A couple of weeks ago we hosted the first “Presidential Summit.” We hope that this will be the first annual of many to come. We invited former Student Body Presidents and Permanent Class Presidents to campus for the day. The objectives of this event were to reconnect these alumni to the campus, provide them an opportunity to fellowship with each other and our current Student Body Officers, and enlist their help in our development efforts for Student Life. There were 22 former Student Body Presidents and Permanent Class Presidents in attendance. We heard reports from President Lilley and the current Student Body Officers, we toured Brooks Village and ate in the Great Hall at Brooks Residential College, and we enjoyed a victory on the football field against Rice.

What was amazing was that there was at least one person representing each decade from the 1930s forward. The most senior member of the group was Dr. Colbert C. Held, Permanent President for the Class of 1938. He had turned 91 the week before our meeting. Having someone from the 40s, 50s, 60s, 70s, 80s, 90s, and 00s was remarkable. It was incredible to see and hear of the love each has for Baylor, and the aspirations all share for Baylor’s future.

There is a strong Baylor Line of student leaders who have served our University well, and who have gone on to make a mark on their communities. But this time also made me think of the strong Baylor Line of staff members who served throughout all those years – just as we have the opportunity to do now. We are blessed to shape the lives of young men and women who will impact our world. Thank you for ensuring the Baylor experience continues to develop to meet the needs of our current students and all the ages to come.

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FALL 2007 LEADERSHIP LECTURE SERIES
For more information about the schedule below, visit www.baylor.edu/leadership/lecture

Leadership in Social Issues
Wednesday, September 26, 5-6 p.m.
5th Floor Cashion, Blume Conference Center
Susan Craven, Executive Director
--Texans Care for Children

WORK TEAMS
DIVISION OF STUDENT LIFE
2007-2008

Academic Integration – will continue to enhance our integration with faculty colleagues. Their work will help us create new partnerships, deepen our understanding of how to integrate our work so that there is a seamless learning experience, and help fulfill Imperative I of Baylor 2012 – establish an environment where learning can flourish.
Facilitator: Rishi Sriram
Co-Facilitator: Linda Bostwick
Kristen Balderas Keane Tarbell
Liz Palacios Rosemary Townsend
Peter Smart

Alcohol – will develop programs and initiatives to reduce dramatically underage drinking, binge drinking, and driving under the influence of alcohol, as well as educate all students about the serious negative effects of alcohol.
Facilitator: David Murdock
Co-Facilitator: Susie Matlock-Hetzel
Darlene Cale Tim Powers
Meredith Conrey Kat Reed
Shannon Dean Maria Rodriguez
Pam Kilgore Sandy Tindell
Denise Matthews Katie Treadwell
Jennifer Norman Lory Von Staden
Linda Patzke Kathryn Wheatley

Body IQ – will develop programs and initiatives to reduce the instances of eating disorders among the student population at Baylor.
Facilitator: Van Davis
Co-Facilitator: Sandra Northern
Randy Boldt Regina Mastin
Marianna Clement Kathy Reich
Tam Dunn Lydia Stones
Marsha Green Lynda Turman
Karen Hall Cynthia Wall
Lisa MacMaster

Community Inhibitors – will develop programs and initiatives to reduce community inhibitors in our environment and culture. The most prominent examples of community inhibitors include hazing, gambling, illegal drugs, pornography, and a sexual ethic contrary to biblical teaching.
Facilitator: Dave Rozeboom
Co-Facilitator: Ashley Barnes
Larry Correll-Hughes Bethany McCraw
Trey Guinn

Cultural Awareness – will develop and implement creative and cross-divisional programs that reach more of our campus about cultural issues (race, ethnicity, religion, gender, national origin, disability, age, and socioeconomic status). The team will seek to help engage all students in a deeper understanding of the diverse world in which we live and how they might be able to give leadership in such a world.
Facilitator: Kelley Kimple
Co-Facilitator: Scott Wade
Carrie Anderson Ssereta Lafayette
Jamie Bachtel Ashley McCafferty
Fay Barkley Rashida Moore
Steve Chisolm Sharon Stern
Dominique Hill Jeff Walter
Barbara Jackson Rae Wright
Nancy Keating

Spiritual Formation – will focus on how we might reach our students to engage in spiritual formation – the process through which the individual increasingly comes to resemble Jesus Christ in all of the essential dimensions of the self. The soul of Baylor rests in its ability to impact the quality of the human condition by graduating individuals who reflect the character of the Christian faith.
Facilitator: Matt Bonow
Co-Facilitator: Christopher Mack
Pearl Beverly Dana Lee Haines
Candice Bullard Charity Joekes
Nadine Bruner David Kemerling
Kenny Byler Dave Kennedy
Barbara Carbajal Mike Rakes
Teresa Dixon Ben Robert

Staff Development – will plan and execute the staff development program for the Division. The team will be responsible for engaging staff in challenging programs that will educate, enrich, and inspire us. It is expected that there will be at least two tracks for staff development (one for professional staff and graduate assistants and one for student assistants).
Facilitator: Martha Lou Scott
Strengths and Calling – will continue to develop a culture of strengths that encourages the discovery, development, and application of strengths as central for lifetime learning and the pursuit of excellence. To help all members of the Baylor community discover and express their sense of calling, this work team builds a strengths perspective for understanding identity, recognizing influences, and shaping local and global impact.

