



# Student Life Newsletter

The mission of the Division of Student Life is to enhance the Baylor experience through life changing programs and services resulting in an integrated education known for leadership, service, Christian faith, and the total development of students.

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## A NOTE FROM DUB

### Bookends

Thank you for celebrating with me the news of my selection as the Vice President for Student Life. You have been a great encouragement and support to me as we have moved through this process. I will always remember fondly this important time in my life because of you. At the announcement I shared with you the story of how the Lord had given me Psalm 27:14 as an anchor during a period of uncertainty. "Wait for the Lord; be strong and take heart and wait for the Lord," says the Psalmist. God is so good to give not only His word but to cast it in bronze and to make sure I saw it, heard it, and knew it.

Thursday, July 6, 2006, was a great day. It was a fantastic celebration, and I felt deeply loved through numerous expressions of congratulations. At the end of the day, just before I went to bed, I sat down for a few quiet moments to read the Bible. I opened it up to the entry for July 6 and my mind raced backed to February 3, a day I needed some encouragement, and I wondered aloud what God had for me now. The passage from the Old Testament was from 1 Chronicles. It went something like: "Adam, Seth, Enosh, Kenan, Mahalalel, Jared, Enoch, Methuselah, Lamech, Noah. The sons of Noah: Shem, Ham and Japheth. The Japhethites. The sons of Japheth: Gomer, Magog, Madai, Javan, Tubal, Meshech and Tiras..." Okay, not exactly the inspiration of February 3. The New Testament reading was from Acts – interesting, but still nothing like Psalm 27:14. Psalm 4 was the last part of the day's reading, and there it was in the last verse (verse 8) of the day, "I will lie down and sleep in peace, for you alone, O LORD, make me dwell in safety." WOW! Thank you Lord for your perfect Word, at just the right time. I did indeed lie down and sleep in peace, but not because of being named Vice President for Student Life, because the Lord, and He alone, makes me dwell in safety.

These two passages bookend and bind this experience for me. And, we can all take heart that He bookends and binds all of us this same way. May you be able to see the ways God is working in your own life.

## DUB OLIVER NAMED VICE PRESIDENT FOR STUDENT LIFE

On July 6, 2006, Baylor University President John M. Lilley announced the appointment of Dr. Samuel W. "Dub" Oliver as vice president for student life, effective immediately. The Student Life Division joined together in a celebration luncheon for The Oliver Family on Friday, July 7, in the McLane Student Life Center. See additional pictures on the Student Life Staff Intranet at

[http://www.baylor.edu/student\\_life/index.php?id=38889](http://www.baylor.edu/student_life/index.php?id=38889)



## STAFF TRANSITIONS



**Jamie Bachtel,** LVN, has joined the staff at the Health Center. She has many years of experience in nursing and comes to us having served as a school nurse for the Midway ISD for 21 years. Now her patients will be a little

taller! Jamie's family includes her husband, two sons, a daughter, and five grandchildren.



**Kendel Gilchrest,** Collins Assistant Residence Hall Director, comes to us with a bachelor's degree from Asbury University.



**Brenda Baker,** Campus Living and Learning Administrative Associate, will work with the Administrative Services team.



**Trey Guinn,** North Village Residence Hall Director, holds a master's and bachelor's degree from Baylor University.



**Meredith Conrey,** Memorial/Alexander (Honors College Living-Learning Center) Residence Hall Director holds a master's and bachelor's degree from Texas A&M University.



**Jonathan Stoops,** Martin Residence Hall Director, holds a master's degree from Azusa Pacific University, and a bachelor's degree from California Baptist University.



**Tina Dulock,** Insurance Clerk, offices in the Health Center but is employed by the Highland Campus Health Group. She will assist with the management and filing of insurance claims. Tina came to us from

the Quality Assurance section of Blue Cross Blue Shield of Texas. She is from Axtell and is married to Shannon Dulock. Two-year old Rylee is her pride and joy.

**Kelley Kimple,** formerly North Village, will serve as the Collins Hall Director.

**Larry Hughes,** formerly Brooks Hall, will oversee the Arbors, Baylor Plaza and Speight-Jenkins apartments.

**Jonathan Manz,** is the Graduate Assistant Hall Director for Arbors, Baylor Plaza, and Speight-Jenkins apartments, and holds a bachelor's degree from Mercer University.

**Jennifer Perkins,** is the Graduate Assistant for Housing Administrative and Academic Initiatives and holds a bachelor's degree from Southern Illinois University,

### BAYLOR LEADERSHIP SUMMIT 2006

Just a reminder that on August 10-12, Baylor University will be serving as one of 160 satellite locations for the 2006 Willow Creek Leadership Summit in Chicago. On campus, this event will be held in Waco Hall. There is a registration page for members of the Baylor family including faculty, staff, student, alumni, and friends of Baylor to register to attend the Baylor satellite location of this outstanding leadership conference. The price is \$95. Complete conference information is available at [www.willowcreek.com/summit](http://www.willowcreek.com/summit). Note: The only way to get this special rate is to register through Baylor for attendance at the Baylor location only. The national rate to attend other locations is \$255.

