New Look for Spring 2009

In the Winter 2008 issue of SBU Life, I wrote about “change” in this column. The next morning, my graphic designer, Justin Wollard ’97, announced he was pursuing another position within the University. Just a few weeks later, I hired a new graphic designer, Rollie Skinner ’06. And now, we have a brand new look for the magazine!

In developing the new look, we took into account many of the suggestions our readers gave us in the recent SBU Life survey. We appreciate so many of you taking the time to give us feedback and comments. Your suggestions will make this a better magazine. We will soon develop an editorial advisory board from the volunteers who expressed an interest in the survey. We always appreciate input from SBU alumni, faculty, staff, students, and friends of the University. This is your magazine!

In this issue, we are pleased to celebrate the many blessings shared by Wayne and Betty Gott of Salem, Missouri, who have been very special friends of the University since 1975. In addition to the feature about the Gotts, we have included a donor list in the President’s Report. We would not be able to offer a quality, affordable liberal arts education to so many students without the generous financial support of our donors. In these difficult economic times, the SBU family especially appreciates how you have shared your blessings with the University.

We hope you will enjoy our focus on the arts, music, and theatre in this issue. There are so many talented students and faculty at SBU. We are blessed as they share their talents with the University community during concerts, plays, musicals, art gallery exhibitions, and in chapel services.

Then, there is Bearcat basketball! How exciting for our men’s basketball team to be MIAA champions for the third time in four years! And for our women to have a tournament spot! If you haven’t seen a Bearcat men’s or women’s basketball game, you need to make plans to visit during the next season. You will be in for a treat.

Last but not least, we hope you enjoy reading about classmates and friends in the “Keeping in Touch” section. Many of you said that is the first section you read when you receive your copy of SBU Life. We invite you to submit your news and photos to share with classmates.

I pray you will have a wonderful spring and enjoy the newness of life as a reminder of the resurrection promise.

Sharina Smith
Executive Editor
Senior Director of Marketing & Communications
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We Have Been Blessed

As I read and listen to all of the bad economic news around us, I realize how blessed we are at SBU. We truly are blessed! We have much good news to report in this issue of SBU Life.

Yes, the economic recession has presented challenges for us; however, SBU remains healthy and strong. Many of our sister institutions have frozen salaries, frozen travel, and are not filling positions when vacancies occur. Some have indicated that they are cutting their operating budgets by 5-10%. Others indicated that they have stopped all capital improvements and would be deferring all maintenance that is not required.

Today, I can report to you that our 2009 budget is solid and our financial picture is bright. However, given the dynamics of the economy, we must make wise and prudent decisions in our planning. We must be extremely cautious as we plan next year’s budget and plan for future years. We are not cutting operating budgets, and we are filling vacancies as they occur. Also, we continue to implement planned raises for our employees.

At this moment, enrollment looks good for fall 2009. We have received more applications for next year’s freshmen class than ever before. A better statistic to project next year’s enrollment is the number of prospective students who have been admitted, which means they have submitted materials to us. An even better measure to project next year’s freshmen enrollment is the number of prospective students who have paid their deposits. We are up in both of these important categories. Based on these numbers alone, enrollment looks very good for next year. But we must not be naive. The economy could hurt us. Many of these students could change their minds for economic reasons, and retention could suffer because of the economy. Therefore, we cannot rest! We must work harder than ever before to retain our current students and to ensure that a large number of these applicants actually matriculate next fall semester.

Our Physical Therapy doctoral program continues to do extremely well. We have been at capacity for several years and it certainly appears that this outstanding program will be at capacity again next year. We can admit 40 doctoral students each year. Dr. Steve Lesh, the program director, recently e-mailed me indicating that we have 181 qualified applications for next fall’s class.

Our MBA program is growing. We recently received word that the visiting committee is recommending approval from the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association to allow us to offer the entire MBA program on-line. The opportunity for growth of the MBA program will be improved significantly by offering all courses on-line.

A few weeks ago, I spoke at the first chapel service of the spring semester. My topic was “Stability in a World of Change.” I challenged our students that as young Christian scholars, they have the responsibility of debunking two myths that have permeated the intellectual world. The two myths are: all truth is relative and there are no absolutes. For too long, Christian scholars have been much too silent. As Dr. Dutile has often challenged us, we Christians must reclaim the world of the intellect. We must boldly state that there are absolutes based on God’s truth. I used Psalm 19 verses 7-9 where the psalmist proclaims that, “The law of the Lord is perfect, restoring the soul. The testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple. The precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart. The commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes. The fear of the Lord is clean, enduring for ever. The judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.” Our students are confronted with a multitude of change during their time in college, but there is stability because God does not change. God’s truth was true yesterday, and is true today, and will be true for future generations. There are absolutes to which we can anchor our lives.

It is our duty and our responsibility as a university that is biblically based, a university that proclaims God’s truth and builds our principles and expectations for all employees and all students on God’s absolutes and has a mission statement that proclaims we are a Christ-centered, caring academic community preparing students to be servant leaders in a global society, to challenge this generation of students to go from here and be a beacon of divine light for the world. In the book of First Chronicles, chapter 12, verse 32, we find the following description of the children of Issachar: “And of the children of Issachar, which were men that had understanding of the times, to know what Israel ought to do.” We must prepare the next generation of students who have the ability and have the understanding of how to change the world for the kingdom of Christ.

Today, I can declare to you that Southwest Baptist University is strong because we understand our mission and we are committed to preparing our students, based on God’s truth and the absolutes of God’s Word.

C. Pat Taylor
President
SBU has been named one of America’s 100 Best College Buys for the 13th consecutive year and one of America’s Best Christian Colleges for the 12th consecutive year. In addition, for the second year in a row SBU has been named among schools with America’s Best College Scholarships.

Darren Crowder, SBU’s director of admissions, said, “We are delighted to be recognized for our ability to provide families with a Christian higher education experience that is ranked among the most affordable universities in the region and in the nation. Since our average ACT has grown along with our number of applicants, we know we are not sacrificing quality for quantity.”

For America’s Best Christian Colleges the average high school GPA for freshman entering Christian institutions of higher education in the fall of 2007 was 3.28 and the average ACT score was 22. According to Crowder, in fall of 2008 SBU raised its average first-time freshmen ACT from 22.9 to 23.0 and high school GPA from 3.44 to 3.48.

SBU President C. Pat Taylor said, “We are pleased to be named among America’s best college buys. During these economic times, we are doing everything we can to help our students and their families afford a college education. We know that our costs are well below the national average for private, four-year institutions, and we are striving to continue to keep our costs down. We finished the 2007-08 school year in the black and hope to do so this academic year.

“We will be looking at ways to cut costs whenever possible without compromising our quality product,” Dr. Taylor said. “We are not reducing tuition, but we did not increase it much for next year. In order to better serve our students and their families, we plan for financial aid to have an increase for next year.”

According to the criteria set by Institutional Research and Evaluation, Inc., in order to “be considered for the designation America’s 100 Best College Buys” an institution must:

• be an accredited, four-year institution offering bachelor degrees.
• offer full residential facilities including residence halls and dining services.
• have had an entering freshman class in the fall of 2007 with a high school grade point average and/or SAT/ACT score equal to or above the national average for entering college freshman.
• have an out-of-state cost of attendance in 2008-2009 for three quarters or two semesters below the national average cost of attendance or not exceeding the national average cost by more than ten percent.

Institutional Research and Evaluation, Inc. is an independent research and consulting organization specializing in the recruitment and retention of students for institutions of higher education. Consistent with its mission and as a guide by which institutions may be compared, each year Institutional Research and Evaluation, Inc. identifies the American colleges and universities providing students the highest quality education at the lowest cost.

For the 2008-09 school year, SBU’s cost was 38.86% below the national average for private four-year institutions.
Southwest Baptist University President Dr. C. Pat Taylor and then Provost Dr. Gordon Dutile honored Dr. Craig Endres, chair, department of biology, with the Faculty Life Beautiful Award and Alan Copeland, electrician for the University’s physical plant, with the Staff Life Beautiful Award during the University’s annual employee Christmas banquet in December.

“The designation ‘Life Beautiful’ is the highest honor a person can receive at Southwest Baptist University,” said Dr. Taylor. “Each year at spring commencement, we honor two graduating seniors who are chosen by the faculty as best exemplifying a ‘life beautiful,’ and each year during the employee Christmas banquet, we honor a faculty member and a staff member who exemplify a ‘life beautiful.’”

The Faculty Life Beautiful award was established in 1987 through a generous gift from an anonymous donor. To be eligible for this award, a faculty member must have been employed at the University for four consecutive years, have full-time faculty status and teach a minimum of six hours per semester during the academic year. Coordinated by the provost’s office, full-time faculty vote for the Faculty Life Beautiful award using a balloting process.

The Staff Life Beautiful award was added to the list of annual awards presented at Southwest Baptist in 1992. In contrast to the Faculty Life Beautiful award, anyone on campus can nominate individuals for the award. To be eligible for the Staff Life Beautiful Award, staff member must have been employed at SBU for four consecutive years in a non-faculty position.

**Dr. Craig Endres**

Endres has been a part of the University faculty since 1993. Dutile said his colleagues describe Endres as “kind, enthusiastic about teaching; he genuinely cares about his students and consistently displays Christian character.”

He is involved in the “Growing by Sharing” program and serves on the science committee of the Bolivar Community Watershed Improvement group. Endres also serves as a “Stream Team” leader.

Endres earned his bachelor’s degree from John Brown University, his master’s degree from the University of Arkansas, and his doctorate from the University of Wisconsin.

Endres and his wife Heidi have four children: Hannah, Emily, Gretchen and Matthew. They attend First Baptist Church of Bolivar.

**Alan Copeland**

Copeland has been a part of the University staff since 1985. He and his wife Clarissa have three children: Courtney, Whitney and Matthew. According to Dutile, Copeland has been regarded as “genuine.” Dutile said, “he always goes the extra mile on anything he does. He always exhibits Christian character, has a high standard of excellence that shines through his job and treats every situation with personal care attention. He is a wonderful asset to the University, an excellent role model and a true servant of Christ.”
SBU dedicated Heritage Center & front entrance

Southwest Baptist University dedicated two new additions to its Bolivar campus on December 15, 2008.

The Joyce Sells Heritage Center and the Jim Sells Front Entrance and Memorial Garden dedication was held in the Harriet K. Hutchens Library.

At the dedication, SBU president C. Pat Taylor made a tribute to the late Dr. and Mrs. Sells. Speakers at the event included trustee, alumni, and donor Larry Payton and the Sells family. A statue and plaques were unveiled at the Sells Front Entrance and a song of dedication was performed. The dedication of each new addition ended in prayer.

The Joyce Sells Heritage Center is an expansion of the University Archives and will help preserve University artifacts and archival material, and develop documents and multimedia reports on SBU’s history. The center was constructed last spring to honor the dedication of Mrs. Sells to persevering the University’s history.

The Jim Sells Front Entrance and Memorial Garden was constructed in honor of Dr. Sells, former SBU president and chancellor, who died in February 2007. During Dr. Sells’ tenure, SBU made the move from Southwest Baptist College into a University.

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National Award received for Admissions Marketing

Justin Wollard ’97, assistant to the director for athletic media relations (and former graphic designer) and Sharina Smith, senior director of marketing and communications, received a merit award in the 24th Annual Admissions Advertising Awards competition for the brochure, “Impact the World – Success Stories.”

Smith said, “The success stories featured in the brochure demonstrate how SBU has had an impact on graduates’ lives, and through the brochure these alumni are able to share how they are making an impact on the world. As for the award, Justin is a first-rate designer who spent many hours crafting this brochure with me. I am delighted our work was recognized in this way.”

The award was sponsored by Admissions Marketing Report. The Admissions Advertising Awards is the largest educational advertising awards competition in the country. This year, over two thousand entries were received from more than one thousand colleges, universities and secondary schools from all fifty states and several foreign countries.

