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2007. Cathy is in client development with PageSouthernlandPage Architects.

Liz (Pang) Scroggins ('97) joined Pierpont Communications as a senior account executive.

Karen (Glazier) Shepard (M.F.A. '92) joined her alma mater Williams College in Williamstown, MA, as an English lecturer. She will also be working on a novel.

Stephanie Wong (M.B.A. '97) has joined the board of GruppeM as finance director.

Kirk L. (J.D. '96) and **Cheryl R. (Dube) Worley** ('92) are pleased to announce the birth of their first son, Christopher, on May 26, 2007. Cheryl is an associate attorney with Hughes Watters Askanse, LLP, and Kirk is a partner at Hayes and Boone, LLP. Additionally, they were named Texas Rising Star attorneys by Texas Monthly Magazine.

2000s

Cynthia Louise Alvarado ('03) was inducted into the 2007 Hispanic Women in Leadership Hall of Fame for outstanding leadership in the area of government public service community volunteerism.

Emily Asel (J.D. '04) was featured in the Houston Chronicle for her battle with a brain tumor while also pregnant.

Amanda L. Booren (M.Ed. '04) was named director of communications at San Jacinto College.

Brett Parish Brasher (J.D. '01) married Melissa Ann Kilgore on November 10, 2007. He is an associate at Andrews Kurth L.L.P.

Oscar Eduardo Correa (Ph.D. '06) married Ailen M. Sanchez on October 20, 2007, in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic.

Erin Dorris ('04) has joined Sam Houston State



Shalondra T. Moore ('05) has joined Aldine I.S.D. as a third grade reading teacher. Additionally, she is a Brownie Scout Troop Leader.

Kelly Ripley ('07, M.S. '02) married Corey Weidman on October 13, 2007, at First United Methodist Church in Houston, TX.

Charles E. Schultz ('07) was named 2007 State Student Teacher of the Year by the Texas Directors of Field Experiences. He received the award for his student teaching of second- and third-graders at the Rice School in Houston I.S.D. He has since joined Pfulgerville I.S.D. in Austin, TX, as a fourth-grade teacher.

John Smetak ('05) and **Eva De La Cruz** ('07) were married on October 21, 2007.

Marcus Smith ('01, '04) was named the number two performing salesman for Liberty Mutual during the month of November 2007.

Joni Tevis (M.F.A. '01, Ph.D. '05) has authored *The Wet Collection* (Milkweed Editions), a compendium of essays.

Regan Elizabeth Tipton ('06, M.S. '07) married University of Houston Conrad N. Hilton College of Hotel & Restaurant Management student Joseph Fleming on October 6, 2007 at Villa Antonia on Lake Travis in Austin, TX.

Holland Vavra ('07) was featured in the Houston Chronicle for her work in local theatre, including her portrayal of Sweetheart in the Theatre Under the Stars' production of Dreamgirls.

Kevin Wallace (M.H.M. '95) opened The Texas Family 66 Grill in Bushland, TX.

Bruce West (M.B.A. '00) has been named vice president of Engineering and Production for Intermountain Industries, Inc. He lives in Boise, ID, with his wife, Cari, and their two children.

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business development organizations in the Houston area. In his spare time, he also enjoys playing golf and traveling with his wife, Jen, and their daughter, Natalie.

"Attending UH and being a part of those fantastic UH teams made me believe in myself, develop a giving nature, and always do all I could to help others," said Holley. "I've managed to transfer that philosophy into everything I do in life, and I'll always have an unshakeable sense of loyalty to the University of Houston."

in memoriam

1940s

Billie Joyce Koetter ('48, M.Ed. '63)
Grace Keller Ware ('49, M.A. '52)

1950s

Raymond Hess ('58)
George Ransome Huntington, Jr. (M.Ed. '50)
Robert "Bob" Redfield, Sr. ('50)
Donald K. Yates ('56)

1960s

James B. "Butch" Bogle ('64)
John Tillman Carter ('64)
Lee Michael "Mike" Mendelovitz ('67)
Will Carr Reynolds, Jr. ('67, '74)
Diana Lou Barker Smith ('63)
Norman Earl Spaulding ('64)
Sammie Rose Stone ('69)
Herbert F. Wahlers, Jr. ('60)
Miller Harwood Walsh (J.D. '64)
Thomas W. Warren ('68)
Leigh K. Weld (M.Ed. '60)

1970s

The Honorable Russell Lee Drake (J.D. '70)
Randall S. Goldsobel ('70, M.A. '78)
John Allan Lokey, Jr. ('79)
Raymond McAfee (M.Ed. '72, Ed.D. '80)
Rory O. Miggins ('79)
Mervin Osby (M.B.A. '71)
Carson Owen "Rusty" Ray, Jr. ('71)
Paul Arthur Suttle ('70)
William T. Willis (J.D. '76)
Stephen C. Yeager ('75)

1980s

Bradley Ross Allison ('80)
Billy R. Amerson ('81)
Nancy Dawlearn ('87)
Nathalla Elmore-Wood ('85)
James Randall Pendergrass ('81)

1990s

Bonifacio C. Garcia ('94)

was appointed chair of Water and Power Development Authority. He has 32 years of experience in senior management and engineering positions with multinational corporations in various countries and industries.

James Bray (M.A. '78, M.A. '81) was elected president of the American Psychological Association for 2009.

Veronica Conners (Ed.D. '79) has joined the Academy of Oriental Medicine at Austin as provost. She brings with her several years of experience in academic leadership.



◄ Randolph L. DeLay ('72), president and C.E.O. of Public Private Strategies Consult, Inc., was elected to serve as trustee on the Kiwanis International Board of Trustees at the 2007 International Convention in San Antonio, TX.

Frederick C. Doutel, Jr. ('73), founder of R&R Resources Corporation, has been appointed a member the board of directors for Forster Drilling Corporation. He brings with him over 27 years of experience in the energy sector.

Joan Jarvis Ellison (M.S. '72) authored *The Faces of Change* (Otter Tail County Historical Society), which tells the story of Pelican Rapids, MN, and its influx of refugees and immigrants during the 1990s.

Valerie (King) Freeman ('70, M.Ed. '72) received the 2007 Real Girls Real Women award from the Girl Scouts of Northeast Texas for her community involvement, commitment to women's issues, and leadership skills.

Larry Gatlin ('70, '71), lead singer and principal songwriter of the Gatlin Brothers, premiered his theatrical composition Look Homeward Honky Tonk Angel at Lyric



ing partner of Maxwell, Locke & Ritter LLP, Austin's largest locally-owned CPA firm, retired and was named C.E.O. of St. David's Community Health Foundation in Austin.

Jack B. Moore ('77) was elected to the board of Cameron.

George O. Ramirez (M.S.W. '74) retired from the Kern County Department of Human Service in Bakersfield, CA, after 18 years of service. He also published "Perception of Mental Illness Among Hispanics" in the Journal of Case Work.

Julian Schnabel ('73) won the 2007 Cannes Film Festival prize for best director for The Diving Bell and the Butterfly.

John Stubblefield ('70), executive vice president of finance and administration for SYSCO Corporation, donated over $1 million to name the auditorium in Cemo Hall.

Chris Vaughan ('79) was awarded one of the five annual National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame, Inc., NFF Chapter Leadership Awards for his dedication and effort in fulfilling the foundation's mission of developing leaders through football.

Elmo Wright ('75, M.B.A. '85), originator of the college touchdown dance, was interviewed by the Houston Chronicle upon the shattering of his 1969 receiving yards record by current UH student Donnie Avery.

1980s

Pradeep Anand (M.B.A. '81) has joined Preng & Associates as an energy executive search specialist. Additionally, he was featured in the Houston Chronicle for author-

Bruce Ganer (M.S. '84) has joined Southern Star Energy as vice president of exploration and development and has joined the company's board of directors.

Steven Goldstein ('87) has joined The Culinary Edge from FoodThinque as partner to head the company's New York location. He is a current member of the Society of Fellows of the Culinary Institute of America and a former member of the Board of Directors for The Research Chefs Association.

Monika Guethlein (O.D. '89) married Richard Gibbons on October 7, 2007, at Harvest-on-Hudson restaurant in Hastings-on-Hudson, NY. She is currently an optometrist with Terri Optics in Dobbs Ferry, NY, and at Cortlandt Eye Care in Cortlandt Manor, NY.

