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WE ARE SURROUNDED BY THE SOCIOLOGICAL PHENOMENA OF AN INFORMATION AGE, OR AS JAMES BILLINGTON, OUR LIBRARIAN OF CONGRESS, PREFERS TO CALL IT, AN “INFO-GLUT CULTURE.” BILLINGTON GOES ON TO ASK “WITH ALL OUR ACCESS TO KNOWLEDGE, ARE WE BECOMING ANY WISER?” ALL TOO OFTEN, STUDENTS AND FACULTY AT UNIVERSITIES ACROSS THE WORLD TAKE ON THE CLASH OF OXFORD’S GANGPLIE IN GRIEF, HANDS ACROSS HIS EYES AND INScribed WITH THE WORDS — THE MORE I STUDY THE MORE I KNOW. THE MORE I KNOW THE MORE I FORGET. THE MORE I FORGET THE LESS I KNOW. SO WHY STUDY?

> So why study? Why conduct research?

Many of the answers at Baylor are the same as those at any other research university. Scholarship, research, collaboration and innovation have long informed the academic life within the halls of her schools and colleges. From interdisciplinary studies looking at new methods for treating cancer to scholarship into the history of the English language, research at Baylor pushes back the boundaries of knowledge and is making a difference in today’s world. Collaboration with colleagues around the world is commonplace, and cutting edge research contributes daily to the academic vitality of the classroom. Thinking through a problem and asking the questions necessary to arrive at a reasonable conclusion is a skill students learn through their involvement in research, one they must have to address the intricate issues they face in an ever-changing world.

However, this is not the only (or even most important) reason research is vital to Baylor. The call for Baylor to become a “city on a hill” is research. The idea of a Christian university and the resulting accompanying tension between faith and intellect is nothing new to the academy. C.S. Lewis, who fought for the restoration of a vital Christian voice in the highest levels of academic life, went straight to the heart of the matter when he said in The Weight of Glory:

“If all the world were Christian, it might not matter if all the world were uneducated. But, as it is, a cultural life will exist outside the Church whether it exists inside or not. To be ignorant and simple now — not to be able to meet the enemies on their own ground — would be to throw down our weapons, and to betray our uneducated brethren who have, under God, no defense but us against the intellectual attacks of the heathen. Good philosophy must exist, if for no other reason, because bad philosophy needs to be answered. The cool intellect must work not only against cool intellect on the other side, but against the muddy heathen mysticisms which deny intellect altogether . . . . [T]he scholar has lived in many times and is therefore in some degree immune from the great cataract of nonsense that pours from the press and the microphone of his own age.”

“Infrastucture is the most overlooked aspect of building an effective research-teaching program,” provost and vice president for academic affairs David L. Jeffrey says. “But to be effective — indeed, even to obtain credibility from external granting agencies — we are obliged to show that we both have it and have planned for its future development wisely.”

INCREASING RESEARCH CAPABILITIES

Two significant granting organisations, the state-operated Telecommunications Infrastructure Fund (TIF) and the National Science Foundation (NSF), have provided funding to upgrade campus computer and networking capabilities. TIF awarded four grants to Baylor totaling more than $2 million, which dramatically impacted campus communications in the past year. A prestigious National Science Foundation grant received in January 2003 for $175,000 advanced leading-edge network capability on campus.

The TIF grants allowed campus upgrades of library computer services, expansion of instructional offerings, improvement of networking services and enhanced access to online information resources. The addition of a wireless computer networking system now provides wireless laptop access to the Internet in every academic and residential building on campus.

The NSF funds support Internet2 capability. Internet2 is a private consortium of more than 200 U.S. universities — including Baylor — that works with government and industry to develop innovative network capability on campuses. The group also provides the newest technological advances applicable to the Internet for the national research community and broader Internet use.

The NSF supports Internet2 goals to ensure the Internet of the future develops into a reliable and secure medium for information sharing and to foster partnerships among academia, industry and government.

THE NEW WORLD-CLASS BAYLOR SCIENCES BUILDING WILL HOST A FULL COMPLEMENT OF NATURAL SCIENCE TEACHING, RESEARCH AND EXPERIMENTATION ON CAMPUS. THE $103 MILLION, 500,000 SQUARE-FOOT FACILITY WILL BE COMPLETED BY FALL 2004.
Vice Provost for Research Truell Hyde said the grant gives Baylor the opportunity to pursue exciting avenues in research, such as grid computing, real-time video transfer and other enhanced research and teaching capabilities.

“This is an aspect of developing the research and teaching infrastructure to move toward the top-tier direction. We have identified more than 40 faculty members who presently have a need for this capability on campus. Some of these faculty members currently run their research elsewhere because they can’t download their data here,” Hyde said.

The University also is acquiring a 128-node computer, which along with Internet2, enhances collaborative research opportunities with other universities and national super-computing facilities. The expansion provides Baylor with other high-bandwidth connectivity options, including high-quality video-conferencing.

The 128-node computer, which will be installed in the next year, is an integral component to improving campus networking and research capabilities. The computer will be installed in office space under construction at the corner of University Parks Drive and Dutton Avenue.

A primary application of these powerful research tools will be in the undergraduate teaching arena, a University focus that is at the heart of Baylor’s mission. The same technology supporting high-end physics research will render possible virtual tours of national museums, new partnerships with undergraduate programs worldwide, and access to resources and experiences previously separated from Baylor students by travel distance and time.

The most visible step toward pioneering research is the construction of the four-story, 500,000-square-foot Baylor Sciences Building, the largest building project ever undertaken by the University. Completion of the $153 million building is slated for Fall 2004.

The structure will have three research setups housing the life and physical sciences (chemistry and biochemistry, physics, geology, biology, psychology and neuroscience) and interdisciplinary science centers. The middle wing will be devoted to interdisciplinary collaboration.

Dr. Benjamin A. Pierce, professor of biology and associate dean for sciences during the planning stage of the building, said the Baylor Sciences Building will focus on four major themes: multidisciplinary science, collaboration, discovery and flexibility. “This building will create a new culture of science at Baylor. What’s happening in science is occurring at the boundaries between the disciplines,” Pierce said.

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Since arriving at Baylor, Gravagne and John Davis in mathematics have begun collaboration, along with doctoral student Jeff Dachuna, “to see what applicability time-scale calculus has to various engineering problems where discrete and continuous phenomena coexist,” Gravagne says. “It is a cutting-edge interdisciplinary exploration of exactly the type that I think Baylor is trying to foster.”

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> Klaus Kirsten, associate professor of mathematics, received his bachelor’s, master’s and doctoral degrees from the University of Kaiserslautern, Germany. His doctoral work is in theoretical physics, specializing in quantum field theory, string theory and spectral theory.