BROCHURE CATEGORY
(Schools with 2,000-4,999 students):
GOLD- Sullivan University System, Kentucky, Cube Brochure
SILVER- SUNY Cobleskill, New York, BIO Brochure
BRONZE- Concordia University, Chicago, Illinois, Inspiring Faith, Learning and Leadership
MERIT- Cornell University College of Engineering, New York, Biomedical Engineering Brochure
MERIT- California Institute of Technology, California, Caltech Field Guide
MERIT- Southwest Baptist University, Missouri, An Impact on the World
MERIT- Hood College Maryland, General Information Brochure
SBU President Named to National Board

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Southwest Baptist University President Dr. Pat Taylor was elected as one of the new leaders on the board of directors for the Council for Christian Colleges & Universities during the 33rd Annual Presidents Conference held January 29-31, 2009.

Dr. Carl Zylstra, president of Dordt College (IA), was named the new Chair of the CCCU Board of Directors. Zylstra replaces Dr. Bob Brower, president of Point Loma Nazarene University (CA), who served as chair for two two-year terms. In addition, Dr. Kim Phipps of Messiah College (PA) was named new vice chair and Dr. Mike O’Neal of Oklahoma Christian University (OK) was named as the new secretary/treasurer. He takes over for Dr. Jon Wallace, president of Azusa Pacific University (CA), who finished his second term on the board of directors.

Several presidents and higher education leaders concluded their terms on the board of directors and were thanked during the closing banquet. In addition to Brower and Wallace, Dr. Justin Cooper of Redeemer University College (Ancaster, ON, Canada); Dr. David Dockery of Union University (TN); Dr. Claude Pressnell, president of the Tennessee Independent Colleges and Universities Association; Gregory Baylor, director for the Center of Law & Religious Freedom, Christian Legal Society and Dr. Gary Cook, president of Dallas Baptist University (TX) completed their respective terms of service.

Other newly elected board directors approved during the Annual Business Meeting are Dr. Sandra Gray, president of Asbury College (KY); Dr. Ron Manahan, president of Grace College and Theological Seminary (IN); and Dr. Chip Pollard, president of John Brown University (AK).

In addition, Ed Blews, president of the Association of Independent Colleges and Universities of Michigan and Scott Whitaker, Chief Operating Officer of Biotechnology Industry Organization were approved as non-presidential, At-Large Members.

Dr. Baochuan Lu, assistant professor of computer information science, presented a professional paper at the Computer Management Group International Conference 2008 in Las Vegas.

Sharla Bailey ’81, assistant professor of accounting, attended the Missouri Association of Accounting Educators (MAAE) annual meeting in Lake Ozark. Bailey was elected Treasurer of MAAE.

Dr. Craig Endres, chair and professor of biology, participated in the World Water Monitoring Day event in Bolivar. World Water Monitoring Day is an international education and outreach program that builds public awareness and involvement in protecting water resources around the world by engaging citizens to conduct basic monitoring of their local water bodies. As a Stream Team volunteer, he was one of several who demonstrated how local streams in and around Bolivar are monitored by conducting tests on these streams.

Dr. Kevin Hopkins, chair and professor of mathematics, was a guest speaker at the 2008 conference hosted by Mathematics Educators of South Central Missouri. His seminar focused on the process of math camp leadership.

Dr. Kevin Hopkins, chair and professor of mathematics, and Dr. Robert Glasgow ’84, professor of mathematics, presented at the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics Regional Conference and Exposition. Dr. Hopkins led two sessions during the conference: “Classroom Response Systems” and “Texas Instruments Study Cards.” Dr. Glasgow presented “Teaching Pre-Service Teachers About Integrated Mathematics While They Teach.” The conference was held in Oklahoma City and was hosted by the Tulsa Council of Teachers of Mathematics and Oklahoma Council of Teachers of Mathematics.
Dr. John Patton ’99, assistant professor of chemistry, and Dr. Bob Kitchin, chair and professor of chemistry, are serving as science fair project consultants to the advanced science class of Jim Flora ’01, a Unified Science Certification (Chemistry Endorsement) teacher at Pleasant Hope High School. Under the guidance of Patton and Kitchin, high school students are learning how to operate either the High Performance Liquid Chromatograph or the Gas-Liquid Chromatograph, major chemical instruments owned by SBU. Examples of science fair project topics are (1) the determination of caffeine in carbonated beverages, (2) the analysis for water in ethanol-blended gasolines, and (3) the conversion and extraction of biodiesel from plant alage.

Dr. Bing Bayer, department chair and professor of Old Testament and Hebrew, attended the Greater Springfield Bible Professors Meeting at Evangel College in September and gave a review of certain Old Testament articles in the *New Interpreter’s Dictionary of the Bible*. He also attended the Logos Bible Software Conference for Pastors and Bible Educators in St. Louis.

Dr. Rodney Reeves ’79, dean and professor of biblical studies, recently submitted a review of Peter Walker’s “In the Steps of Paul” (Zondervan Publishing) for an upcoming edition of the *Biblical Illustrator*. He presented a review of the articles on Paul in the *New Interpreter’s Dictionary of the Bible* (Abingdon Press) at the recent Greater Springfield Bible Professors’ meeting last, and he attended the 2008 annual meetings of the Society of Biblical Literature and the Institute for Biblical Research held in Boston, Mass. Reeves was the guest speaker for Baptist students at Mizzou during their annual fall retreat and for a weekend retreat at Laity Lodge in Kerrville, Texas, sponsored by the Covenant Presbyterian Church of Austin, Texas.

Grant Cochran ’84, instructor of graphic design, was featured in an article in the November 2008 issue of *Bluegrass Unlimited* magazine, which has a national readership of more than 25,000 worldwide. Grant was quoted and pictured in an article discussing the influence of four of the longest enduring bluegrass bands of the Midwest. He has been a member of one of the four featured bands for 28 years. The article also included a photograph displaying his digital imaging work with Adobe Photoshop.

Dr. Bob Derryberry, senior professor of communication arts and director of the speech and debate team, presented a paper as part of a Pi Kappa Delta sponsored panel at the 94th Annual Convention at the National Communication Association in San Diego, Calif., in November. Dr. Derryberry’s paper dealt with seizing opportunities at local speech-debate programs at the local university and community level.

Ben Kilpatrick, instructor of communication arts, recently took three communication students to the Midwest Christian Psychology Conference at College of the Ozarks. They presented findings from a survey conducted in cooperation with eight SBU psychology students.

Dr. Elissa Sartwell, assistant professor of theater, accompanied nine students to the Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival (Region 5) in January. Eight of the students competed for a performance scholarship and the ninth student presented the extensive lobby display created for “The Burial at Thebes.” (see Theatre feature on p. 14)

Dr. Zach Manis, assistant professor of philosophy, presented papers at two conferences: “On Divine Essential Goodness and the Nature of Divine Freedom” presented at the 2008 Association of Philosophy Teachers conference, and “Foundations for a Kierkegaardian Account of Moral Obligation,” presented at the 2008 Southwestern Philosophical Society conference. He participated in a recent panel discussion of contemporary ethical issues, along with several other SBU professors, in a forum jointly organized by the SBU Students in Free Enterprise and the SBU University Activities Council.

Dr. Andrew Campbell ’99, assistant professor of music, appeared three times this fall as a guest performer at First Baptist Church, Bolivar, and sang in *Messiah* productions in November at Broadway Baptist Church, Fort Worth, Texas, and First Presbyterian Church, Wichita Falls, Texas.

Dr. Brian Hopwood, director of instrumental studies and assistant professor of music, conducted the Honor Band at the South Central District Honor Band Festival hosted by SBU in 2008. He presented a clinic/rehearsal with orchestra students at the following Springfield high schools in November and December: Glendale, Central, Hillcrest, and Kickapoo. In December, he served as a marching band judge for the Bolivar Christmas Parade and performed on trumpet in the presentation of *Messiah* at First Baptist Church, Bolivar.

Dr. Melinda Smashey ’89, associate professor of music, was
the pianist for a chamber music group, Ensemble 21, which presented concerts at Drury University in December. She also served as keyboardist for the Springfield Symphony in December.

**Dr. Shelley Kilpatrick**, associate professor of psychology, took 12 SBU students to the Midwest Christian Psychology Conference held at the College of the Ozarks in December. Presentations by SBU students at that conference included young adult involvement in voting and elections as well as information about the SBU faculty and staff wellness programs.

**Dr. Richard Brewer ’78**, professor of psychology, has been elected to the board of the “Exodus” ministry. This program serves female parolees based in Bolivar after their release from prison. Brewer also spoke at the Compassionate Friends seminar at Citizens Memorial Hospital in December. This group is a support network for parents whose children have died.

**Terri Schmitt**, assistant professor of nursing, presented her review of literature on “Factors Associated with Diabetes and Insulin Omission in Adolescent Type I Diabetic Females” at the college’s faculty development workshop on Jan. 8.

**Dana Hunt**, instructor of nursing, led the second annual Homeschool Health and Safety Fair on Nov. 14 at the college. B.S.N. students, college faculty and staff, and community partners staffed the fair, with co-sponsorship from the Southwest Home Education Ministry. Workers screened 77 homeschooled children for hearing, vision, height, weight, body mass index, blood pressure, and dental condition, provided an optional fluoride varnish application with a grant from the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services and administered flu vaccinations with the Springfield-Greene County Health Department.

**Dr. Martha Baker**, program director and professor of nursing, co-wrote a chapter in a book that was published in October 2008 titled “Pathways to Leadership: Developing a Culturally Competent Leadership Curriculum for American Indian Nurses,” in *Transforming Nursing Education: Towards a Culturally Inclusive Environment*. She chaired Summit XIV: “Creating a Healing Environment: Partnerships to Improve the Health Care of American Indian/Alaska Native People” in Branson on Oct. 26-29. Baker presented a seminar on “Writing for Publication” at the college’s faculty development workshop on Jan. 8.

**Dr. Carole Eldridge**, dean and associate professor of nursing, wrote an article on health care in Southwest Missouri for the *Springfield Business Journal*. The article appeared in the journal’s Dec. 2008 “Economic Outlook” special edition. Eldridge also began serving on the editorial board of the nursing publication titled *Advance for Nurses*.

**Dr. Robert Perry**, associate professor of graduate education, and **Dr. Pam Hedgpeth**, assistant professor of graduate education, have been selected to present at the 2009 American Association of School Administrators Conference in San Francisco.

**Dr. James Truelove ’92**, assistant professor of graduate education, has been selected to present at Interface held at the Tan-Tar-A Resort in February. Truelove also has been selected to present at the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics in Washington, D.C. in April.

**Dr. Dorothy Hash**, professor of physical therapy, was reelected as the Missouri delegate to the American Physical Therapy Association’s House of Delegates at the Missouri Physical Therapy Association’s 2008 district meeting in Springfield.

**Sarah Russback ’86**, assistant professor of education and coordinator of teacher education, wrote a paper that has been published in a monograph titled “Curriculum Wars: The Cultural, Organizational, and Instructional Conflicts in Curriculum Policy and Practice.” She presented the paper at a symposium at Arkansas State University as part of a project in her doctoral program.

