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Truett Dedication

Seminary's new campus enhances sense of community, expands learning opportunities

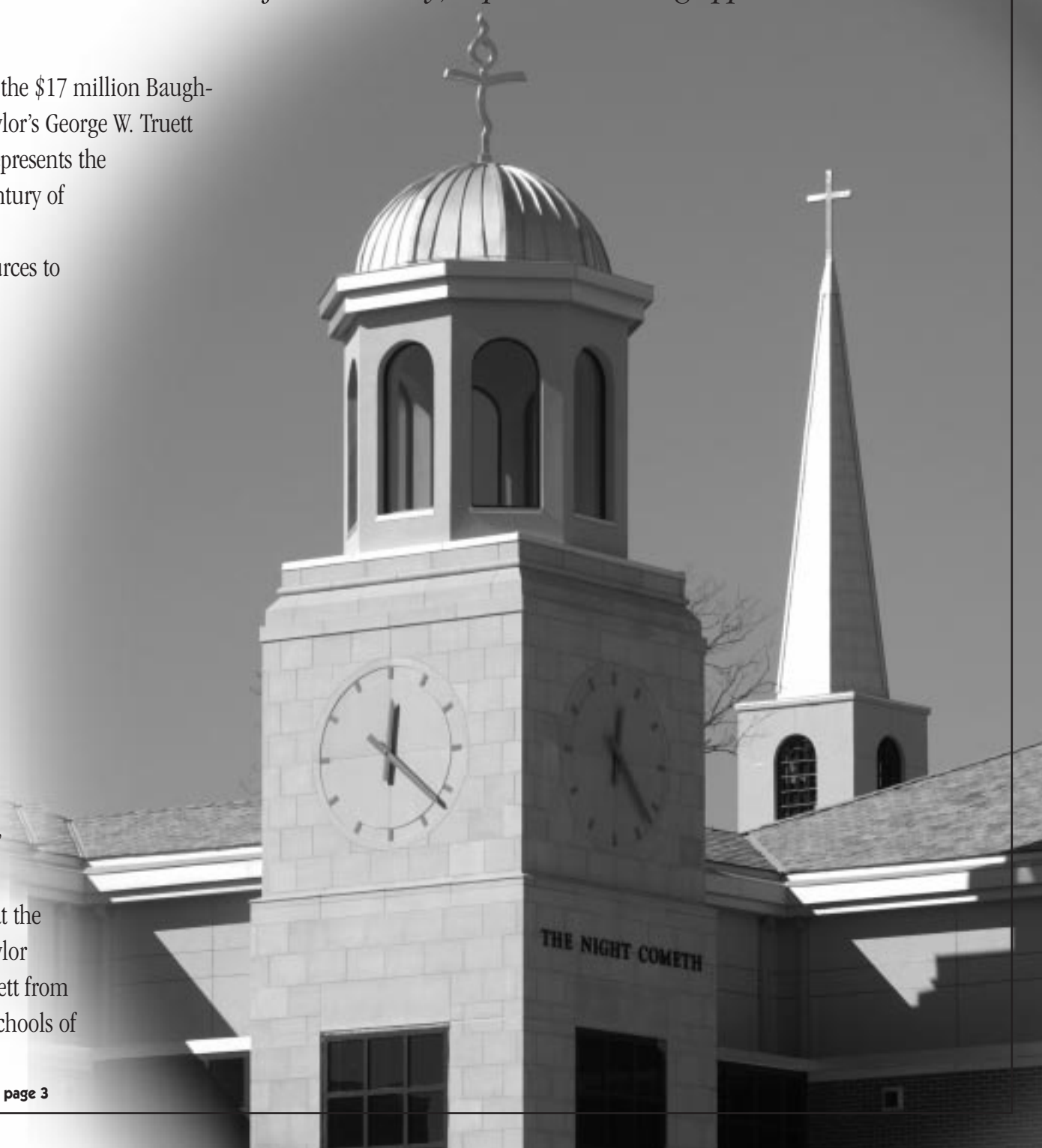
By Lori Fogleman

The Feb. 22 dedication of the \$17 million Baugh-Reynolds Campus of Baylor's George W. Truett Theological Seminary represents the culmination of more than a century of theological education and the introduction of additional resources to equip students for modern ministry.

Baylor President Robert B. Sloan Jr., the Seminary's founding dean and The George W. Truett Professor of Evangelism, said the 64,000-square-foot, three-story complex makes a statement about Truett's strengths.

"It's a clear indication of permanence and stability, and for the students and faculty who are here now it's a sense of place and community," Dr. Sloan said. "I think it's important for the University that the Truett campus is part of the Baylor campus. You can't separate Truett from Baylor — Truett is one of the schools of Baylor."

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Chartered in 1845 by the Republic of Texas, Baylor University is the state's oldest continually operating institution of higher learning and is the largest Baptist university in the world. With more than 14,000 students and approximately 750 full-time faculty, Baylor offers undergraduate, graduate and professional degrees through the College of Arts and Sciences, the Hankamer School of Business, the School of Education, the School of Music, the Louise Herrington School of Nursing, the School of Engineering and Computer Science, the School of Law, the Graduate School and George W. Truett Theological Seminary. Baylor is consistently ranked among the top college values in the country by such publications as *Fiske Guide to Colleges* and *The Princeton Review*.

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Lobbying For Baylor

Odom is University's legislative advocate

Baylor University President Robert B. Sloan Jr. has appointed James Odom, a 1994 Baylor graduate, to the newly created position of director of public affairs.

The Office of Governmental Relations becomes the Office of Public Affairs under a restructuring designed to expand the University's emphasis on cooperation with elected and non-elected public officials and entities at the federal, state and local levels. The office will report to Jerome R. Loughridge, chief of staff to President Sloan, and will play an important role in presidential strategy as it relates to Baylor 2012, the University's 10-year vision.

Odom, a native of Lawton, Okla., graduated

summa cum laude from Baylor with majors in economics and religion. He earned his master's degree in foreign affairs from Georgetown University in 1996 and served for three years as a policy analyst with then-Sen. John Ashcroft of Missouri. In 2000, Odom was a candidate for the U.S. Congress from Oklahoma's fourth district.

"I am greatly honored to be able to work for Baylor University," Odom said. "Baylor had a profound impact on me as a student, and I look forward — as a staff member — to advancing Baylor's vision of excellence in Christian higher education."

Karen Wood, who has served for seven years as director of governmental relations, left the University to pursue other interests.

"Karen Wood has for many years faithfully served Baylor and has been an asset to our lobbying efforts, particularly on several key state-level issues including the Tuition Equalization Grant," President Sloan said. "We wish her the very best in her future endeavors." — *Larry D. Brumley*



James Odom

Newman Appointed Church Relations Director

Baylor President Robert B. Sloan Jr. has announced the appointment of University graduate Dr. Carey Newman as director of church relations.

Dr. Newman's appointment comes as part of a reorganization and expansion of Baylor's church relations office that is designed to help Baylor preserve and shape Baptist identity, educate Baptists regarding their history and theology, and cultivate networks with Baptist ministerial and layleadership.

"It is important at this time in Baylor's history — and at this point in Baptist life — that we provide leadership and service to the Baptists in Texas and across the country," Dr. Sloan said. "Baylor is uniquely positioned to help shape Baptist identity, preserve Baptist history and facilitate Baptist leadership. We look forward to having Dr. Newman provide leadership for this important initiative."

Under the reorganization, which is designed to leverage church relations as part of presidential strategy in conjunction with the recently adopted 10-year vision, church relations will move under the Office of the President and report to Chief of Staff Jerome R. Loughridge.

Church relations will undertake a more aggressive outreach program aimed at developing leadership among Baptist pastors in the state that will include development of a journal of Baptist life and culture. Working in close coordination with faculty in various academic departments, a post-doctoral program in Baptist studies for church leaders will be explored and meaningful forums for intellectual and scholarly discussion will be facilitated.

"President Sloan's deep desire to forge enduring and mutually beneficial bonds between the Baptist churches of Texas and Baylor University is as noble a task as it is crucial and timely," Dr. Newman said. "I am thrilled and honored by the opportunity to serve in this way."