Ana "Cha" Guzman (Ed.D. '79) president of Palo Alto College in San Antonio, TX, was featured in the San Antonio Business Journal for her accomplishments during her seven years as president.

Elvin Hayes ('85) has completed a nine-month peace officer training school and has joined the Liberty County Sheriff's Office as a reserve deputy.

Karen Katz (M.B.A. '82) was featured in the Dallas Morning News for her career in retail, including her innovation in the hand bag market as well as her current position as the president and C.E.O. of Neiman Marcus Stores. Additionally, she was promoted to executive vice president of Neiman Marcus Group.

Donita R. Koval ('81, M.B.A. '83), president and C.E.O. of Omega Financial Corp. and Omega Bank, received the Athena Award from the Greater Susquehanna Valley Chamber of Commerce.

Bates as leader of the bankruptcy practice group.

Merrill Baum ('91) has authored *The Death of a Superwoman* (PublishAmerica), a novel that reflects the history of the twentieth century as well as the cultural advances that women have made and continue to make.

La Vonia M. Cannon ('93) has been promoted to district pharmacy supervisor of OnSite Clinic Pharmacies for Walgreens.

Katherine P. Center (M.A. '98) was featured on the Design Mom website for her novel, *The Bright Side of Disaster* (Ballantine Books), as well as her notable undergraduate and graduate awards.

Leticia Elias-Clougherty ('95) is president of Aztec Roofing.

Cleopatra M. (Baker) Davis ('99) joined Dickinson High School in Dickinson, TX, as an English teacher. She also serves as the UIL Spelling Coach.

Amy (Payer) Dyke ('96) welcomed the birth of her son, Connor James, on November 6, 2007.



◄ Craig R. Enochs ('94) has been selected for inclusion in The Best Lawyers in America® 2008. Craig practices derivatives law with Jackson Walker L.L.P.

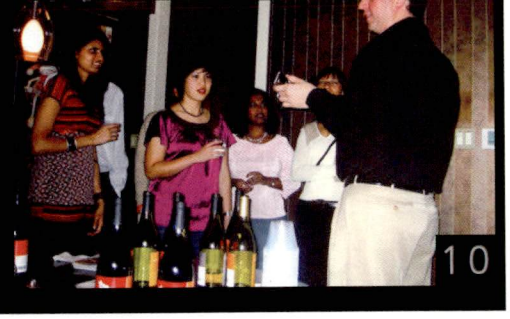
Andrew Feld (M.F.A. '98) read his poetry at University of North Texas as a part of their Visiting Writer Series.

Jason Daniel Feld ('95) was made partner of Ulich & Terry, L.L.P., in Newport Beach, CA.

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was proud to be awarded the Grand Champion Tailgate at Homecoming in November. Pictured are Simon Bott (judge), Judy Bowe (M.Ed. '03), Patty Godfrey ('89, UH-CL M.B.A. '97) and Willie Munson (judge).





owner of Salud Winery, discuss how to taste wine like a pro at their annual Young Alumni Holiday Social in December.

NEW COACH FOR THE COOGS



UH Athletics Director Dave Maggard recently named Kevin Sumlin as the University of Houston's new head football coach. Sumlin becomes the 11th head coach in UH history, and the first African-American to lead the prestigious Cougar program.

"He's a man of strong character," Maggard said. "I felt the need to have someone that will set high expectations and meet the high expectations we have here at the University of Houston. The vision here for us is to reclaim our position in the national picture. In my conversations with Kevin, he feels that's more than possible."

The 43-year-old Sumlin arrives at UH after spending the past five seasons at the University of Oklahoma, where he served as both the co-offensive coordinator/wide receivers coach (2006-07) and special teams coordinator/tight end coach (2003-05). "I bring both energy and excitement to the program, as well as an aggressive style of offense and defense," Sumlin said. "It will be a style that the players will want to play and a style that our fans will like to watch."

Sumlin, an Indiana native, graduated from Purdue in 1986 with a bachelor's degree in both criminology and liberal arts. He and his wife Charlene have four children: Courtney, Shelby, Jackson and J.R.



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targeted at-risk and low-income students, Alvarez once attended a graduation ceremony and realized how excited the students were to be receiving their high school diploma. Afterwards, when he met with many of the graduates to inquire about their plans for the future, he was utterly shocked by their responses. Nearly all of the students informed Alvarez that they had planned to continue working at their current jobs, most of which paid only minimum wage. Their words made it clearly evident to Alvarez that for these particular students, completing high school was not viewed as a starting point; it was a final destination.

Witnessing these young students apply limitations to themselves and settle for less didn't sit quite well with Alvarez. He was convinced that if more of today's youth were exposed to different types of professional careers and corporate environments at an earlier age, the experience would drive their career decisions and affect their aspirations for a brighter future.

Working at Compaq, Alvarez was well aware of the need for entry-level Information Technology employees at several major corporations in the Houston area. For months, a plethora of possibilities churned in Alvarez's mind as he contemplated how he could equip these local students with both the technical skills and professionalism needed to enter into the corporate world.

Shortly after the September 11 attacks in 2001, Alvarez took a leap of faith. He left his high-paying job at Compaq and created Genesys Works, a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization that enables economically-disadvantaged high school students to enter the economic mainstream by Alvarez. In addition to raising start-up money, he had to convince local schools how his program could benefit students and elevate their expectations. He also had to schedule meetings with corporations to demonstrate how the workforce he was assembling would be completely reliable and knowledgeable.

After establishing a convenient location in downtown Houston, Genesys Works landed its first client in the fall of 2002. A total of 10 students participated in the program's inaugural training class. Five years later, Genesys Works has managed to impact the lives of 225 students and currently provides technical services to most Fortune 500 companies located in the Houston area. A few of those companies include ExxonMobil, Chevron, El



the program receive hourly wages and typically attend school during the morning and work during the afternoon.

Since its inception, the company's impact on local students has been tremendous. More than 90 percent of the students who have completed the Genesys Works program have gone on to college. Prior to completing the program, the students are also introduced to various networking opportunities and encouraged to participate in local community service initiatives.

"In the beginning, our students come in not knowing what to expect and not knowing what they want out of life. Even though many of them only live a few minutes away, they look at downtown Houston like it's a post-

Alvarez received his master's degree in engineering management. He is involved with many local educational organizations including the Greater Houston P-16+ Council, the North Forest Education First Initiative, the Preparing to Dream Governing Board, and the HISD Advisory Board of Career and Technology. Last year, Alvarez was inducted into the prestigious international Ashoka Fellowship. He has also been recognized by CTCNet in Washington, D.C. with the National Champion Award for Outstanding Technology Leaders.

With his company gaining momentum, as well as nationwide recognition, Alvarez states that he remains committed to helping inner-city high school students continue to break through barriers and discover through work experience that any dream can be achieved. He refers to himself as a social entrepreneur – sort of a briefcase carrying community advocate. He enjoys spending time with his wife and three daughters, and taking occasional skiing trips. But fortunately for hundreds of Houston youth in need of a little guidance, Alvarez also enjoys his job -- because for him, making a difference is really all in a day's work.

"Many of our students face tremendous challenges that you would never think a person 16 or 17 years old should be facing," Alvarez said. "When you help them overcome those challenges and look forward to the future, it's really an indescribable feeling."

Frieden was examined, initial x-rays revealed no cause for concern, but Frieden knew that something wasn't quite right. A more extensive look by doctors revealed the problem – a fractured fifth vertebrae and severe spinal cord injury that would force Frieden to cope with the fact that he might never walk again.

Forty years later, Frieden remains a quadriplegic, paralyzed from the waist down with



only minimal use of his arms. And ironically, despite his limited mobility, Frieden's life has been defined by inspiring a movement of a different kind – a persistent crusade that has not only enabled Frieden to find his life's work, but also to impact the lives of millions of disabled individuals across the world.

The Awakening

Frieden began his quest at The Institute for Rehabilitation and Research (TIRR), a

could do before. That experience awakened me more than anything else and helped me to understand that we have many people in this society who are prevented from doing things that they actually can do because of certain characteristics that they have."

The Road Back

At that point, a determined Frieden began to study law to determine what provisions could be made to support people with disabilities. He enrolled at the University of Tulsa after the dean of students at the school agreed to hold all of Frieden's scheduled classes in a newly constructed building on campus that was completely accessible. Frieden went on to earn his bachelor's degree in psychology and served as a pioneer in proving that a disabled individual can live a completely independent lifestyle as long as reasonable accommodations are provided.

