A college campus brims with young life. And yet, visit the Student Memorial Fountain and the long rows of student names etched on it remind us of how fragile life is. At the time the memorial fountain near the Baylor Bookstore was dedicated in November 1990, 14 Baylor students’ names were etched into the stone. Since then, 53 more have been added; 15 of those students died between Aug. 19, 1999, and Nov. 19, 2000 — an average of one student per month. It has been a staggering period of loss — the great majority of the deaths from automobile and motorcycle accidents — that has deeply shaken the Baylor community.

This particularly hard period began Aug. 19, 1999, with the automobile accident and subsequent death of three co-eds on their way to Baylor for Welcome Week. Two months later, four students died in an automobile-related accident in October outside College Station. In January 2000, a freshman woman died from injuries received when she was struck by a car while crossing a street near campus. Two months later, a Baylor sophomore was killed in an automobile accident, and one month later, another memorial service was held on campus for a senior killed in an auto accident in Fort Worth.

Fall 2000 began no better, with another automobile accident death in August followed by two motorcycle-related deaths just weeks apart, in September. In October, a Baylor freshman died in an auto accident near Teague. And less than a month before the end of the fall semester, one of Baylor’s students died after a battle with brain cancer.

Baylor administrators, faculty and staff have always stepped forward to comfort students who are grieving the loss of family or
Pat Neff Time Capsule Reveals Baylor Circa 1938

A time capsule sealed in the cornerstone of Pat Neff Hall was opened by Baylor officials Dec. 7. The unearthing of the cornerstone came 62 years to the day from its ceremonial laying, which was presided over by former Texas Gov. and Baylor President Pat Neff and observed by 4,000 students and Baylor faculty, staff, students and friends.

The cornerstone, located at the building's northeast corner, was disturbed as part of a restoration project to replace much of the administration building's limestone trim, which has been crumbling in recent years.

Representatives of the Grand Lodge of Texas, A.F. & A.M., were on hand for the opening of the time capsule but did not come out intact were replaced with replicas provided by the Texas Collection.

The 1938 Pat Neff Hall cornerstone laying ceremony; a Dec. 6 issue of the Daily Lariat; an admission viewbook; and a 1936 admissions viewbook. Among those witnessing the time capsule opening were Mary McCall, wife of the late Baylor President Robert B. Sloan Jr.; and Dr. Charles S. Waddell, vice president for University Relations, examine capsule contents.

Construction on the permanent campus for George W. Truett Theological Seminary has been progressing throughout the fall. The $18 million, 64,000-square-foot facility is expected to be completed in 2000 and will include classrooms, faculty and administration offices, a student life suite, a prayer room, community spaces, a Great Hall, the Robert B. Sloan Jr. Teaching Chapel and the 550-seat Paul Powell Chapel.

Three goals outlined in the Horizon project, three main goals will be pursued, Bryant said. They include: a comprehensive set of activities designed to encourage students to explore vocation, opportunities for key faculty and staff to reflect on the relevance of voca-

Lilly Awards $2 Million Grant to BU

Baylor is one of 20 U.S. colleges and universities to receive a $1 million-plus grant from Lilly Endowment Inc. to begin or enhance programs that encourage young people to consider the ministry as a career or consider faith commitments in whatever career they choose.

Baylor received a $2 million grant to establish a program called “Baylor Horizons: The Exploration of Vocation for a Life of Service.” The program will implement a comprehensive set of 15 projects, ranging from new student orientation to internships in area churches.

“Baylor was founded to be of service to church and state. Therefore, we at Baylor are grateful to Lilly Endowment for the opportunity to be involved in their new initiative called ‘Baylor Horizons.’”

“Our participation in this initiative gives all of us at Baylor the opportunity to take part in activities that mobilize, deepen, and expand Baylor’s historic efforts to help our students see all of their lives as a vocation, a calling,” Dr. Beaty said.

Grant selections totaling $39.7 million, the 20 grants were selected from 51 schools that were awarded planning grants in May 1999. The Endowment’s board of directors also approved a $10 million commitment for a second round of grants in this inaugural, competitive initiative for church-related institutions.

