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## Division of Student Life

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### Message from Kevin



### Welcome Home

One of my favorite Baylor T-shirts simply states "Welcome Home." Home is a familial place; a warm and caring environment that accepts you as you are but also challenges you to be all that you can be. For close to 15,000 students, Baylor will soon be home. Many will be returning to a place they know well, to people they eagerly anticipate seeing, and to spaces that evoke positive feelings. For our newest class of Baylor Bears, campus may seem a bit foreign, unfamiliar, and possibly daunting as they orientate themselves to a new environment. Let's make it our goal to help them feel at home as quickly as possible—to welcome them with open arms and open hearts. We are well positioned to do so having completed a highly successful series of orientations and Line Camps this summer. Additionally, we have a number of events planned including Move-In and the official opening of our residence halls, Welcome Week, Welcome Dinner, Mosaic Mixer, Out of State Mixer, University and BU 1000, and Late Night at various campus locations. Yet, as wonderful as these planned activities will undoubtedly be, it is the personal interaction that truly creates the feeling of home. To that end, let's make sure each student knows we are glad they are here and that we welcome them home.



Here's to the start of a great year!

Truly,

Kevin



August  
Newsletter



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### MOVE 2 BU

**MOVE2BU**

**August 17-18**

### Upcoming Events

**Move-In Days  
August 17 & 18**

**Welcome Week  
August 18 - 21**

**Academic  
Convocation  
August 19**

**First Day of Class  
August 22**

**Late Night  
at the SLC  
August 26**

**Labor Day Holiday  
September 5**

Once again, Campus Recreation, Campus Living & Learning, and Baylor PD partner up to pull off the 8th annual Move-In Day. Over 3,000 students will flood the campus on Wednesday, August 17, and Thursday, August 18. With the help of nearly 3,000 volunteers working 5-hour shifts, these incoming students will receive a true Baylor welcome while settling into their new homes on campus.

There will be a few changes to the move-in process this year. One of the changes will be the use of a signage system that will have students and their families follow a color-coded route (A, B, C) much like the terminal systems at major airports. Signage will be posted at the three main arteries into campus. We believe that this change will allow for continued usage of these signs from year-to-year and will help to streamline and simplify the move-in process for all involved. In preparation for East Village, Route D will be added in Fall 2013. Due to the extreme heat in Texas this summer, we have doubled the number of hydration stations and increased the number of managers and athletic trainers available to minimize the potential of heat exhaustion.

We hope to have 100% participation from Student Life, knowing that there are many ways for all to get involved in welcoming the newest members of the Baylor family!





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### NSP Line Camp Recap

THIS YEAR WE HAD **OVER 50%** OF THE INCOMING CLASS PARTICIPATE IN ALL OF OUR **LINE CAMP** EXPERIENCES.



**1,549 STUDENTS** ATTENDED EITHER AN ON-CAMPUS OR OUTDOOR ADVENTURE CAMP!

**WHEN STUDENTS WERE ASKED WHAT THE MOST IMPORTANT THING THEY LEARNED DURING THEIR LINE CAMP EXPERIENCE, HERE'S WHAT A FEW MEMBERS OF OUR INCOMING CLASS HAD TO SAY...**

"That there is a whole community of people at Baylor dedicated to helping students through, making sure that all students exceed and put his or her best foot forward."

"To open myself up to new and exciting opportunities, friendships, and activities. Don't close myself off, make an impact, live in the moment, never give up."

"Line camp reinforced the importance of having God in every aspect of my life, from planning the future to making friends. I feel confident that I will be able to find who I am, spiritually and academically, at Baylor."

"I guess it's just that a willingness to be open and candid will be very good for connecting to people. Keeping an open heart and mind for other people's stories is also a great thing to have. Also, you can always look for encouragement from the people at Baylor, staff, and students."