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Kirsten taught as a visiting professor at the University of Trento in Italy, then went on to serve as an Alexander von Humboldt Fellow at the University of Barcelona in Spain, after which he conducted research at the University of Leipzig in Germany and at the University of Manchester in England. He also received visiting appointments at the University of La Plata in Argentina and the University of Naples in Italy. Since 2001, Kirsten has been a postdoctoral associate at the Max Planck Institute for Mathematics in the Sciences in Leipzig, Germany.

With two books to his credit, Spectral Functions in Mathematics and Physics and the forthcoming Spectral Geometry of Physics, Kirsten also has written 80 peer-reviewed articles and is involved in six current research projects.

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> DeAnna Toten Beard, assistant professor of theater arts, received her bachelor’s degree from Mary Washington College, a master’s from the State University of New York, and her doctorate from Indiana University, Bloomington in 2001. She came to Baylor from the University of North Carolina, Wilmington, where she served as a visiting professor of theater history.

Toten Beard wanted to be able to write in both artistic and research venues, so she decided to do doctoral work in theater history after receiving her master of fine arts degree. She specializes in dramaturgy — the study of how a play script works — which qualifies her to collaborate in production with directors and playwrights on genres of literature, history of certain kinds of plays, and dramatic structure.

She has published in On-Stage Studies, a theater journal, and has written a book chapter for the upcoming Blackwell’s Guide to Modern American Drama, among other publications. Toten Beard’s research focus is early 20th century drama and theatrical modernism, particularly American Expressionism. “My next research topic will be the experimental plays of Theodore Dreiser,” a writer known for his novels more than his plays, she says. Baylor theatergoers should look for next fall’s adaptation of Marlowe’s Doctor Faustus, a project Toten Beard is working on with Steven Pounders in the theater department.

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> Melanie McEwen, associate professor of nursing, received her bachelor’s degree at the University of Texas at Austin, her master’s from Louisiana State University Medical Center at New Orleans and her doctorate from Texas Woman’s University in 1990.

McEwen has written several nursing textbooks including Community-Based Nursing and an instructor’s manual for the text. She is co-editor of Theoretical Basis for Nursing, in addition to writing 10 chapters of the book and co-edited the 3rd edition of Community Health Nursing: Promoting the Health of Populations. She also has written numerous articles for reviewed journals and is seeking funding to develop a master’s of nursing education track. She also assisted nursing professor Frances Strodtbeck in writing a $1 million grant for development of a case management program for children with developmental problems.

McEwen considers nursing her calling. “As a child I always wanted to take care of kids with cuts and scrapes and injured animals. For as long as I can remember, I wanted to be a nurse. It’s where my interests and my gifts are,” she says.

McEwen’s research interests include pediatric immunization policy and asthma, and other health issues for school children. For her next research topic, she would like to look at the disparity of diagnoses of attention deficit-hyperactive disorder (ADHD) between economically disadvantaged and other children. The disorder is diagnosed more frequently among children from higher socio-economic groups, and McEwen suspects disadvantaged ADHD children have been overlooked in diagnosis and treatment.

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AND THAT SUITS DR. TRUELL HYDE JUST FINE.
The vice provost for research, Hyde is the catalyst behind CASPER — the Center for Astrophysics, Space Physics and Engineering Research — which in four short years has grown from nothing into a research, education, and outreach paradigm unlike any other in the country. A partnership between Baylor University and Texas State Technical College/Waco, CASPER includes two theoretical research groups at Baylor, an experimental lab at TSTC, and an extensive educational outreach program that brings students and educators onto both campuses as well as develops curricula for public school science courses.

A Baylor physics professor since 1988, Hyde had been doing theoretical physics research for years but lacked an experimental facility. He knew that neighboring Texas State Technical College/Waco offered cutting-edge technical programs, whose teachers had experience in Los Alamos, Livermore, and other leading scientific labs.

“I thought there had to be a way to meld what Baylor had with what TSTC had,” Hyde said. The opportunity presented itself when TSTC opened a new automotive lab, vacating a 5,000-square-foot facility. Hyde saw it as an ideal location for an experimental lab that could be supported by the TSTC’s technical programs and began working toward a partnership between the two institutions.

“Once we forged a deal between Baylor and TSTC, everything just fell together,” Hyde said. “We really hit a cosmic wave of interest and research and were able to get funding that allowed us to hire some outstanding people.”

About $250,000 went into renovations at the TSTC lab, where air conditioning, fiber optics, a DC power supply from the Super Collider and other features were added. The facility now houses CASPER’s Hypervelocity Impacts and Dusty Plasmas Lab and the Space Science Lab, where researchers create laboratory simulations of dusty plasmas, develop prototype designs of dust particle accelerators, and provide real-world support for the theoretical research groups. One of TSTC’s faculty members works full time at the experimental lab, with technical support provided by TSTC technical students and graduates.

“Baylor is the only university in the world I know of that has this type of environment,” Hyde said. “It gives great mentorship and internship opportunities for both TSTC and Baylor students.”

“Our research covers from the beginning of time to the latest space and theoretical plasma information,” Hyde said. CASPER’s two theoretical groups, located on the Baylor campus, are involved in dozens of research projects covering a range of issues. Among them are dusty plasmas and super strings—two breaking topics on the horizon.

The Astrophysics and Space Science Theory Group conducts research in a variety of areas and includes graduate and undergraduate students along with Baylor professors and research scientists. One of the most exciting concepts under investigation, Hyde said, involves complex dusty plasmas, a relatively new topic discovered in 1994 at the Max Planck Institute for Extraterrestrial Physics.

“That’s when things began to happen,” Hyde said. A complex dusty plasma is a completely new state of matter that can change from solid to liquid to gas. Researchers have learned that such plasmas can also contain particles—dubbed dust—that were once thought to be contaminants but can actually become embedded within the plasma itself. Researchers are excited because the resulting complex plasma, which is easy to control, allows them to study interesting phenomena such as phase changes.

“Dusty plasma research is more widespread now, but Baylor has been at the forefront of it all,” Hyde said. “It’s pure physics that brings a confluence of types of research into play.” Semiconductor people are enthusiastic because a method for decreasing the contaminants created by the plasma etch process can be built into the chip, reducing or even eliminating contamination, improving chip production, and cutting costs. Industries ranging from space exploration to communication to commerce could also benefit from findings, which may lead to the next generation of semiconductor chips.