“The caliber of proposals that we received in this initiative was absolutely outstanding,” Dykstra said. “It is clear to us that these schools have thought deeply and productively about this issue of encouraging young people to consider questions of faith and commitment when they choose their careers.”

Lilly Endowment Inc. chose its $2 million grant for Baylor’s program in religion and the public arena among 130 proposals submitted by churches, denominations, seminaries, colleges, universities and church-related foundations.

The Lilly Endowment is a private family foundation that supports its founders’ wishes by supporting the causes of religion, community development and education.

— Lori Scott Fogleman
Processing Grief Provides Foundation for Closure

Crisis team

Grieving students who are seeking counseling services...
Women law grads reflect trend in legal profession

History was made at Baylor Law School nearly 50 years ago when women graduates outnumbered men in the graduating class. On Nov. 14, 1961, 11 women and 10 men received juris doctor degrees during commencement ceremonies in the Battlefield Drawing Room.

The occasion prompted then Dean Angus S. McClain to term it a "notable first" in the history of the School. "Women already make up a significant portion of the legal profession," he said. "Their presence brings a great deal of talent, ambition and energy to the profession — and I think that's good."

Today, graduating classes at the Law School frequently include more women than men. This will be the case at the next commencement ceremony at 10 a.m. Feb. 3, when 14 women and 11 men are scheduled to graduate during ceremonies at Miller Chapel.

Dean Brad Torben said this reflects the fact that more women are interested in a career in the legal profession. "Women have brought a vitality, enthusiasm and skill to the profession," he said. "They have transformed it in so many positive ways."

For more information about the February commencement, call Jim Cunningham, Law School registrar, at ext. 415. — Alan Hunt

Online registration

Staff now may register online for Baylor's staff development luncheon program, STEPP (Striving to Enhance Personal Performance). Participants previously registered by mail, phone, fax or e-mail.

Beginning in January, the new service will be more efficient and enable staff to independently register and to order lunch, said Dellas Johnson, administrative associate in Personnel Services. It also will record attendance for staff toward professional development credit.

The STEPP program was implemented in September 1996 to equip and encourage Baylor staff in their efforts toward personal and professional development.

Offered over the lunch hour in the Battlefield Drawing Room, the STEPP programs are held monthly except August and December. The $5.50 lunch can be charged through payroll deduction.

"Wednesday's View" will be presented Jan. 16 by Cassie Findley, health, education and wellness director, and Andrea King, outreach coordinator in health, education and wellness.

To visit the new online registration, access the Faculty and Staff page from the Baylor homepage and click on the "STEPP Luncheon" link under Faculty/Staff Development. — Haley Wright

Distinguished Alumni for 2001 Named

Graduates to be honored for career, civic accomplishments at Jan. 19 banquet

What do a leader in Christian charity work, a career military officer, a physician renowned for his work in international public health and a literary advocate have in common? All will be honored for their achievements at this year's Distinguished Alumni Banquet at 7 p.m. Jan. 19 in the Battlefield Drawing Room. The black-tie banquet is sponsored by the Baylor Alumni Association.

Receiving the 2001 award are Howard E. Butts Jr., president of the H.E. Butt Foundation; Col. Maria Cribbs, executive secretary to U.S. Secretary of Defense William Cohen; Ruth Parker Graves, president emerita of Reading Is Fundamental; and Dr. Lee Howard, retired from the U.S. Agency for International Development.

Howard E. Butts Jr.

Butts, a well-known for his work in Christian ministry — as a lay leader, conference and retreat organizer and author. The 1947 Baylor graduate, who also serves as vice chairman of the board for the H.E. Butt Grocer Co., spent the years following college preaching at churches around the country while working for the H-E-B Food Stores chain.

Although he no longer holds a full-time position with H-E-B, Butts has continued his lay ministry work by authoring several books, working with Lilly Graham to support the Layman's Leadership Institute, organizing the North American Congress of the L. in 1976 and overseeing Lanty Hall, an adult evangelical Christian retreat center in the Texas Hill Country built by his parents in 1961.

Col. Maria Cribbs

A native of Cuero, Cribbs earned her bachelor's degree in sociology from Baylor in 1975 before joining the U.S. Air Force. During her military service, she has been director of personnel and deputy base commander of the electronic systems division at Hanscom Air Force Base in Massachusetts, chief of executive services at Langley Air Force Base in Virginia, deputy director of personnel and manpower at U.S. European Command headquarters in Germany, and commander of the Air Force Inspection Agency at Kirtland Air Force Base in New Mexico.

