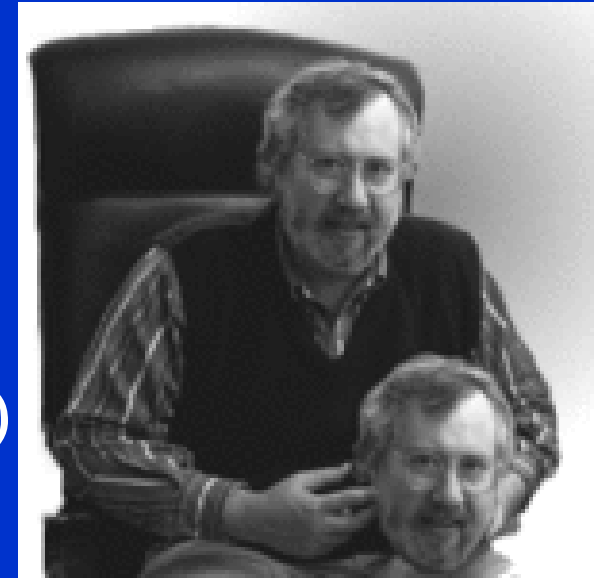
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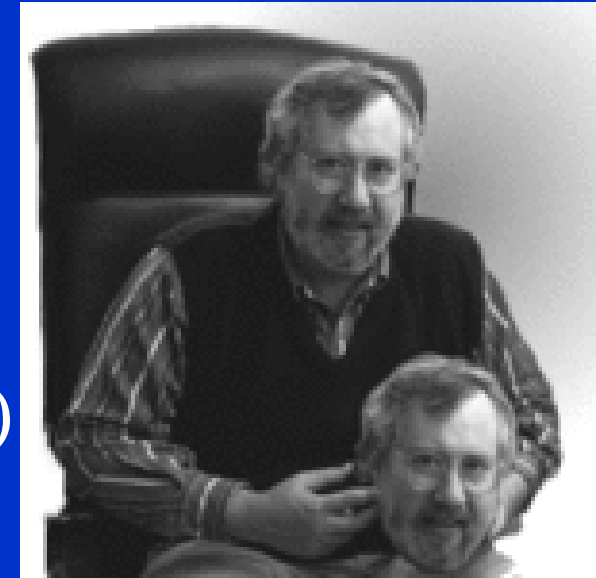
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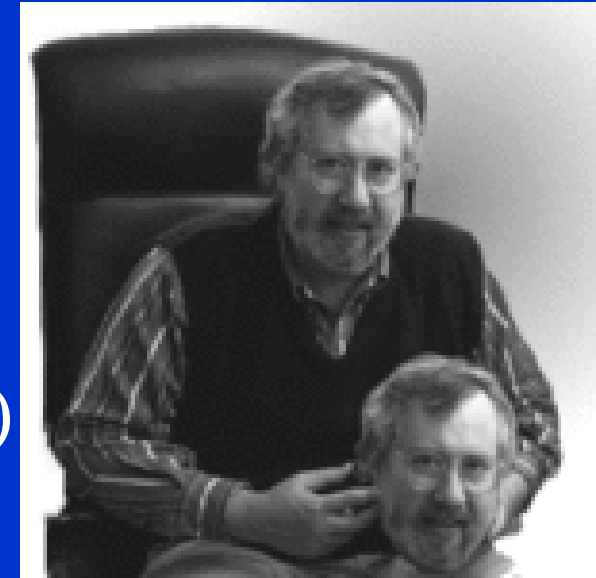