### HOUSING ASSIGNMENTS

Housing assignments are going well, and all freshmen have been accommodated at this point. We will be doing temporary "expanded occupancy," however, so that we may accommodate the transfer student waiting list. This expanded occupancy will include living with Community Leaders in their double rooms until vacancies occur within the first few weeks of the semester. At that point, the student would move into the vacancy as their permanent student room.

### BAYLOR LINE CAMPS

Baylor Line Camps are in full swing. These camps are designed to offer such opportunities for our students as great connections, individual strengths reinforcement, leadership advantage, and university familiarity.



*Outdoor Adventure* - July 8-15

Backpacking in the northern New Mexico and outdoor activities in Glorieta, New Mexico.

*The Journey* - July 18-23.

Spiritual disciplines such as service, worship, reflection, prayer, and Bible study.

*Spirit and Sport* - July 25-29

Baylor spirit and pride in campus traditions, athletics, annual events, and activities.

### BAYLOR BOUND STAFF

This summer, 11 students stayed at Baylor to live on campus and welcome new students to the Baylor family. Serving as the staff for Orientation, Baylor

Line Camps, and Welcome Week, these students come from all aspects of student life and represent Baylor's diverse campus community. Please express your thanks to Audrey Burris, Emily Griffin, Kayla Hart, Julia Johnson, Carissa Jones, Matt Low, Marcus McDaniel, Johnna McGill, Eric Piper, Olga Rodriguez, and Richard McCann for being such an important part of this University.

### CL&L INTERVIEW PROCESS

We are in the phone interview process for our Associate Director for Housing Administration and Academic Initiatives and Coordinator for Safety and Citizenship Education position. We hope to bring candidates for campus interview within the next several weeks. Both interviews will include a presentation to the Student Life division, so we hope you will attend.

### THANK YOU

Orientation sessions have now been completed. Every department within Student Life was involved in some way to present the program to approximately 2,920 new students (freshman and transfer) and their family members. **THANK YOU for that outstanding level of support and collaboration for the sake of new students!** You may have handed out packets at check-in, printed information for the Campus Connections table, presented a session, been an Orientation Host, or perhaps stuffed packets or made the scrolls for the Parent Dinner. Every single effort was needed and made a tremendous impact on our guests. Evaluations from students who attended Orientation are beginning to come in and the response has been very positive. Some of the comments from students include:

*"I truly already feel a loyalty and an excitement about being a part of what the campus aims to achieve, and I think, regardless of where my academic pursuits take me after Baylor, I will always "bleed green and gold."*

*"I was a little nervous about going to orientation, but I left orientation feeling very excited and ready to start Baylor in the fall."*

*"Well, I actually went to three; mine, then to meet my room mate, and to see a friend. I did different stuff at each one, and I'm super excited to move in and start classes and the whole experience!!!"*

*"I am SO excited to come to Baylor. This last month of summer can not go by fast enough!"*

*"I am very excited and honored to be going to such an amazing school! It was great to get a small taste of what Baylor has to offer and I am fully confident that I will reach my potential while at Baylor University!"*

Congratulations on a job well done! We look forward to seeing these new students again in August.

**MCLANE STUDENT LIFE CENTER  
HOURS OF OPERATION**

The SLC hours during Summer Session II are:

Mondays through Fridays, 6 a.m. – 10 p.m.

Saturdays, 9 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Sundays, 1 p.m. – 8 p.m.

On August 15-17 the Campus Recreation SLC offices will be open, but all recreational areas will be closed for maintenance and housekeeping projects.

**CL&L SUMMER INSTITUTE TRAINING PROGRAM**

On Monday, July 17, Campus Living and Learning will begin its fifth Summer Institute training program for new and returning residence hall director staff. This intensive three-week program seeks to provide the information, skills, and resources necessary for hall director staff to be equipped and successful. CL&L leadership team and other partners from Student Life and faculty provide the training sessions throughout Summer Institute. We express our gratitude to all our presenters!

**AWARDS AND RECOGNITION**

**Tam Dunn** received the Outstanding Panhellenic Advisor Award at the Delta Gamma Annual Convention this past week (held in Orlando, Florida). This award was given to only one person in the entire country as recognition of outstanding work within the Greek community.

**FAMILY CORNER**

**Betty Fornelius** is the proud new grandmother of *Leila* who was born June 29<sup>th</sup>. Leila joins her sister, Kennedy, and brother, Evan. Leila's mom, Melissa Hogan, is Betty's daughter. Best wishes to the happy family.

**Mecca Perkins** (Judicial Affairs) and her husband, Greg, have been blessed by the birth of a baby daughter, *Ayana Paige*. Ayana was born July 13. Best wishes to Mecca and Greg on the arrival of precious baby Ayana!

**Teresa Young**, Clerk/Receptionist is leaving the Health Center to join the staff of Connally ISD. Teresa has been a wonderful asset to the Health Center, and we will miss her.