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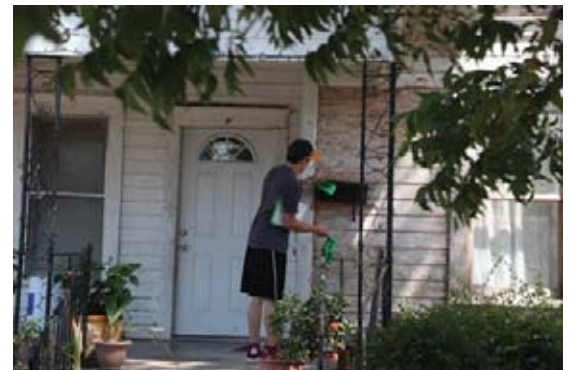


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### Line Camp (Continued)

During this year's service project for our traditional on-campus sessions, we handed out **11,724 flyers advertising for the Summer Feeding Program in our community!** We are anxiously awaiting more information from each feeding site targeted to see how that impacted their participation rates this July. The preliminary feedback we've received is encouraging – our students **helped to make a huge difference** in our community!



Our **Outdoor Adventure Line Camps** drew incoming students from all over the nation. Our students participated in challenge course activities, backpacking, rock climbing, and rafting all while building new friendships, learning about their Strengths, and preparing for their first year at Baylor!



**Thank you to EVERY DEPARTMENT** in Student Life who helped us with the **BIGGEST and BEST Line Camp to date!** We could not have done it without you!!



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### Student Life Spotlight

#### Courtney Streat

Counseling Center  
and Office of the  
Vice President for  
Student Life



#### Major

Anthropology

#### Hometown

Dallas, TX

#### Hobby

Singing



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### Late Night

The **11th annual LATE NIGHT event**, presented by Campus Recreation, the Department of Student Activities, Multicultural Affairs, and the Office of Spiritual Life will be held on Friday, August 26, from 9 P.M. to midnight. This is one of the most anticipated programs of the fall semester. Students have an opportunity to meet over 160 student leaders from student organizations and learn about the many opportunities for campus involvement. Events will be held in four locations this year: the McLane Student Life Center, Russell Gymnasium, the Bobo Spiritual Life Center, and the Bill Daniel Student Center (The SUB). Events will include a student organization involvement fair, intramural dodgeball (signature event at the SLC), live music, games, activities, prizes, and much more. Go to the website <http://www.baylor.edu/studentactivities/campusprograms/index.php?id=%2073959> for more information.



### Campus Recreation

What does it mean to be a Baylor Bear?

Spirit & Traditions Presentation by Campus Recreation

For the second year in a row, Kim Scott, Director of Campus Recreation, presented a Spirit & Traditions program to the incoming student-athletes. With Senior Intramural Coordinator, Dominique Hill, leading *That Good Old Baylor Line*, the student-athletes gained not only an understanding of our school song but also of the University's history, traditions, service opportunities, and sports ministries. You should have seen some of our incoming 300 pound linemen struggling to don their slime caps (provided by Student Activities and New Student Programs)! The photo at right is an example of students in slime caps (not this year's freshman student athletes).





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### New Staff



**Tiffany Lowe** will join the Baylor family as **Director of Campus Living & Learning** on Monday, September 12. Tiffany has a bachelor's degree from University of Central Missouri in speech communication and a master's degree in college student personnel from Western Illinois University. She has worked at Elon University, Vanderbilt University, the Washington (D.C.) Center for Internships and Academic Seminars, U. of Alaska - Southeast, and Georgetown University Law Center. She comes to Baylor most recently from Appalachian State University where she served as an assistant director of residence life. Tiffany is originally from Caribou, Maine, and will be coming to Baylor with her husband Lance, who served as Director of Scholarships at Appalachian, and their son Elijah who is almost one.



**Crystal Kitten** will serve as the **Residence Hall Director** for **Collins Residence Hall**. Crystal comes to us with a few years of previous residence hall experience under her belt, and she has a real passion for first-year students. She is leaving the Academy of Art in San Francisco, where she was the Area Coordinator for the First Year Experience for six months and was a hall director in a freshman all-female community for about a year and a half. Crystal received her undergraduate degree from Cornerstone University in Grand Rapids, Michigan, and two years ago received her master's degree in college student affairs from Grand Valley State University in Allendale, Michigan. Crystal is married to Wes; we look forward to having them with us.



**Jared Payton** will serve as the **Residence Hall Director** for **Martin Residence Hall**. Jared completed his Master of Arts in Educational Leadership Policy Studies, emphasis in higher education from the University of Northern Colorado in Greeley, Colorado. While getting his master's, Jared had a variety of different assistantships and experiences, several of those being in residence life. He received his bachelor's degree in English from the University of Northern Colorado in Greeley where he also served as a resident assistant. Jared is married to Carlee, and we look forward to our time together with them.