After graduating from Tulsa, Frieden decided to return to Houston because he was confident he could live there on his own. He opted to move into an experimental housing facility sponsored by TIRR and also began to take graduate classes in social psychology at the University of Houston.

"My time at the University of Houston was a life-changing experience for me. In the early 70's, UH was one of the few colleges in the country that had ramps and had really made an effort to accommodate people with disabilities," said Frieden. "I also had the opportunity to receive great peer support from other disabled students, and I even met my wife Joyce at UH."

A Catalyst for Change

Once he completed his graduate studies, Frieden accepted a faculty position with Baylor College of Medicine (BCM), and over the years, he has gone on to play a number of roles in the field of rehabilitation research. In September 2007, Frieden assumed a new role as professor of Health Informatics at the



nology and trying to repurpose existing advanced technologies to benefit people with disabilities."

While Frieden's research has produced dramatic results, his most important contribution came as executive director of the National Council on Disability when he led the way in drafting the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). The law was eventually passed by Congress in 1990 and ensures that people with disabilities receive equal opportunities in regards to employment, services, public accommodations, commercial facilities and transportation.

"The ADA was a major milestone for me because few people have the opportunity to work on a piece of legislation that affects the lives of millions of people," said Frieden. "We're only now beginning to see the real impact of the changes in our infrastructure and as the baby boom generation starts to retire, we're going to see more and more need to ensure that people have full access. By 2020, there will be 80 million people who are over the retirement age and becoming disabled."

Over the years, Frieden's hard work and commitment to solving disability policy issues has earned him high acclaim. In 2002, he was personally selected by President George W. Bush to serve as chair of the group he once worked with, the National Council on Disability. His term ended in August 2006. Frieden has also been honored with two Presidential Citations for his efforts.

A Resilient Philosophy

As a UH alumnus, Frieden remains active on the University of Houston campus by serving on the board of the Health Law & Policy Institute. He also claims that UH played an instrumental role in shaping both his personal life and career.

"My entire approach to logic in life and in

phony and traveling to many of the world's top destinations. He also spends many weekend hours as an amateur radio operator. Frieden's secret for living a happy and successful lifestyle is simple – "maintain your enthusiasm and try to maximize the abilities that you do have."

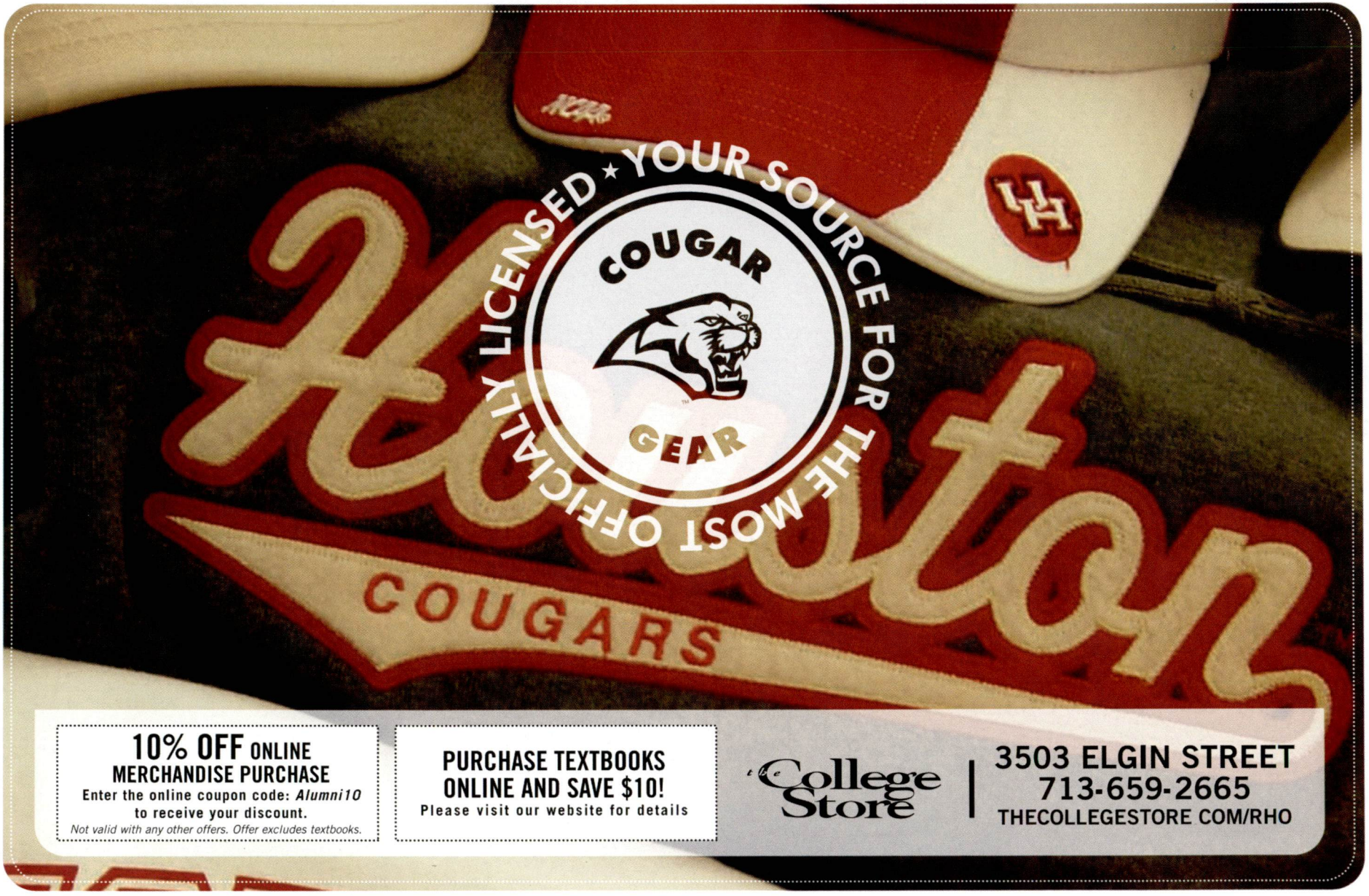
"No matter how disabled a person might become, they have far more abilities than disabilities," said Frieden. "I used to like to play the piano and trumpet, but now I can compose music on the computer and enjoy the symphony. There are other ways to express yourself and to explore the things you like besides the way you first learned to do them."

With all of the obstacles that Frieden has faced throughout his life, it would have been easy for him to give up his quest for independence and lose his zeal for life. Sitting at a bus stop in his wheelchair many years ago, a passerby once dropped a few coins in Frieden's direction – Lex kept the coins and took it all in stride. His resolve, fortitude and perhaps his Cougar spirit, have allowed him to persevere, break down barriers and become a champion for disabled individuals of all ages. Even today, on his way to a policy meeting at the UH Law Center, Frieden zooms up a ramp and suddenly disappears out of sight… clearly demonstrating that the independent living theory he's spent most of his life advocating for is no longer just a possibility, but indeed a reality.

"I think the key is for people to adapt their lifestyles, their goals, and the way they do things so that they can continue to excel and enjoy life," said Frieden. "Like me for example - sometimes when I see a ramp, I just have to use it."