**Andrea Miller**, acquisitions/collection development librarian and **Coleen Rose**, technical services librarian, presented a program at the 2008 Missouri Libraries Association (MLA) Annual Conference. The program was titled “RSS Feeds, Journal Alerts, and Other Time-Saving Features from EBSCOhost Research Databases.”
2009 Baseball Schedule

at Truman*
3/13 • Kirksville, MO • 1:00 • 1/7,1/9
at Truman*
3/14 • Kirksville, MO • 12:00 • 1/7,1/9

UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA-OMAHA*
3/20 • Bolivar, MO • 1:00 • 1/7,1/9
at Fort Hays State*
3/27 • Hays, KS • 3:00 • 1/7,1/9
at Fort Hays State*
3/28 • Hays, KS • 1:00 • 1/7,1/9
at Rockhurst University
3/30 • Kansas City • TBA • 1/9

CENTRAL MISSOURI*
4/3 • Bolivar, MO • 1:00 • 1/7,1/9
CENTRAL MISSOURI*
4/4 • Bolivar, MO • 12:00 • 1/7,1/9
MISSOURI SOUTHERN*
4/7 • Bolivar, MO • 2:00 • 1/7,1/9
WAYNE STATE COLLEGE
4/10 • Bolivar, MO • 2:00 • 1/9

WAYNE STATE COLLEGE
4/11 • Bolivar, MO • 1:00 • 2/7
at Missouri Western*
4/17 • St. Joseph, MO • 4:00 • 1/7,1/9
at Missouri Western*
4/18 • St. Joseph, MO • 1:00 • 1/7,1/9
NORTHWEST MISSOURI ST.*
4/24 • Bolivar, MO • 1:00 • 1/7,1/9
NORTHWEST MISSOURI ST.*
4/25 • Bolivar, MO • 12:00 • 1/7,1/9
at Missouri Southern
4/28 • Joplin, MO • 4:00 • 1/7,1/9
at Emporia ST.*
5/1 • Emporia, KS • 4:00 • 1/7,1/9
@ Emporia ST.*
5/2 • Emporia, KS • 1:00 • 1/7,1/9
MIAA Final Four Tournament
5/9-10 • TBA • TBA • TBA
* Indicates MIAA Games

2009 Golf Schedule

SOUTHERN INTERCOLLEGIATE INVITATIONAL
Mar. 10 • Mission Viejo, CA

DRURY SPRING INVITATIONAL
Mar. 25-26 • Springfield, MO

WASHBURN INVITATIONAL
Apr. 13-14 • Topeka, KS
MIAA TOURNAMENT
Apr. 25-26 • Kansas City, MO
NCAA SUPER REGIONAL
May 4-6 • Atterdale, MI
NCAA DIVISION II MEN’S CHAMPIONSHIP May 19-22 • Bainbridge, WA

2009 Men’s Tennis Schedule

JOHNSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE (KS)
3/10 • Bolivar, MO • 2:00
at Nebraska-Omaha
3/13 • Omaha, NE • 1:00
at Northwest Missouri St/Graceland Univ.
3/14 • Maryville, MO • 10:00, 3:00
at Delta State (Mississippi)
3/15-16 • Raleigh, AR • 3:00
TRUMAN STATE
3/20 • Bolivar, MO • 1:00
at Colton County Community College
3/23 • Dallas, TX • 2:00
at Southeastern State (OK)
3/24 • Tulsa, TX • 9:00
at St. Edwards (Texas)
3/25 • Dallas, TX • 12:00
Dallas Baptist (TX)/East Central (OK)
Newman Univ. (KS)
3/25-27 • Tulsa, OK • TBA
Western Illinois/SIU-Edwardsville/Chicago St.
4/3-4/4 • Macomb, IL • TBA
EMPIRE STATE UNIVERSITY
4/10 • Olathe, KS • 1:00
WASHBURN UNIVERSITY
4/11 • Bolivar, MO • 10:00
at Drury
4/14 • Springfield, MO • 3:00
MISSOURI-ST. LOUIS
4/21 • Bolivar, MO • 1:00
MIAA Championships
4/25-4/26 • Kansas City • TBA
NCAA D-II Nationals South Central Region
3/13-3/15 • TBA
NCAA D-II Nationals, Final 16’s
3/13-3/16 • Altamonte Springs, FL • TBA

2009 Softball Schedule

at Emporia St. Tournament
3/13-14 • Emporia, KS
at Missouri-St. Louis
3/17 • St. Louis, MO
FORT HAYS STATE*
3/28 • Bolivar, MO • 12:00
at Lincoln
3/30 • Jefferson City, MO • 2:00
Missouri Southern*
4/3 • St. Joseph, MO • 2:00
PITTSBURG STATE*
4/4 • Bolivar, MO • 2:00
Central Missouri*
4/7 • Bolivar, MO • 2:00
at Missouri Western*
4/10 • St. Joseph, MO • 2:00
at Truman State*
4/11 • Kirksville, MO • 1:00
LINCOLN
4/14 • Bolivar, MO • 2:00

at Washburn*
4/11 • Topeka, KS • 3:00
at Emporia State*
4/18 • Emporia, KS • 1:00
OUACHITA BAPTIST
4/20 • Bolivar, MO • 1:00
at Missouri S&T
4/22 • Rolla, MO • 2:00
Nebraska-Omaha*
4/24 • Bolivar, MO • 2:00
Northwest Missouri*
4/25 • Bolivar, MO • 2:00
at Rockhurst
4/29 • Kansas City, MO • 3:00
MIAA Championship
4/30-5/2 • Overland Park, KS
NCAA Regionals
5/6-10 • TBA
NCAA Championship
5/21-25 • Salem, Va.
* Mid-America Athletic Association
Home Games in BOLD purple

2009 Women’s Tennis Schedule

JOHNSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE (KS)
3/10 • Bolivar, MO • 2:00
at Nebraska-Omaha
3/13 • Omaha, NE • 1:00
at Northwest Missouri St.
3/14 • Maryville, MO • 10:00
at Missouri Western St.
3/14 • St. Joseph, MO • 3:00
at Delta State (Mississippi)
3/16 • Fairfield Bay, AR • 3:00
TRUMAN STATE UNIVERSITY
3/20 • Bolivar, MO • 1:00
at Colton County Community College
3/23 • Dallas, TX • 2:00
at Southeastern State (OK)
3/24 • Tulsa, TX • 9:00
at St. Edwards (Texas)
3/25 • Dallas, TX • 12:00
Dallas Baptist (TX)/East Central (OK)
Newman Univ. (KS)
3/25-27 • Tulsa, OK • TBA
Western Illinois/SIU-Edwardsville/Chicago St.
4/3-4/4 • Macomb, IL • TBA
EMPIRE STATE UNIVERSITY
4/10 • Olathe, KS • 1:00
WASHBURN UNIVERSITY
4/11 • Bolivar, MO • 10:00
at Drury
4/14 • Springfield, MO • 3:00
MISSOURI-ST. LOUIS
4/21 • Bolivar, MO • 1:00
MIAA Championships
4/25-4/26 • Kansas City • TBA
NCAA D-II Nationals South Central Region
3/13-3/15 • TBA
NCAA D-II Nationals, Final 16’s
3/13-3/16 • Altamonte Springs, FL • TBA

ARKANSAS TECH UNIVERSITY
4/10 • Bolivar, MO • 10:00
EMPIRE STATE UNIVERSITY
4/19 • Bolivar, MO • 3:00
WASHBURN UNIVERSITY
4/21 • Bolivar, MO • 1:00
DRURY UNIVERSITY
4/24 • Bolivar, MO • 4:50
Northeastern State (OK)/Southeastern State (OK)
Cameron University
4/17-4/18 • Tahlequah, OK • TBA
at Fort Hays State University
4/20 • Hays, KS • 9:30
Missouri—St. Louis
4/21 • Bolivar, MO • 1:00
MIAA Championships
4/25-4/26 • Kansas City • TBA
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2009 Softball Schedule

5/13-5/16 • Altamonte Springs, FL • TBA

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The SBU Bearcat men’s basketball team entered the 2008-09 season full of expectations. After winning the MIAA regular season title last season and advancing to the NCAA Division II Tournament second round, the Bearcats returned many of the key pieces this season. SBU head coach Jeff Guiot said before the 08-09 season started that “his team was very happy with the MIAA championship, but was disappointed with the way things ended in Texas.”

Several preseason publications and organizations had the Bearcats highly ranked, including sixth in the The Sporting News College Basketball Yearbook and 12th in the National Association of Basketball Coaches (NABC) Division II preseason poll. Junior Matt Rogers was also named a preseason All-American by several publications including the TSN College Basketball Yearbook and D-II Bulletin.

The Bearcats did nothing to dampen those expectations when they traveled to Salt Lake City to open the season. SBU shocked the college basketball world with an 80-79 upset of the D-I University of Utah Utes. The win was Guiot’s 300th as a college head coach (junior college or D-II) and earned the team loads of national recognition including from ESPN’s Dick Vitale. Dickie V named the SBU win the “Upset of the Week” and named Jeff Guiot national “Coach of the Week.” Vitale mentioned the Bearcat win and SBU on two national television broadcasts, first during a Kentucky-North Carolina game and a week later during a Duke-Purdue matchup.

The ‘Cats would continue their impressive season start with dominating home wins over Missouri Baptist and nationally ranked #18 Drury before taking down Rockhurst and Park at the Rock U Classic in Kansas City. They would open MIAA play with a convincing 28-point win over #22 Central Missouri, a Mules team picked for second behind the Bearcats in the preseason MIAA coaches’ poll. Matt Rogers would pick up two straight MIAA Athlete of the Week awards after establishing new career highs in three straight games, including 35 points versus UCM. Wins against Hannibal-LaGrange, Southwestern Oklahoma State and Pittsburg State would close out the first half of the season.

The Bearcats would roll into the Christmas break at 9-0 before another nationally ranked opponent would come to Bolivar to start the second half of the season. SBU, which had moved up to #3 in Division II, would pound #10 and previously unbeaten Missouri Southern 105-65. The Bearcats would defeat Truman and Emporia State later that week to move to 12-0 and #2 in the nation, which matched their highest ranking in school history. Senior guard D’Ante Harris would earn Athlete of the Week for his play in these three wins.

Washburn would hand the Bearcats their first loss of the season in Topeka, which became a bump in the road for what had been an otherwise smooth ride for the team. The Bearcats would...
return home to defeat Fort Hays State before falling to MIAA newcomer Nebraska-Omaha in Omaha. A home win against the green Bearcats of Northwest Missouri State and close road win over Missouri Western left the Bearcats at 15-2 overall.

A battle for first place between the Bearcats and the UCM Mules took place on January 24 in Warrensburg. A hot-shooting second half by the home team handed the Bearcats their third loss of the season and left them tied with the Mules for first place. But SBU would use this game to turn things around and started a winning streak a week later beginning in Joplin, with a 102-95 win over Missouri Southern.

The month of February started for the ‘Cats with consecutive wins over Pitt State, Truman, Emporia State and Washburn, for which Matt Rogers picked up his third and fourth MIAA Athlete of the Week awards of the season. Senior Nick Kovacevich was also named to the ESPN The Magazine CoSIDA Academic All-District First Team, which made him eligible for the Academic All-American team.

The Bearcats moved back into sole possession of first place in the MIAA on February 18 with a win over Fort Hays and a loss by UCM to Nebraska-Omaha. SBU would then top the UNO Mavericks in Bolivar before finishing the season at Northwest Missouri and hosting Missouri Western, rolling through both games on the way to the MIAA regular season title. Harris picked up his second MIAA Athlete of the Week and Rogers nabbed his fifth one to close out the season.

With the victory over Missouri Western, SBU claimed the regular season conference title -- the third time in the last four years they’ve won the outright championship. SBU set an MIAA record with 17 conference wins. They won more than 20 games for the third time under Jeff Guiot and were also ranked in the top ten in every regular season NABC/Division II Top 25 coaches poll this year. Finally, they also have one of the longest active home-court winning streaks in Division II, which stands at 30 games and dates back to February 2007.

Several MIAA postseason honors were awarded to the Bearcats including unanimous MVP and first team All-MIAA Matt Rogers. Rogers was also named Defensive Player of the Year for the second year in a row and All-Defensive Team for the third straight season. D’Ante Harris earned first team All-MIAA and Nick Kovacevich was named honorable mention All-MIAA. Jeff Guiot picked up the MIAA Coach of the Year.