**Joe Oliver** will serve as the **Residence Hall Director** for the **North Village Residential Community**. For the last two years, Joe has served as a residence hall director at Covenant College in Lookout Mountain, Georgia. In 2009, Joe completed a Master of Arts in Higher Education from Geneva College while working full-time in the admissions department. He has also received a Bachelor of Arts in Student Ministry from Geneva college where he served as a resident assistant. Joe is married to Holly. They have a son named Jacob Cameron who was born in March 2011.





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### New Staff (Continued)



**Arielle Kertes** is joining us as the **Administrative Assistant** for the **Academy for Leader Development & Civic Engagement**. She grew up in Temple, Texas and moved to Waco after graduating with a Bachelor of Science in Vocal Music Performance from Southwestern Assemblies of God University in Waxahachie. Currently, she enjoys leading people into experiences with God through powerful worship at Hewitt Community Church, where she has been the worship pastor for almost four years. In her spare time, Arielle enjoys spending time with her husband Austin, teaching Zumba three days a week, and playing with the cutest Wheaten Terrier in Texas, her dog, Gibson.



**Chris Kirk** will serve as the **Residence Hall Director** for **Memorial and Alexander (the Honors Residential College)**. Chris has recently completed a Master of Arts in Higher Education and Student Affairs at Taylor University in Upland, Indiana, where he served as an assistant residence hall director. During his two years as a graduate student, Chris also co-instructed courses for undergraduates and led an experiential educational experience for students in Paraguay. Chris also received his undergraduate degree in philosophy from Taylor University where he held a student leadership position as a resident assistant.



**Dr. Ian Gravagne**, Associate Professor of Electrical and Computer Engineering in the School of Engineering and Computer Science at Baylor, has been appointed as the new **Faculty-in-Residence** for the **Engineering and Computer Science Living-Learning Center (ECS-LLC)** beginning this fall. His wife, Ann, and their three children - Gina, 7, Lydia, 4, and Ray, 9 months - are excited for this new opportunity to live on campus.



**Dr. Todd Buras**, Associate Professor and Director of Undergraduate Studies in the Department of Philosophy at Baylor, has been appointed as the new **Faculty Master** for the **Honors Residential College**. He is joined by his wife, Allison, and their children, Benjamin, 10, Jonathan, 7, and Michael, 5. They are also eager to begin sharing the on-campus housing experience with the HRC residents.





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### Resident Chaplains for 2011-2012

On behalf of Campus Living & Learning and Spiritual Life, we are pleased to announce our new Resident Chaplains for 2011-12.

**Kevin Burrow, Penland Hall:** Kevin graduated from Wayland Baptist University in 2010 with a degree in religion. He has a desire to serve college students and build meaningful relationships with them during a transformational time in life.

**Chelsea Krahulik, Brooks College:** Chelsea graduated from the University of Tulsa with a degree in sociology and international relations. Currently, she is studying spiritual formation at Truett, where she just finished her second year.

Chelsea is especially excited about doing incarnational ministry with college students.

**Josh & Mallory Kulak, Arbors Apartments:** Josh graduated from Ouachita Baptist in 2007 with a degree in Christian studies, and Mallory graduated from Baylor in the fall of 2008 with a degree in religion. Josh and Mallory love traveling and serving others; they are both looking forward to being a constant presence in the lives of students.

**Daniel McAfee, Allen/Dawson Hall:** Daniel graduated from Southwestern Assemblies of God University in 2009 with a degree in biblical studies. This fall, Daniel will start his third year at Truett. Daniel is married to Meredith, and he is excited about the opportunity to form meaningful relationships with Baylor undergraduates.

**Cody Phillips, Kokernot Hall:** Cody graduated from Arkansas State University with a degree in health and physical education. In the fall, Cody will start his second year at Truett with a concentration in missions and world Christianity. A self-proclaimed extroverted introvert, Cody loves getting to know people and what they are passionate about. He is looking forward to helping students come to realize the love and grace of their Heavenly Father.

**Michael Schumacher, Martin Hall:** Mike graduated from the University of Arkansas, Little Rock with a degree in construction management. He just completed his second year at Truett where his concentration is in youth, student, and family ministry. Mike has been married to Brooke for six years. Mike is most excited about ministering to students in a one-on-one setting and being an integral part of the transformation that takes place in their lives these first couple years away from home.