Marching Band, cheerleaders, and Cougar Dolls will be there to get us into the Cougar spirit, and we'll have commemorative posters for player autographs, lots of Cougar giveaways, complimentary snacks, and a cash bar. **No RSVP or entrance fee.**

We'll be grilling up "Cougar wraps" and snacks and giving away rally towels and pom poms! Plan to BYOB, and beverages will be available for purchase at TexFest. Cougar face painting will be available for the kids, and the Spirit of Houston Cougar Marching Band will come by for a performance too. **No RSVP or entrance fee.**



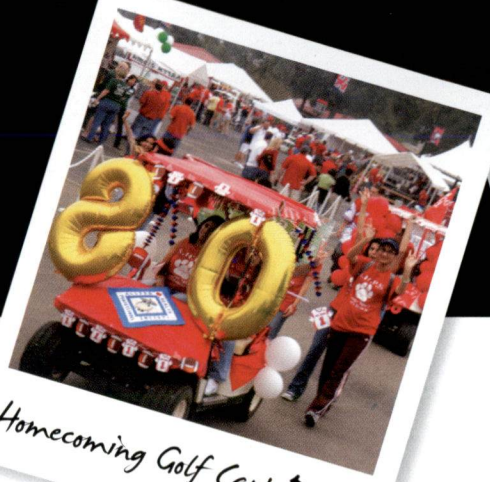
Cathy Coers Frank ('80) with Shasta



Spirit Bell winners – Childcare Center



Homecoming Tailgate

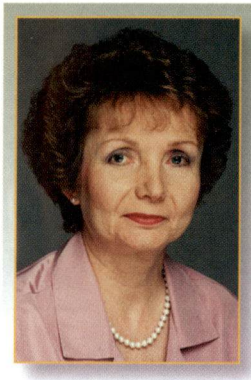


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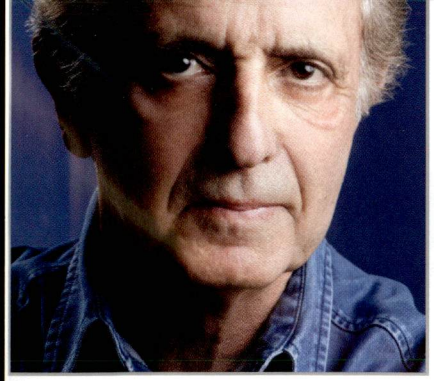
BEAUTY BOWL REUNION:

CALLING ALL PLAYERS, COACHES AND FANS

The name "Beauty Bowl" may sound a bit like a beauty pageant, but anyone living in the UH residence halls from the late '60s to '80s knows it was a hard-fought flag football game featuring female residents. The early Beauty Bowls were between the residents of Bates and Law Halls, originally all-female dorms. When the Moody Towers opened in the fall of 1970, the Beauty Bowl became a battle for bragging rights between the Quad Squad and the Towers.



To commemorate the players, coaches, and fans, a Beauty Bowl reunion is being planned for Homecoming 2008. If you played, coached, or cheered on a team and are interested in participating, please contact Barbara Parrott McGinity ('74, M.S.W. '00) at mbmcginity@comcast.net or 713.460.1657.



many other productions, will begin teaching at the UH School of Theatre & Dance in spring 2008.

"I love teaching. I could have quit long ago from a financial perspective, but continue to teach because I receive as much as I give," Medoff said. "As a younger man, I had to pretend I knew more than I do. Now, I know how little I know, but know the little I know is worth passing on."

During his first semester at UH, Medoff will work with two classes: "Playwriting" and "Producing New Plays." He will hold the title of distinguished lecturer.

UH RECEIVES $2.4M GRANT TO SUPPORT ITS TEACHHOUSTON PROGRAM

The University of Houston has received a grant of up to $2.4 million to improve teacher education in math and science following a competition that included submissions from more than 50 universities nationwide.

The grant is one of only 12 to be awarded by the National Math and Science Initiative (NMSI) to implement programs modeled after UTeach, a highly successful math and science teacher preparation program at The University of Texas at Austin. The University of Houston's program is called *teach*HOUSTON.

The grant was announced by U.S. Secretary of Education Margaret Spellings. "Texas has long been a pioneer for research-based, data-driven education. I'm pleased that programs like UTeach and *teach*HOUSTON are continuing this tradition and expanding a successful model dedicated to improving secondary school instruction in math and science," Spellings said. "By training highly qualified high school math and science teachers, programs like these will help prepare our nation's students for success in college and beyond."

NO DEBATE ABOUT IT: UH FORENSIC SOCIETY HAS REASON TO CELEBRATE

With a commitment to serving the community in all aspects of speech and debate through volunteering, hosting, judging and competing, the UH Forensic Society is accustomed to giving back. The organization put a new twist on that concept Nov. 2 when it honored some of the outstanding members of its past during the fifth annual reunion of the UH Forensic Society. A host of dignitaries, including State Rep. Sylvester Turner and U.S. Congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee, were invited to attend the event, whose theme was "A Celebration of the Women of the UH Forensic Society."

As the University of Houston observes its 80th anniversary, it has another reason to celebrate. The UH System (UHS) just completed its most successful fund-raising year since 2000, bringing in more than $53.5 million in private contributions, a 26 percent increase over the previous year.

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The fiscal year 2007 total was the result of 24,700 separate donations, the largest of which was $3 million from UHS Regent Michael J. Cemo and his wife, Rebecca, to help construct Michael J. Cemo Hall to provide additional classroom space for the Bauer College of Business.

The University of Houston also exceeded its fund-raising goal by more than $10 million, bringing in more than $48 million.

About $6 million of the private funds raised is for new scholarships. Of the $53.5 million total, $15 million will support academic programs, and $10 million will provide support for community service programs. Donors invested $9 million in UH System facilities this year.

ON 25TH ANNIVERSARY, NOTED UH PIANO FEST CELEBRATED THROUGHOUT CITY



For 25 years, the University of Houston's Moores School of Music has been the home to one of the world's foremost festivals celebrating the piano.

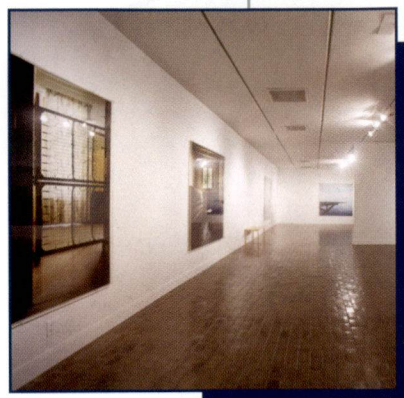
The International Piano Festival has brought to Houston countless musicians who have performed and conducted master classes at UH. This year's 25th anniversary celebration was marked by Houston Mayor Bill White's proclaiming Nov. 8-11 "International Piano Festival Days."

Abbey Simon, UH's Hugh Roy and Lillie Cranz Cullen Distinguished Professor of Music, founded the festival in 1984. He also is one of the most recorded classical artists of all time and has served as a UH faculty member since 1977.

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UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT
WINTER SCHEDULE OF EVENTS



BLAFFER GALLERY, THE ART MUSEUM OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON

Blaffer Gallery is a resource for the campus and the community, encouraging creativity and independent thought through art exhibitions and programs. Recent exhibitions have featured such renowned contemporary artists as Fred Wilson, Daniela Rossell, Chuck Close, and James Surls. Admission is always free to the museum, which is open Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and closed on Sundays, Mondays, and UH holidays.

January 19–March 29, 2008, Chantal Akerman: Moving Through Time and Space

Includes five major works: *D'Est (From the East)*, 1993; *Sud (South)*, 1999; *De l'autre côté (From the Other Side)*, 2002; *Là-Bas (Down There)*, 2006; and features a new project filmed in Siberia commissioned especially for the exhibition. Akerman is widely regarded as one of the most important woman directors in film history, but her work in the crossover genre of film and visual art has never been fully explored.



MOORES SCHOOL OF MUSIC

The Rebecca and John J. Moores School of Music comprises a remarkable faculty of internationally recognized performers, composers, and scholars; an outstanding student body; a state-of-the-art facility; and comprehensive programs – all making the Moores School of Music a natural choice for more than 600 students annually. The School's commitment to academic excellence and the highest performance standards has ensured its role as a vital resource in the educational and cultural life of Houston.

January 24, 26–27, 7:30 p.m., The Turn of the Screw

Edythe Bates Old Moores Opera Center, $15/10 Reserved
Sung in original English with surtitles. An unnamed evil lurks in an English manor house. Based on the classic novel by Henry James, this taut, psychological thriller will have you on the edge of your seat.

SCHOOL OF THEATRE AND DANCE

The School of Theatre and Dance is the second-largest theatre group for non-musical theatre in Houston. During the school year, the school produces four plays and a dance concert. Excellent production facilities provide the perfect showcase for a talented group of faculty and students.



February 15, 16, 22-24, 2008, The Good Woman of Setzuan, by Bertolt Brecht, directed by Kim Weild

Bertolt Brecht's classic tale of three gods who come to earth in search of one good woman. They find her in Shen Te, a prostitute. The gods bestow their beneficence on her, leading to her downfall. In the constant conflict between morality and economics Brech suggests, "It is for you to find a way, my friends/ To help good men arrive at happy ends./ You write the happy ending to this play."