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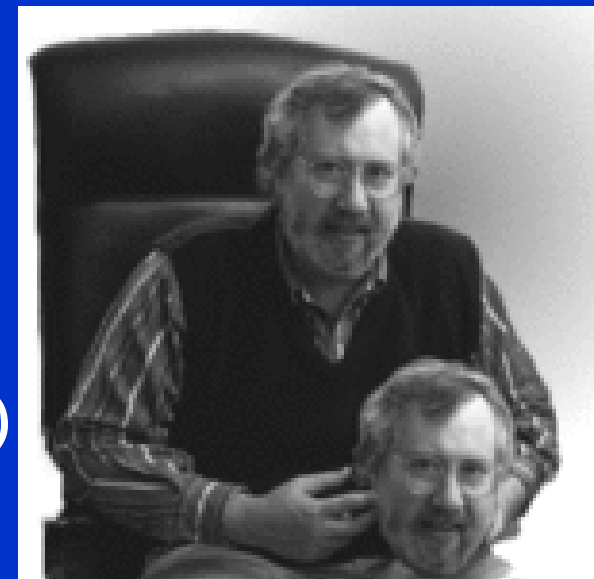
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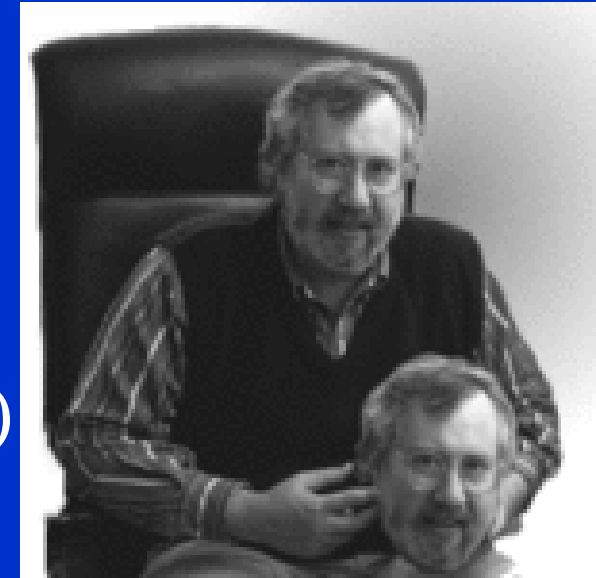
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- Middle School Enrichment Program initiated (*Murthy, Feldmeyer*)

# Picnics

(a little side presentation)



Picnic 1994



Picnic 1995



Picnic 1996



Picnic 1997



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# Picnic 2002



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Picnic 2004



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Where are you?

Picnic 2007



Picnic 2008

Picnics 2008 and beyond

Enough already

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- 1995 - MSEP brings students to UT (*Bhogte*)



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- Dean Rankin asks for the program to be doubled



# The DS Student Association



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- DS Student Association born in 1997

*suggested by Brehm*

*First council chaired by Lily Liao*



# The DS Student Association

1997 – 1998 Lillian Liao

1998 – 1999 Jennifer Posey

1999 – 2000 Arundathi Shenoy

2000 – 2001 Kyle Wedin / Pooja Paranjpe

2001 – 2002 Brandon Zinn

2002 – 2003 Clare Rivello

2003 – 2004 Bess Frost

2004 – 2005 Chad Vicenik

2005 – 2006 Sanjita Ravishankar

2006 – 2007 Robert Seilheimer

2007 – 2008 Sarah Miller

2008 – 2009 Richa Gupta

2009 – 2010 Patrick Lawlor

2010 – 2011 Zesong Liu

2011 – 2012 Matthew Tien

2012 – 2013 Rathi Kannan

2013 – 2014 Nalin Ratnayeke

2014 – 2015 Patrick Haley

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2016 – 2017 Ellen Zippi

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- 2000 - Organ Donor Drive (*DeZern*)



# Where did we stand? March, 2001

- 160 Dean's Scholars
- 8-10 seminars
- 30 admitted from HS – 20 from current students
- about half pre-med (several MD/PhD per year)

# Looking Back from 2001

- 400 Alumni
- Many scientists and physicians
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- One Rhodes Scholar



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- DS Dance (on, off, on)



# The Faculty Review as of 2001

An expanded program ?

More students ?

Special Classes ?





