



CAROLINA WOMEN

Lead



Sunny Harvey Burrows '84 Parent '16, '20

A fifth-generation Carolina graduate, Sunny Harvey Burrows is a Tar Heel through and through. She grew up in Kinston, N.C., and her family often went to Chapel Hill to support Carolina's sports teams. "I grew up knowing I wanted to be a Tar Heel," said Sunny.

Encouragement came from her father, Felix Harvey '43. "My dad used to say, 'You better study hard. Carolina doesn't admit just anyone.' So, I buckled down academically and set my sights on Carolina."

When Sunny came to Carolina, she was a shy girl from a small town. Here, she built the meaningful relationships that gave her the confidence to come into her own. She made lifelong friends studying in Wilson Library, joined the Tri Delta sorority and became best friends with her freshman-year roommate. "I loved walking to class on campus, and I was really figuring out who I was as an individual."

After earning her B.A. in American Studies, she went on to receive her M.B.A. from Duke University. Following an illustrious career in banking and marketing, including a stint as brand manager at Coca-Cola, Sunny now dedicates her talents to growing the Lookout Foundation, her family's charitable organization.

With a mission of stopping generational poverty one family at a time through education, the Lookout Foundation's efforts include supporting the Lookout Scholars, a cohort of first-generation college students at UNC. "Being able to make a difference is the biggest gift anyone can give," Sunny said.

Sunny lives in Atlanta with her husband, Lee '82, whom she met at Carolina, and has three daughters —Margaret '16, Lawson '20 and Adelaide, a high school senior. She chairs the UNC Arts and Sciences Foundation board and is a long-time member of the Carolina Women's Leadership Council. She describes the Council as an incredible experience spending time with other strong women, "celebrating our unique heart and soul and supporting one another's leadership at Carolina."

The Carolina Women's Leadership Council is a network of women committed to supporting the University. For more information, contact Lanier Brown May at lanier_may@unc.edu or 919-843-5883.



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