Blaffer Gallery: 713.743.9530, www.hfac.uh.edu/blaffer
Moores School of Music: 713.743.3313, www.music.uh.edu • School of Theatre and Dance: 713.743.2929, www.class.uh.edu

Houston community by UH System Board of Regents Chairman Welcome Wilson Sr. ('49) on Nov. 5, during her confirmation ceremony held at the Hilton University of Houston Hotel. She becomes the third individual to hold the dual role of UHS chancellor and UH president.

"We have found an incredible person to lead this university and this system into the 21st century. She is a distinguished scholar, an author, a much honored educator and a proven executive who brings a wealth of experience in moving a great university onto the national stage," Wilson said. "Dr. Khator's keen intellect, strategic vision, political savvy and well- developed interpersonal skills–combined with her passion for higher education– impressed both the search committee and the board of regents," he continued.

Welcome to UH

During her address following her confirmation, Khator stressed that her plans for the future require teamwork, a strong commitment to students and a desire to position the University of Houston among the premier research institutions in the nation.

"In today's global society, college education is not a luxury, it's a necessity. We must provide access to students, and we must ensure the highest level of creativity and innovation. We



rally for their new leader at the University Center where hundreds of students, including UH cheerleaders and the "Spirit of Houston" Cougar marching band, gathered to drum up Khator's first glimpse of the Cougar spirit in action.

"The day of my confirmation was absolutely fabulous. They say that everything is big in Texas, but everything was really beyond my dreams and expectations," Khator said. "I had the opportunity to meet several people on campus and the students just stole my heart. I was blown away by all of the support and how everyone kept saying that they are very willing partners in taking the University of Houston to the next level."

"An Educational Superstar"

A native of Uttar Pradesh, India, Khator received a bachelor's degree from Kanpur University and came to the United States in 1974 after marrying her husband, Suresh Khator, who was a graduate student at Purdue University. Hardly knowing any English, Khator embraced the American way of life and learned the language by watching late-night television sitcoms. Working diligently toward their academic studies, she and Suresh went on to earn graduate degrees from Purdue before moving back to India. Shortly thereafter, Suresh accepted a teaching position at the University of South Florida, and Khator followed her husband back to the United States, eventually joining USF as a visiting associate professor.

Before being named UH president and UH System chancellor, Khator built an impressive 22-year career at the University of South Florida, a comprehensive, doctoral-extensive, research university with four campuses–including a medical school–in Tampa, St. Petersburg, Sarasota-Manatee and Lakeland. USF ranks as the nation's ninth-largest university, and last year, reported an enrollment of 44,000 students and a budget of $1.6 billion.

At USF, the 52-year-old Khator quickly climbed the administrative ranks serving as Khator's four years as provost, South Florida's sponsored research grew by 22 percent, from $255 million to $310 million.

"The Perfect Fit"

In recent years, Khator had turned down opportunities to lead other universities, but she said that the University of Houston was the "perfect fit" because it shared many of the similarities and challenges that are present at USF and at other metropolitan universities across the nation. With hopes of boosting financial support for UH, Khator has already made her way to Austin to meet with government officials. She also has plans to reach out to Houston community and increase alumni involvement.

"Houston is a great place, and I want alumni to feel connected and be a part of what happens here at the University of Houston. Houston is an international city; it's a vibrant city–it's the energy capitol of the world–and I believe that it's a city that deserves a top-tier public research university," Khator said. "My heart is in a metropolitan

and several published articles regarding global public administration, environmental issues and South Asian politics.

Khator's husband, Suresh, is a professor of Industrial and Management Systems Engineering and director of computing for the College of Engineering at USF. The couple has two daughters, Pooja and Parul, both of whom are ophthalmologists.

Letter from the Editor

The holidays are often anticipated and cherished because they bring joy, peace, love, family gatherings and new beginnings. It's that special time of year where happiness and harmony fill our hearts. The holiday season is also about people and the opportunity that we all have, throughout the year, to make a difference in someone's life. This winter issue of *Houston Alumline* celebrates that holiday spirit by exploring the valuable contributions and significant impact of several dedicated Cougars.

Our cover story highlights newly-appointed UH System chancellor and University of Houston president, Dr. Renu Khator - a proven academic executive who personifies "dreaming big." The university's new leader came to the United States at a young age, maximized her opportunities for education, worked diligently to enhance thousands of young lives, and is now charged with leading UH's quest toward national prominence.

Also featured is Lex Frieden, a Cougar alumnus who overcame tragedy and has empowered others, as well as himself, by serving as a pioneer and one of the nation's leading advocates for the rights of disabled citizens. Then there is Rafael Alvarez, a 1996 UH graduate who had grown tired of witnessing youth from impoverished areas succumb to the pressures of adolescence due to their lack of exposure to career opportunities. Alvarez decided to sacrifice his own corporate job, and utilize his entrepreneurial spirit to start a company that promotes education and creates flourishing careers for hundreds of local youth.

On behalf of the Houston Alumni Organization, I salute the efforts of these individuals and thank each of you for all that you do to showcase your Cougar spirit and impact the lives of others. May you all enjoy a wonderful holiday season and a memorable new year!

Trevor Mitchell
Editor, *Houston Alumline*

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A Dynamic New Leader for UH

BY TREVOR N. MITCHELL

Along with a new year, January 2008 will also bring an exciting new leader to the University of Houston as Dr. Renu Khator begins her tenure as the University of Houston System chancellor and University of Houston president.

Khator succeeds Jay Gogue, who became

must ensure that we are engines of growth," Khator said. "I'm well aware that the University of Houston is already a great university, but I also know that we are ready to go to even greater heights."

While on campus for her confirmation, Khator took the time to meet with several UH groups including administrators, faculty

director of the university's Environmental Science and Policy Program and dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, before being appointed provost in 2003. As the university's second-highest ranking official, Khator recruited top faculty members, helped diversify the student body and played an instrumental role in securing millions of private fundraising

university, so for many reasons, the University of Houston is exactly what I was looking for. I look forward to being a part of this wonderful institution and exciting city and state."

Khator is the first Indian UH president and the second female to take the office. Marguerite Ross Barnett, the first female

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DECEMBER
28 Cougar Women's Basketball: UH vs. Duke, Hofheinz Pavilion, 7:00 p.m.
27 Cougar Texas Bowl Pep Rally/Meet & Greet, Hyatt Regency, 1200 Louisiana, 5:00 p.m.
28 Cougar Spirit Zone Texas Bowl Tailgate, Reliant Stadium-Blue parking lot, 3:00 p.m.
28 Texas Bowl, Technology Alumni Tailgate, Reliant Stadium-Blue parking lot, 2:00 p.m.
28 Texas Bowl, TexFest, Reliant Stadium, 3:00 p.m.
28 Brenham Area Club Texas Bowl Membership Party, Brenham, 6:00 p.m.
28 Austin Area Texas Bowl Watch Party, Third Base, Austin, 7:00 p.m.
28 Texas Bowl, UH vs. TCU, Reliant Stadium, 7:00 p.m.
29 Cougar Men's Basketball: UH vs. Arkansas-Pine Bluff, Hofheinz Pavilion, 7:00 p.m.

JANUARY
2 Cougar Women's Basketball: UH vs. Lamar, Hofheinz Pavilion, 7:00 p.m.
4 Cougar Women's Basketball: UH vs. UTEP, Hofheinz Pavilion, 7:00 p.m.
6 Cougar Women's Basketball: UH vs. Tulane, Hofheinz Pavilion, 2:00 p.m.
12 Cougar Men's Basketball: UH vs. Arizona, Hofheinz Pavilion, 7:00 p.m.
13 Cougar Women's Basketball: UH vs. Rice, Hofheinz Pavilion, 2:00 p.m.
17 Bauer Alumni Networking Breakfast, The Briar Club, 2603 Timmons at Westheimer, 7:00 a.m.
19 Cougar Men's Basketball: UH vs. UTEP, Hofheinz Pavilion, 7:00 p.m.
20 Cougar Women's Basketball: UH vs. Southern Miss, Hofheinz Pavilion, 2:00 p.m.
26 Cougar Men's Basketball: UH vs. Marshall, Hofheinz Pavilion, 7:00 p.m.
30 Cougar Men's Basketball: UH vs. Memphis, Hofheinz Pavilion, 7:00 p.m.