For the past four years, Dr. Newman has been



Dr. Carey Newman

senior editor for academic books at Westminster John Knox Press in Louisville, Ky. Before joining the WJK editorial staff, he held academic appointments as assistant and research professor of New Testament at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and assistant professor of New Testament at Palm Beach Atlantic College in West Palm Beach, Fla.

Dr. Newman has 15 years of pastoral experience at churches in Texas, Florida and Kentucky. He earned his doctorate in religion from Baylor in 1989 and holds a master's degree in theology from the University of Aberdeen (Scotland) and a master of divinity from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. His undergraduate degree is from the University of South Florida.

Dr. Newman is the author or editor of three books and numerous academic and professional articles. He is a participating and contributing member of the Society for New Testament Studies, the Society of Biblical Literature, the Catholic Biblical Association, and the Institute for Biblical Research. He is married to Dr. Leanne Lewis, a 1985 Baylor journalism graduate who teaches in the student development graduate program at the University of Louisville. They have two daughters, Savannah, 6, and Elza, 4. — *Larry D. Brumley*

Home to England

Armstrong Browning director to retire, focus on family

Dr. Mairi C. Rennie, director of Armstrong Browning Library, visiting professor of English and The Margaret Root Brown Chair in Robert Browning Studies, will retire July 31 and return to her 18th century stone-built cottage in the English countryside.

Dr. Rennie, who came to Baylor from her native England six years ago, will be 65 years old in October 2002 ("hence my retirement"). She regards her time at Baylor as "an enormous privilege and a fascinating experience."

In retirement, she plans to complete some Browning projects, go to concerts in London and "as a music lover, probably join a choir." She adds, "I also love gardening, and will grow organic vegetables and maybe even keep a few hens — if I can keep the dogs out of the chicken run."

An internationally known Browning authority and scholar, Dr. Rennie came to Baylor in October 1996, leaving her post as principal of a tutorial college in London. She was attracted to the University by the opportunity offered as ABL director.

"Anyone who studies the Brownings soon knows about Armstrong Browning Library," she said. "Also, I have always wanted to spend time

abroad and being here has allowed me to fulfill that ambition. It is important to view your own country from the perspective of another."

Dr. Rennie recalled changing some preconceptions about Texas soon after her arrival.

"I remember thinking it must be very cheap to live here, because I wouldn't have the long cold winters," she said. "I had no conception of air-conditioning, and I didn't understand the climate control switch on the wall. I looked forward to the lovely hot summers — like the south of France or Spain, I thought. By about May 1997 I began to feel quite unwell and quickly learned about air-conditioning. People in England have no idea of Texas in July and August — it is impossible to explain."

As ABL director, Dr. Rennie acquired many valuable Browning materials and coordinated the Library's Golden Jubilee celebration honoring its 50th anniversary. She said her proudest accomplishment at Baylor was to establish an online Browning database, which is available to Browning scholars worldwide.

"As the project develops, ABL will focus on all Browning resources, even those held by other libraries," she said.

Dr. Rennie hopes that the Library will

continue to expand its resources and programs after she's gone.

"I would like to see special scholarships to allow graduate and postgraduate students to study at Baylor and make more use of the library," she said. "Of course the online database is the priority, a project that may take 10 or more years to complete."

High on Dr. Rennie's list of retirement activities will be visits to her two married sons and their families, including her 1-year-old granddaughter, who all live in the Marylebone area of London. She also plans to keep in touch with her American friends.

"The staff at the Library can tell Baylor friends where to contact me in the UK, and I would love to meet up with anyone coming to London," she said.

— *Alan Hunt*



Dr. Mairi C. Rennie

Truett Expands Learning

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A proud legacy

Truett is the second seminary to be located on the Baylor campus. The first had its beginnings in the late 1800s when the Rev. B.H. Carroll, pastor of First Baptist Church of Waco and chair of the Baylor board, began instructing “preacher boys” in a program that soon evolved into Baylor Theological Seminary. The seminary separated from Baylor in 1908 and later moved to Fort Worth after a name change to Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

In 1990, Baylor President Herbert H. Reynolds recommended to the Baylor board that it pave the way for the creation of a seminary by reserving the name George W. Truett Theological Seminary with the Texas Secretary of State. During the next four years the Seminary was incorporated, a board of trustees was appointed, Dr. Sloan was selected as founding dean and classes began with 51 students in facilities made available at First Baptist Church (*see timeline this page*).

Since the start of classes in August 1994, enrollment has grown to more than 300 students with 13 full-time professors, and 156 Truett graduates have gone on to serve throughout the world.

Building plans

Plans for a permanent seminary home began soon after Truett's creation and gained momentum through gifts made by two couples — John and Eula Mae Baugh of Houston and Paul and Katy Piper of Memphis, Tenn.

Both couples had been founding Seminary benefactors, the Baughs donating \$10 million and the Pipers \$5 million to allow Truett to open its doors. In November 1997, the Baughs made an additional pledge of \$5 million toward the construction of a Truett Seminary complex on the Baylor campus, which was followed by large pledges from the Pipers and others.

“All of us must never forget what John and Eula Mae Baugh and Paul and Katy Piper have meant to the founding of the Seminary,” Dr. Sloan said. “The Lord used the Baughs and Pipers in wonderful ways. If they had not answered the Lord's call to give, we wouldn't have a seminary, much less the building.”

A ceremonial groundbreaking for the Baugh-Reynolds Campus was held on Founders Day 2000. Construction began in spring 2000, and Truett faculty and staff began moving into the new complex Dec. 13, 2001 — almost six months earlier than anticipated.

Powell chapel

In addition to classrooms, meeting rooms and faculty and administrative offices, the Baugh-Reynolds Campus features the 550-seat Paul W. Powell Chapel, funded by

a \$2.5 million grant from the Rogers Foundation of Tyler and named in honor of Truett's current dean. Already a favorite because of its “contemplative” ambiance, the chapel features nine stained glass windows designed by the same Philadelphia company responsible for two of the newest windows in Armstrong Browning Library.

Truett students, who began classes in the new complex Jan. 14, gather for weekly chapel services.

“Every time I walk in there, I see the beauty in the windows that represent different aspects of ministry,” said first-year student Jennifer Adams. “It reminds me of how uniquely different the body of Christ is and that our seminary represents that. We're all here to pursue what God desires for us, and although that might be different things we're here to glorify His name.”

Set to arrive at the chapel in March 2003 is a Letourneau pipe organ, now being built in France. The organ, considered among the finest in the world, will fill the chapel's back wall.

Great Hall

Adjoining the chapel is the Paul and Katy Piper Great Hall, a warm, inviting room with vaulted ceilings, wooden floors and a fireplace. René Maciel, assistant dean for administration and academic services, said he expects the hall to be used for seminars, lectures and banquets as well as a gathering place for students.

Although he is temporarily turning down requests from persons wanting to hold weddings and events in the chapel and other Seminary spaces, Maciel said Truett eventually will be made available for outside functions.

“It's important this first semester that we establish community, get acquainted with our building and set policies before we start scheduling other events here,” he said.

High tech teaching

Another highlight is the Robert B. Sloan Jr. Teaching Chapel, named in honor of Baylor's president through a \$300,000 gift by Baylor regents. The teaching chapel accommodates up to 45 people and allows students to use video technology to record and play back the sermons they give there. Other technology-supported teaching facilities in the seminary include two classrooms with overhead ceiling-mounted video projectors, two additional rooms wired with sound systems, a 95-seat auditorium classroom with state-of-the-art audio and video equipment and the Seminary's first computer lab.

“The building has the best of both worlds,” said Dr. Grear Howard, Truett's director of student services. “It has some classical touches, but it's a high-tech building, too.”

One of the most popular features of the Seminary is likely to be the

Reynolds Courtyard, an enclosed quadrangle that includes a reflecting pool and two large pecan trees. Students with laptops and a wireless ethernet card can access the Internet and check e-mail in the courtyard through Baylor's AirBear wireless network, which has been set up throughout the complex. Plans call for benches, tables and chairs to be added to enhance the community experience.

“I have a feeling that eventually that's probably going to be a place where we see a lot of our students,” Maciel said. “In fact, Dr. Roger Olson has asked if he can teach a class out there on the lawn, and I said that'd be great.”