Through the Early Universe Cosmology and Strings Group (EUCOS), Baylor also leads the way in string theory research, one of the most exciting and fast-paced research topics in physics today.
Acceptance of super string theory within the elementary particle physics community began about 20 years ago. Over the last two decades it has become one of the most active areas in theoretical physics,” said Dr. Gerald Cleaver, who came to Baylor in 2001. He was attracted to Baylor by the opportunity to simultaneously do front-line research, teach students at all levels, and design a science and theology course for Baylor’s Honors College. At Baylor, Cleaver has continued to explore some of the most fundamental questions about the physical universe as part of the worldwide attempt to find Albert Einstein’s long-sought “Theory of Everything” through string theory.

“It’s amazing how quickly string research at Baylor has grown,” Cleaver said. “In a short time we have become one of the leaders in string model building. Baylor is the only university listed in the National Science Foundation registry as offering a summer program in string research for undergraduates.”

Two graduate students have joined EUCOS and have begun their research in strings, while another graduate student will be initiating his research this summer. A fourth student is entering the program this fall with the intent to join EUCOS for his research, after having attended last summer’s undergraduate program in strings. A high school student who attended Baylor’s recent Spring Preview has expressed similar hopes of participating in Baylor’s string program.

Faculty membership in EUCOS is also growing. Dr. Tihina Ali, a recent Ph.D. graduate from Cambridge, has started a three year postdoctoral position in EUCOS, while a professor from the State University of Rio De Janeiro is likely joining EUCOS this fall.

“Super-string theory suggests that there is but one fundamental particle, a string of energy, and one fundamental force, gravity,” Cleaver said. Physicists are discovering that what once appeared to be different particles, such as leptons, quarks and photons, are really only different vibration modes of a single type of string of energy, similar to the way a range of notes can be produced by a single violin string.

While string theory simplifies some aspects of the universe, scientists also are finding that the universe is far more complicated than the long-accepted four-dimensional model, Cleaver said.

“We are learning that there is much more to our universe than we can see or imagine. We thought the universe had only four dimensions—height, width, depth, and time,” he said. “But string theory indicates there are actually seven more dimensions we didn’t know about.”

As the time of the Big Bang, the three known spatial dimensions grew very large, very quickly, but the rest stayed very small and compactified. Cleaver and his fellow EUCOS-CASPER researchers and students are constructing string models that will predict the arrangements of the seven compactified dimensions.

“Our research focus has been the analysis of our three most successful string models,” Cleaver said. “One of the three models reveals an arrangement of the compactified directions that produces exactly the known particles in nature and nothing more. This is the first string model that doesn’t contain particles we know don’t exist. This model demonstrates that string theory can, indeed, offer viable solutions.

“If one or more of the compact seven dimensions were changed, even slightly, in length or direction, life as we know it could not exist,” Cleaver said. “String theory, I believe, illustrates God’s blueprints for the universe — the beauty and order and the resulting complexity that allows for life.”

Educational programs are perhaps the most exciting components of CASPER, said Hyde, who discovered his passion for science in the third grade. A full range of educational outreach activities bring elementary, middle and high school students, as well as their teachers into the exciting world of science. High school and college students participate in research teams, joined by public school teachers who take the excitement back to their home classrooms. The Physics Circus, held each April on the TSTC campus, introduces students from the Waco area to physics in a theatre-like atmosphere that’s “purely wild science,” Hyde said.

But it is the interdisciplinary approach that brings together math, technology, physics, and other disciplines into a team setting that Hyde finds most enjoyable.

“One of most unique things about CASPER is that we always have students of all levels involved in every part of every activity, at every level,” Hyde said. Undergraduate, graduate, and sometimes post-doctorate students work alongside senior research scientists, teachers, technicans, and sometimes high school students in classrooms, seminars, and even research labs. Allowing that kind of access to labs is something unique among research universities.

“Very few universities are bringing students into the labs,” he said, “and Baylor is doing it most successfully. We think it’s an important part of giving our students the opportunity for a well-rounded education and opportunities they wouldn’t otherwise get.”

“At CASPER, we have a full pipeline path that can take students as young as kindergarten and as far along as post-doctoral fellows,” Hyde said, “and keep them involved in real research, real learning in a team environment. Our emphasis is on the students and what’s good for them.”

If you would like to see a 30-second commercial about this research, please visit: http://www.baylor.edu/research/CASPER/
In early summer 2002, the most technologically advanced material in Room 122 of Rhea Marais McLean Gymnasium was likely the climbing wall or the camping gear stored upstairs. By the next spring, Baylor University Health, Human Performance and Recreation researchers were utilizing this space for sophisticated tests of women’s aerobic capacity and resting metabolism for a weight loss study.

By Marla Pierson Lester

Cycling equipment was set for a final series of sprinting tests that would provide information about whether ribose increased the performance of a select group of male cyclists and triathletes. Lab workers were busy scheduling slots for a slate of supplement studies about to be underway.

And this is just the beginning. A few feet down the hall in department chairman Richard B. Kreider’s office is other research that will begin as soon as the details are hammered out. In his head — and likely on the desks of companies who know Kreider’s work — are countless other studies.

Kreider arrived at Baylor in June 2002 as the new chair of the Department of Health, Human Performance and Recreation — bringing his renowned Exercise, Sport and Nutrition Laboratory with him from the University of Memphis, along with a lab coordinator and graduate assistants, a wide reputation for research in this area and a number of studies. “With Kreider, you know he’s headed in a direction. You have somebody that has vision and is going to openly pursue that vision,” said Truell Hyde, vice provost for research.

The department has obtained $1.2 million in grant funding since June 2002. When new faculty members are added and the Ph.D. program is fully underway, Kreider expects that number to increase to $3 to $5 million per year. “It’s apparent he’s moving the department forward, and that he’s moving it forward rapidly,” Hyde said.

By September 2002 — three or four months ahead of schedule — the lab was fully supporting itself with outside funding paying salaries for about 30 students and staff.

The lab is in the midst of a large Curves International weight loss study, research that examines the Curves exercise regimen for women and measures its effect. In addition to physiological factors involved in developing an exercise and health routine, questions measure the program’s impact on body image and self-esteem. Other studies test the claims of a weight loss supplement of green tea and caffeine,
trace the effect of ribose on cyclists, and explore the effects of different supplements meant to build muscle and optimize performance. These and other studies in the works demonstrate the advantages of the international network of clients and fellow scholars that Kreider had developed over the years and brought with him to Baylor. "It's just a win-win for everybody," Kreider said.

"We're integrating faculty here into that research program. We have a lot of faculty now getting into position to be very productive." He is stretching outside the department for collaborators as well, examining how engineering, nursing and statistics students can benefit from having access to the lab's clinical trials. "You get an active research team, and everybody builds off that," Kreider said.