There are more chapters to write about this year’s Bearcats. The Bearcats were upset in the opener of the MIAA Tournament but the NCAA Tournament, where the ‘Cats earned the #2 seed in the South Central Region, is still to come. But their ultimate goal is still in sight: advancing to the Elite Eight in Springfield, Mass., to play for the national championship.
Art with Heart

BY WHITNEY BAKER, CLASS OF 2010

Students in SBU’s art program share more than just a passion for art with professors Morgan Gallatin and Grant Cochran. Both men sat in the same place where the students they instruct now sit. Gallatin and Cochran are both 1984 graduates of the University. Gallatin graduated from SBU with an art and music major and Cochran with an art and history major. Both men left the University with diplomas in hand and no intention to return. SBU is blessed because both men have found their way back to teach students to do the work these instructors have loved. The teachers’ both have the desire to instill a passion for art that they learned as students at SBU.

Prior to returning to SBU, Gallatin finished his M.A. and M.F.A. with an emphasis in sculpture. His secondary emphasis was in ceramics. He then taught for several years at Central Missouri State University.

“It wasn’t necessarily my intention to teach at SBU, but God was orchestrating new plans for my life.”

Cochran worked in the corporate graphic design field for 22 years and didn’t have aspirations to teach. Cochran said he and his wife, Monica, prayed about the future. After thinking about a place where he would be proud to work, God provided the opportunity for Cochran to teach at SBU as the graphic design instructor.

Cochran said, “My personal mission in the department is to make the students familiar with the tools they will be using. I want them to experience real life situations. I want to prepare them and make sure they are not scared of the things they will see.”

Since their days as students, Gallatin and Cochran both noticed how much the department has grown.

“When I was in school we had art classes in Ingman Hall and some in the old field house,” said Gallatin.

When Cochran attended the University, there was only one commercial art class offered. Today Cochran says the abundance of technology and space gives the students a head start in the work field.

“The technology we have continues to provide great potential for our graphic design students,” said Cochran.

Without hesitation, Gallatin and Cochran said the students were the best part of teaching. Whether it is the quality of work, their personalities, or their passion for education, the students are what make their teaching worthwhile. Gallatin said he loves to see the “light come on.” He enjoys watching students take huge strides in the completion of the program. He observes the classes build on one another and eventually click. “It’s exciting to see that happen,” he said. Gallatin wants his students to come away with a sense of curiosity.

“I want them to always learn, seek and grow as an individual, he said.” “If they can do this in
the art classroom, it will carry into all aspects of their lives.”

Cochran hopes that he can use his previous work experience in the graphic design field to bless his students as they prepare for the workforce.

“I want the students to leave with knowledge of what is out there in the working environment. I give them situations they will face. We have mock interviews in hopes of preparing them for servant leadership,” said Cochran. “I have thoroughly enjoyed helping the graphic design students learn the tools that they will be using out in the ‘real’ world and learning what they can expect in a job as a professional graphic artist.”

Gallatin and Cochran see the students improve each semester. Their artwork is stronger and has developed over the years. Gallatin said, “I am continuously impressed.”

Recent student successes include graduates Mat Crouse ’08 being hired as graphic designer for Missouri State University-West Plains, Shawn Cantrell ’08 working as production designer for the Bolivar Herald-Free Press, and Rollie Skinner ’06 enjoying his new role as the graphic designer for SBU (see story on page 17)

Great students and strong artwork may be the product of a department and faculty that reflect that passion to learn.

Thankfully, in each case, these men were responsive to the plans that God had for their lives. With a smile, Gallatin said, “I am glad to be here. It is a great working environment. I love SBU, and my colleagues are great.”

Although both men continue to focus on their own art projects, each professor has the development of the department as a focal point. Gallatin has big dreams for the future of SBU art. He wants SBU to be the leading art program in evangelical protestant schools.

“We are always growing, and hopefully we are preparing students for the future as servant leaders.”

SBU is blessed with a fascinating instructor in the art department who also is the director of the Driskill Gallery of Art located in the Jester Learning and Performance Center on the Bolivar campus. Gallery Director Dianna Callahan currently specializes in fibers, drawing and portrait art quilts. She teaches all of the drawing, painting and fibers classes to the art students of SBU.

Callahan said she treasures working in the gallery. Each gallery exhibit has Callahan’s touch, and each gallery show becomes a piece of her own artwork. She especially loves “to see the work change from month to month.”

Now that her children are grown, Callahan’s passion is her art. She is currently part of a group called the Uncommon Threads, a contemporary art quilt group. Callahan is currently an active exhibiting artist. She recently had a solo exhibit at OTC for the month of February. That exhibit consisted of fibers, drawings and soft-sculpture. She has a piece that will be in the Springfield Nature Center in April. Callahan also will have a piece in the Juried Exhibit at Waverly House Gifts and Gallery in Springfield, Missouri, on the First Friday Art Walk in May.

Callahan loves her students and she truly wants them to succeed. Mrs. Callahan commented on the growth and the focus she sees in her students.

“I like to see the students improve and grow in their skills. I love this age group. They are focused and passionate about their own improvement. I want to see the students have enough skills to graduate and get a job that will benefit their lives.”

Callahan also wants her students to learn goal setting and self-critique in hopes that those characteristics will aid students in the future when making life decisions.

“I want them to be able to set goals for themselves. I want them to be efficient, prolific and able to critique their own artwork. The self-critique they learn in the art room will aid them in all aspects of their life, making them stronger individuals,” said Callahan.

Visit the SBU Driskill Gallery April 1st through April 24th to see an exhibit by Branson artist, Mimi Aumann, titled “Power for the People-Sustainability” which focuses on Earth Day and its goals and purpose. April 28th through May 23rd will be the graduating senior art exhibit, featuring work by Brett Stump, Nancy Gandy and Kelly Flowers.
Along with a growing number of sold-out performances and numerous awards and recognitions, the University’s theatre department can add a few more reasons to celebrate their success. The department and two outstanding seniors were honored at the annual Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival in January.

Eleven students accompanied by Dr. Elissa Sartwell, assistant professor of theatre, competed and received awards for outstanding accomplishments in 2008.

The festival awards Certificates of Merit for outstanding achievement in specific aspects of theatre to competing universities. Two Southwest Baptist productions were entered to compete with nearly 350 productions from both public and private universities. With that volume of entries, many schools entered into the competition do not receive awards.

“The majority of productions that are viewed do not receive any Certificates of Merit, but both of the [SBU] productions that were reviewed did receive Certificates of Merit,” said Sartwell.

The department was awarded a Certificate of Merit for Outstanding Achievement in Dramaturgy for the lobby display constructed for the November 2008 production of “Burial at Thebes.”

Senior Amy Whitehead received a Certificate of Merit for direction, stage design and lighting design for “The Glass Menagerie,” an October 2008 production.

Senior Jessica Elder and Whitehead participated in the Irene Ryan Scholarship Competition in which selected students from each school perform scenes with partners to display their acting finesse.

“The Irene Ryan Scholarship provides recognition, honor, and financial assistance to the outstanding student performers wishing to pursue further education,” said Elder. “It was originally founded by the late Irene Ryan who is best remembered for her portrayal of the feisty and lovable ‘Granny Clampett’ in The Beverly Hillbillies.”

After being narrowed down by judges through several rounds, Elder, along with her acting partner Whitehead, advanced to the top 16. Elder and Whitehead were the only actors from any private institution to progress that far.

The Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival is a nationwide competition, with over 18,000 total student participants. This was Southwest Baptist’s second year competing with public and private colleges in seven surrounding states. Whitehead is proud of the caliber at which the University competes and that the University continues to be recognized for outstanding work in theatre.

“We work hard to be an educational facility but also a very fun and enriching organization,” said Whitehead. “Oftentimes, theatre is a huge commitment and we are no exception, but I am always encouraged by the appreciation we have from the community and student body. Our work does not go unnoticed and we are very proud of the work we produce.”

“It was quite amazing for us to have gotten so far,” said Elder. “More than 300 students were nominated for this scholarship, and Amy and I were in the top 16. We were the only private school in the final round.”

-Jessica Elder, Class of 2009
Q. What are some strengths of the theatre program?

A. “I think that one of the strengths of our theatre program is that students can be involved in every part of production.”

Q. Are there challenges in teaching theatre on a small Christian campus? What do you find rewarding about teaching theatre at Southwest Baptist?

A. “There are challenges to doing theatre on a Christian campus. It’s hard to find material because much of it is being written for secular audiences. However, there is so much opportunity to use theatre for positive dialogue on campus. We can use productions to initiate dialog on how Christians should be responding to issues in the world. Theatre provides a good opportunity to tackle problems in the world.”

Q. In what ways would you like to see the theatre program grow in the future?

A. “There are 19 students majoring in theatre and many students minoring in theatre. I would like to initiate and add to the theatre curriculum.”

“Students are taking seriously the mission statement. They realize that God has given them talents, and they can be the light of Christ to those who need it.”

-Amy Whitehead, Class of 2009
Q. Why did you decide to attend SBU?
A. “My parents went to Southwest Baptist when it was a junior college, and I have an older brother who went to SBU. I didn’t want to attend college where my brother did, but when I visited [the University], I fell in love with it.”

Q. How did your education at SBU prepare you for your career?
A. “I learned a lot from Chapel services. [Chapel] was my first exposure to contemporary praise and worship music. It impacted me to be able to lead contemporary worship today. The University prepared me for real church work better than seminary because I got a better mix of contemporary and traditional music education.”

Q. Where are you currently serving?
A. “I am the minister of music at Lone Oak First Baptist Church in Paducah, Ky. We have around 1,400 or 1,500 people in worship each week. We have two blended (contemporary and traditional) services and one contemporary service. Leading others into worship is my main job. Worship is our way of showing love for God. That can be done in many ways.”

Q. Were you involved in any extracurricular activities? How did those prepare you for your career as a music minister?
A. “I served as a minister of music intern at New Hope Baptist Church near Pleasant Hope, Mo. I also received ministry experience with George Baker at First Baptist Church, Bolivar. I was a part of the choral and symphonic band. My first year, I went on a church growth mission trip with the chorale to the 10 largest churches in Korea. That was a huge experience for me in which I developed a lifelong love for missions.”

Q. What is it like to teach alongside some of the same people that taught you?
A. “It’s interesting because I teach in the same office I took voice lessons. It’s great working with the professors that taught me when I was a student (the Browns, the Waters, and Martha Hicks). When I was a student, I pursued a music business degree. Renee Waters and Gary Gerber were big influences and steered me toward a career in music.”

Q. Are there advantages to Southwest Baptist’s small size of its campus and music program?
A. “One of the great things that SBU has to offer is the fact that we are a private institution. Classroom size is a little smaller, so students get a very focused educational experience. There is more one-on-one time with the professor, and the faculty really cares about students.”

Q. What makes SBU’s music program unique?
A. “Students can come to our music department and be involved in a number of musical ensembles. We have students who are great French horn players and singers, and we can use both of their talents. Some schools are not set up to accommodate everyone.”

Q. What makes SBU stand out among other small, private universities, especially in the arts?
A. “The faculty and staff not only take an interest in you musically, but also spiritually and personally. SBU is big enough to offer programs and degrees, but small enough that teachers take personal interest in students, building relationships and quality music and arts programs.”
Q. As an artist, what made you choose to attend SBU?
A. What really pulled me to SBU was the Christ-centered academics. I really noticed that the University had a genuine desire to train and instruct with a firm foundation of biblical truth. Coming from public education, I was also very excited to know that others who share the same desires and love for Christ would surround me.

Q. Was it a shock coming to Bolivar from a big city?
A. It was a huge shock. I could remember just driving the Polk County countryside looking at all of the open fields and wondering why in the world would people want to live so far from civilization. I figured this out over time. It seems like every time I visit the city now I experience some form of culture shock. “Yikes, those houses are too close together!” The grass is greener in the country for me.