Making adjustments

For students, faculty and staff, the opening of the Baugh-Reynolds Campus is proving to be an adjustment not only in space but in expectations.

“All the memories are at First Baptist. By being there, it helped remind everyone that we were there for the church,” said Dr. Ruth Ann Foster, assistant professor of Christian scriptures. “But this building is incredible. I think students might have been a bit apprehensive at first, wondering if this would change who were are because we have a tight community, but now I see a glow about them through the whole place.”

Students Kerry and Jennifer Bashaw believe the complex will build more community among students.

“People have always considered where we were at as kind of like wandering in the wilderness, and now we're in the promised land,” Kerry Bashaw said.

Melissa Pardun, a Truett student since 1997, said she feels “immensely privileged” to be in the first graduating class using the new building.

“It will be nice to have a place where I can say ‘that's where I went to seminary’ and to have the respect that comes from people and their association with Baylor and with Truett,” she said. “But then there's another side of me that says the true institution is not the building, it's the people.”

Dedication

A capacity crowd is expected for Truett's official dedication ceremony at 2:30 p.m. Feb. 22. Dr. Charles Wade, executive director of the Baptist General Convention of Texas, will deliver the keynote address. Dean Powell and Dr. Sloan also will speak.

Through a special gift of a Truett supporter, the Seminary will give out 1,000 silver clocks to guests inscribed with “The Night Cometh,” the same words found on Truett's clock tower.

“Those words are taken from the words of Jesus, who said in John 9:4, ‘We must work the works of him that sent me while it is day: for the night cometh when no man shall work’,”

George W. Truett Theological Seminary Timeline

1990	
July 20	The Baylor Board approves a recommendation by President Herbert H. Reynolds to reserve the name George W. Truett Theological Seminary for future use.
July 24	Truett name is reserved with the Texas Secretary of State.
1991	
March 25	The Baylor Board appoints a 15-member board of seminary trustees and articles of incorporation are filed.
July 18	The Truett Seminary board of trustees holds its first meeting.
1993	
March 19	Baylor Board of Regents approves plans to open Truett Seminary in fall 1994 and selects Dr. Robert B. Sloan Jr. as the first dean.
May 21	Trustees of First Baptist Church of Waco sign a memorandum of understanding between FBC and Baylor, allowing Truett Seminary to operate out of church facilities.
1994	
Aug. 1	Seminary offices open at First Baptist Church.
Aug. 28	Opening convocation service held in the First Baptist Church sanctuary.
Aug. 31	Classes begin with 51 students.
1995	
Feb. 24	Truett Dean Robert B. Sloan Jr. is selected by Baylor regents as the University's 12th president, effective June 1.
1996	
Jan. 19	Dr. Bradley Creed becomes Truett Seminary's second dean.
1997	
May 16	First Truett baccalaureate service is held, and a Texas historical marker honoring George W. Truett is dedicated.
May 17	First graduating class of 30 students receives diplomas.
Nov. 10	At a Friends of Truett dinner, John and Eula Mae Baugh make public a \$5 million pledge toward construction of a seminary building.
1998	
June 13-15	Truett Seminary is chosen unanimously as an associate member of the Association of Theological Schools.
2000	
Feb. 2	A ceremonial groundbreaking is held for the new Truett Seminary campus.
2001	
Feb. 26	Dr. Paul W. Powell becomes Truett Seminary's third dean.
Dec. 13	Faculty and staff begin the move to the Baugh-Reynolds Campus.
2002	
Jan. 14	First classes held on the Baugh-Reynolds Campus.
Jan. 22	Opening convocation service in Paul W. Powell Chapel.
Feb. 22	Dedication ceremony for Baugh-Reynolds Campus.

Thanks to Dr. Herbert H. Reynolds for assistance in compiling this timeline.



Dr. Robert Sloan



Dr. Paul Powell

Powell said. “These words remind us of the urgency of what we do at Truett Seminary as we train ministers and missionaries for worldwide service.”

Following the dedication, a reception will be held in the Piper Great Hall, and later that evening the Seminary will hold a dinner and

present honorary alumni certificates to Truett supporters.

“We're excited to be able to add to our alumni base instantly with these people, who are very much supportive of Truett and have a great appreciation and vision for the Seminary as well,” Maciel said.

United Way Donations Most Since 1998

Baylor faculty and staff contributed \$51,716 to the 2001 United Way campaign, the largest amount pledged at the University since 1998.

The amount exceeded the 2000 donation total of \$45,085 by more than \$6,000 but was short of this year's campaign goal of \$60,000.

Campaign co-chairs Phyllis Gamble, academic adviser for advising and teacher certification, and Dr. Tillman Rodabough, professor of sociology, said 387 individuals made contributions to the Baylor United Way campaign in 2001, the largest number to donate since 1998. — *BN*

Service Awards Ceremony Feb. 13

Baylor's annual Service Awards Ceremony will take place at 3 p.m. Feb. 13 in Barfield Drawing Room. Faculty and staff will be recognized with service pins for five, 10 and 15 years as well as for subsequent five-year increments of service to Baylor.

The BaylorPlus Award and Outstanding Staff Awards also will be presented during the ceremony. Outstanding Staff Awards are given to eight individuals based on support in fulfilling the University's mission, job achievements, and community or church contributions through service at Baylor. Staff are nominated for this award by Baylor faculty and staff.

Presentations will be made by President Robert B. Sloan Jr., and will include:

35 year awards

Burna F. Battles
James Bryan Berryhill
James E. Busby
David M. Guinn
Owen Thomas Lind
Mary R. Massirer
Daniel B. McGee
Rita Skrabanek Patteson
Carey Ann Smith
Ken-Hsi Wang

40 year awards

Paul T. Armitstead
Glenn O. Hilburn
Bob Earl Patterson
Darden Powers

45 year awards

John S. Belew
Robert G. Packard

— *Judy Long*

Baylor Mourns Former Dean



Mary Norman, a former long-time Baylor administrator, died Jan. 14 at an Arlington care center. She was 83.

Norman received a BA degree from Baylor in 1949 and a MS degree from the University in 1950. She began working for Baylor in 1945, and at the time of her retirement in 1989 she was dean of academic services.

Following her retirement, Norman lived in Waco and Arlington and was active in Baylor Round Table and the Retired Professors and Administrators program. She is survived by two nieces, one nephew, a sister-in-law and several great-nieces and great-nephews. — *Randy Fiedler*

Art & Soul

Annual festival examines American Southwest culture

The rich culture and religion of the American Southwest will be the focus for the third annual Art & Soul festival at Baylor March 14-17.

Art & Soul is an international festival of religious faith and literary art that consists of public cultural presentations, a national writing conference and a scholarly conference on religion and culture. The four-day event will be held at various locations on campus.

"We chose the Southwest emphasis this year as a way of highlighting some of the fine writers from the region and discussing a major emphasis on Baylor's history and culture," said Dr. Greg Garrett, associate professor of English and director of Art & Soul. "The Southwest is an incredibly diverse and artistically rich area and certainly worth a scholarly focus. The Texas, Native American, African-American and Hispanic cultures shape Baylor strongly, and to learn more about their art and culture opens new windows to understanding our region and ourselves."

With scholarly sessions, master classes and film screenings scheduled, Art & Soul will feature public presentations and performances by Robert Olen Butler, Bret Lott, Margaret Becker, Elizabeth Dewberry and special guest Will D. Campbell, among others.

The subject of the 2000 PBS documentary *God's Will*, Campbell has been a pioneer in civil rights, a chaplain and a Baptist minister. He is the author of the National Book Award-nominated *Brother to a Dragonfly*, *The Glad River*, *The Convention*, *Soul Among Lions: Musing of a*

Baylor Competition Attracts Future Lawyers

Baylor Law School will welcome students from across the state Feb. 22-23 for the annual Texas Undergraduate Moot Court competition. Baylor has hosted the event the past six years.

Sponsored by the Texas Undergraduate Moot Court Association, the competition gives students who aspire to be attorneys a chance to try their legal skills at appellate advocacy in the law school's practice courtrooms.

"The competition allows undergraduate students to experience first-hand what lawyers actually do when they are representing clients in the litigation context," said Ronald L. Beal, professor of law and organizer of the competition.