Reputation is, in a way, the fuel for this engine. Kreider, who is currently president of the American Society of Exercise Physiologists, is well-known enough that people regularly ask him to collaborate on their studies. Companies contact him to do studies for them. "A lot of people come to us, and we just can't do as many studies as we'd like to do without more people," Kreider said. That's where graduate programs come in. A doctoral program in exercise, nutrition and preventive health is in the works, and two new master's programs are being developed, one in sports nutrition and one in athletic health. Yet the department had few resources set up to pursue outside grant funding and less equipment to do that research. In addition to the equipment and studies that Kreider brings to Baylor, he has also provided faculty members with examples of proposals, templates for them and information about funding sources, not to mention a passion for research and going after outside funding.

He notes the $100,000 the health faculty had collaborated on by mid-spring and said he's seeing more and more faculty line in for productive research. "It's exciting to see the interest and activity and publications just within a short period of time," Kreider said. That buzz is the pace of academe today. Where college professors would once do one project from beginning to end, often over the span of years instead of months, this new model is more about teamwork, and it runs much, much faster. Now, Kreider said, the roles in research are most often split between researchers and sometimes between institutions, with, for instance, Baylor gathering data and taking blood samples but another institution analyzing them.

"It enhances research capabilities. It provides greater expertise. It really increases productivity," Kreider said. "We publish a lot because we have a lot of people working on studies." This push falls right in line with Baylor 2012, the school's 10-year vision, and indeed that was what brought Kreider to Baylor from the University of Memphis. "It wasn't until I read the Baylor 2012 Vision that I was interested at all," Kreider said. Baylor University moved his entire lab to Waco. They listened when he proposed the Ph.D. program and the two additional master's programs. "I'm excited. I'm at a Christian university. I can train people to be good scholars but also to be good people," Kreider said. The possibilities for research are an integral part of his message.

Kreider, who played football at Virginia's Liberty University, was studying to be a strength training coach when he went to graduate school at the University of Southern Mississippi. "I made the decision I could probably make a bigger impact if I'm doing research and educating," Kreider said. The Exercise, Sport and Nutrition Lab he brought to Baylor focuses on the role of exercise and nutrition on health, performance, disease and rehabilitation. His team oversees weight-loss studies and supplement studies that look at potential products and ingredients that would build the body. Yet the repercussions go far beyond trimming pounds or making athletes more buff.

"We look at both exercise and health, but there's also a medical application we're interested in," Kreider said. For example, a supplement or program that aids a weight lifter in gaining muscle mass may give researchers clues as to what will help rebuild muscle mass in patients who have lost it due to illness or other health problems. "Doing it in healthy populations will give us the baseline to apply these to people with a disease," Kreider said.

Companies give financial support for the lab to study their products, but Kreider sees his role really as a consumer watchdog for products that are often already on or soon to be on the market. "We need to really look at whether they work. Most of the things we've studied haven't worked," Kreider said. Kreider is often found weighing in on the latest trends in health, exercise and nutrition with news outlets from major magazines to CNN. The lab's position papers, particularly on Ephedra, have gone all over the world. "We want to do the original research to advance the science, but we think it's extremely important to be available to the media to interpret the science," Kreider said.

And that is another way of spreading Baylor's name and the reputation of the program. Kreider said, often, he's found people read about it in a major publication, and they want to come be part of it. "We had 10 people just yesterday interested in our Ph.D. program," Kreider said. People are calling from across the United States and from abroad. "They know this is where the core research is being done." Kreider's vision for the department is expansive. He dreams of a sports medicine facility so the department can do more orthopedic research and work in balance, gait and biomechanics. He would like to have an exercise rehab area to do training onsite instead of at the Student Life Center, a fitness evaluation center that gives students the chance to work with assessment tools and also to gain more information about their own health. Then there are the graduate programs and the constant stream of studies. Kreider speaks excitedly of a push for the FDA to establish regional sites to do supplement research, his hopes for more health and disease intervention studies within the department.