## Recommendations - 2002

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- **30 Hours Electives**



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2008

First Rhodes Scholar:  
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*Why have I never seen  
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before?*

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# Award 2009

Dean's Scholars Student Association wins  
Swing Out Award as "Best New Organization"



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2010

# New Program

Health Science Honors Program



2010  
DS in Space



# 2010 DS in Space

Dean's Scholar Joseph Barratt's  
father Dr. Michael Barratt  
offers to carry memento of  
program aboard the final flight  
of space shuttle Discovery



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IN SPACE

2010



2010  
DS in Space

Launched Thursday, February 24, 2011







2011

- Third DS Alumni Reunion



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- Cline steps down as director



# Dean's Scholars Endowment Fund 2011



# AKC Scholarship – 2011

2011: Genevieve Allen

2012: Guadalupe Jasso

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- David Hillis is fourth DS Director





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- Holiday Dinner moved up to late November – trivia competition, dance



2015

•DS Alumni Dinners – CA and TX





2019

40 for 40 Campaign for the DS  
Endowment

**\$13,248**



2021

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Endowment

**\$30,814**

# The Deans Scholars Scrapbook

Dinner menus, recipes,  
and zillions of photos:

<https://deansscholars.github.io/DS-Scrapbook/>



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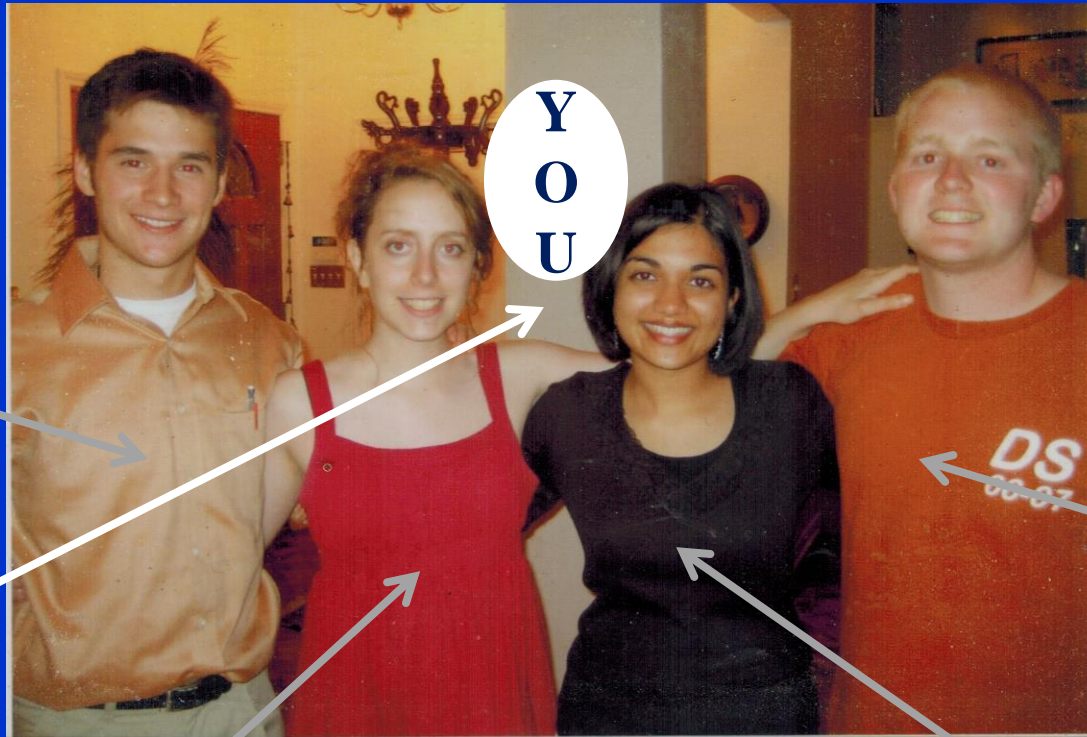
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2021

Tenth Anniversary of David Hillis  
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