She became Cohen's executive secretary in 1999 and is responsible for screening, reviewing and editing all the Secretary's correspondence, planning his travel schedule and acting as a sounding board.

Ruth Parker Graves

Graves, from the class of 1936, participated in student government and community projects while a Baylor student. Upon graduation, she became more involved in politics, joining the Kennedy and Johnson administrations, where she directed the migrant workers section of the anti-poverty program.

In 1976 he Port Arthur native joined Reading Is Fundamental, a fledgling organization designed to provide children with access to books, which since has grown to be the largest children's literacy organization in the world. As president of the charity, he post she held until 1997, Graves recruited corporations, foundations and service groups to become RIF partners. She also established the National Book Program in conjunction with the U.S. Congress and the Department of Education, and worked to expand RIF to include literacy programs for adults, migrant workers and homeless children.

Dr. Lee Howard

The child of Baptist missionaries, Dr. Howard put his medical training to use in the field of international public health. The 1941 Baylor graduate earned his medical degree from Johns Hopkins School of Medicine and moved to India in 1950 to serve as a hospital medical director and chief of staff. The 1973 world country experience led him to realize his vocation lay in preventive medicine.

For 26 years, he worked with the U.S. Agency for International Development, a branch of the State Department. During the course of his career, he traveled to more than 60 countries. He served as USAID Office of Health director from 1967 to 1981 and has consulted for such groups as the World Bank and the Pan American Health Organization. In 1987 USAID awarded him the Administrator's Distinguished Career Service Award, its highest honor, and in 1990 he was elected to Johns Hopkins University's Society of Scholars. Dr. Howard, who is married to Mammie Crabb Howard, also a Baylor graduate, retired from USAID in 1994.

For more information about the Distinguished Alumni Banquet, contact the Alumni Association at ext. 1121. — Julie Carlson

Super Saturdays for Kids Offer Popular Classes

Super Saturdays, the popular educational programs designed by Baylor's Center for Community Learning and Enrichment, will continue this spring for students in first through ninth grades.

The first classes of the new year begin Jan. 20 with the "workshop" class "What a Mess! Dreams, Designs and Dimensions 3-D: Muddling Pets and Jupiter Juice Bugs," in which students will look at tessellation (or mosaic) shapes to make their own real or imaginary "inside pet." "The Art and Science of Food," which includes a meal prepared by students, as well as instruction on the dining code of behavior; and "Claymation," where student's clay figures will come to life through the use of digital camera, Sots Software and imagination.

On Feb. 3, students will create "Wendy and Wady Musical Creations," as well as learn about architecture in "Dreams, Designs and Dimensions 5: Skyscrapers and Your Special Palace," how to draw their own characters in "Cartooning" and explore making patterns, designs and detailed pictures in "Printmaking Potpourri."

"Cartooning" and "Printmaking Potpourri" also will be held on March 24, in addition to an exploration of the world of insects in "What's Bugging You?" and what it means to be a leader in "Leadership Basics 101."

The final Super Saturday classes on April 28 include "Rocket!" the musical production class "Light, Camera, Action" and repeats of "Claymation" and "The Art and Science of Food."

"All classes are held at various locations throughout the Baylor campus and begin between 8:30 and 9 a.m., lasting approximately three hours. Ages are divided by school grades. Registration deadlines are one week before each class. The cost for each session is $30, which includes lab materials and facility fees.

For more information, call the Center for Community Learning and Enrichment at ext. 2171. — Lori Scott Rayman
Beginning a New Millennium of Hope, Possibility

Baylor’s Center can become locus of reconciliation in discussions involving two struggling peoples at an impasse

Dr. Marc N. Ellis, University Professor of American and Jewish Studies

In spring 1998, I flew from Washington, D.C., to Waco. My arrival at Baylor had come about through unusual circumstances. As an alumnus of Baylor undergraduate and law school, I had heard be speak some months earlier in Bethlehem, Palestine, at an international conference organized by Palestinian Christians on the holiest tradition in the Hebrew Bible. He, in turn, contacted people at Baylor and so began a chain of events that resulted in my being on a plane for a few months later on my way to Waco.