Nearly 30 teams will compete from Texas universities including Texas A&M, Hardin-Simmons, the University of Texas at Austin, Arlington and Tyler, Stephen F. Austin, Prairie View A&M, Texas Wesleyan, Sul Ross, Midwestern, Lamar and Howard Payne.

Baylor law students who have excelled in the intra-school and interscholastic moot court competition will serve as judges in the preliminary rounds. The final round of the contest will be judged by Law Dean Bradley J.B. Toben and members of the law school faculty.

"Even if the students are not interested in going to law school, they will experience the thrill and pressure of trying to convince judges why their position on the facts and the law is the correct one," Beal said. "Developing skills of this kind can help one excel in any type of job."

— *Alan Hunt*

Bootleg Preacher and a new edition of the novel *Providence* coming out this spring. Campbell was the first recipient of the Alex Haley Award for Distinguished Tennessee Writers. He will give a reading from *Providence* March 14 at 8 p.m..

"Will Campbell is a provocative, compelling speaker, and is probably the closest thing on the scene today to an Old Testament prophet. He's a critic of society, culture and religion, and has an ethical sensitivity that is highly unusual," said Dr. J. Randall O'Brien, professor of religion and executive assistant to the president. "He takes strong stands on what he believes to be morally compelling issues such as race, gender and socioeconomic issues. And you do not go to sleep when this man speaks — you will be paying attention."

Winner of the Pulitzer Prize for the short story collection *A Good Scent from a Strange Mountain*, Butler is the author of nine novels and an additional collection of stories, a four-time honoree in *Best American Short Stories* and a six-time honoree in *New Stories of the South*. Butler, a professor in the English department at Florida State University, will give a public presentation at 2 p.m. on March 16.

Butler's colleague at Florida State, playwright and novelist Dewberry, is the author of *Break the Heart of Me*, *Many Things Have Happened Since He Died* and the new *Sacrament of Lies*. Her public presentation will be held at 2 p.m. March 16 in Barfield Drawing Room.

Barbara Bush To Speak at President's Forum

Former First Lady Barbara Bush will visit Baylor March 11 as part of the President's Forum Lecture Series. Her speech will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Ferrell Special Events Center, and as part of the program Baylor President Robert B. Sloan Jr. will confer on Mrs. Bush the honorary doctor of humane letters degree.

Audience members will have an opportunity as they arrive at the Ferrell Center to submit questions for Mrs. Bush to answer following her speech. The President's Forum Lecture Series brings to campus national and world leaders to promote dialogue about important issues facing our society.

Mrs. Bush often jokes that her successful life is a result of marrying well. Her husband's service as vice president and president of the United States offered her a unique opportunity to make a difference in the public eye, but since leaving the White House in 1993, the former first lady continues to serve others with the same tireless energy, goodwill and good humor that has endeared her to millions around the world.

Born Barbara Pierce, she grew up in Rye, N.Y., where she met and later married George Herbert Walker Bush on Jan. 6, 1945. The Bush's first daughter, Robin, died in 1953 after fighting leukemia, but today the family includes four sons (George W., Jeb, Marvin and Neil); one daughter (Dorothy); four daughters-in-law; one son-in-law; and 14 grandchildren. Their oldest son, George W., was sworn in as the nation's 43rd president on Jan. 20, 2001.

Throughout her years of public life, Mrs. Bush volunteered in and supported hundreds of charity and humanitarian causes. Today she continues her service as AmeriCare's ambassador-

Bret Lott, who will deliver a public reading at 8 p.m. March 15 in Jones Concert Hall, is the author of the Oprah Book Club selection *Jewel* and the novels *The Hunt Club*, *The Man Who Owned Vermont* and *Reed's Beach*, as well as the

critically acclaimed short story collections *How to Get Home* and *A Dream of Old Leaves*. The reading is a ticketed event.

Winner of three Dove awards and recipient of four Grammy nominations, contemporary Christian musician Becker has charted 14 No. 1 Christian hits and is the author of the books *With New Eyes* and *Growing Up Together*. Her 8 p.m. March 16 performance in Jones Concert Hall is a ticketed event.

Baylor faculty, staff and students can attend all non-ticketed Art & Soul events, sessions and presentations free of charge. Tickets to the Lott reading and Becker concert are \$10. For a complete schedule of festival events visit www.baylor.edu/Rel_Lit.

For more information, call the Institute for Faith and Learning at ext. 4805. — *Julie Carlson*

at-large and as a supporter of various organizations, including the Leukemia Society of America, Ronald McDonald Houses and the Boys and Girls Clubs of America.

Barbara Bush



Mrs. Bush's primary cause is family literacy. In 1990 she helped develop the Barbara Bush Foundation for Family Literacy, whose mission is to support the development of family literacy programs and establish literacy as a value in every American family. She currently serves as honorary chair of the foundation and hosts its annual fundraiser, "A Celebration of Reading."

Mrs. Bush is author of *C Fred's Story* and the best-selling *Millie's Book*, whose profits benefited the literacy cause. She most recently wrote *Barbara Bush: A Memoir*, her best-selling autobiography emphasizing the importance of family, faith and friends.

Reserved seat tickets are being distributed free of charge through the Baylor Ticket Office in the Bill Daniel Student Center. Individuals are limited to four tickets and all floor seats are reserved for Baylor faculty, staff and students.

Call ext. 3210 for ticket information and ext. 1961 for more information about the President's Forum Lecture Series. — *Larry D. Brumley*

Father Language for God

Thompson's book examines both biblical and contemporary imagery of God as Father

**Dr. Charles H. Talbert,
Distinguished Professor
of Religion**

In her book *The Promise of the Father: Jesus and God in the New Testament*, Marianne Thompson, professor of New Testament interpretation at Fuller Theological Seminary, focuses on the significance of Jesus' address to God and imagery of God as Father, and the way the New Testament authors argued that Jesus' story made sense of that address. Her aim is to legitimate the use of Father language for God in contemporary Christian churches. Her method is twofold: first, to examine the function of the New Testament's Father language for God in light of the Old Testament's usage, and second, to critique contemporary positions with reference to their use of God language.

Biblical use

Most of the book focuses on how the Old Testament's use of Father language for God shapes that usage in the New Testament. In the Old Testament, God transcends sexuality, so Father language for God does not refer to a biological relationship between God and humans. In the Old Testament and post-biblical Jewish texts Father language for God meant three things: (1) God is the one who gives life to and bequeaths an inheritance to his heirs (understood as Israel or Israel's king, not the world or all nations); (2) God is the one who loves and cares for his children; (3) God is one who is worthy of honor and obedience.

Jesus did use Father for God. In fact, he never addressed God by any other term; nor did he teach his disciples another form of address to God. The early Greek-speaking church likely used Father language for their address to God because it was known as Jesus' mode of address to God. (1) Jesus' address of God as Father did not grow out of his experience of God. His usage is consonant with the image of God as Father in scripture (remember the three things mentioned above). (2) Jesus did not invite his disciples to experience God's fatherhood through him. He invited his disciples to share the inheritance that was theirs together. (3) Father was used by Jesus as a circumlocution for the proper name of God (like the Blessed, Power). Jesus' invocation of God as Father did not mean that he named or called God Father but that he called upon God as Father.

The New Testament writings continue the thread discerned already in the Old Testament and Jesus. Among the Synoptics, Mark focuses on the relation between Jesus and God in terms of Son and Father, while Matthew and Luke include all three

aspects of the Old Testament usage of Father for God. In the Synoptics, God is Father of the faithful people of God and especially of Jesus, the faithful son. In Paul's epistles Father language for God continues the Old Testament usage, including the Gentiles in the household of faith. The Fourth Gospel's emphasis is on the unique relation of the Father (who gives life) and the Son. Only Jesus addresses God as Father. Only once does he speak of God as "your Father."

Reexamination of the scriptural image of God as Father, Thompson believes, may renew our theological capacity to construe the Fatherhood of God in ways that are fruitful for Christian faith and practice. Theological discourse would be well served by attending more diligently to the biblical witness to God as Father.