"He likes to keep things moving," said Chris Rasmussen, the lab's research coordinator who came with Kreider to Baylor from the University of Memphis. "He always has his finger on the fast-forward button." If you would like to see a 10-second commercial about this research, please visit: http://www.baylor.edu/research/
The happy result for Baylor was extensive research funding from OXiGENE already had some familiarity with Baylor. An OXiGENE with Oxigene at that time on a separate research project, and so & Biochemistry. In addition, Dr. Robert Kane at Baylor was working Pinney, an associate professor in Baylor's Department of Chemistry many of Baylor's compounds. In the mid-'90s, when OXiGENE proper of the members, all around the central theme of vascular targeting. Vascular targeting starves tumors by removing their blood supply. Conventional chemotherapy treatments commonly used to fight cancer cells tend to be highly toxic to healthy cells as well as cancerous ones, so researchers continue to seek drugs that might be more effective at targeting the tumor only. While none of the VTAs is to the point of receiving FDA approval, researchers are optimistic because OXiGENE is moving rapidly ahead. We are the company that really started focusing on this area,” said Dai Chaplin, OXiGENE’s chief scientific officer. “That’s our entire focus. This area is very exciting in terms of this development, and other companies are now interested. While we’re always looking out for other areas, we are focused on making vascular targeting a successful area for drug development.” With only 10 employees, OXiGENE outsources all of its work to universities, and all of its drug development is focused on collaboration. That’s what makes Baylor’s discovery so valuable, Chaplin said: “OXi-6197 is a second generation VTA, CAAP being the first. Drug is now in a Phase II clinical trial in advanced thyroid cancer,” said Scott Young, OXiGENE’s VP of Clinical and Regulatory Affairs. “Two other clinical trials are ongoing, one using CA4P and the other with carboplatin, a commonly used chemotherapy drug. The Phase I clinical trial at Baylor of OXi-6197 was led by OXiGENE’s executive visits Baylor, and Pinney gave him a presentation. The happy result for Baylor was extensive research funding from OXiGENE, which works with universities for pre-clinical and early clinical development, then partners with large pharmaceutical companies for more development and marketing. “OXiGENE has also funded our research program for four years — the whole program, not just the compound,” Pinney said. “It’s one of the best success stories between industry and academics that there is.” In 1999, OXiGENE licensed all of my patents in this area. We found that the compound works in such a targeted way, Pinney said. But they believe that once the drug is close to the tumor, a biological mechanism kicks in and the patent drug binds to a protein called tubulin, the protein with which Pinney and his team have been working. Tubulin forms the structure of cells and keeps them from collapsing. It plays a key role in mitosis, or cellular division, Pinney noted; and for many years, traditional anti-cancer drugs have targeted tubulin by disrupting it. That, however, targets healthy cells along with cancerous ones. His team studied molecular recognition, or why molecules bind specifically to the same site. OXi-6197 came out of the group’s basic research program of studying molecular recognition for tubulin. Although his research group has made hundreds of molecules, this is the only one shown such promising biological efficacy. Only two, OXi-6197 and OXi-8007, have emerged to date. If we get a compound that performs the way we want it to, but our basic program is trying to understand how these molecules interact within this area, and that’s why it is so important. We want to find students that even the compounds that are not active are valuable as well as the ones that are. They tell us something very specific about tubulin, and what drugs work in terms of this molecular recognition event.” The business strategy of OXiGENE is to license compounds to pharmaceutical companies such as Baylor, then to take them through early stage clinical trials. If the drugs look promising at that point, the company negotiates with the big pharmaceutical companies to complete development of the drug, then market and manufacture them. The group believes that OXiGENE’s small company’s flexibility in the fast-changing field of biotechnology. It also leads to a faster and more efficient drug development cycle while minimizing the costs of identifying potentially promising compounds for clinical development. “Our hope is that these findings can provide a promising new way of treating human diseases,” he said. “Cancer is an international scourge,” he said. “There is a real need for new drugs with new mechanisms of action, and we believe we have found one.” In addition to Baylor and Arizona State, OXiGENE has collaborated with several other academic and government institutions, including the University of Florida and the University of Lund in Sweden. Without OXiGENE’s support, it would have been financially challenging for Baylor to have been able to pursue the patents very far, Pinney said. “Baylor was very wise and very generous to initially fund the partners, but it couldn’t have happened internationally. They wouldn’t have taken on that cost without a partner. And if one of these compounds actually gets FDA approval, it will be largely due to the very few real research collaborations between academics and industry that’s resulted in an approved product. Very often, companies will license from universities, but then they don’t continue financial support. They just take the compound away and work with it in their own labs. So OXiGENE is very unique in that sense.” In late March, OXiGENE announced that it had won the U.S. patent for its method of treating vascular diseases. OXiGENE has filed 13 U.S. patent applications and many foreign patent applications. While the use of VTAs to target cancer is clearly one of its most exciting applications, the treatments also have shown promising results in treating retinal disorders such as macular degeneration, a disease in which blood vessels grow where they’re not supposed to. CA4P is showing that it can shut down these vessels that shouldn’t be there. The Foundation Fighting Blindness, Inc., a charitable eye research organization, has agreed to fund a clinical trial of CA4P in patients with wet age-related macular degeneration, a condition characterized by abnormal growth of blood vessels. The National Institutes of Health will take the compound into human clinical trials. “This clinical study represents a new direction in treating ocular disease and a new potential strategy for the treatment of all forms of VTAs,” commented Young. Pinney has a BA degree in chemistry from Ohio Wesleyan University and a PhD in chemical engineering from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. He was getting his second bachelor’s degree when he decided to study organic chemistry, too. “So I was a first-year graduate student in chemistry and a senior in chemical engineering at the same time.” He received his PhD in organic chemistry, then received a post-doctoral fellowship from the National Institutes of Health and studied at the University of South Carolina. Although he thought about becoming a medical doctor, he felt research had more promise in terms of providing our future treatment agents for human diseases. “I thought the better way to do it was personally, was each and everyone in the chemistry. You have the ability of designing new molecules and creating them. He spent several years training in his own academic career, a place he could teach and do research. Baylor’s resources, environment and mission drew him, as do the chance to partner with pharmaceutical companies to develop new treatments for cancer patients. Cancer is an international scourge,” he said. “Many fantastic people are working on it and have worked on it for many years, but it seemed like an area where one could make some contribution.”
MAX SHAUCK AND HIS PLANES

The Houston-Galveston area, one of four urban regions in Texas that does not meet federal standards for ozone, is home to many polluters: heavy traffic, refineries, ships and power plants. All contribute to what Shauck calls the “watches breath” that people are breathing. Although regulations are in place to limit the pollutants that industry can spew into the air, the “more data in place, the better, to make the case that industry and stakeholders comply with the regulations,” Alvarez said.

The other three non-compliant areas are Dallas-Forth Worth, Beaumont-Port Arthur, and El Paso. But Shauck said the Houston area probably has the dirtiest air in the United States.

“It’s very, very dirty air. Because you have the water there, you have the land-sea breeze effect. In the morning, the proximity of the water causes the air to go out. Then in the afternoon, the land heating changes and the air comes in. So you get a double-

Shauck and student Sergio Alvarez cover the environment.

The Twin Otter, with an ability to fly slowly, was one of six research aircraft used in the Texas 2000 Air Quality Study, in which the TCEQ joined with more than 40 institutions to monitor air quality. The National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration, the Department of Energy, and NASA provided the other aircraft. The study was designed to enlighten officials about air quality in the Houston-Galveston area and East Texas. It lasted a month and involved more than 150 scientists and engineers.

Currently, Baylor is providing follow-up data for that study. But the information compiled by airplane-collected data already has resulted in legislation requiring that areas with poor air quality must have additives in the gasoline.

Airborne research requires that the pilots and instrumentation experts prepare the plane for three hours before a two-to-four-hour flight. If they’re scheduled to fly at 6 a.m., which is not an unusual time, they will be preparing the plane by 11. Once under way, Shauck is often flying the plane with student Sergio Alvarez operating the instruments.

“This year we were also focused on Houston and Beaumont,” Alvarez said. “Our objective is to do an emissions inventory of reactive hydrocarbons. We are trying to quantify how many of these compounds are coming out of refineries.”

The crew also does emissions inventories on automobiles in the Houston area to find out how much pollution they contribute. To collect samples, the pilot flies low, traveling upwind and downwind over major highways during peak traffic.

While measuring pollution over a highway, technicians collect air samples upwind and downwind of the highway to see whether there is a difference on the two sides of the highway. “We are looking at nitrogen and oxide combos, and also carbon monoxide,” Alvarez said. “In addition, we take these canisters where we trap the air and send it to a lab so they can run the gas through a mass spectrometer and test for isotopes.”

The Twin Otter carried 20 to 30 canisters. “You open them up and take five to 10 seconds to collect the air,” said Alvarez. But the pilot may make several passes over the same area at different altitudes to get the necessary samples.

“We do it until we can no longer measure. That’s determined by the limitations of our instruments,” Alvarez said.