FEBRUARY
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CAMPUSNEWS

BAUER ENTREPRENEURSHIP, EVENING MBA PROGRAMS EARN TOP RANKINGS

The C. T. Bauer College of Business celebrated another milestone this year as The Princeton Review ranked its entrepreneurship program No. 2 among the nation's undergraduate business schools in Entrepreneur magazine.

This marks the first time that the University of Houston has been included on the list of the Top 25 Undergraduate Schools for Entrepreneurs.

In the past, Bauer's entrepreneurship program has been recognized regionally. This honor is its first national ranking, which is indicative of the tremendous growth and breadth of the program that educates business students as well as those from other disciplines through its global business minor.

BAUER
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The Princeton Review determined the rankings by evaluating key criteria in the areas of academics and requirements, students and faculty, and outside-the-classroom support and experiences from the 370 undergraduate programs that were surveyed.

Mayor Bill White and the city of Houston honored the college during an official recognition at the Oct. 23 Houston City Council meeting.

In addition, BusinessWeek has recognized Bauer's evening MBA program as one of the best in the nation by including it in the 2007 list of the 30 Best Part-Time MBA Programs.

This survey marks the first time that BusinessWeek has ranked part-time MBA programs. Bauer College's program is the only Houston program on the list and is No. 27 in the United States and No. 4 in the Southwest region. Only 30 private and public business schools made the list which was culled from 340 programs across the country. Bauer was one of four Texas programs recognized.

TONY AWARD WINNER MARK MEDOFF JOINING UH SCHOOL OF THEATRE & DANCE



He's a Tony Award-winning playwright, an Oscar-nominated screenwriter and, sometimes, he's even an actor. Now, Mark Medoff is adding another credit to his impressive resumé –

THE HORMONE OF DARKNESS: MELATONIN COULD HURT MEMORY FORMATION AT NIGHT

What do you do when a naturally occurring hormone in your body turns against you? What do you do when that same hormone – melatonin – is a popular supplement you take to help you sleep? A University of Houston professor and his team of researchers may have some answers.



Gregg W. Roman, assistant professor in the department of biology and biochemistry, describes his team's findings in a paper titled "Melatonin Suppresses Nighttime Memory Formation in Zebrafish," appearing Nov. 16 in Science, the world's leading journal of original scientific research, global news and commentary.

Frequently called "the hormone of darkness," melatonin is a hormone the body produces that may regulate patterns of sleeping and awakening in humans. In almost all organisms tested, this antioxidant's natural levels are high during the night and low during the day. In addition to what the body produces naturally, many people also take melatonin supplements to fight jet lag, balance out seasonal affect disorder and regulate nighttime dementia.

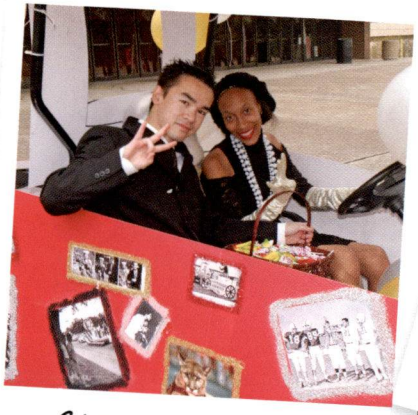
Roman says, however, that melatonin could actually be hurting you at night, finding in a study with zebrafish (Danio rerio) that melatonin directly inhibits memory formation.

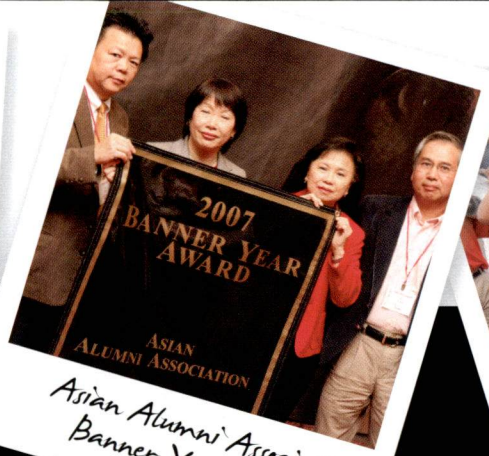
"This work is about the mechanism by which the biological clock controls the formation of new memories," Roman said. "We were interested in the circadian control – the day-night cycle control – of learning and memory formation. We found zebrafish are capable of learning very well during their active phase during the day, but learn very poorly at night during their sleep or quiet phase."

ALONG WITH ITS 80TH BIRTHDAY, UH

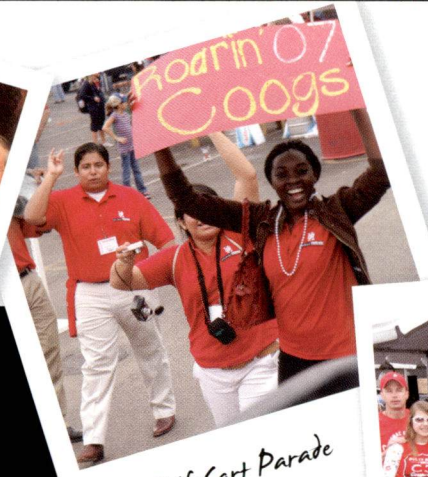


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Engineering Alumni


SAC Golf Cart Parade



Asian Alumni Association
Banner Year Award



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Banner Year Award

HOMECOMING SPIRIT CHALLENGE WINNERS ANNOUNCED

The Houston Alumni Organization and Academy were pleased to host the first ever Homecoming Tailgate Spirit Challenge on Nov. 17. Thanks to all the groups who participated!

GRAND CHAMPION TAILGATE AWARD
Fort Bend Area Club/Technology Alumni Association

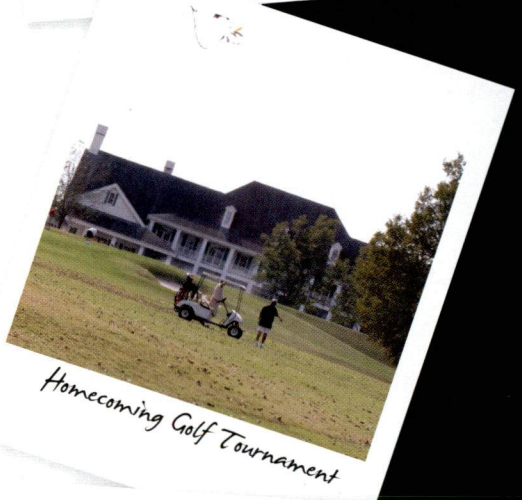
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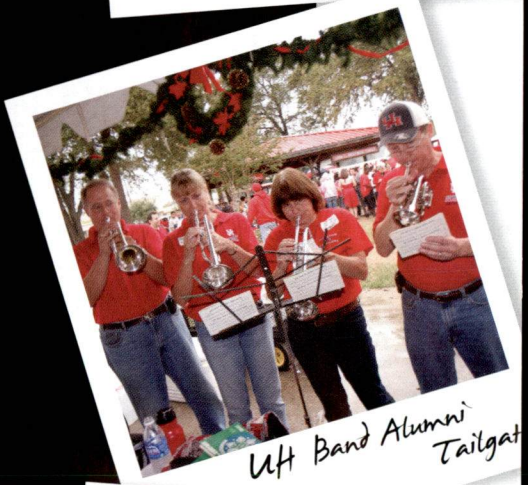
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Engineering Alumni Association

These three categories received $250 towards their scholarship programs.


Homecoming Golf Tournament


UH Band Alumni Tailgat

2007 BANNER YEAR AWARD RECIPIENTS



WHITE BANNER WINNERS
Fort Bend Area Club
Technology Alumni Association

RED BANNER WINNERS
Bauer Alumni Association
Brenham Area Club
School of Communication Alumni Association
Engineering Alumni Association

GOLD BANNER WINNERS
Asian Alumni Association
Education Alumni Association
Graduate College of Social Work Alumni Association
Hilton Alumni Association
UH Cougar Bands Alumni Association





Cougars Set to Clash with TCU in 2007 Texas Bowl

BY TREVOR N. MITCHELL

For the third consecutive year and the fourth time in the last five seasons, the University of Houston Cougars are "bowl bound." The Cougars will clash with the TCU Horned Frogs only a few miles from the UH campus as participants in the 2007 Texas Bowl. The game will be played at Reliant Stadium on Friday, December 28 at 7 p.m., and the contest will be televised nationally on the NFL Network.