Contemporary use

The critique of other contemporary uses of God language, the second task, comes in the concluding

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chapter of the book. Three positions in particular come under fire. In the first place, Father is not God's name. It is a circumlocution like the Blessed or the Most High used by ancient Jews to avoid pronouncing the name of God itself. This is demonstrated by the fact that in the hymn, Philippians 2:6-11, the name of God cannot be Father but is likely "Lord" (*kurios* = Yahweh of the Old Testament). Those who claim Father is God's name read the New Testament from the vantage point of the Nicene and Apostles creeds instead of the Old Testament. This critique, Thompson believes, takes care of the traditionalists.

In the second place, Christians do not worship a God of dual gender. Rather "the church that has argued that God has no gender must avoid thinking of God as a composite of male and female genders" (181). God models our common humanity, not our gender specificity. There is nothing in God that is specifically feminine; there is nothing specifically masculine.

In the third place, the fatherly

authority of God nowhere legitimates patriarchy. Indeed, Matthew 23:9 uses Father language for God as a protection against any such hierarchal scheme. These last two arguments critique certain feminists and their allies.

This is a fresh reading of the biblical evidence regarding God as Father. It offers not only a detailed analysis of the biblical texts but also a distinctive hermeneutical approach to their relevance for today. Any evaluation of the volume must take account of both levels of the argument. Let us begin with the analysis of the texts.

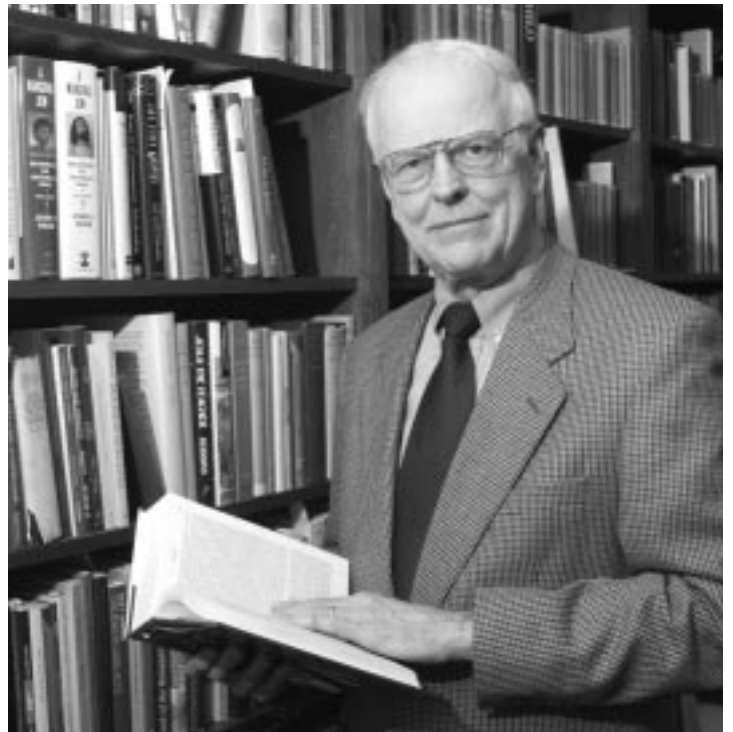
The early church

Does the use of Father for God grow out of the religious experience of Jesus and the early church? Thompson says *no*. Romans 8:15-17 and Galatians 4:6 speak otherwise. If the tradition is appropriated, it is because of the early Christians' experience of the Holy Spirit. Matthew 11:25-27 and Luke 10:21-22 indicate further that Jesus' address to God as Father arises out of his experience of God. If he appropriates the scriptural heritage, it is because of his experienced relation with his Father. It is an experience not only of himself as Son but also of the Father as Lord of heaven and earth (Matt 11:25, Luke 10:21).

Is Father a name for God? Often it is a metaphor (e.g., Isaiah 63:15-16; 64:8-9; Sirach 23:1, 4; Philippians 2:11; 1 Corinthians 8:6; Matthew 23:8-10). Sometimes it seems to be a name! Luke 11:2's "Father, hallowed be thy name," Galatians 4:6's "God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, 'Abba, Father,'" Romans 8:15-16's "When we cry, 'Abba, Father,' it is the Spirit himself bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God," and Matthew 28:19-20's "baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit" seem to make better sense with Father as a name for God. If so, how are we to make sense of Philippians 2:6-11 where the name of God seems to be *kurios* (Lord = Yahweh)?

Exodus 3 offers help in making sense of the data. Note that in scripture when God makes a covenant he gives a disclosure of his name. For example, in Exodus 3:13ff Moses asks God what his name is. God replies that he is *ho on* (v. 14 = the one who is, the self-existent). Then in verse 15 God says his name is the Lord (*kurios* = Yahweh), the God of the patriarchs.

Two things emerge from this text. First, establishment of a covenant provides an opportunity for God to reveal his name. Second, the newly revealed name for God does not displace the earlier name for God that indicates continuity with a people's history. By analogy, in the New Testament the new covenant is accompanied by a newly revealed



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name for God: Father. This does not displace the earlier name, Lord/*kurios*/ Yahweh that is used to indicate continuity with the community's heritage. If Father is in some cases used as a name for God in the New Testament, then Jesus mediated this approach to God to his disciples (Matt 6:9, Luke 11:2).

Inasmuch as the scriptures spoke of God as Father, then is Jesus' address to God as Father in any way unique? As in the case of the teaching of Jesus overall, his uniqueness does not lie in the fact that what he said was never spoken by anyone else. There are parallels in the milieu to most everything Jesus taught. Jesus' uniqueness lies in what he chose and in the relative value assigned to that which he chose. That Jesus chose Father not only as a metaphor for God but also as a name for him out of all the various options in his world, when combined with the fact that Jesus' only address to God was as Father, is a clear sign of his uniqueness.

Distinctive approach

We turn now to Thompson's distinctive hermeneutical approach to the biblical data. Thompson begins with the Old Testament and reads the New Testament in light of the Old

Testament. The creeds of the church are left aside. The traditionalist position, she says, abstracts the Father language for God from its historical context and reads the evidence in light of the creeds, subverting the biblical plot. This is a false dichotomy! A close reading of the Old Testament shows the disclosure of a new name for God at the establishment of a new covenant to be an integral part of the biblical plot. It is this dimension of the biblical plot that the early creeds understand. Hence, when they regard Father as a name for God they are not subverting the biblical narrative but properly interpreting it. In doing so, they provide a normative interpretation of scripture for all historic Christian faith communities as regards the doctrine of God.

The Promise of the Father offers assistance to contemporary Christians in our quest for appropriate language to speak about and to God. Thompson is correct to appeal to scriptural warrants for the continued use of Father for God. Although her exegesis and hermeneutics often fail to convince, her overall aim does not.

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THE WAYS OF TIME

Church Chat

Evangelist Billy Graham (left) talks with Baylor President Abner McCall during a luncheon Feb. 1, 1970. Graham was the featured speaker at a Founders Day ceremony honoring Baylor's 125th anniversary.

Family Circle

With sympathy to

Charlotte Angeletti, purchasing, on the death of her mother, Gladys Aycock.

Dr. William H. Brackney, religion, on the death of his mother, Mildred Pointer Brackney.

Jeanette Brown, financial aid, on the death of her granddaughters, Ashley and Heather Burgin.

Linda Conlon, history, on the death of her father-in-law, Frank Conlon.

Dorothy Copeland, Texas Collection, on the death of her father, Lenard C. Brown.

Nancy Gautier, Baylor Libraries, on the death of her mother, Johnnie Raborn.

Heather Guerrero, University development, on the death of her daughter, Hannah Paige Guerrero.

Frances Malone, continuing education, on the death of her mother-in-law, June Malone.

Rachel Moore and husband, **Dr. Andy Moore**, English, on the death of her mother, Eloise Hunter.

Diane Russo, campus living and learning, on the death of her father, Joe Sentell.

Karl A. Umlauf, art, on the death of his father-in-law, Fines F. Franks.

This Month in Baylor History

Feb. 1, 1845 — Republic of Texas President Anson Jones signs the charter creating Baylor University.

Feb. 11, 1922 — An afternoon fire engulfs the Carroll Chapel and Library building. As the alarm spreads, students and faculty brave the flames to remove books and Robert Browning memorabilia. President Samuel Palmer Brooks eventually halts retrieval efforts out of safety concerns. When the fire is extinguished, the building is a smoldering brick shell.