Q. How did you develop as an artist during your time at SBU?
A. While I was at SBU, I allowed the Lord to take hold of my life and cultivate me for Him. I was focused on art, but I was more focused on how the Lord wanted me. Once I was able to focus on the Lord’s work, my art skills were able to develop. Design, which sometimes seems very mathematical, became so easy to understand, and I was able to grasp the concepts that were difficult at first.

Q. Did you have any mentors as an artist?
A. The most influential mentor for me is my good friend and former design professor, John Gruber. He is such a unique individual with a powerful life story and a true desire to teach the reality of design and the impact it has on society. John was able to question, motivate, and push me as an artist in ways no one ever had. The lessons I learned from him I still use today.

Q. You are married to a graduate, Lindsey (Hayes) ’07, how did you meet?
A. I remember opening the door for her the first day of Welcome Week. I couldn’t forget her amazing red hair and great smile. Later her friend officially introduced us, and we became friends. I knew we were destined to be together after an entire conversation in cartoon voices.

Q. What ministries are you involved with? Have you been able to incorporate art?
A. I currently head the AWANA program, and teach Sunday school at Southern Hills Baptist Church. When I teach I like to sketch pictures or cartoons to give the children visuals of the lesson. The children really like to watch the drawings unfold before them.

Q. What advice would you give to future SBU students pursuing art?
A. As my pastor would always say “Keep the main thing the main thing.” My initial interest in graphic design was the pay that my older friends were making. Sometimes in our pursuit we lose sight of what matters most. As Christian artists, we have the ability to influence our environment, and it is so important that all of our goals and achievements begin and end with the Lord. Keep focused on the Lord, and He’ll take you places you would never imagine.

SBU’s new graphic designer, Rollie Skinner ’06, shares how he has developed as an artist since he was a student at SBU.
Wayne & Betty Gott: Sharing the blessings

by Sharina Smith

To God be the glory!
Wayne Gott has long been a friend to SBU and has graciously shared the blessings of his business success with the University, with his church, and with his community. If you thank Gott for his gifts, he will immediately say, “To God be the glory.” All of his successes, he attributes to the Lord’s blessings on his life.

Gott’s success story begins humbly with a small loan from his father. “Bradleyville had 93 people at the time I opened a general store there in 1954. I borrowed $6500 from my dad. I did a credit business there. The next year I had to borrow $18,000 more to keep the business going. Dad had a little money to help me. I was so glad I could make the store work and pay him back. People didn’t make a lot of money back then. We were able to extend credit to them so they liked doing business with us.”

In 1962, Gott opened his first store in Salem, Mo. Gott will tell you that by the grace of God his business grew to 59 Town and Country Supermarkets in Southeast Missouri, Northeast Arkansas, one in Kentucky and four in Tennessee. In 1976, Gott said he started a bank and his bank business grew ten-fold. “We didn’t use our own money to start the bank, because we didn’t have any!” With a grin Gott said his grocery stores are now 40,000 sq. ft. with a pharmacy, bakery, and deli. “When we got into bigger stores, we started using the name Country Mart.” While the Gotts do not currently own all of the stores and banks, some of the businesses remain in the family, and others were sold to employees but are still being run by the Gott family.

Gott reflects on his humble roots: “I grew up in a country store/post office. There were 11 in our house, seven kids, grandmother, and my great uncle, and my parents. Dad was a World War I veteran in the Army. He actually saved money through the Depression. I grew up between Ava and Bradleyville, Missouri. Dad’s store was 20 miles out in the country. In 1944, we moved to a farm, and I went to school in Ava.”

Gott and his wife Betty met at Ava High School and dated three years before marrying. They have been married 59 years. Gott said “neither one of us went to college. I was third in my class at Ava. Our boys went to college at [what was then] Southwest Missouri State University. Now, son Roger is a banker, and son Dennis is a grocery man. Betty worked in our stores. She retired six or seven years ago. I still work six days a week and go to church on Sunday. I work in the Salem store my son Dennis owns. When I sold it, I made him promise to let me work whenever I wanted without pay. He jumped at this!”

When asked why he chose to support SBU, Gott said, “Dr. [Jim] Sells came to me in 1975 and asked if I would be interested in serving. Living in Salem at the time, I had heard of SBU. My brother-in-law had gone here when it was a two-year school in 1939-1940.

“I agreed to serve because it was a Christian institution. SWBC was a four-year program by then. I had a good impression of the school. Although, then it was not as healthy financially as it is now. SBU has come a long way since then. In 1975, I think the Mabee Chapel, Mellers, and Student Union were here.”

In addition to serving SBU for more than twenty years as a trustee and generous donor, Gott also has been instrumental in beginning and sustaining the Salem campus of SBU. “The Salem campus started in our own church in First Baptist’s new building in about 2000,” Gott said. “My family supplied up-front funds to raise money for the building. Our goal is to provide people with an education who might not otherwise have an education. Salem mostly attracts non-traditional students.”

Gott has the gift of business acumen and always thinks like a businessman when analyzing a situation. While analyzing the economic benefits of the
Salem campus, Gott does not forget to give God the glory for all SBU students’ successes. “I have seen students in Salem go from minimum wage to $25,000 per year. They make more and spend more, which helps the economy. My prayer for all our SBU students is for them to live up to the mission statement. Most of them are Christian students. I would like to see more of them in the business world. I think the world needs more Christian businessmen. In my business, I once led a man to the Lord in the store, and he died three days later. Students can leave SBU and come back on board as attorneys and businesspeople and support the school.”

While Gott has spent a lifetime pursuing business interests, he also has honored a calling for the ministry. “I surrendered to preach in a country church for about two years. My wife and children stayed at First Baptist, Salem. I found out my boys were slipping out of Sunday school and not going to church. I knew I needed to get back to First Baptist. Our pastor and music minister resigned, so I told them I would be the interim music minister until they found a new one. I stayed as interim for 30 years!”

Gott is reported to have a beautiful bass voice and sang in a men’s quartet for many years in Bradleyville and also one in Salem. His quartet performed concerts with other local gospel singers such as the Waymakers. Gott’s favorite kind of music is Southern Gospel. He said Betty sang in choir at church for many years, and he still sings in the choir.

Gott’s ministry in Missouri Baptist higher education primarily has been a financial one, “The University is a business. We work hard to make more money than we pay out. The school depends on tuition and gifts from friends.” Gott’s motivation for generosity first came when he began serving SBU as a trustee, “As a trustee I could see the need and the kind of students SBU puts out. Betty and I always supported our local church. Our 10% of God’s money was given back to Him. I help Salem students. I told them at Salem not to let any students get away.” And indeed, the Salem campus reports that a phone call to Gott has bridged the gap for many students who desired an education but could not make it financially. Gott’s generosity to the Bolivar campus also has built buildings and supported students financially.

When asked what message he wanted to give to SBU students, Gott replied: “Have a relationship with God and God’s church with attendance and tithes. Find a good local New Testament church. It is so important to put God and church first in life. Prayer life is so important, too. I would tell them to study hard and learn all they can in college. Education will provide for their financial needs and for their family.”

Gott’s blessed life is a testimony to prioritizing and putting things in the proper order, “You will sleep better at night when you put God first. I don’t have a stressful life. We look forward to church and Sunday school every Sunday.”

The bottom line for Gott is given to God’s glory, “God doesn’t owe me anything. I am not worthy, but He has been good to me.”

In Gott’s favorite song “What a Day That Will Be” by Jim Hill, the chorus is as follows:

“What a day that will be when my Jesus I shall see
And I look upon his face, the one who saved me by his grace.
When he takes me by the hand and leads me through the Promised Land.
What a day, glorious day that will be.”

No doubt that Gott will hear the words, “Well done, my good and faithful servant!” on that “glorious day.” SBU appreciates the many blessings Gott has shared with this institution.

Southwest Baptist University received a $1 million undesignated donation from longtime supporter Wayne Gott on Tuesday, Feb. 10. The check, presented to University President Dr. C. Pat Taylor during the Board of Trustees meeting, will be put into Southwest Baptist’s endowment.

“Wayne has been a very generous donor to the University in the past and we are grateful in these economic times to receive such a substantial, undesignated gift,” said Taylor. “This gift will be used to replenish the University’s endowment fund.”

Gott and his family members have owned supermarkets in Missouri, Arkansas, Kentucky, and Tennessee. Gott opened a general store in Bradleyville, Mo. in 1954 and opened his first grocery store in Salem, Mo. in 1962. Since he began serving the University in 1975, Gott has provided funds for the building of the Gott Educational Center and Gott Hall on the University’s Bolivar campus. He was also instrumental in the founding and sustaining of Southwest Baptist’s Salem campus. Gott served as interim president of the University from 1991 to 1992. Gott and his wife, Betty, reside in Salem.
PRESIDENT’S REPORT 2008
Southwest Baptist University
Dear SBU Donors and Friends,

Please accept my heartfelt appreciation for your generous gifts of time, prayer, and financial resources during 2008. We could not fulfill our mission and be successful without your support, especially during this difficult economic time.

“For I know the plans that I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you a future and a hope.” Jeremiah 29:11 is the verse that I share with our new students each year at the beginning of Welcome Week. I believe that God has a plan for each of our students – a plan to bless them and for them to attain their educational objectives while at SBU. I believe it is God’s plan for our students to receive a quality education that will prepare them for life’s challenges and go into the world to make a difference for God’s Kingdom. It is our responsibility as faculty, staff and administrators to do our best to challenge, to encourage, to nurture, to love, and to lead our students to attain their educational objectives.

We have a great calling at SBU, and I thank God every day for allowing Judy and me to be a part of this family and of this wonderful Christ-centered, caring, academic community whose job is to prepare students to be servant leaders in a global society. All of us, including our donors, are part of this noble enterprise, and I know God has great plans for all of us to succeed and to prosper. The 2008 year has been a very prosperous year for our University. We have a balanced budget and with the help of many alumni and friends, have added a new grand front entrance in memory of former president, Dr. Jim Sells.

We have enjoyed a strong enrollment this year, with a near-record freshman class during the fall semester. Our University remains strong, and with God’s blessing we will continue to grow during this economic recession.

We are blessed as a University because of your gracious support. In turn, we are able to bless our students with a quality, affordable, liberal arts education that integrates the Christian faith into every academic discipline.

God has a plan for SBU, and I am grateful that you have chosen to join us in this incredible journey. Thank you for your support this year and for your commitment to the University and its mission.