BAYLOR’S INSTITUTE FOR AIR SCIENCE HAS GROWN FROM FOUR STUDENTS (IN 1995) TO ALMOST 100 (IN 2002). LAST YEAR IT GARNERED $1.6 MILLION IN RESEARCH GRANTS. While pollution studies are a major focus, it also studies renewable fuels in aviation, both for jets and piston engines. “We develop those fuels, test the aircraft, develop the modifications, and document the outcomes,” Shauck said. “Students are working there ever since.”

The other aircraft—used in the Texas 2000 Air Quality Study, in which the TCEQ joined with more than 40 institutions to monitor air quality in the Houston-Galveston area and East Texas—include the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s DC-8, which can provide real-time sulfate in the air while improving transportation systems and infrastructure while keeping an eye on the environment.

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The wetland classroom will be part of a 5,000-square-foot visitors center, which might be ready for classes as early as this fall. The wetland, which was an option city officials chose to replace wildlife habitat acreage that will be flooded when the lake is raised seven feet, should be completely planted by next spring.

This partnership between Baylor University and the City of Waco can trace its origins to a relationship partially forged in the unlikely setting of bar ditches and ponds. This is the second wetland project that Doyle and Tom Conry of Waco’s Water Utilities Department have worked on together. A Houston wetland they helped build has provided some of the plants for the local wetland. The two met through mutual friends and have known each other for a number of years. Although they are of like mind on the importance of the local wetland, they have different interests in the results. Doyle sees it as a research tool and as a resource for countries that don’t have the water purifying infrastructure the United States enjoys. Conry, program manager for production quality control programs in Waco’s water department, is interested in lake management strategies.

Doyle’s interest in biology and in providing aid to poor countries has roots in his childhood, when he lived 1,000 miles up the Amazon River, near the city of Manaus, Brazil, as the son of Baptist missionaries.

“My father was a church planter, involved in starting and developing churches and programs. I was educated in the Brazilian school system, and other than getting homeschooled in English grammar and U.S. history in the evenings, my life was not all that different from the others I went to school with,” Doyle said.
In that lush setting, his interest in nature developed early. He nurtured macaws and monkeys as pets. But science made its most important mark on him during a visit by Dr. Chibele Franca of the New York Botanical Gardens. Franca traveled to the Amazon to identify plants from the rain forest. Young Robert Doyle, about 11, was hooked.

“He and his family lived there for several years,” he said of the taxonomist. “My parents helped them set up house and learn how to boil the water and all the things you have to do to run a home in the tropics. As a thank-you to them, he took me out on an expedition.”

When young Doyle returned from the trip, he said, “When I grow up, I’m going to be one of those. My parents always talked about their call to missions. I’ve always thought that was my call to science.”

Additionally, he said, Franca “was a very strong believer and so my first image was of a terrific, world-renowned scientist who was a very vocal believer. So on this whole issue of science and religion, I always wondered what the fuss was about. I didn’t know there was a fuss.”

From those roots, Doyle received his B.S. and M.S. from Baylor, where he trained under Dr. Owen Lind, and later trained as a wetland scientist, doing research for his doctorate on the Amazon floodplain. He also worked with the Army Corps of Engineers as a wetland scientist.

Young Robert Doyle, about 11, was hooked. As a thank-you to them, he took me out on an expedition. “In essence, they were encouraging amphibians, frogs, salamanders. There is a global decline in them, probably pollution-related. Duck habitat is also a big issue. And there are the less well-known organisms and migrating birds.”

Conry said the city could have planted new trees to replace the bottomland hardwoods, or forest, that will be lost once the lake is raised. But officials chose a wetland because of its ability to improve water quality and its unique features for this area — large size, public access and educational opportunities.

Based on 40 years of data on river flow, the wetland’s diverse plant and other life will purify 20 percent of the average annual inflow from the Bosque River, which dumps pollution into the lake from dairies upstream. Because this area of Texas has both wet and dry years, that percentage will vary from year to year, said Conry. In wet years, the percentage drops. In dry years, it could increase to 40 to 50 percent.

Of three major items that come through the wetlands — suspended solids, nutrients and phosphorus — Doyle said the wetland will do a good job removing solids for a “very long time” and an “OK” job of removing nutrients, to the extent they are associated with solids. Phosphorus, however, is of “the most concern and is the least well-removed in the long term,” he said.

Although this wetland won’t handle enough of Lake Waco to make a large difference in water purity, said Doyle, the concept has great potential. “If we begin to manage our water so that we deliberately divert it through wetlands, that has the potential for long-term benefits. This one wetland, while it’s a great start, is not a solution to the Bosque River problem. By itself, it’s not going to make a big difference on the overall quality of the lake.”

But perhaps another water research partnership between Baylor and the city will. Called the Center for Reservoir and Aquatic Systems Research (CRASR), it involves a collaboration between the two entities to collect huge amounts of information about the lake. The city is funding about $2 million worth of projects involving spills that Baylor will analyze.

“It will be comprehensive,” said Conry, ticking off experiments on the lake’s depth and scope, wind and heat dynamics, in addition to its chemistry. The city will also collect biological data so that aquatic and transitional plants and insects can be studied.

Sampling has already begun to give analysts a snapshot of the lake before it is raised. It will continue for three years after, Conry said. “Baylor is doing a Geographic Information System and computer modeling at CAGSR,” he said, referring to the University’s Center for Applied Geographic and Spatial Research.

The project will be finished in 2007, and he will be looking for management strategies that will protect the lake.

Conry, who obtained both bachelor’s and master's degrees from Baylor, also is interested in expanding the symbiotic relationship between the city and the University. “We’ve had intensive sampling events. The students need it, to see how it works in the field. The city has needs and it’s a natural fit to talk to the experts at Baylor University. Other entities will come to Baylor because it already has a mechanism in place. This is unique in Texas — it’s completely open, it has public access, and it’s a living laboratory.”

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BAYLOR RESEARCH

1 VALUE BASED MANAGEMENT: The Corporate Response to the Shareholder Revolution

Why do some firms create extraordinary value for shareholders, while others destroy it? A powerful suite of value based management tools can make the difference. This timely book — based on the authors' research and on an extensive survey of firms that have successfully implemented VBM systems — provides the first objective, field-tested synthesis of the most popular models in use today: the free cash flow method, the economic value added (EVA/MAA) method, and the cash flow return on investment approach (CFROI). Pointing to the lessons learned by VBM adopters in a wide variety of industries, the authors outline the advantages and disadvantages of each model, and guide managers in selecting, implementing, and operating one that best fits their organization.