The Cougars posted an 8-4 record this season and finished tied with Tulsa for first place in Conference USA's West division with a 6-2 conference record.

The Texas Bowl is in its second year of existence after the NCAA awarded the bowl to the city of Houston on June 28, 2006. Rutgers defeated Kansas State, 37-10, in the inaugural Texas Bowl on December 28, 2006. That first-ever game drew 52,210 fans, which made it the largest crowd in 35 years to see a college bowl game that didn't involve a Texas team.

"We are so pleased to have the Cougars in the Texas Bowl this season, and we look forward to hosting them and their fans at Reliant Stadium," said Texas Bowl director David Brady. "With over 45,000 tickets already sold, this is a great chance for a lot of Houston football fans to see an exciting hometown team. It is also a great chance for Cougar fans and alumni to experience their team in a great bowl game without having to leave Houston."

The bowl matchup between UH and TCU will be the 25th meeting in the history of the two schools. Despite losing the last seven in the series, the Cougars still own a 13-11 advantage in the head-to-head meetings. The two teams last faced one another in 2004 when TCU was still a member of Conference USA.

"We are extremely excited about being selected for the Texas Bowl," said UH athletics director Dave Maggard. "This will give our fans the chance to stay in Houston and watch us play in a very good bowl game. We expect a good crowd."

Overall, the University of Houston is 7-9-1 in bowl games. The Cougars' first bowl appearance was a 26-21 win over Dayton in the 1952 Salad Bowl in Phoenix, Ariz. Last season, UH fell 44-36 to South Carolina in a thrilling AutoZone Liberty Bowl in Memphis, Tenn.

"I think our expectations are that we go to a bowl every year," said Maggard. "(Accepting a bid to the Texas Bowl) is keeping in line with that line of thinking and is very positive for our program."

Tickets are on sale now! To receive a $5 discount per ticket, be sure to buy your ticket from the UH Athletics Ticket Office. Visit www.UHCougars.com or call 713-GO-COOGS.



Cougar Pep Rally/Meet & Greet

Thursday, December 27
5:00 - 7:00 pm
Hyatt Regency, 1200 Louisiana
(Downtown Houston)

Cougar Spirit Zone: Tailgate Party

Friday, December 28
2:00 - 6:00 pm
Reliant Stadium - Blue Lot

INDEPENDENCE DAY

Lex Frieden Turns Tragedy into Triumph

BY TREVOR N. MITCHELL

The Accident

The year was 1967, and Lex Frieden (M.A. '79), a young Oklahoma teenager and valedictorian of his high school class, had just enrolled at Oklahoma State University on a president's scholarship when a routine joy ride with a few college friends suddenly changed his life forever. A tragic head-on collision with another vehicle crushed the Chevrolet Camaro that the students were riding in, and while most managed to frantically climb out of the wreckage, one passenger was left pinned inside – Lex Frieden.

Emergency officials responding to the accident arrived immediately, and Frieden was carefully extracted from the mangled car. However, what was not evident at the time was that freeing Frieden would soon uncover a harsh reality of the impact of the collision.

Houston-based comprehensive medical rehabilitation center which provides clinical, educational, and research programs pertaining to spinal cord and brain injuries and other disabling conditions. After nearly a year of rehabilitation, Frieden had a deep desire to continue his college education and identified a university in Oklahoma with a modernized campus that would be easy to navigate in a wheelchair. Viewing his acceptance as a mere formality, Frieden was anticipating a return to his home state until he received a letter denying him admission to the university. Frieden was devastated and after several moments of reflection, he made a vow to never have to endure that particular feeling again. For Lex Frieden, this was the day that he knew that he would have to re-establish his independence.

"The only reason that I was turned down was because of my disability, and they told me

University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston, where he also serves as professor of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation. In addition, Frieden is still employed as an adjunct professor at BCM; he serves as Senior Vice President at Memorial Hermann's TIRR Hospital; and he is the founder and director of TIRR's Independent Living Research Utilization Program (ILRU).

"My research demonstrates the efficacy of independent living," Frieden said. "Right now, at the University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston, I have a great opportunity to start an adaptive technology laboratory located in the School of Health Information

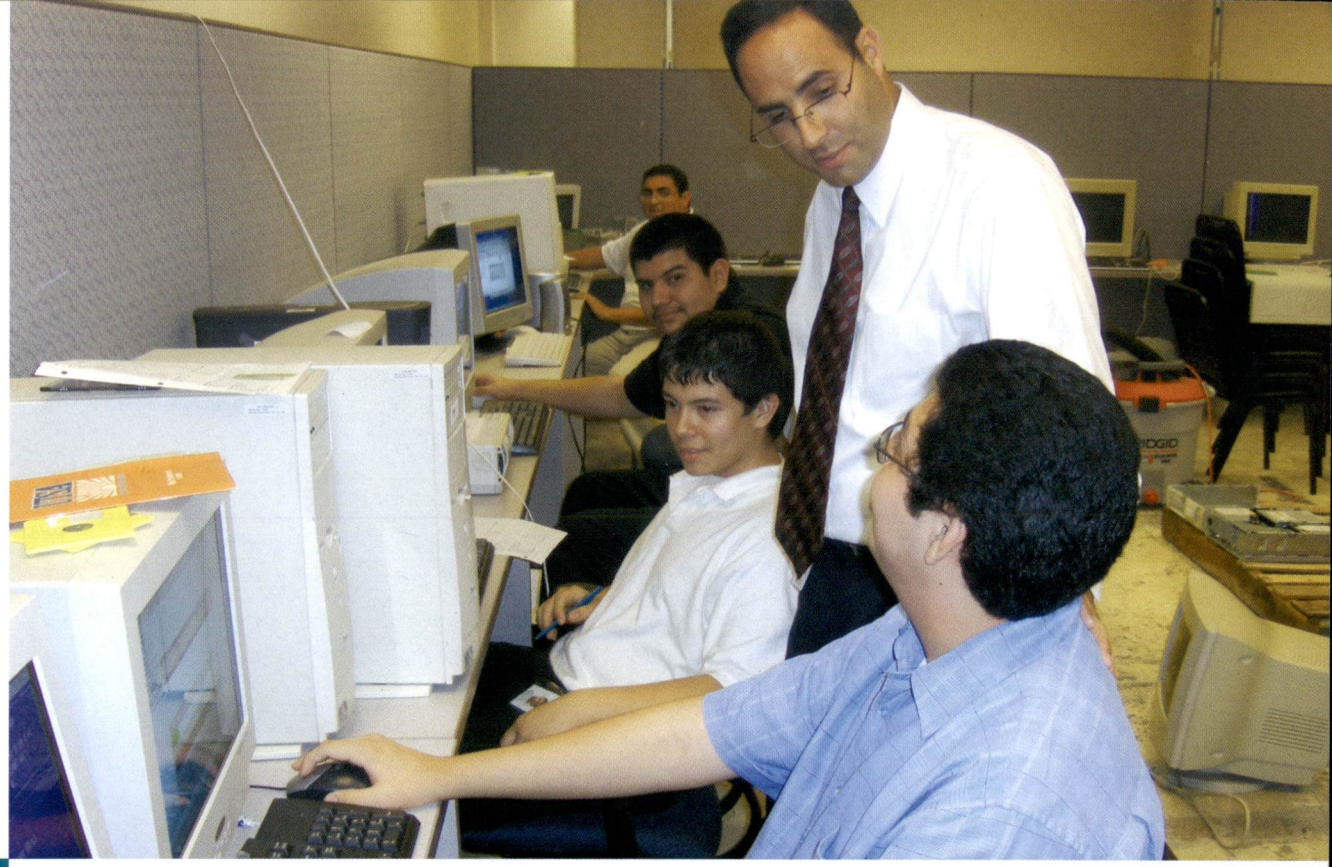
my profession was influenced by my studies at UH. The graduate program in psychology had the kind of behavioral emphasis which I found to be perfectly appropriate for the work that I've done in my career," Frieden said. "The knowledge and social confidence that I gained at UH, as well as the network of friends that I've met and maintained, have been very important to me."