I relate this story of my arrival at Baylor because it is important to the formation of the Center for American and Jewish Studies, the inauguration of which we celebrated this past November.

Integrity and vision

After one day at Baylor, I was taken by the integrity and vision I found there. Baylor was religious and had a vision. I am religious and have a vision, and I thought that these sensibilities would make an interesting, perhaps even a dynamic, combination. Integrity can bridge differences in religious and cultural outlook. That bridge can enhance life and faith; it can move and deepen commitment.

The Center for American and Jewish Studies has commitments and a vision. First and foremost, the Center has a commitment to Baylor. The Center’s programs emerge from within Baylor’s mission statement. The Center seeks to become, like other entities at Baylor, part of the University’s tagline, so that one day its special quality becomes part of Baylor’s normal routine, a part of campus life.

Extend the experience

The Center also has aspirations and commitments that seek to extend the Baylor experience beyond our local, to national and international venues. One of our first annual lectures was the Dr. Marc N. Ellis Distinguished Lecture in Biblical Faith, the Holocaust and the Future of Jewish-Christian Relations (co-sponsored with the religion department), which was inaugurated in January and September of 2001. In each lecture, we have engaged one or two of the world’s foremost scholars, the first by Professor Jay Bernthal of Vanderbilt University, the second by Professor Alan Berger of Florida Atlantic University.

At our inaugural conference Nov. 1–3, “The Next Fifty Years: Beginning a Millennium of Hope and Possibility,” we hosted nationally and internationally known speakers. Among them were: Professor Richard Hoberman of the University of Bridgewater, Rosary Church, Radford Beach of Garret-Evangelical Seminary, Mahnoud Ayyash of Temple University, and Lawrence Carter of Morehouse College. They spoke on the national and international levels to their own Jewish, Christian and Islamic communities, and well beyond these communities as well. This is part of our hope and vision: to foster an ecumenical dialogue rooted in diverse faith traditions in dialogue with the Baptist tradition that Baylor embraces and renews.

International programs

On the international level, we hope to embrace on a variety of programs. A proposed Jerusalem “think tank” would seek to bring Jews and Palestinians together to consider their common future — an increasingly relevant issue in these times of rage and crisis. As an offshoot of the “think tank,” a proposed Baylor in Jerusalem program would bring Baylor students and faculty into this discussion, perhaps even lending a hand to these two struggling peoples in hope of finding a way beyond this present impasse.

There are more conferences to encourage a committed dialogue with philosophy and literature to begin in April at Baylor (co-sponsored with the English department) then in subsequent years move on to Notre Dame, Jerusalem, London and Rome — again seeking insight and common ground among Jews, Christians and Muslims. With the modern languages department, a dialogue has begun on a series of conferences on the past, present and future of German-Jewish relations, to be held at Baylor in Germany and in Jerusalem. An exchange with Harvard University and Morehouse College is being developed, expanding the vision of our students to histories and worlds that, upon reflection, are part of our common future.

We hope also to broaden our horizons even more as we work with a new university in the process of being built, Soka University in California, that comes from the Buddhist tradition and emphasizes building international bridges of peace. With Dr. Gaynor Yancey of our School of Social Work, we are developing an area of ecumenical faith-based community discussions on faith and public policy.

A joint future

In the initial announcement of our Center, I thought it reasonable to suggest that we might become a leader in Jewish studies among Christian-identified universities. And so I believe we will. But it is also true that we can become a leader in our field among universities in the Big XII. And I ask, why not beyond that? For our vision of a joint future for Jews and Palestinians, our envisioning of the next 50 years of Judaism, Christianity and Islam, our search for reconciliation, justice and peace at home and abroad, can plan us in the forefront of university programs that are definitive and often too stay firm in the past.

We will be open to diverse points of view, but will never how to pressure to change our commitments and our vision. For this steadfastness, I want to thank Baylor University and especially Provost Donald Schmeltekopf and Dr. Marc H. Ellis, director of The J.M. Dawson Institute for Church-State Studies for their counsel and friendship. On every occasion they have been helpful and generous.