Feb. 12, 1899 — Waco records an unofficial temperature of 10 degrees below zero. Some Baylor students who own ice skates put them to use on the Brazos River, which has frozen.

Feb. 21, 1945 — After dealing with disruptions in coaching staff caused by military service, Baylor’s basketball team completes its only winless season at 0-17. The following year, the Bears post a 25-5 record and win the Southwest Conference.

Feb. 21, 1974 — In a display of the national “streaking” fad, a naked male Baylor student runs across campus. A disciplinary committee later recommends putting him on full disciplinary probation and eliminating his University financial aid.

Feb. 24, 1995 — Founding Truett Seminary Dean Robert B. Sloan Jr. is selected by the Board of Regents to become Baylor’s 12th president.

— *Compiled by Randy Fiedler*

Presentations & Participations

Larry D. Brumley, associate vice president for external relations, presented “Making the Most of Market Research” Jan. 26 at a Baptist Media Forum of Texas conference in San Antonio.

Dr. Robert D. Doyle, associate professor of biology, assisted the City of Waco Oct. 19-21 in directing the planting of more than 15,000 plants in a newly constructed wetland on the North Bosque River.

Dr. Richard E. Duhrkopf, associate professor of biology and director of graduate studies, presented the co-authored papers “Laboratory and Field Studies of Predation of *Solenopsis invicta* on Larvae and Pupae of *Aedes albopictus*” and “Effects of Distance and Time on Egg Predation of *Aedes albopictus* (Diptera: Culicidae) by *Solenopsis invicta* (Hymenoptera: Formicidae)” Oct. 29-31 at a South Central Mosquito Control regional meeting in Lake Charles, La. Co-authors of the first paper are Andrea L. Crino, Lewis and Clark College, and **Dr. Robert S. Baldrige**, professor of biology. Co-authors of the second paper are Jeffrey E. Dillen, Southampton College of Long Isiland University, and Dr. Baldrige.

Dr. Michael B. Frisch, professor of psychology, presented “Quality-of-life Interventions for Medical Patients” and co-authored papers titled “Predictive and Treatment Validity of the Quality of Life Inventory or QOLI in Managed Care, Substance Abuse, Community Mental Health and Counseling Center Samples: A Seven Year Study of 3,928 Patients” and “The World Health Organization’s Quality of Life Scale (WHOQOL-100): An Evaluation” Nov. 28-Dec. 2 at an International Society for Quality of Life Studies conference in Washington. D.C. Co-authors of the first paper are **Dr. M. David Rudd**, professor of psychology and neuroscience and director of the PsyD program; **Dr. David A. Kopplin**, professor of psychology; Michelle P. Clark, Iowa State University; Steven V. Rouse, Pepperdine University; and **Drs. Jennifer Paweleck** and **Andrew Greenstone**, Baylor graduates. Co-author of the second paper is R.A. Cummins, Deakin University, Australia. Dr. Frisch chaired panels titled “Quality of Life in Mental Health and General Medicine” and “Life Satisfaction as Quality of Life in Mental Health and General Medicine” at the conference.

Dr. Julia M. Kisacky, lecturer in Italian, presented “La Sala del Pisanello nel Rinascimento Privato di Maria Bellonci” Nov. 16 at an American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages and American Association of Teachers of Italian combined meeting in Washington, D.C.

Dr. Beth A. Lanning, assistant professor of health, human performance and recreation, co-presented “Teachers’ Attitudes Toward Teaching on Abstinence-only Curriculum” Nov. 30 at a Texas Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance annual convention in Corpus Christi. Co-presenter was **Dr. Rodney G. Bowden**, assistant professor of health, human performance and recreation.

Dr. Charles S. Madden, vice president for University relations and The Ben H. Williams Professor of Marketing, presented “Building Communities in a Post-mass Communications World” Jan. 26 at a Baptist Media Forum of Texas conference in San Antonio.

Dr. Christopher Marsh, associate professor of political science and director of the Asian Studies program, presented “Grassroots Democracy and Local Authoritarianism in Russia’s Regions” and a co-authored paper titled “National Identity and Economic Performance in China’s Provinces” July 25-28 at an International Studies Association regional convention in Hong Kong. Co-author is Dr. Shale Horowitz, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

Carolyn Muska, associate director of career services, co-presented a clinic titled “Assistance for Out-of-state Recruiting” Dec. 6 at a Texas Association of

Czech Ambassador Featured at Baylor Conference Feb. 22

Slavic Studies scholars will gather on the Baylor campus Feb. 22-23 for the Southwest Slavic Studies Association conference. The event includes panel discussions, presentations and a keynote address by Martin Palous, Czech Republic ambassador to the United States.

“We will have a huge variety of topics, which focus on the research conducted on the post-Communist nations of Central Europe, Balkans, or the former Soviet Union in fields of language and literature, history, political science, media development and censorship, civil society, economic transition and market development,” said Dr. Michael Long, director of Baylor’s Slavic Studies program and assistant professor of Russian.

Palous, who was appointed ambassador in 2001 and participated in the activities of Czechoslovakia’s democratic opposition, will speak at 6 p.m. Feb. 22 in the White Beckham Room of the Bill Daniel Student Center. Other conference guests include Jean Garner of Houston and Ivana Dolezalova from Prague, who will present papers on the development of independent media in the post-Communist states.



Martin Palous

School Personnel Administration annual conference in Austin. Co-presenter was Dale Young, Texas Christian University.

Dr. John L. Pisciotta, associate professor of economics, presented “The Median Voter Principle and Abortion Politics” Nov. 30 at the Culture of Life conference at the University of Notre Dame.

Dr. William R. Reichenstein, professor of finance and The Pat and Thomas R. Powers Chair of Investment Management, had an article titled “The Investment Implications of Lower Stock Return Prospects” published in the American Association of Individual Investors’ *AII Journal* (October 2001). He had a co-authored article titled “How to Benefit from Reduced Capital Gains Rates” published in *AII Journal* (November 2001). Co-author is Dr. Barry R. Marks, University of Houston-Clear Lake.

Dr. Charles M. Tolbert II, chair and professor of sociology and anthropology, presented the co-authored papers “Information on U.S. Foreign Born in the 1990s: Evidence from Monthly Current Population Surveys” and “Modeling the Effect of Civic and Economic Structure on Individual Migration Patterns” Oct. 12-13 at a Southern Demographic Association annual meeting in Miami. Co-authors of the first paper are Alfred R. Nucci, U.S. Census Bueau, Dr. Katharine Donato, Rice University, and Steve McCracken, U.S. Census Bureau. Co-authors of the second paper are Michael D. Irwin, Duquesne University, Troy Blanchard, Mississippi State University, Dr. Thomas A. Lyson, Cornell University, and Nucci.

Dr. Richard E. Watts, associate professor of educational psychology, presented “Encouragement-focused Counseling: A Brief, Integrative and Technically-eclectic Approach” and “The Importance of Addressing Religious and Spirituality Issues in Counseling” Nov. 14-17 at a Texas Counseling Association annual conference in Dallas. He co-presented papers titled “Emerging Issues in Counselor Education and Supervision” and “How Do I Get

“I think there is a growing interest in the independent countries that were part of the former Soviet Bloc, such as the interest in the summit talks between President Bush and Russian President Vladimir Putin,” Dr. Long said. “Americans are realizing that we have a lot in common with these people.”

Sessions will run from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Feb. 23 in Armstrong Browning Library. The conference is free and open to the public, although there will be a charge to attend the Feb. 22 banquet. A complete schedule of events can be found at <http://www.baylor.edu/SEES/febconference.htm>. For more information, contact Dr. Long at ext. 4527. — *Julie Carlson*

Published?” at the conference. There are multiple co-presenters of the first paper. Co-presenters of the second paper are Dr. Dee Ray, University of North Texas, and Dr. Becky Taylor, Texas Christian University. He presented a workshop titled “Ethics for Mental Health Professionals” Nov. 30 at Texarkana College in Texarkana, Texas.