C. Pat Taylor
President
Revenue Budget

- Financial Aid Revenue: $1,154,811 (2.78%)
- Auxiliary Enterprise Revenue: $6,294,847 (15.17%)
- Investment Earnings: $177,000 (.43%)
- Other Undesignated Gifting: $700,000 (1.69%)
- Miscellaneous Revenue: $405,884 (.98%)
- Missouri Baptist Convention: $1,350,000 (3.25%)
- Tuition & Fees: $31,400,458 (75.7%)

Total Revenue Budget: $41,483,000

Expense Summary

- Total Administrative: $1,379,132 (3.32%)
- Staff Benefits: $994,604 (2.4%)
- Total General Institutional: $3,021,211 (7.28%)
- Debt Retirement: $939,769 (2.27%)
- Total Student Aid: $11,161,880 (26.91%)
- Total Instructional & Departmental: $11,187,647 (26.97%)
- Organized Activities: $2,203,034 (5.31%)
- Total Library: $1,104,316 (2.66%)
- Total Student Services: $2,356,754 (5.68%)
- Total Operation/Maintenance of Plant: $2,356,754 (8.4%)

Total Expense Budget: $41,483,000
ANNUAL GIFT CLUBS

**Heritage Society**
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$50,000 and above
Dr. W. Ray Fugate Trust
Dr. and Mrs. Wayne Gott
Mr. and Mrs. John Q. Hammons
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The Late Dr. Robert W. Plaster
Rose E. Ray Estate
Dr. and Mrs. James Sammons

**Legacy Society**
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Mr. and Mrs. Paul Mott
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The Late Mrs. Noreene Doss

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I never had brothers growing up, yet SBU has provided me with a band of brothers. These men helped me realize what it is to be a true man of God.
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Missouri Baptist Convention, Jefferson City, MO
Missouri Colleges Fund, Jefferson City, MO

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Bank of America, Springfield, MO
Central Trust and Investment, Jefferson City, MO
Empire District Electric Company, Bolivar, MO
Fresh Ideas Food Service Management, Columbia, MO
Kansas-Nebraska Convention, Topeka, KS
Legget & Platt, Inc., Carthage, MO
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Missouri Baptist Foundation, Jefferson City, MO
Robert W. Plaster Foundation, Lebanon, MO
Scholarship America, Saint Peter, MN
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US Army Cadet Command, Ft. Monroe, VA
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Zinngabe Charitable Foundation, Westminster, CA

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CMH Foundation, Bolivar, MO
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Division of Workforce Development, Jefferson City, MO
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First Baptist Church, Nevada, MO
First National Bank of Mountain View, Mountain View, MO
Heartland Health, Saint Joseph, MO
Intel Foundation Matching Gifts, Princeton, NJ
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First Southern Baptist Church, Kimberling City, MO
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Guam Public School System, Hagana, GUAM
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Macedonia Mission Ministries, Nixa, MO
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Dr. Joe D. Dillsaver ’67
Tate Publishing & Enterprises, 2008

Native American Criminal Justice Professor, Doctor SK Ross, looked forward to his retirement. He had no idea how his world would change when his niece, Cheryl, asked him to find her recently missing friend, Mickey. Join Doctor Joe D. Dillsaver in These Bones Shall Rise as he follows Ross into a world of white power beliefs and ultra-right wing international intrigue. Dr. Ross discovers not only a sinister plot to clone major Christian figures in history, but becomes a target for elimination himself. He springs back to life and works with his longtime friend and CIA operative, Virg Turtle to shut down the white power camp, Glory Land.

alumni

Armageddon Now: World War 3
Phil Hotsenpiller ’77 & Rob Liefeld
Image Comics, Inc., 2008

Armageddon Now! is a graphic novel series that reveals the hidden message of biblical prophecy in a fresh contemporary manner. The reader will be riveted by the world-class graphics, “ripped from the headlines” news. A team of heroes discovers the mystery of Orion’s constellation as it relates of the future of mankind.

faculty

Transforming Nursing Education:
The Culturally Inclusive Environment
edited by Susan Dandridge Bosher and Margaret Dexheimer Pharris.
contributer Dr. Martha Baker, R.N., Director, Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program
Springer Publishing, 2009

Dr. Baker’s chapter is “Pathways to Leadership: Developing a Culturally Competent Leadership Curriculum for American Indian Nurses,” written with Lee Anne Nichols.

The chapter discusses the development of Pathways to Leadership, which is an American Indian nurse leadership model and curriculum that Dr. Baker and Dr. Nichols researched and developed, and which they teach to national gatherings of Indian nurse leaders. They developed the program because nurse leaders from the National Alaska Native American Indian Nurses Association and from the Indian Health Service recognized the need to partner with educators to develop this model and educational program to educate American Indian nurses in “alternative leadership styles that are culturally sensitive and congruent with American Indian culture and values.”

alumni

Worship Planning for Worship Leaders
Vol. 2: Developing Effective Planning Skills
Dr. William L. Hooper ’51
Alexander Publisher, 2008

"Worship Planning for Worship Leaders offers wise advice in concise form about a wide range of essential issues in the practice of worship leadership. It calls for mature faith, theological discernment, and a warm and passionate heart for ministry—each essential components of effective ministry. Consider studying this book with a group of both veteran and beginning leaders in your area."

John D. Witvliet, Director
Calvin Institute of Christian Worship
Grand Rapids, MI

"This volume should be required reading not only for music leadership in the church, but especially for pastors. The future church cannot be to this culture what we are called to be unless we realize the multiple facets of ministry through music that go far beyond choosing and leading songs for worship. Hooper unapologetically raises the banner of excellence as the standard for worship leadership in today’s (and tomorrow’s) church."

Martha Hicks, DMA
Professor of Music and Coordinator of Church Music Studies
Southwest Baptist University, Bolivar, MO

To have your book included here, send details and a review copy to SBU Life, 1600 University Avenue, Bolivar, MO 65613. You can order featured books from the SBU Bookstore. Call them at 417-328-1530 or 877-728-7906.
Award Nominations Needed

The Life Service Award

During Homecoming each fall, Southwest Baptist University recognizes distinguished alumni with two awards: the Life Service Award and the Edwin Lightfoot Distinguished Alumni Award. It is time again to request your nominations for these awards.

The Life Service Award is the highest honor the University can bestow upon an alumnus. A committee of the National Alumni Board entertains nominations from friends and alumni and recommends a list of recipients to the SBU President to receive this award. The recipients are recognized at Honors Chapel, the Alumni Banquet and the Alumni Association Breakfast.

Nominees should be SBU graduates of at least 50 years of age who were students in good standing while at SBU. They should be outstanding examples of Christian servants and active church members.

To nominate a candidate for the Life Service Award, please send a letter of recommendation no later than May 8, 2009, indicating why you believe the individual should be considered for the award, to:

SBU Office of Alumni Relations
1600 University Ave.
Bolivar, MO 65613

The Edwin Lightfoot Distinguished Alumni Award

The Edwin Lightfoot Distinguished Alumni Award recognizes alumni for service to SBU and to the Alumni Association on an ongoing basis through volunteer leadership and financial support. The nominees should be committed Christians, active in their local church and interested in the welfare of college students. One recipient is recommended each year by a committee of the National Alumni Board and is recognized at Honors Chapel and the Alumni Association Breakfast during Homecoming.

To nominate a candidate for the Edwin Lightfoot Distinguished Alumni Award, please send a letter of recommendation indicating why you believe the individual should be considered for the award to the SBU Office of Alumni Relations (address above) no later than May 8, 2009.

For more information regarding the Life Service Award or the Edwin Lightfoot Distinguished Alumni Award, please contact the Office of Alumni Relations at 417-328-1806 or tdaniels@sbuniv.edu.

Regional Alumni Events

KANSAS CITY, MO
Greater Kansas City alumni are invited to the annual Kansas City Alumni Chapter Spring Banquet at 7 p.m. on Friday, April 3. The banquet will be held at First Baptist Church, Raytown MO. For reservations and more information, please contact Katy Harryman at 816-358-6883.

WICHITA, KS
Alumni are invited to attend a Wichita Area Alumni event at 6 p.m. on Saturday, April 4. The dinner and fellowship will be held at the Delano Barbeque Company in Wichita, KS. For reservations and more information, please contact Theresa Daniels at 417-328-1806.

BOLIVAR, MO
Polk County Alumni are invited to attend the annual Polk County Alumni event at 6 p.m. on Friday, April 24. The event will be held at McClelland Dining Facility on the SBU Campus. For reservations and more information, please contact Theresa Daniels at 417-328-1806.
1936
Carrol Eaglesfield passed away in 2006. His wife Ida Pauline (Gadberry) ’37 passed away December 2, 2008.

1938

1940
Marguerite (Tucker) Wright and her husband have been shocked and saddened by the sudden and unexpected death of their son David Glenn Wright on December 16, 2008. He was a captain in the Air Force in Vietnam and suffered from two silent heart attacks. At 67 years of age he had a good life. He and his wife Twila lived in Topeka, Kan. 4828 Medical Drive, Apt 403, Bossier City, LA 71112

1946
Shirley (Phillips) McDonald passed away May 2008. She is survived by her husband Claude who resides at 2006 Park De Ville, Columbia, MO 65203

1951
Mary Lee (McGehee) and her husband L.W. “Jack” Simmons have joined the modern world and are enjoying the Web thanks to their children Linda and Randy. They would love to hear from classmates. Their email address is maryjack1954@att.net. 5404 Rutland Avenue, Fort Worth, TX 76133

1954
Bette (Shands) and husband John Holmes have both retired. John retired after 53 years as a pastor and Bette retired after teaching elementary school for 33 years. They also have two sons. 3529 S. Barnes Avenue, Springfield, MO 65804

1955
Jeannette (Nicely) Borders passed away June 19, 2008 of a cancerous brain tumor. She is survived by her husband Jay Borders ’56 and four children. 620 N. West, Nevada, MO 64772

1967
MaryEllen (Fowler) and her husband Joel Ragains ’67 have moved to the mission field in Kiev, Ukraine, where they are founding directors of the Church Planting Program at Kiev Theological Seminary after 35 years in the local church ministry at Graceland Baptist Church, New Albany, N.Y. maryellen@everyheart.net

1968
Ronnie Lowry would love to hear from SBU attendees and alumni. 3225 Plymouth Street, Jacksonville, FL 32205 rjlowry100@yahoo.com

1973
Alexandra (Fern) Gregory has been named Associate Provost/Associate Academic Vice President for Duquesne University. She has held earlier administrative appointments at La Roche College, Point Park University, St. Peter’s College, Malone College, and Rockhurst University.

1977
Patti (Chumley) Henson has moved to 800 E. Houston, Linden, TX 75563 mytxrose@aol.com

1978
Dorothy Jean (Sullivan) Boutwell ’78 (see sidebar)

Particia (McCune) Slavick relocated from Missouri to Boulder City, Nev., in 2003 with her late husband. Over the holidays attended Cirque Du Soleil performance and sat next to a couple from Missouri. In chatting found the husband attended SWBC the same years she did, and that they actually had been very good friends during their years in Bolivar. She would love to hear from any classmates. 300 Venice Lane, Boulder City, NV 89005 paslav@embarqmail.com

1983
Brenda (McGlaughlin) McClain has been employed for the last 14 years with the Francis Howell School district. She helped open Central High and is the administration assistant for finance. She is very active in her church and is the Prayer Ministry Leader. brenda.mcclain@att.net

1984
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1992
Michael McGuigan went back to school to become a teacher after 20 years of working to promote affordable housing and health programs for families and migrant farm workers. He received an MAT from Brown
University in Rhode Island and received a job as a teaching position in the Dominican Republic. While there, Mike helped lead medical teams into the bateys to serve the medical needs of Haitian sugar cane workers. Mike and his family now live in Guatemala where he serves as a teacher at a small school in Guatemala City. He also helps to operate a scholarship program for indigenous women who want to finish their education. Mike loves rock climbing and mountaineering and over the last two years has climbed 12 volcanoes over 9,000 feet. He has also recently climbed peaks in Ecuador and Mexico that are over 19,000 feet. mikemcguig@gmail.com

1981
Terry McInteer works for the Independence school district as a behavior specialist and also teaches karate. He received his sixth degree black belt three months ago. 11104 E 34th Street, Independence, MO 64052 terryleemcinteer@yahoo.com

1982
Lois (Crawford) Brace is still teaching theatre at the Community College and working full time as executive artistic director at Presser Performing Arts Center. Her husband Craig Brace ’83 is running his own marketing, advertising firm for healthcare called Edge. Their grown children, Evan and Lillian, are in the arts as VP of Sun Records, filmmaker, and ballet dancer. Visit them at www_presserpac_com and www.edge-health_com. lois@presserpac.com

1983
Don Munton has served at Houston’s First Baptist Church as minister to Younger Singles. He and his wife Denise have three children, Abby (14), Isaiah (7), and Zach (5) 10511 Shadow Wood, Houston, TX 77043 don.munton@hfbc.org