Dr. Marc H. Ellis

What will the next 50 years mean to the world? What will Baylor look like in the next 50 years? Though this may seem like a long time, it is simply our students’ adult working life span. As faculty, the next 50 years at least are as the days of our birth. What is our responsibility to these students, to those who begin the millennium with optimism and energy? My own sense is that we owe the students our witness and testimony, sharing our own journeys in faith and life with them. As we share our faith and life, we share our witness. That witness is our testimony. In this way, we challenge the students to form, over time and with mentoring, their witness. This, in turn, will become their testimony to pass on to the next generation.

Next 50 years

In every historical moment hope and possibility are present. The next 50 years present a unique challenge to all of us, some say an incredibly difficult context in which to see hope and possibility. But not this always and everywhere the case: human life lived with contingency, fallibility and danger? A Jewish philosopher once wrote that the world is in perpetual danger, that danger is permanent and unrelenting. We only have to see our way through the danger rather than eliminate it. But here, too, lies the possibility, itself also permanent. We are called to mold and shape and sometimes — and perhaps the next 50 years will be one of these times — when we do not, achieving an excellence in human relations, ecumenical fraternity and material security, the generation following will see the students we have taught and nurtured as an extraordinary model for service and commitment. Is this the reason for our presence at Baylor?

Life and universities are complex, as will be our students’ lives and the next 50 years. As a Jew, I am grateful to God for bringing me to Baylor and for allowing me to contribute my small part to this overall enterprise. My hope is that the Center for American and Jewish Studies will bring another dimension to the overall mission of the University: in a difficult world where despair and injustice often threaten to overcome us, to witness to the possibility of life and goodness with each other and with God.

University Initiates New Center to Facilitate Student Success

A new Student Success Center, incorporating the Offices of Academic Development Services, Access and Learning Accommodation, Career Services and Registrar, was formed effective Jan. 2 to strengthen the University’s efforts to improve student retention.

The mission of the new center is to raise Baylor’s freshmen retention rate from 85 percent to 95 percent over the next three to five years and to provide students with additional support to ensure their success at the University, thereby impacting Baylor’s graduation rate. — BVINov. 2001

Isaac Shapero, associate director of Academic Development Services, says the center will strengthen “the existing campus resources by offering a central location for students to access the range of support they may need.”

The center will offer students a personalized plan of support that will act as a “counseling safety net,” according to Shapero.

Shapero says the office also will create a support network for students who are struggling with academic, social or personal issues or who need help managing their time or life outside of the classroom.

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Family Circle

With sympathy to
Dr. Ralph Lynn, professor emeritus of history, on the death of his wife, Barbara. The family of Steve Sanford, aviation sciences, on his death.
Dr. Darrell S. Vodopich, biology, on the death of his father, Charles Vodopich.
Dr. Stephen M. Williams, engineering, on the death of his father, Richard Wayne Williams.
The family of Neil Hampton Morris, widow of Neil Morris, former staff adviser for plant operations, on her death.
Dr. Edward R. Daigle, M.D., professor Emeritus of Religion, on the death of his wife, Margaret.

Congratulations to
Dr. Colbert C. Held, former Diplomat in Residence, and wife, Mildred, on their 60th wedding anniversary.
Mike Hutchesson, Information Technology Center, and wife, Janet, on the birth of their son, Richard Barton.

Best wishes to
Dorothy McNeill, Baptist Student Ministries, who is recovering from surgery.
Dr. E. Bruce Thompson, former chair and professor emeritus of history, who is recovering from a mild stroke.

MKL holiday to be observed Jan. 15
Faculty and staff will observe the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday Jan. 15, the first day to do so since it was adopted as an official University holiday in October 1999.
The change is a result of recommendations made by the University’s calendar committee to President Robert B. Sloan Jr. Also approved was a Fall Break for students, which was observed Oct. 20. — IN