**Trevor Stephen, Brooks Flats:** Trevor graduated from Midwestern State in 2008 with a degree in accounting. Trevor plans to graduate from Truett in 2013 with a dual degree in social work and divinity. He is excited to be serving in a position that offers a unique opportunity to pour into the lives of college students in a way that will have lasting impact.

**Beth Underwood, North Russell Hall:** Beth graduated from Baylor University with a degree in education. She will be starting her final year at Truett in the fall with a concentration in youth, family, and student ministry. Beth is excited about building relationships with students and co-workers with a purpose of knowing our God more deeply. She loves being outside and having meaningful conversations with students.

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### Resident Chaplains(Continued)

And returning this coming year are the following:

**Monique Criddell, South Russell Hall:** Monique graduated from Stephen F. Austin University in Nacogdoches with a degree in biology/premed and a minor in chemistry. She'll be starting her fourth year at Truett in the fall, concentrating in youth and family ministry.

**Terra Lemeran, Collins Hall:** Terra graduated from Williams Baptist College in Walnut Ridge, Arkansas with a bachelor's degree in family psychology and a minor in sociology. This fall she will be starting her fourth semester at Truett in the dual degree program (MDiv/MSW). For Terra, the most exciting part about becoming a resident chaplain is getting to be fully immersed in the ministry where she can be part of people's lives!

**Chad Mustain, North Village:** Chad graduated with a music and worship degree from Mid America Christian University in Oklahoma and will be starting his third year at Truett in the fall with a concentration in missions.

**Andy Thomas, Memorial and Alexander Halls:** Andy graduated from Southwest Baptist University in Bolivar, Missouri, with a double major in intercultural studies and sociology. He just completed his third year at Truett where his concentration is theology. Andy is most excited about serving in a capacity that aids students in living whole lives in which their academic, spiritual, and relational selves are one. He also has an intense love for Mediterranean culture.

Please be sure to congratulate all and welcome aboard our new Resident Chaplains! Also, remember to lift up all of our chaplains in prayer regularly as they work diligently to promote spiritual formation in our residential communities.

Burt Burleson  
Spiritual Life

Terri Garrett  
Campus Living & Learning

### Campus Living & Learning Summer Institute

From July 15th to August 5th, all of the residence hall directors on campus participated in a rigorous, three week training session known as Summer Institute. The following is one residence hall director's reflection of this time well spent.

"Summer Institute is essential for equipping residence hall directors to excel in the upcoming academic year. During this time a team is bonded, formed and equipped to respond to emergency situations. RHDs recommit to a challenging and rewarding year of supporting Community Leaders, Resident Chaplains, and residents. The Summer Institute experience is one of the Baylor's many practices that distinguishes it from its peer institutions."

### Cub Corner

**Dorian Beverly, daughter of Pearl Beverly, passed her defense as the last step toward receiving her Doctorate of Philosophy in Speech Language Pathology from the University of Memphis! CONGRATULATIONS!!**

### Newest Bear Class of 2033

Congratulations to Linda Cates, Director of the Office of Academic Integrity, on the birth of her granddaughter, Annabelle Susan Boone, daughter of Baylor grads Angie and Cameron Boone. Annabelle was born June 23, 2011, and weighed in at 6 pounds, 9 ounces.





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### The 2011 HESA Cohort



From left to right: (*Back Row*) **Michael Hannon**, Academic Mentoring; **Brandon Hoye**, Spiritual Life; **Scott Risinger**, Wellness; **Micah Wheeler**, CL&L Academic and Communication; **Adam Visconti**, Office of the Vice President for Student Life; **Cody Miller**, CL&L North Village University House; **Scott Shepherd**, Retention and Assessment

(*Front Row*) **Monica Sandstrom**, Student Organizations; **RaeLynn Fuson**, Enrollment Counselor; **Kaitlyn Rothaus**, Graduate Student Life; **Emily Moore**, GEAR UP, Waco; **Samantha Riley**, New Student Programs; **Christa Winkler**, Counseling Center; **Maria Gaston**, Multicultural Affairs

### The 2011 Psy.D. Cohort



From left to right:  
**Miriam Varghese**,  
**Chelsea Boska**,  
**Samantha Collum**,  
**Elil Yuvarajan Sandy**