Facilitator: Rod Hetzel
Co-Facilitator: Elisa Dunman

Linda Cates  Jennifer Perkins
Brandon Griggs  Melissa Shehane
Becky Kennedy  Toby Tull
Karin Klinger

QPR GATEKEEPER SUICIDE PREVENTION TRAINING

Counseling Services will be offering the QPR Gatekeeper Suicide Prevention Training to Students on September 24th and 25th from 2-4 p.m. in the Baines Room of the SUB. This will be open to any student who is interested.

STUDENT MENTAL HEALTH SUMMIT (SMHS)
SEPTEMBER 12 AND 20, 6-8 PM

Counseling Services, Judicial Affairs, Office of General Counsel, and Student Life will be presenting a second Student Mental Health Summit (SMHS) on September 20 from 6-8 p.m. in the Barfield Drawing Room. This summit is similar to the Mental Health Summit offered to faculty and staff; however, this presentation is geared to educating students about the warning signs related to students in crisis; legal issues related to students, parents, and mental health issues which will include information about ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act); University policies related to mental health issues; and resources available to students.

After the SMHS, Counseling Services will be offering QPR Gatekeeper Training to faculty, staff and students. QPR stands for Question, Persuade, Refer, the three skills individuals learn as QPR Gatekeepers. The training helps individuals identify the signs that someone may be at risk for suicide, what to do or say (or not do or say) if someone might be at risk for suicide and where and how to refer someone who is depressed or considering suicide.

For more information about the Student Mental Health Summit (SMHS) or QPR Training, contact Bethany McCraw at 1715 or Jim Marsh at 2467.

FALL KICKOFF WAS A GREAT SUCCESS!
The new school year began with our annual fall kickoff, which was a great success. The pictures below show two special guests at the kickoff—Dr. A. A. Hyden and Dr. Bill Hillis, both previously served as Vice President for Student Life at Baylor University. We were pleased and honored to have them in attendance. For more pictures of the kickoff, visit our Student Life Staff Intranet Web site.

Dr. A. A. Hyden and Dr. Dub Oliver

Dr. Bill Hillis and Ms. Cathy Pleitz

SEPTEMBER STAFF DEVELOPMENT
FOR STUDENT LIFE
“Integrating Faith, Learning and Living”
Tuesday, September 25, 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Barfield Drawing Room

Please mark your calendar for the September Staff Development to be held at the Barfield Drawing Room. Together we will explore the topic of Integrating Faith, Learning, and Living. Lunch may be reserved by responding to your Outlook invitation.
LYNDSEY AND JONATHAN ARE ENGAGED!

How exciting!

Two of our current Cohort members announced their engagement. Wedding plans are set for Lyndsey Henkelman and Jonathan Manz. They plan to graduate in May and marry on June 7, 2008, in Lyndsey’s hometown of Fresno, California. Congratulations and best wishes. We are so happy for both of you.

Graduate Students
You may have noticed some new faces in some of our offices around campus. These new graduate students are the newest addition to the Student Affairs Administration program and bring to Baylor a diverse array of experience from all over the country. Please join us in welcoming the following students as they begin their journey here at Baylor University.
HEALTH CENTER ADMIN GIRLS SUPPORT THE BAYLOR BEARS ON SPIRIT FRIDAY!

Debbie Gepner, Tina Dulock, Brenda Ferguson, Barbara Carbajal, Sue Sowder, Betty Fornelius, Rosemary Townsend and Charissa Bush

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT/PRESENTATIONS
The Counseling Center staff along with Becky Kennedy and Tim Powers will take part in the QPR Gatekeeper Suicide Prevention Training on September 14. Representatives from Baylor, TSTC, UMHB, and MCC will participate in the training.

Dr. Rod Hetzel presented a paper at the 2007 annual meeting of the American Psychological Association in San Francisco. His paper was entitled “Forgiveness Through the Lens of Positive Psychology” and was included as part of a symposium entitled “Forgiveness Reconsidered: Exploring Underlying Constructs and Their Application to Psychotherapy.”

FAMILY CIRCLE
Congratulations to Ryan Richardson and his wife, Kristen, on the birth of their new baby, Syler James. Syler was born Friday, September 7 and weighed 5 pounds and 3 ounces. Congratulations and best wishes to Ryan and Kristen on their precious gift from God.

Congratulations to Lynn Fryer on the birth of her new grandson, Mason Vincent Fryer. Mason was born on Friday, September 7 and weighed 6 pounds and 1 ounce. Best wishes to Lynn, Gregory and Michelle, and the entire family on their new bundle of joy!

STUDENT LIFE WEB SITE
Remember that all Student Life Newsletters may be viewed on our Student Life Web site. The address is http://www.baylor.edu/student_life/index.php?id=34407.