Spotlight

Presentations & Participations

Dr. Roger L. Brooks, professor emeritus of English and former director of Armstrong Browning Library, presented “Hosting New Sites Painter” at a September symposium presenting the Katharine Anne Porter Collections to the Center for the Study of the Southwest at Southeast Texas State University in San Marcos. The address will be published in the forthcoming book Present Day to the World and Beyond by TCU Press.
Dr. William Y. Davis, professor of English and Writing in Residence, gave a reading of his poetry Oct. 19 at Vanguard College Preparatory School in Waco.
Dr. Richard E. Dufresne, associate professor of biology and director of graduate studies, presented the co-authored papers “CO2 Light Trap Data in a Dallas Area Teen Pile: Summer 2000.” Laval Surveys Associated with the Use of Delethrophopis in a Dallas Area Teen Pile” and “The Effect of a Monomolecular Surface Film (Lipid) on Operation in Aedes aegypti, Aedes albopictus, and Aedes vexans.” Oct. 11-12 at the annual meeting of the Texas Insecticide Control Association in Austin. Co-author of the first paper is Scott A. Surek, Dallas County Public Health. Co-authors of the second paper are Surek and Michelle Roper, Texas Lutheran University student. Co-author of the third paper is Thomas Kirk. Baylor undergraduate. Dr. Dufresne delivered over the meeting and was elected vice president of the association for 2002-2003.
Kathry E. Billman, associate professor and acquisition and collections development librarian, served as stage manager for the Texas Woman’s Missionary Union annual meeting and co-produced the missions night program at Baptist General Convention of Texas meeting, Oct. 20-21 in Corpus Christi.
Dr. Mauricia A. Hunt, chair and professor of English, gave a lecture Nov. 12 on the character of the ghost in relation to the combined senior English classes at Midway High School in Waco.
Dr. Ute S. Lahale, assistant professor of German and language advisory director, and Janet B. Horden, instructor of Spanish, co-presented “Discover Valleymor- a我们也学英语的’d Research Project with’ the’ formation’ of’ the’ Student’ Town.” Nov. 5 at the Dallas Foreign Language Association conference in Houston.
Dr. Eric C. Lai, assistant professor of music theory, presented “The Progress of a System: The Evolution of a Chart.” Nov. 18 at the University of Oregon’s annual meeting of the American Musicological Society in Portland, Ore.
Dr. Linda P. Livestrong, associate professor of management and associate dean for graduate business programs, presented the keynote address. “Managing Conflict in the Workplace.” Nov. 14 at a meeting of professional women at Wilshire Baptist Church in Dallas. She also conducted a training session at the meeting on dealing effectively with conflict.
Dr. Carlos E. Manzanares, professor of chemistry, presented “Spectroscopy of Ultraviolet Ozone Molecules, Soledad Irons and van der Waals Molecules” Nov. 20 at a meeting of the Association for the Advancement of Science in Caracas, Venezuela.
Joyce Miller, coordinator for academic advising/academic development services, presented a concurrent session titled “The Old Wives in the New: A 21st Century Version.” Oct. 8 at the national Academic Advising Association annual conference in Orlando, Fla.
Dr. Lai Ling Elizabeth Hgan, associate professor of Christian scriptures at Stuart Seminary, presented “The Role of the Bible in Teaching, Research and Life” Nov. 19 at the Christian Women Scholars in Nashville, Tenn. She participated in a panel discussion held by the Committee of the Underrepresented Racial Ethnic Minorities in the Profession on “Bringing Academic Ministry and Study in the Congregation.” Nov. 20 at the Society of Biblical Literature in Nashville, Tenn.
Dr. Roger E. Olson, professor of biology at Stuart Seminary, taught a course on “Turning Points in Christian History” Aug. 30-Sept. 6 at First Baptist Church, Waco. He presented “Where Does Baylor Stand on the Future of Islam?” Nov. 5 at the Center for American and Jewish Studies conference titled “The Next Fifty Years: Beginning a Millennium of Hope and Possibility” on the Baylor campus. He chaired a session on “Evangelical Contributions to Christianity.” Nov. 18 at a meeting of the American Academy of Religion in Nashville, Tenn.
Dr. Manuel J. Ortuño, chair of modern foreign languages and professor of Spanish, presented “The Spanish Franciscans of 20th Century Texas and the Role of Mediterranean Culture in Third World” Nov. 4 at the Academy of American Franciscan History conference in Oakland, Calif.
Patricia A. Pierce, lecturer in French, presented “African Country in Multi-2 Learners” Nov. 31 at the South Central Modern Language Association convention in San Antonio.
Hippocampus. Co-presenter of the first poster was Valerie L. Jackson, Beloit College. Co-presenters of the second poster were Hilary D. Clark, Baylor graduate, and Dr. Sally J. Jackson, former associate professor of biology. Baylor. Co-presenters of the third poster were Dr. Jackson and Heather D. O’Dell, Baylor graduate student.
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Dr. Daniel E. Wrigg, professor of biology and director of undergraduate studies, chaired a meeting of the occasional publication subcommittee at the annual convention of the national Association of Biology Teachers Oct. 25-29 in Orlando, Fla. He also served on the publications committee and the assessment task force at the convention.