Dr. Ralph C. Wood, University Professor of Theology and Literature, made the following presentations: “*The Moviegoer*: Walker Percy’s Satiric Send-up of Our Godless ‘Christian’ Culture” and “A Good Man is Hard to Find: Flannery O’Connor as Reshaper of our Sentimental Sensibility” April 20 at Northwestern State University of Louisiana in Natchitoches; “Saying Something Good, True and Beautiful about Sally Fitzgerald’s Contribution to Flannery O’Connor Scholarship” and “‘Pertaining to the Earth’: Wendell Berry’s Stoic Naturalism,” May 23-24 at an American Literary Association meeting in Cambridge, Mass.; “Milton on Conscience and Bunyan on the Church,” with **Dr. David L. Jeffrey**, Distinguished Professor of Literature and Humanities and senior vice provost, Sept. 29 at a Southwestern Conference on Christianity and Literature meeting at Baylor University; “The Tragic and the Redemptive in J.R.R. Tolkien’s *The Lord of the Rings*,” Oct. 9 at Oberlin College in Oberlin, Ohio; “Tolkien’s *The Lord of the Rings*: A Book for our Time of Terror,” Nov. 10 at Louisiana State University in Shreveport and Nov. 16 at Park Cities Presbyterian Church in Dallas; and “Teaching and Living and Dying ‘As if Nothing Had Happened’: The Example of J.R.R. Tolkien,” Dec. 28 at a Conference on Christianity and Literature meeting in New Orleans.

Dr. Joe C. Yelderman Jr., professor of geology, presented an evaluation of groundwater resources in the Wildhorse Basin of West Texas June 13 to a Culberson County Groundwater District meeting in Van Horn and later to a Far West Texas Planning Group meeting. He presented an overview of the Trinity aquifer in Central Texas Oct. 25 to a Trinity Aquifer-Central Texas Groundwater District planning group meeting in Stephenville.

Publications

Dr. A.J. Conyers III, professor of theology at Truett Seminary, had his book titled *The End* published in Portuguese under the title *O Fim Do Mundo: O Que Jesus Realmente Disse Sobre Sua Segunda Vinda* by Mundo Christao. He had an article titled “William Gilmore Simms’ Incarnational Theology” accepted for publication in an upcoming issue of *The Southern Quarterly*.

Dr. William Dembski, associate research professor, Conceptual Foundations of Science, had the following items published: a co-edited book titled *Science and Evidence for Design in the Universe, Proceedings of the Wethersfield Institute Vol. 9*, Ignatius Press (2000). Co-editors are Michael J. Behe and Stephen C. Meyer; an article titled “Naturalism and Design” in *Naturalism: A Critical Analysis*, edited by William Lane Craig and J.P. Moreland, Routledge (2000); a co-edited book titled *Signs of Intelligence: Understanding Intelligent Design*, Brazos Press (2001). Co-editor is James Kushiner; a book titled *No Free Lunch: Why Specified Complexity Cannot Be Purchased without Intelligence* accepted for publication by Rowan and Littlefield; a co-edited book titled *Debating Design: From Darwin to DNA* accepted for publication by Cambridge University Press. Co-editor is Michael Ruse; an article titled “The Design Argument” in *The History of Science and Religion in the Western Tradition: An Encyclopedia*, edited by Gary B. Ferngren, Garland (pp. 65-67, 2000); an article titled “The Pragmatic Nature of Mathematical Inquiry” in *Mathematics in a Postmodern Age: A Christian Perspective*, edited by James Bradley and Russell Howell, Eerdmans (2001); an article titled “Detecting Design by Eliminating Chance: A Response to Robin Colins” in *Christian Scholar’s Review* (Vol. 30, No. 3, pp. 343-357, spring 2001); and an article titled “Can Evolutionary Algorithms Generate Specified Complexity?” accepted for publication in *From Complexity to Life*, edited by Niels H. Gregersen, Oxford University Press.

Dr. Bruce Gordon, interim director of The Program in Science, Philosophy and Religion, had an article titled “Naturalism, Postmodernism and Design-Theoretic Epistemology” accepted for publication in *After Materialism*, edited by J.P. Moreland and J.M. Reynolds, InterVarsity Press. He had an article titled “Is Intelligent Design Science? The Scientific Status and Future of Design-Theoretic Explanations” published in *Signs of Intelligence: Understanding Intelligent Design*, edited by **Dr. William Dembski**, associate research professor, Conceptual Foundations of Science, and James Kushiner, Brazos Press (pp. 193-216, 2001).

Kathy R. Hillman, associate professor, acquisitions librarian and library public relations coordinator, had daily devotionals titled “Good News of Great Joy” published in *World Evangelism* (December 2001).

Dr. Walter C. Holmes, professor of biology, had an article titled “*Dipsacus fullonum* (Dipsacaceae) and *Verbesina valteri* (Compositae): New to Texas” published in *Sida* (pp. 723-725, 2001). He had an article titled “*Houstonia longifolia* (Rubiaceae): Newly Documented for the Flora of Texas” published in *Sida* (Vol. 19, pp. 1183-1184, 2001). He had an article titled “The Vascular Plants of Big Lake Bottoms Wildlife Management Area” accepted for publication in an upcoming issue of *Sida*. He had an article titled “*Trillium* (Lilaceae) in Texas” accepted for publication in an upcoming issue of *Journal of the Southern Appalachian Botanical Society*. He had a co-authored article titled “*Spiranthes magnicamprum* (Orchidaceae): New to Arkansas” accepted for publication in an upcoming issue of *Journal of the Southern Appalachian Botanical Society*. Co-author is **Dr. Robert S. Baldridge**, professor of biology.

Dr. Christopher Marsh, associate professor of political science and director of the Asian Studies

program, had a book titled *Russia at the Polls: Voters, Elections and Democratization* published by Congressional Quarterly Press (2001). He had a book chapter titled “Prospects of Russian Democracy” published in *Perspectives of Democratic Consolidation in Central and Eastern Europe*, edited by Dirk Berg-Schlosser and Raivo Vetik, Columbia University Press (2001). He had a co-authored article titled “Ethnicity, Ethnoregionalism and the Political Geography of Putin’s Electoral Support” published in *Post-Soviet Geography and Economics* (Vol. 42, No. 4, pp. 220-233, July 2001). Co-author is Dr. James W. Warhola, University of Maine.

Dr. Daniel E. Wivagg, professor of biology and director of undergraduate studies, had a test item file to accompany the second edition of *Biology: A Guide to the Natural World* by David Krogh published by Prentice Hall (2002).

Dr. Ralph C. Wood, University Professor of Theology and Literature, had the following items published: “The Peculiar Heroism of Frodo Baggins of Bag End” in *Mars Hill Audio Journal* (Vol. 49, March-April 2001); “The Providential and Scientific Seizures of Giant Despair” in the International John Bunyan Society *Recorder* (Vol. 7, pp. 5-7, spring 2001); “Eugene Genovese and the Biblical Tragedy of the South” in *Perspectives in Religious Studies* (Vol. 28, No. 1, pp. 99-113, spring 2001); “God’s Repentance-enabling Forgiveness” in *Christian Reflection* (pp. 64-70, 2000); a review of *Licks of Love* by John Updike in *Christian Century* (Vol. 118, No. 23, pp. 29-31, Aug. 15-22, 2001); “Evangelicalism, With and Without Reformation” in *First Things* (Vol. 116, pp. 43-46, October 2001); “Christian Spirituality: Inward Piety or Outward Practice?” in *Christian Ethics Today* (Vol. 7, No. 5, pp. 3-6, October 2001); “C.S. Lewis and the Ordering of Our Loves” in *Christianity and Literature* (Vol. 51, No. 1, pp. 109-117, autumn 2001); “Frodo Lives” in *Christian Century* (Vol. 118, No. 32, pp. 24-29, Nov. 21-28, 2001); and “Discerning Christ in the Arts” in *Image: A Journal of Religion and the Arts* (pp. 120-124, December 2001).

Honors & Appointments

Dr. Richard E. Duhrkopf, associate professor of biology and director of graduate studies, was appointed to a vector control task force advising the State of Texas on issues dealing with mosquito and insect control.

Dr. Diana R. Garland, chair and professor of social work and director of the Center for Family and Community Ministries, was elected president of the North American Association of Christians in Social Work.

Dr. Kathleen Morley, associate director of

A Rosy Outlook

Preston Dyer has a passion for flowers

Many Baylor faculty and staff thrill at the sight of Dr. Preston Dyer approaching, but not for the reason you might think. While the professor and former chair of social work is highly regarded for his academic expertise, it is what he bears in his arms that delights these workers.