2 THE POWER OF GOOD DEEDS: Privileged Women and the Social Reproduction of the Upper Class
Rowman & Littlefield > Diana Kendall

The Power of Good Deeds presents the personal narratives of elite women as they describe their views on philanthropy, the need for exclusivity in their volunteer organizations, their childhood and college years experiences in prestigious schools and sororities, and the upper-class rituals in which they are involved. Also included are sociological conclusions about class and social power derived from these narratives.

Kendall's research was conducted in order to find out how elite women use social power — not only to benefit less-fortunate people but also to benefit themselves and their families. The study included the integrated use of participant observation, interviews, and content analysis that draws upon materials from biographies and journalists' reports. The participant observation portion of the study took place in a full year's worth of meetings of leagues and clubs and their boards of trustees, and parties and social gatherings in private residences and elite clubs. Interviews were conducted with women in upper-class organizations, and more than 225 members of one organization responded to a questionnaire that examined the women's decision on organizational power, socialization of children, and their reasons for participation in elite volunteer organizations. This research allowed the author unprecedented access to elite women across racial and ethnic categories in several Texas cities.

Kendall (Ph.D., University of Texas at Austin) is associate professor of sociology at Baylor University. Her research and teaching interests include social theory and race, organizations. This research allowed the author unprecedented access to elite women across racial and ethnic categories in several Texas cities.

3 TEXAS ADMINISTRATIVE PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE

This treatise is a thorough analysis of all procedural and legal issues in Texas Administrative Law. Since the adoption of the Texas Administrative Procedure Act in 1976 (APA), administrative law in Texas has been characterized by an explosion of "new law" and inconsistent judicial decisions. This treatise is a comprehensive reference on all relevant case law decisions since the beginning of Texas jurisprudence and it demystifies this large and confusing body of case law in light of the major changes made by the Texas APA. Updated yearly since its initial publication in 1997, it offers up-to-date information and authoritative analysis. Thus, the treatise is a rich resource of case law decisions for the practitioner as well as an authoritative source for issues that remain undetermined that involve conflicting judicial decisions.

The treatise covers and examines the delegation doctrine, rulemaking procedures, and the legal challenges that may be made, procedural, legal and constitutional, to the adoption of a rule. All issues related to the contested case hearing process at the pre-hearing, hearing, post-hearing and judicial review stages are thoroughly analyzed. The scope of agency adjudicative power, the impact of constitutional due process on agency decision making, and the judicial scope of review of agency action are set forth in detail. In addition, all hoc adjudication, declaratory judgment actions, and the Texas Open Meetings Act are reviewed in light of judicial decisions interpreting the same.

Finally, the treatise covers administrative action by local governmental bodies not subject to the Texas APA.

Beal has taught at Baylor Law School for 20 years. He teaches three administrative law courses and is a consultant to top law firms in the state regarding administrative law litigation.

4 ETHICS FOR EDUCATIONAL LEADERS
Allyn and Bacon (June 2003) > Weldon Beckner

This book was written to help meet the need to develop educational leaders who are more efficient, leaders who effectively serve the educational and developmental needs of children and youth. These leaders face daily a multitude of demands and challenges requiring many kinds of decisions that at times have no good solution available. Every option has one or more negative aspects. Making the best decisions in these kinds of situations must involve more than following policies, rules or accepted practices. Other considerations, typically involving ethical concepts, must be included in the decision-making process if the best interests of the students, the school and the society are to be well served.

The basic purpose of this text is to take what we can glean from the study of philosophy and ethics and find a way to apply the best thinking from these related fields of study to the everyday world of teaching, learning, and educational leadership. Beckner has been a professor of educational administration at Baylor since 1995. His major professional interests include educational leadership, organizational development, ethics in educational leadership and rural education. He served as associate professor of administrative and student services at Westland Baptist from 1993-1995 and professor and department chair at Texas Tech from 1985-1993.

5 COMPONENT-LEVEL PROGRAMMING

There are many books that show how to use components, but this text covers the "other side" of component-based development — the development of the components themselves. The development of new components is based on a new theory of how to subdivide components into categories. This division into categories simplifies the task of creating new, component-based programs from specifications. In component-based design it is necessary to subdivide into several different components, plus a substantial amount of glue logic. Until now, no formal methodologies have been developed for doing this. This book shows how to use categorization as a tool for partitioning subtasks between components and glue logic. It shows how to assign tasks to components, some of which will be custom built, and some of which will be off-the-shelf parts. A substantial portion of the book is devoted to design methodologies for each component category. Each category and how it relates to others is explained in detail, as well as design methodology and sample applications for the category.

The reader is lead through the principles of component-level design one step at a time. This book has been an influential text in computer science at Baylor since 2002. He came to Baylor from the University of South Florida. His research interests include component-level programming, web-based applications, object oriented programming, and rapid prototyping.

6 CRIMEN Y PODER EN LA NARRATIVA CHILENA CONTEMPORÁNEA
(Crime and Power in the Contemporary Chilean Narrative)
Mosquito Editores, Santiago, Chile (2002) > Guillermo García-Coralés and Mirian Pino

Crime and Power in the Contemporary Chilean Narrative presents an analysis of the Chilean narrative of the last 20 years with a focus on the detective novel. The analytical framework of this study is based on cultural criticism, an approach developed by critics such as Raymond L. Williams, Fredrick Jameson, Pierre Bourdieu, and Michel Foucault. After offering a panoramic view of 40 novels belonging to the detective genre, the work focuses on an in-depth study of six of the novels by Ramón Díaz Franco (1956), the most outstanding writer of this genre in Chile. The book provides critical elements to advance the research of the new detective genre in Latin America, which is experiencing considerable growth. Furthermore, this study opens significant analytical and ideological pathways to advance academic investigation of the Chilean narrative as a whole published since the middle of the Chilean dictatorship period (1982) until the 12th year of the democratic reconstruction (2002).

Research for this book was conducted by reading 50 Chilean novels by the “Generation of the 80s” reviewing sources dealing with contemporary Chilean narratives, gathering in Chile crucial information about the new generation of Chilean writers, participating in national and international literary events dealing with issues closely related to this project and conducting personal interviews with prominent Chilean writers. García-Coralés, of Chile, is an associate professor of Spanish at Baylor, where he has taught for 11 years. He received his BA in education and Spanish from the University of Notre Dame, his MA in Latin American literature from Notre Dame and his Ph.D. in Latin American literature from the University of Colorado at Boulder. Pino, of Argentina, is a professor of Latin American literature at the University of Córdoba in Argentina.
In January 2003, Heinz von Stengern of the Darmstadt University of Technology in Germany spoke on “Charge Transport in Organic Semiconductors.” Strongly influenced by the presence of electronic traps, these new electronic systems have transport mechanisms and trap states which determine the workings of organic light emitting diodes (OLEDs) and organic field-effect transistors (OFETs). In explaining the way organisms produce luminescence, he discussed the measurements known as fractional glow or TSC as well as optically stimulated luminescence (OSL), which are utilized to determine the density of occupied states (DOOs) in various organic “small molecule” and polymeric semiconductors. Von Stengern talked about the differences between trap filling during electrical and optical loading of small-molecule and polymer devices and speculated on transport pathways in organic semiconductors.