Publications

Dr. Tamara L. Adair, lecturer in biology, and Dr. Christopher M. Kearney, associate professor of biology, had a co-authored article titled “Recombination Between a 3-kilobase Tobacco Mosaic Virus Transgene and a Homologous Viral Construct in the Restoration of Viral and Viral Genes” published in Archives of Virology (Vol. 145, pp. 1867-1883, 2000).
Dr. M. David Rudd, professor of psychology and neuroscience and director of the Psy Program, presented “The Course of Post-traumatic Suicide Syndrome How and why ‘Suicide is Infectious’” Nov. 18 at a meeting of the Association for the Advancement of Behavior Therapy in New Orleans, La.
Dr. Ann E. Rushing, associate professor of biology, presented the poster titled “Evolutionary Relationships between Kalmusus calabisi and Kalmusus andina as determined by Nei’s Initials and Branching Patterns.” “The Ultrastructural Analysis of Corynebacterium pseudotuberculosis after Exposure to Sub-MS1 of ‘Vancomycin and Cefuroxime’ and ‘Pantamidic Effect and Ultrastructural Changes in Corynebacterium pseudotuberculosis’” Oct. 18-26 at the fall meeting of the Texas Society for Microbiology in Dallas. Co-presenters of the first poster was Valerie L. Jackson, Beloit College. Co-presenters of the second poster were Hilary D. Clark, Baylor graduate, and Dr. Sally J. Jackson, former associate professor of biology. Baylor. Co-presenters of the third poster were Dr. Jackson and Heather D. O’Dell, Baylor graduate student.
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Kathy R. Hillman, associate professor and acquisitions and collection development librarian, had for the article “Unfinished Task: Dispelling the Darkness,” “Texas Baptist Man: Dispensing Living Water” and “Sports Evangelism: Reaching the Lost,” a chapter that fueled his interest in the Civil War. Afterward, he had an article titled “Tennessee, a trip that fueled his interest in those places.

Dr. Taylor has been involved in reenactments throughout the Civil War. He also participated in a grassland com- munities and out-of-state functions that com-

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Dr. Michael B. Frisch, professor of psychology, have been selected as Founding Fellows in the Academy of Cognitives Psychology.

Dr. Francis Strodtbeck, associate professor of nursing and collection development librarians, has been elected president of the Texas Woman’s Missionary Union (RWU) at the group’s annual meeting in November. As a result, she will also serve as vice president of the national RWU and a member of the executive board of the Baptist General Convention of Texas.

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The recipe is simple. Take numerous gallons of blue Bell vanilla ice cream, mix with gallons of Dr Pepper to make hundreds of ice cream floats and then serve to 500 to 900 students, staff and family each Tuesday afternoon from 3 to 4 p.m. in the Bill Daniel Student Center’s Barfield Drawing Room. The simplicity of the formula for what has become known as Dr Pepper Hour explains why this popular Baylor tradition has endured for almost half a century.

“The secret to the longevity of Dr Pepper Hour is its casualness and relaxed atmosphere, and the chance it offers the Baylor family to just mix and talk to one another,” said Ruben Santos, director of the Bill Daniel Student Center. “And it doesn’t go beyond that.”

Dr Pepper Hour had its beginning in spring 1952. Marie Mathis, who just weeks earlier had begun work as the new assistant dean and social hour, was forced Santos to temporarily suspend the tradition when he learned from experience that it “left it alone.”