“I like to give faculty and staff in the School of Social Work and College of Arts and Sciences fresh-cut roses from my garden, but social work has so many people now that I have a difficult time supplying everyone,” laughs Dr. Dyer, an accomplished rosarian. (Indeed, when I met with Dr. Dyer, I left the interview with three gorgeous roses named Desert Peace that had blooms of gold and red like ripening peaches.)

The beautifully landscaped backyard of Dr. Dyer’s Spanish mission-style home on Guittard Street is lined with rose bushes. Climbing roses cover a garden shed while a small fishpond containing koi (Japanese goldfish) nestles among the plants. Dr. Dyer began working with roses — mostly of the hybrid tea and miniature varieties — when he moved to the house in 1974, but he says gardening has been a longtime hobby.

“Landscaping and growing plants has been an interest of mine for years. I used to plant a vegetable garden, but it seemed the vegetables always were ready when I was out of town,” he said. “So I plant roses, although I also like to grow cactus. My wife Genie puts the brakes on me or I would make the whole yard a rose garden.”

With approximately 125 rose bushes in his yard, Dr. Dyer stays busy caring for the long-stemmed beauties. His regimen includes spraying his bushes with pesticide every Sunday morning before church and fertilizing the plants once a month. He waters the bushes every other day.



Dr. Preston Dyer tends to the roses in his backyard garden.

“I have some bushes that are 20 years old,” he said. “And then I have some bushes that will die for no reason that I can see, so I plant eight to 10 new bushes a year, either as additions or replacements.”

Dr. Dyer said novice growers can avoid many problems associated with growing roses by making contact with an experienced rosarian. Music professor Joyce Jones, who helped design Baylor’s Joy Reynolds Rose Garden, provided him with a wealth of knowledge including guidance on how to prune bushes. With proper care, he said, roses should bloom nine months out of the year.

“It is not unusual for us to have roses on our table for Christmas dinner,” Dr. Dyer said. “I don’t know any plant that pays you back for its care as much as a rose does.” — *Julie Carlson*

Jasek Named Libraries’ Staff Member of Year

Preservation specialist Frank Jasek was named the Baylor Libraries’ Staff Member of the Year for 2001 in December.

As a preservation specialist, Jasek supervises in-house mending, repair and preservation of paperbacks and hardbacks and restores rare books and documents, music scores and old newspapers.

Jasek began work at Baylor in March 1996 and was elected the Libraries’ Staff Member of the Month in January 2000 and October 2001. A team leader for the annual Heart Walk and a member of the American Red Cross Gallon Club, he is an ordained minister in the Catholic Church. Jasek’s wife, Janet, is also a Baylor colleague, working as a borrowing supervisor in Interlibrary Loan.

The Staff Member of the Year is selected by the dean of libraries after staff voting narrows monthly staff member award recipients to three. — *BN*



Frank Jasek

Frisch Named Distinguished Fellow

Dr. Michael B. Frisch, professor of psychology, was named Distinguished Research Fellow by the prestigious International Society for Quality of Life Studies at its annual meeting in Washington, D.C.

He was nominated for the honor by Dr. Edward Diener of the University of Illinois, who is considered the leading authority in quality of life studies.

“Dr. Michael Frisch has made a lifetime and substantial contribution to quality of life research. He, more than any other researcher in the past 30 years, has introduced quality of life concerns to the field of mental health, in general, and clinical psychology and psychiatry, in particular,” Dr.



Dr. Michael Frisch

Diener said. “Dr. Frisch has made quality of life assessment and treatment a standard part of psychiatric practice and research.”

In his research and writing, Dr. Frisch has developed a model of quality of life, as well as the most current and accurate assessment for quality of life in psychiatry and mental health. The quality of life inventory is considered to be one of the best validated and most widely used measures in the field. Dr. Frisch also developed one of the few treatment programs for boosting quality of life in a medical or health care context.

Dr. Frisch joined the Baylor faculty in 1982 and serves as a clinical faculty member in Baylor’s American Psychology Association-approved doctoral program in clinical psychology.

— *Judy Long*

Remembering The Immortal Ten

Baylor tragedy marks 75th anniversary

On Saturday, Jan. 22, 1927, a bus carrying the Baylor basketball team, coach Ralph Wolf, a yell leader, a *Lariat* reporter and other Baylor students made its way to Austin. The Bears were scheduled to play the University of Texas and were hoping to break a three-game conference losing streak. Spirits were high.

As the bus neared the railroad crossing in Round Rock, its occupants neither saw nor heard the quick approach of the International and Great Northern passenger train known as the “Sunshine Special” until both vehicles were seconds away from colliding. The student driver made a desperate attempt to steer the bus away from harm, but the train hit the bus and 10 of the 22 people on board died.

The dead included Clyde “Abe” Kelly,

Robert Hannah Jr. and William Winchester of Waco, Willis Murray and James Walker of Gatesville, Jack Castellaw of Ennis, Sam Dillow



This photo of the Baylor basketball team was featured in the 1927 Round Up. Twelve of the persons pictured were aboard the team bus when it crashed in Round Rock.

of Fort Worth, Merle Dudley of Abilene, Ivey Foster Jr. of Taylor and Robert Hailey of Lott.

Within days, the men were being referred to in news reports and on the Baylor campus as the “Immortal Ten.”

Soon after the accident, Baylor President Samuel Palmer Brooks said, “The heart of Baylor University is torn to shreds at this moment. The awful tragedy that brought death and injury to so many of our noble boys overcomes us all.” During the following week, Baylor officials attended funeral ceremonies across Texas and hundreds of telegrams poured in from as far away as Brazil offering condolences.

One positive legacy of the accident was the support it provided efforts to eliminate open or level grade crossings in Texas. State legislators eventually passed a law requiring overpasses or underpasses at all railroad crossings.

In 1974, Baylor’s \$1.7 million Castellaw

Communication Center was dedicated. One of the major contributors was the mother of Immortal Ten member Jack Castellaw, and the building is named in his honor.

The Immortal Ten are remembered today when their story is told each fall at Freshman Mass Meeting. There have been attempts throughout the years to fund and construct a campus memorial, but none has so far been successful. The latest effort — to construct a statue honoring the Immortal Ten — was begun by the Class of 1996, led by permanent class president Chase Palmer.

“Our class wanted to create a senior gift that had significance,” Palmer said. “We thought that the Immortal Ten had not been fully recognized and wanted to do something that dealt with that tradition.”

The proposed bronze statue is expected to cost nearly \$288,000, of which about \$148,000 has been raised.

“The statue would be more than just a remembrance of 10 men killed in a tragedy,” Palmer said. “It also symbolizes the Baylor tradition. It should serve as a reminder that life is short and we must take advantage of it.”

— Randy Fiedler and Kyle Armstrong

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Grant Awards (November)

Dr. Rene Massengale, biology; \$10,000; A Systematic Analysis of the Inflammatory Response Mediated by Various Organic Dusts in Central Texas; Southwest Center for Occupational and Environmental Health-University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston

Dr. James Henderson and **Dr. John Pisciotta**, economics, **Dr. Robert Kruschwitz**, Center for Christian Ethics and **Dr. Michael Beaty**, Institute for Faith and Learning; \$83,500; Christianity and Economics: Integrating Faith and Learning in Economic Scholarship; National Network Board of the Lilly Fellows Program

TOTAL AWARDS: \$93,500

Grant Proposals (November)

Dr. Diana Garland and **Helen Harris**, social work; \$20,000; Living Water for a Thirsty Land; 2002 Mary Hill Davis funding request from Texas Women’s Missionary Union

Dr. Carol Hanks, nursing, and **Bill Booth**, computer science; \$270,404; Systems of Health and Social Services for At-risk Children: Improving Outcomes Through Information Technology; National Science Foundation

Dr. Greg Garrett, Institute for Faith and Learning; \$10,000; Art and Soul Festival, 2003; The Wilbur Foundation

Dr. Kevin Chambliss, chemistry and biochemistry; \$35,000; Supramolecular Architectures Favoring Formation of N-H---F-C; American Chemical Society’s Petroleum Research Fund

TOTAL PROPOSALS: \$335,404

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