Dana Cooper is a manager at Lifeway Christian Resource, and his wife Teresa (Lococo) is a teacher. They would love to hear from classmates. They are on Facebook, too. 2525 Arbor Terrace, Owensboro, KY 42303

Tom Renfro has three children Catherine, Christopher, and Robert. The youngest is currently a student at SBU. 7350 Kenton Road, Shawnee, KS 66227 trenfro@kckcc.edu

Charles Kimball is senior pastor of sale Street Baptist Church in Lake Charles, La. His wife Connie (Mund) ’83 is a preschool parapro at Henry Heights Elementary School. They have one sixteen-year old son Josh. 4111 Woodside Drive, Lake Charles, LA 70605 ccjkimball@yahoo.com

1986
Jonghwan Jonathan Kim is serving as associate dean of the College at Southwestern in Fort Worth and interim pastor at Korean Mission Church in Arlington, Texas. He and his wife Jeannie Kim have two children, Sihyun Nathan (17) and Sijin Jamie (14). 420 Fawn Meadow Drive, Fort Worth, TX 76140 jkim@swbts.edu

David Smith has been an instructor of music at Neosho County Community Church in Chanute, Kan., since August 2001. In September 2007 he became honors program coordinator. 613 Sinclair Drive, Independence, KS 67301 dksmith@neosho.edu

1987
Eric Chaffin’s latest book, “Everything I Know About God I Learned From Football” will be available in book stores beginning November 11. It can also be ordered directly from the publisher at tatepublishing.com/bookstore. The book is a culmination of four seasons of teaching area football players Bible principles using football illustrations. He and his wife Kristi have four children, Ryan (13), Ben (11), Katie (10), and Luke (6). 6530 8th Street, Lubbock, TX 79416 echaffin@swbells.net

1988
Carol Johnson was elected as Dallas County Public Administrator. She will serve a four-year term from January 1, 2009, to January 1, 2012. She and her husband Steve reside at 30 McGee Chapel Road, Elkland, MO 65644 swj@todays-tech.com

Trevier Minton owns and runs the grocery store in which he worked during high school. He has five children Brittany (18), Mariah (15), Dillon (11), Landen (6), and Hayden (2). 11692 Southpoint Lane, West Frankfort, IL 62896 tminton1966@yahoo.com

1989
Teresa Huff is on staff with the International House of Prayer in Kansas City, serving as a full-time intercessory missionary. She would love to connect with any and all friends from her SBU days, especially those in the Kansas City area. teresahuff@ihop.org

1990
Douglas Gaston was appointed to the office of associate circuit judge of the 25th Judicial Circuit by Gov. Matt Blunt. He is the deputy treasurer for the State of Missouri.

1991
Michael Royal is now on staff at Antioch Southern Baptist Church in Harrisonville, Mo., as minister of youth & education. He and his wife Tonya (Woods) ’93 have four children, Austin (12), Alan-Michael (9), Alexis (7), and Alayna (2). 810 N. Arnold, Harrisonville, MO 64701 mroyal@royalones.com
Darren Sutton and wife Linda (Katie) (Wilmoth) ’91 have launched a ministry
Michelle Gibson has started a new home-based business with Christian Women Worldwide. The business site is www.foreverfunfamilies.com. She and her husband Kendrick have two daughters, Emily (3) and Amy (21 months). 256 Ashford Oaks Drive, Wentzville, MO 63385 msifford@socket.net

Lisa (Minter) and her husband Justin Brown have two children, Jacob (8) and Jubilee (2). jakenjubilee@yahoo.com

Barry Roberts has owned B&B Trash Services in Carterville, Ill for the past 18 years. He and his wife Vanessa have been married for eight years and have two children, Chandler (7) and Benjamin (4). 1623 Venable Drive, Carterville, IL 62918 chanben7@mchsi.com

David Falksen has changed jobs from GameStop, Inc in Grapevine as a computer operator analyst. davidf215@yahoo.com

Jason Smith and wife Patty (Maples) ’98 moved to West Virginia in June in order for Jason to become the lead pastor of Harvest Pointe Community Church in Charles Town. Patty is working from home doing freelance graphic design, while taking care of their one-year old, Eliana Grace. 108 Maddex Farm Drive, Shepherdstown, WV 75098 jsmith@hpcc.com

Chris Ediger recently took a position as director of online marketing and communications with GIANT Impact in Atlanta, Ga. He and his wife Andrea have three children, Josiah (3), Micah (9), and Emerie (5). 5320 Spike Court, Suwanne, GA 30024 chris.ediger@gmail.com

for adults who influence teenagers (parents, youth pastors, etc.) www.minfluence.com. They upload a weekly podcast for parents of teenagers and host a call-in show for teenagers on their local Christian radio station, www.kbnj.org. TheSuttons@juno.com

1992

Cindy (Woolery) has started working for the Bolivar school district as a personal assistant in kindergarten after several years of raising four boys at home and running a daycare from their home. She and her husband Monte Gann have four sons Micah (12), Noah (11), Jesse (7), and Benjamin (4). 2242 W Erskine Street, Bolivar, MO 65613 montegann@alltel.net

Susan Brock has moved to the Chicago area April 2007 to accept a marketing manager position at Precious Moments, Inc. She has been loving suburban/city life and taking advantage of all its benefits. This past spring she was in a movie with Johnny Depp, and hopes to do more movie and acting work as her schedule permits. She would love to hear from old friends and classmates. suzbabe@gmail.com

Robert Archer is an instructor of communication at Daymar College. He and his wife Janna have four children, Brooke, Tessa, Ross, and Clay. 241 Arch Street, Chillicothe, OH 45601 btothea88@yahoo.com

1993

Lori (McAdoo) is teaching two algebra courses at the new Ozarks Technical College campus in Waynesville. She will be teaching four algebra classes next semester as enrollment grows. Her husband Charles (Chuck) Stull drives a truck for Mid-East Services in Waynesville and also works part-time at First Baptist Church of Dixon. They would love to hear from any “long-lost” friends. christsgirl@excite.com

1994

1995

1996

1997

Jason Eden graduated from the Washington University Olin Business School Executive MBA program in December 2008, where he earned membership in the Beta Gamma Sigma honors society. He and his wife Melynda (Campbell) ’97 have two children, Emily (11) and Timothy (4). 14471 Bantry Lane, #25, Chesterfield, MO 63017 jason@jasoneden.com

1998

Doug Clinton and wife Rhonda (Harrison) ’93 have moved to Pine Bluff Arkansas where Doug will be the youth pastor at Watson Chapel Baptist Church. He also earned A Master of Ministry Leadership at Rockbridge Seminary in May 2008. He and his wife have three children, Taylor (10), Douglas (7), and Jackson (6). 3 Sutton Place, Pine Bluff, AR 71603 wcbcypastor@cablelynx.com

Ashley (Watson) and husband Chris Menefee own Menefee Outdoor Services, Inc. and have been in business for four years. Ashley also is in her sixth year of teaching high school business and computers and is FBLA advisor at New Covenant Academy in Springfield, Mo. They live just outside Springfield with their adorable basset hounds, Chester Ray and Henrietta Sue. 2021 North Farm Road 93, Springfield, MO 65807 ashley_menefee@yahoo.com

Kyle Sullivan and wife Lee Ann (Bush) ’99 have been married nine years and have been blessed with two wonderful boys, Camden (7) and Kaden (8 months). Kyle is the senior pastor at Calvary Baptist Church of Colorado Springs and Lee Ann is projects specialist at Compassion International. 1716 South Corona Avenue, Colorado Springs, CO 80905 pastorkyle@calvarybapt.net
1999
Mary Lou (Wilkerson) graduated with a Master of Physical Therapy in ’99. She and her husband Bart Brabham ’84, who played football for SBU ’83-84, live in Jenks, Okla., and attend Guts Church in Tulsa, Okla. They have two children, Joshua (7) and Luke (3). 11632 S. 1st St, Jenks, OK 74037
maryloupt@msn.com

Shawn Jones is now working in Doha, Qatar, for the Men’s National Basketball Team. zionjones21@yahoo.com

2000
Jerad File graduated from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary with an M.Div. in 2004 and is in the process of completing his Th.M. from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. 4116 William Fleming Court, Apt. C, Fort Worth, TX 76115

Deborah Muir works for the Kansas City Missouri School district, teaching Headstart. She is also attending Graceland University in Independence, Mo., pursuing a B.S./Certification in teaching grades preschool through eighth grade. She has two grandsons, Ethan (5) and Caden (2). 10823 N. Manchester Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64157 debjmuir@hotmail.com

2001
Danny Pierce is working for Community of Faith International, the missions arm of a church in Boston, training future missionaries and church planters as well as helping administer current overseas church planting teams.
dannysletters@hotmail.com

2002
Shari (Weir) and husband Jose Salazar are starting a children’s home in Guatemala called “Casa Salazar”. You may find more information about their work at www.missionsfrontier.org/casasalazar.html. shariweir@hotmail.com

Cami (McCroskey) graduated in Dec 2008 with her educational specialist degree from the University of Missouri, Columbia. She and her husband Josh Jenkins ’00 reside in Nixa, Mo. She is a stay-at-home mom to their two-year old Trevor, teaches adjunct courses for Missouri State University, and speaks at girl’s and women’s conferences through Heart for Women Ministries. 719 W. Osage Drive, Nixa, MO 65714 camij10@yahoo.com

Dean (Davidson) Frierson has been appointed by the International Mission Board as an apprentice to Central and Eastern Europe. rossfr11@gmail.com

Anna Maurice recently received a promotion and is one of the newest fleet managers for New Prime, Inc. She would like to thank SBU and the college of business for giving her the education and knowledge to be able to do the job she does and to be able to keep the Lord involved in everything she does. 2851 West Cherokee, Springfield, MO 65807 maurice_65613@yahoo.com

2004
Catherine (Zidlicky) Welch passed away September 13, 2008. Catherine, a life-long Bolivar resident, graduated from St. John’s College of Nursing and Health Sciences at SBU in Springfield. She was the director of nursing at Butterfield Residential Care Facility in Bolivar.

Joshua Wilson is starting his second year as a youth minister at First Baptist Church at Whitewright. He and his wife Jaime (Hodson) ’04 love their ministry there. Jaime started teaching theatre in a town nearby and is really enjoying the experience. They have two beautiful kids, Aniston Hope and Silas Aaron and are enjoying the trials of parenting. 206 W Oak Street, Whitewright, TX 75491 jwilsons2003@yahoo.com

2006
Micah Beebe is attending graduate school at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas. 4429 Wayside Avenue, Apt 104, Fort Worth, TX 76115 micahbeebe@yahoo.com

2008
Tabatha Looney has moved to 909 B S. Apple Lane, Marionville, MO 65705 tlooney@marionville.k12.mo.us

Chelsey Janzen is an audit associate for the Phoenix office of Grant Thornton LLP. She resides in Tempe, Ariz., and is active within her church and enjoys playing tennis and water sports.

Marriages

Natalie (Oberg) ’06 married Brian Bish on December 28, 2008. They are both studying at Covenant Theological Seminary where they met. They currently live at 2363 Sandra Sue Drive, Apt I, St. Louis, MO 63114 with their cat, Diamond. tinkerbell53e@yahoo.com

Aaron Biri ’05 married Brianna (Stevens) on August 2, 2008. Aaron will obtain his Bachelor of Science in biology this May, and has also taken the MCAT. Brianna is currently enrolled in college earning a degree in communications. ajbmp4@umsl.edu

Morgan (Wallthall) ’03 married Kyle Sanders of Austin, Texas, on November 15, 2008. Morgan is the state director of public affairs for the March of Dimes’ Texas Chapter. Kyle is the design and interactive specialist for SiteGoals, a web
programming company. The couple lives in Austin, TX.

clueles527@hotmail.com

John Bennet '02 married Cindy (Smith) '02 on September 13, 2008, at Calvary Bible Church in Nixa, Mo. The reception was held at The Highland Place in Highlandville, Mo. Josh is a fourth grade eMINTS teacher in Sparta, and Cindy works for the City of Springfield as a workforce development specialist at the Missouri Career Center. 951 W. Birch Street, Nixa, MO 65714

justjosh25@aol.com

Michelle (McCool) '91 married Joseph (Rick) Wilson on October 28, 2000. Their son, Ian Joseph was born November 12, 2007. Michelle will complete a Master of Curriculum and Instruction from Wichita State University in May 2009.