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As the decades went by, the soft drink served to guests rotated each week between Coke and Dr Pepper, but by the late 1980s Coke had become the exclusive choice. That changed in 1997 when Baylor and the Dr Pepper Bottling Co. signed agreements making Dr Pepper the University’s official soft drink. The name “Coke Hour” was retired in favor of “Dr Pepper Hour.”

The only other beverage that has ever made its way onto the weekly menu is hot chocolate, but an attempt to make that an exclusive cold weather offering failed.

“We quit doing Hot Chocolate Hour seven or eight years ago because it just never did get cold enough,” Santos said. “We’d order the hot chocolate, and then it would be 70 degrees outside.”

According to Santos, other attempts to vary the original recipe for the social hour have backfired as well, including the introduction of guest speakers.

“When we’ve attempted to have a program with a speaker, it’s turned into a fiasco,” he said. “The students aren’t paying attention and the speaker is ignored, or students decide to come in, get their drink and then leave. I’ve learned from experience that it’s a mixer — leave it alone.”

The popularity of Dr Pepper Hour was proven in spring 1998, when a budget reduction forced Santos to temporarily suspend the tradition once he no longer had funds to pay the then $355 weekly cost for supplies.

“The story hit the Lariat and the students began calling,” Santos said. “I even got a call from a Regent who took part in Coke Hour as a student, and he wanted to see it continued. And we did get our budget supplemented to cover the remainder of the year.” — Randy Feider

So-Da Licious!

It’s 3 p.m. Tuesday and time to float on over to BDSC

A Purr-fect Exhibit at Moody Library

An exhibit of items from the Howard-Larrabee Wanda Gág Collection is on display in the foyer of Baylor’s Moody Library. The exhibit, which runs through Jan. 26, includes books, prints and original lithographs, as well as a family photograph and letter from Gág, who is credited as the author of the first children’s picture book Millions of Cats. A native of Minnesota, Gág was born in 1895 and published her first illustrations in 1908 in “Junior Journal,” a Sunday supplement to the Minneapolis Journal. In 1928 when publisher Gorman-McCann Inc. decided to establish a juvenile line, Millions of Cats was selected as one of the first six children’s titles. In 1992, the book was named a Newbery Honor Book for best contribution to American children’s literature. Gág died in 1946, but her book about an old man and woman looking for the prettiest cat remains in print today.

Baylor obtained the Gág materials from alumna Carol Spencer Howard, who received the items in 1964 from Harold R. Larrabee, a friend of the author. For more information or to check on library hours, call ext. 2111. — Julie Garleven

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Grant Awards (December)

Dr. Susan Johnson and Dr. Larry Browning, educational psychology, $24,600, First Things First, Jump Start to Achieve Reading Success-Montana IBD, Texas Education Agency

Dr. Susan Johnson, educational psychology, $211,961, Texas Beginning Education Support System (TBESS), Educational Service Center Region 12

Dr. Michael W. Thompson, engineering $79,000, Data-based Performance Prediction Modeling of Mine Detection Sonar Systems, Office of Naval Research

Dr. Robert Kane, chemistry, $66,832, Novel Photochemical Tissue-bonding Agents, Genzyme Corp.

Dr. Diana Garland, School of Social Work, $66,441, Impact of Community Outreach, Minnesota on Congregational Life, Lilly Endowment Inc.

TOTAL AWARDS: $1,950,142

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Dr. Owen T. Lind and Laura Davalos-Lind, biology, $254,117, The Role of Suspended Clay on non-essential Phytomass of Dissolved Nutrients by Phytoplankton, U.S. Department of Agriculture

Dr. Jeff Donahoo, Greg Speegle and David Sturgill, computer science, $47,541, Internet web Collaborative Fiber, United Mind Inc.

Dr. Owen Lind and Michael Umorin, biology, $50,000, Dissertation Research: Modeling Light-Nutrient Interactions in Clay-rich Lakes, National Science Foundation

Dr. Robert B. Kane, chemistry, $84,832, Novel Photochemical Tissue-bonding Agents, Genzyme Corp.

Dr. Diana Garland, School of Social Work, $150,000, Support for the Center for Family and Community Ministries, Memorial Drive Presbyterian Church

Dr. Robert P. Adams, plant biotechnology, $25,000, Preservation of Genetic DNA Diversity from Rare and Endangered Tropical Plants, The Bay Foundation

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