Earlier in November, 2002, the series featured Adam Holzman, a professional classical guitarist from the University of Texas at Austin. Holzman played with excellence in the recital hosted by the Vice Provost for Research.

Then, in September 2002, the Vice Provost for Research along with several other campus departments and institutes honored the memory of Paul Dirac, one of the greatest physicists of the 20th century, with a discussion of the current state of theoretical physics. Scholars such as Sir Roger Penrose of Oxford University spoke at the Dirac Centenary Conference. Speaking on “Why We Need a New Quantum Mechanics,” Sir Penrose offered to his audience mathematical equations, which he described as “something beautiful,” “something mysterious” and “something paradoxical.” He also displayed his drawings of possible models of the universe’s origins according to Einstein’s theory of relativity. Reversing quantum theory as one of the supreme achievements of the 20th century, Penrose said that resolving its seemingly paradoxical difficulties will require changing the theory in accordance with Einstein’s general theory of relativity. In the Conference Lecture titled “The Cosmological Constant: Has Dirac’s Large-Number Hypothesis Returned in a New Form?” Penrose talked of recent observations indicating that a cosmological constant might be required in Einstein’s equation.

Penrose is the Emeritus Rouse Ball Professor of Mathematics at the University of Oxford and Francis and Helen Pentz Distinguished Professor of Physics and Mathematics at Penn State University. Born in the United Kingdom in 1931, he was awarded a bachelor’s degree at University College in London and a Ph.D. at St John’s College in Cambridge. He held several posts in the UK and United States, particularly at Birbeck College in London. He was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society of London in 1972 and a Foreign Associate of the United States National Academy of Sciences in 1998. He has received a number of prizes and awards including the 1988 Wolf Prize (which he shared with Stephen Hawking for their understanding of the universe), the Dannie Heineman Prize, the Royal Society Royal Medal, the Dirac Medal, and the Albert Einstein prize. His 1989 book The Emperor’s New Mind became a bestseller and won the 1990 (now Rhone-Poulenc) Science Book Prize.

Penrose has research interests in many aspects of geometry and has made contributions to the theory of non-periodic tilings, to general relativity theory, and to the foundations of quantum theory. He has also contributed to the science of consciousness. His main research program is to develop the theory of twistors, which he originated more than 30 years ago as an attempt to unite Einstein’s general theory of relativity with quantum mechanics. In 1994 he was knighted for his services to science.

Also in 2002, the Colloquium series presented M.A. Shea and D.F. Smart — CSPAR, University of Alabama in Huntsville, Alabama and Emeritus, Air Force Research Laboratory at Hanscom AFB in Massachusetts — who presented, “Space Weather: From Modern Technological Effects to Archaeological Studies.” The term “Space Weather,” they said, has been popularly used to describe solar influences on the earth, which are becoming increasingly apparent as technology progresses. Shea and Smart gave an example of a solar X-ray event in 1984 that seriously interfered with high frequency communications with Air Force One when traveling between Hawaii and China.

Other examples included an unexpected geomagnetic storm that reduced surge on an electric power grid in Canada in 1989 that led to a blackout in Quebec lasting several hours. They said that solar protons can cause single event upsets in sensitive electronic components, while increases in radiation can come from extremely large solar proton events. Though records of such events are limited to the past 60 years, Shea and Smart believe that nitrates deposited in polar ice can extend our knowledge of extremely large events to earlier times, occurring thousands of years ago. Their presentation overviewed a number of solar activity and its influence on the earth, including known events, speculative effects, and even effects on sporting events.

In April 2003, the Colloquium Series featured Doug Axe, a research scientist at the Babraham Institute in Cambridge in the United Kingdom. Axe expanded ideas on “Probing the Relationship between Gene Function and Structure: A New Picture in Sequence Space.” Genomic sequencing projects and high-throughput structure determination are leading to rapid expansion of the known repertoire of these units, each with its own characteristic three-dimensional fold. Axe explained that despite their number and central importance to life, the processes by which new domains originate remain obscure. Key insights into this have been obtained by experimentally probing the functional constraints on the sequence of a suitable test domain. The results provide a new picture of sequence space with some surprising properties which Axe discussed.

Also in April, Apostolos Karafillis spoke on “Development of Sheet Metal Forming Processes: Modeling Methods, Defect Prediction and Manufacturing Process Design Procedures.” Karafillis explained that the sheet metal forming processes enable the manufacture of complicated three-dimensional parts at a low cost, however, a long lead time is usually associated with the introduction of these products. Karafillis explained that one of the main reasons for the long lead time is the use of multiple tryouts that are performed to ensure that the produced part is free of manufacturing defects (e.g. tearing or wrinkling) and meets the shape fidelity that is required by design. Karafillis gave examples of these procedures, demonstrating the effectiveness of the presented approach.
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Truell W. Hyde, Vice Provost for Research > $45,000; Research Experiences for Undergraduates and Teachers-REU Site; National Science Foundation, additional funding to existing grant
F. Gordon A. Stone, Chemistry and Biochemistry > $52,000; Synthesis, Structure and Reactivity of Transition Metal Complexes; The Robert A. Welch Foundation
Kevin G. Pinney, Chemistry and Biochemistry > $150,000; Molecular Recognition of Tubulin by New Classes of Affinity Probes and PolymORIZATION Inhibitors; The Robert A. Welch Foundation
G. Peter van Walsum, Environment Studies > $50,000; Vision Grant: Uniting Students from Baylor and Area High Schools to Improve Water Quality in Central Texas; 3M Foundation
Lisa Taylor, Nursing > $247,955; Basic Nurse Education and Practice Program, Year 1; U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration
Robert Doyle, Rene Massengale, and Joseph White, Biology, and Bruce Byars and Lisa Zygo, Center for Applied Geographic and Spatial Research > $101,874 for Phase I of a project involving water quality of Lake Waco, from ENSR Corp. through the City of Waco
John A. Dunbar and Peter M. Allen, Geology > $204,862; Variable Frequency Acoustic Profiling for Sediment Surveys of Flood Control Reservoirs; U.S. Department of Agriculture
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