Andrea (Elder) '01 married Dallas Denison on July 26, 2008, in St. Joseph, Mo. Andrea took a position as the assistant band director for Broken Bow Middle and High School in Broken Bow, Okla.

Shauna (Gillette) '01 married Joe Dempsey on September 13, 2008. 7018 NW Chapel Woods Lane, Kansas City, MO 64152

ac tingchick628@yahoo.com

Susan (Seal) '00 married Charles Sutton on May 3, 2008. 1514 Emerald Hills Drive, Nixa, MO 65714

Tiffany Blew '97 married Harold Johnson, Jr. on October 26, 2008. Tiffany is the director of finance/human resources for Camp Fire USA Heartland Council in Prairie Village, KS. 4221 Genessee St., Kansas City, MO 64111

outoftheblew@gmail.com

Mark Zaragoza '95 married Jami (Porche) on November 1, 2008 in Houston, Texas, where they reside with their dog, Max, and cat, Shane. A second ceremony is planned for June 2009 in Branson, Mo., for friends and family that were unable to attend. Jami is an RN and Mark is a part-time substitute teacher. Mark has been accepted into the medical program at Houston Community College and plans to start classes in January to become a Certified Medical Assistant. 14220 Park Row, Apt. 1413, Houston, TX 77084

zaragoza.mark@gmail.com

Andrea (Skivers) '94 married Scott Bethel on June 9, 2007. This is his second year at Fort Osage. She is teaching first grade at Indian Trails Elementary. This past year, she accepted the guard instructor position for the Fort Osage marching band. She is also the director of Devereaux Hills winter guard, an independent winter guard team. 18809 E Lexington, Independence, MO 64058

kzanee2@aol.com

Christy (Murdock) '88 married David Holmes on July 25, 2008. P.O. Box 182, Paradise, UT 84328

rcm65zip@yahoo.com

Future Bearcats

Jason Ingold '03 and his wife Racheal (Neal) '04 would like to announce the birth of their second son, Colton Andrew Ingold, on May 2, 2008.

theingolds03@yahoo.com

Mike Tull '02 and his wife Kim (Nash) '01 would like to announce the birth of their daughter, Zoe Grace, born September 11, 2008. Zoe joins big brothers, Noah, 4, and Benjamin, 2. In March 2008, Mike became the pastor of First Baptist Church, Dadeville. Kim is the vice president of marketing and product development for The Mathis Group. 4387 S 92 Road, Bolivar, MO 65613

kimike2@ windstream.net

Niki Brummett '02 and her husband Caleb Lenz would like to announce the birth of their daughter, Loralie Bria Lenz, born October 20, 2008. 7910 NE 111th Terrace, Kansas City, MO 64157

smile4niki@yahoo.com

Jodeen (Metscher) '02 and husband Eric Maness would like to announce the birth of their son, Dawson Todd, born June 29, 2008. Jodeen is on her seventh year of teaching preschool at Morgan Couty R-2, Versailles, while Eric works as a computer information technologist for DHSS.

jmetscher@hotmail.com

Emily (Reliford) '01 and her husband Joseph Whitson would like to announce the birth of their first child, Katherine (Katie) Jo, born August 21, 2008. She
was 6 pounds, 14 ounces and 18 inches long. Emily is currently the director of rehabilitation and sports medicine at Hopedale Medical Complex in Hopedale, III. Her husband is the associate athletic trainer/head football athletic trainer at Illinois State University in Normal, Ill. 1419 Ridgeport Avenue, Bloomington, IL 61704
joyemmy@hotmail.com

Cheryl (Welsch) ‘01 and her husband David Williams ‘01 would like to announce the birth of their third child, Ethan Randall, born on November 6, 2008. He weighed 8 pounds, 4 ounces, and was 19 1/2 inches long.

Jennifer (Roderick) ’99 and her husband Randy Gordon would like to announce the birth of their third child, Ethan Randall, born on November 6, 2008. He weighed 8 pounds, 4 ounces, and was 20 3/4 inches long. He joins big brothers Dylan (6) and Brendan (3). 1504 Kinloch Court, Columbia, MO 65203
randygordon@centurytel.com

Joy (Fox) ’98 and her husband Tim Gilzow ’97 welcomed Blaze into their family on July 17, 2008. He is their miracle. He was born without the left side of his heart. He has already had one open-heart surgery and will have two more in the future. Blaze is doing amazingly well, a testimony of what a merciful God we serve. The fact he is alive and thriving, is something only God could do. They thank everyone for the prayers! They reside near Branson and would love to hear from any friends. PO Box 1752, Forsyth, MO 65653
joyfox98@yahoo.com

Dr. Julie (Tinsley) ’97 and her husband Robbie Bryant would like to announce the birth of their daughter, Jaylee Beth, born June 27, 2008. Jaylee joins very proud brothers Dylan (6) and Brendan (3). 1631 County Road 228, Cape Girardeau, MO 63701
lagilliahn@excite.com

Diana (Qussar) ’96 and her husband Ben Stuckey would like to announce the birth of their son, Luke Ryan, born July 29, 2008. Luke joins his older sisters, Emily Grace (6) and Abbey Kate (4). Amy is working as a physical therapist in the Bentonville Public Schools.

Lisa (Gardner) ’95 and her husband James “David” Lilly ’91 would like to announce the birth of their son, Zachary James Lilly, born January 31, 2008. He weighed 8 pounds, 6 ounces and was 21 inches long and joins his big sister, Jessica. Lisa is a stay-at-home mom who works part time at a group home in Blue Springs, Mo. David works as an engineer for Little Blue Valley Sewer District in Independence, Mo. 3720 Drumm Avenue, Independence, MO 64055
lilypad11@sbcglobal.net

Amy (Tounzen) ’95 and her husband Steven Sanders would like to announce the birth of their son, Luke Ryan, born July 29, 2008. Luke joins his older sisters, Emily Grace (6) and Abbey Kate (4). Amy is working as a physical therapist in the Bentonville Public Schools.
sanderson24@sbcglobal.net

Lori (Gillihan) ’92 and her husband David Evans would like to announce the birth of their second son, Lucas Troy, born July 16, 2008 and joins his big brother Landon (3). 1631 County Road 228, Cape Girardeau, MO 63701
lagilliahn@excite.com

Christy (Lemmon) ‘91 and her husband Brandon Vaughn would like to announce the birth of their son, Brayden James, born July 29, 2008. He weighed 7 pounds, 2 ounces. 11335 Satmoore Road, Dexter, MO 63841

Dorothy (Sullivan) Boutwell ’78
August 29, 1938 – October 26, 2008
Dorothy Jean (Sullivan) Boutwell passed away on October 26, 2008, surrounded by family and friends who loved and cherished her. Dorothy had a long battle with ALS but is now walking on streets of gold worshiping her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Dorothy was a long-time resident of the Ozarks area including Bolivar, Springfield, and Ozark.

Dorothy was born on August 29, 1938, to James Edward Sullivan and Doris Lavada Staples Sullivan in Tucumcari, New Mexico. Dorothy spent her early school years in El Paso, Texas, where she met her husband Ronald Edward Boutwell. They were joined in marriage on July 30, 1960. Dorothy was a 1978 graduate of Southwest Baptist University in Bolivar, Mo., where she also raised her family. After graduation, she worked for the Missouri Department of Social Services in Greene, Hickory, and Polk counties until her retirement in 1988.

Dorothy was a member of Second Baptist Church in Springfield at the time of her passing. Dorothy enjoyed the fellowship of friends through her Sunday school class. Due to her illness, Dorothy began attending Ozark Highlands Church in Ozark and truly enjoyed the spirit and fellowship of this new church. Dorothy was a firm support for her husband, Ron, founder of Stained Glass Theatre. Her passion for Stained Glass Theatre began long before the Christian theatre ministry raised its first curtain. Her love for the ministry continued for many years as she created costumes, hosted cast parties, performed bookkeeping, and served in so many capacities. Dorothy also enjoyed reading, home remodeling, swimming, and time spent with family and friends, especially during the various holidays of the year.

Dorothy’s desire for others to know her Savior is expressed through her favorite scripture, Philippians 1:19 “For I know that that through your prayers and the help given by the Spirit of Jesus Christ, what has happened to me will turn out for my deliverance.”
Dorothy was preceded in death by her parents James Edward Sullivan and Doris Lavada Staples Sullivan. Dorothy is survived by her husband Ronald Edward Boutwell who loved and cherished her for a lifetime, one brother Jimmie Dale Sullivan (Irvine, Calif.), sister-in-law Sylvia Gail Boutwell Williams, and her husband Gene (Houston, Texas). She will be missed by her two children and their spouses, James David Boutwell & Sheila and Denise Lynn Boutwell Schriver & Kevin, both of Springfield, Mo.

Grandchildren: Charity Dawn Boutwell Williams and her husband Randy, Heather Nicole Boutwell, Lauren Paige Schriver, Alex Christian Schriver, Mackenzie Leigh Schriver & Megan Shea Pacacha all of Springfield, Mo.; Steven Anthony Boutwell (Lawrence, Kan.) and Jeremy Benjamin Pacacha (San Antonio, Texas).

Great Grandchildren: Caitlin Linae Williams, Jordan Lee Williams, Jared Luke Williams, Konner Mikaela Pet tus and Benjamin James Boutwell all of Springfield, Mo.

Nieces/Nephews: Shirley Frumkin and husband Michael (Sherman Oaks, Calif.), Linda Snellgrove and husband Jim (Huntsville, Ala.), Alice Sullivan (Houston, Texas), Hal Williams (Houston, Texas) Gina Williams (Pearland, Texas) and Ken Williams (Florida).

Great Nieces/Nephews: Nicolas Frumkin and his wife Ivey, Rachel Frumkin (Sherman Oaks, Calif.), Jake Snellgrove, Shelby Snellgrove, John Snellgrove and Shannon Snellgrove (Huntsville, Ala.).

The family would like to suggest memorial contributions be made in Dorothy’s memory to Stained Glass Theatre, 1996 W. Evangel, Ozark, MO 65721.

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A Scholarship Tradition at SBU

On Thursday, Nov. 6, 2008, more than 300 donors, faculty, staff, and students attended the 15th annual scholarship appreciation day at SBU. A luncheon and program was held in the Jane and Ken Meyer Wellness and Sports Center. Above is a photo of this event.

We are blessed at SBU to have over 300 private scholarships. Without scholarship assistance most of our students would not be able to attend SBU. More than 475 students were selected to receive a private scholarship in 2008-09; however, not all scholarship donors are able to attend the annual luncheon.

With the recession our nation is experiencing, there is a growing need for student financial assistance in higher education, which creates the need for private scholarship funds. We are pleased to report that retention of upperclassmen grows annually and the freshman classes are on the increase. However, as parents and families face greater issues in this economic climate, the overwhelming need for private scholarships and other financial aid also increases. Many students seek part-time employment in the Bolivar and surrounding communities.

Please consider what you might do to help this generation obtain a Christian higher education. Many times student thank you letters read, “When I received a private scholarship I knew this was verification from the Lord that I am pursuing the right major to prepare my life for the direction He has in mind for me.” If you are interested in establishing an endowed scholarship, please e-mail Cindy Rice at crice@s buniv.edu. She will email or mail our Endowed Scholarship Brochure, answer questions, and/or communicate how to establish a private scholarship.
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