In his spare time, Frieden enjoys the sym-



BEST OF BOTH WORLDS

UH ALUMNUS RAFAEL ALVAREZ IMPACTS HOUSTON YOUTH



BY TREVOR N. MITCHELL





Like many Americans, Rafael Alvarez (M.S. '96) has an affinity for making a difference in the lives of today's youth. Having enjoyed a successful corporate career with Compaq Computer Corporation (now Hewlett-Packard) for 11 years, Alvarez, a native of Mexico City, knows firsthand how providing young people with the right opportunities can

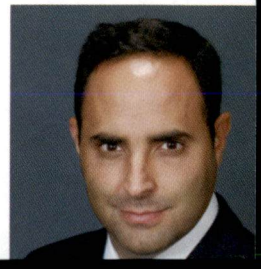
providing them with the knowledge, work experience and certifications required to succeed as technical professionals.

"Genesys Works is linked to the business world, but it also has a social mission to have a long term impact on young professionals," said Alvarez, who serves as founder and president of the company. "It's really a dream job for me because this company offers the best of

Paso Corp., Reliant Energy, Continental Airlines, Kinder Morgan, Boeing, and JPMorgan Chase.

Over the years, Alvarez has even expanded the programs at Genesys Works to include training in engineering drafting and accounting. He is also planning a national expansion for the company in 2008.

card," said Alvarez. "By the end of the program, they realize that the American dream is possible if they work for it. They leave much more mature and with the knowledge that they can succeed as a profes-



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HOMECOMING

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1 Asian Alumni Association
2007-2008 board members gathered at their Annual Dinner. Pictured are (front) William Mok ('94), Gary Chen (M.S. '03), Anthony Tsang ('78), Billy King and David Duc Nguyen. Back row: Kin Chan ('76), Lam Le, Tonja Jones (M.S. '00), Yuen-Yee Ma (M.B.A. '77), Viola Yim ('78), Lily Truong, John Truong ('83), Anna Choi ('94), Tina Vo ('06) and Jane Nguyen Vuong ('96, J.D. '99).



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2 Atlanta Area Club
joined with SMU alumni to cheer the Coogs on to victory on November 4. Pictured (seated) are Joe DeLeon ('71), Rebecca DeLeon ('73), Gary Haught, Ina Haught, Lee Jarboe ('97), Mark Jarboe and Calvin Pollard, II ('98). Standing are Keith Layton ('81), Charlie Sicola ('65) and Phil Yabrow ('84).


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3 UH Band Alumni Association
honored four former national champion twirlers from the late 1970s during half-time of the September 22 Cougar football game. Pictured are Sheri Carter ('82, M.Ed. '83), Brian Champagne, Marsha Whitley Howard and Kitten Muckleroy Page ('83, M.F.A. '97).


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4 Bauer College of Business Alumni Association
members gathered at the Bauer College for their annual meeting, and more than 160 alumni were in attendance. Pictured are Bauer Alumni immediate past president Trey Wilkinson ('92, M.B.A. '02) and board members Oscar Gutierrez ('79, M.B.A. '94) and Lance Livingston ('66).


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6 Graduate College of Social Work Alumni Association
was awarded a "Gold" Banner Year Award at the Homecoming And All That Jazz Brunch in November.


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7 Hilton College Alumni Association
held its Hospitality on Parade Awards Gala on November 2 at the Hilton Americas. Pictured are Dean John Bowen, Dorothy Nicholson ('77) and Nick Massad ('73).


8

8 School of Communication Alumni Association
members donated a table full of canned goods for Star of Hope and are pictured at their Homecoming tailgate party. Pictured are Lisa Burns ('98), Brian Goldberg ('92), Cheyenna Brehm ('97), Kim Maraldo ('03) and Saki Indakwa ('91).

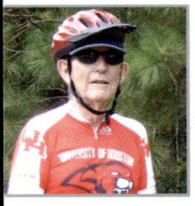


9 Student Alumni Connection
members showed their Cougar spirit during the Homecoming Golf Cart Parade and won first place! Pictured are Meryl Kizzee and Nghiem Huynh in the golf cart, and Roxi Afshar walking next to the cart.

CLASSNOTES

1950s

Sam Houston IV ('56) took part in the ceremony commemorating the history of Val Verde County and Dead Man's Pass. While there, a Comstock seventh-grader surprised Mr. Houston with a genealogy showing that the two of them are both descendants of Sam Houston.



◀ Thomas K. Stewart ('53, M.B.A. '59) wore his Cougar biking jersey on a 28-mile course in Lufkin at the Pineywoods Purgatory bike ride on Oct. 6. Tom is 77 years young and passed people half his age!

1960s

Robert J. Dunlap ('62) has retired to the Texas Hill Country.

Dan Morse ('60) was elected president of the American Contract Bridge League in July 2007. During the same month, he and his team won the U.S. Senior Bridge Championship in Bethesda, MD.

Mike Weingart ('63), president of Carson Wagonlit Travel's Galleria-area location, received the company's Award of Excellence for the fifth consecutive year. He was also named the 2007 Ultimate Travel Agent by the Houston Chronicle.

Bill Worrell ('69), Rockets' television announcer, served as honorary co-captain for the October 13, University of Houston football game against Rice.

1970s

Stage in Dallas, TX, on October 6, 2007. He is a fan of musical theatre and previously performed in The Will Rogers Follies and The Civil War for Dallas Summer Musicals.

Steve Griffith ('75), Sugar Land Police Chief, was named to the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education by Governor Rick Perry.

James "Keith" Grimwood ('75) and Ezra Idlet are Trout Fishing in America, a folk-rock duo. In the 1980s, the group pioneered releasing self-produced material.

Russ Gundrum ('72) received a U.S. Patent on September 4, 2007 for AT&T on a DSL INT Network to improve the reliability, protection and extend the transmission reach for video and data transmissions.

Greg King (J.D. '85) retired as president of Valero Energy Corp. in December 2007.

Harry Frank Koester ('72) was appointed to the Board of Regents for Brazosport College in Lake Jackson, TX.

Mark Langdale (J.D. '77) is the president of the George W. Bush Presidential Library Foundation.

Ann Candler Lotven (M.Ed. '76, Ed.D. '76) was named Delta State University provost and vice president of academic affairs.

Dorothy McLeod MacInerney ('75, M.Ed. '82) has authored *Blue Bell Ice Cream: A Century at the Little Creamery In Brenham, Texas, 1907-2007* (Texas A&M University Press), which commemorates the 100th anniversary of Blue Bell.

ing An Indian in Cowboy Country: Stories from an Immigrant's Life (iUniverse, Inc.).

Kimberly Bors ('85, M.B.A. '89) was interviewed in the Chicago Tribune for her successes as the human resources and corporate communications vice president for Idex Corp.

Daniel J. Churay (J.D. '89) was elected to the Rex Energy Board of Directors on October 17, 2007.



◀ Nanette "Nan" Duhon ('82), senior director of development at the Methodist Hospital Foundation, has been named Outstanding Fundraising Professional by the Greater Houston Chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals. She received the award at the 23rd annual National Philanthropy Day Awards Luncheon on November 15, 2007.

Robert M. Easton, Jr. (O.D. '82) was appointed to the Dean's Executive Committee at the University of Central Florida's College of Sciences, where he received the 2006 Professional Achievement Award. He recently completed his term as president of the Association of Regulatory Board of Optometry (ARBO) Board.

Kent Edwards (M.B.A. '84) has been appointed human resources director for Fort Bend County. He has lived in southwest Houston for most of his life and has 25 years of experience working in the private sector.

Oney Fitzpatrick (Ph.D. '89) has been

Lynn Lovat ('80, J.D. '88) has joined Sterling Bank as senior vice president and associate general counsel.

Emily ('87) and Oscar Martinez ('87) celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary in August 2007.

Rick ('84) and Melissa Noriega ('77, M.Ed. '83) were featured in the Dallas Morning News for their marriage and their political careers.

Vijay Pallod ('86) received the Indo-American Chamber of Commerce of Greater Houston's Community Service Award. He was lauded as a role model for the youth of the Indo-American community.

James L. Persky (M.S. '83) was promoted to chair of Superior Offshore International, Inc.

Lori (Korleski) Richardson ('80) celebrated her twentieth year with the Sacramento Bee on September 22, 2007.

John Cleveland Smith ('89, Pharm.D. '03) was profiled in the Valley Morning Star for has work as a pharmacist at the Valley Baptist Medical Center-Harlingen, as well as other professional and personal accomplishments.

Linda Toyota (M.Ed. '86) was named senior vice president for development for Houston Technology Center.

Rex Walheim (M.S. '89) was selected as one of the seven-member crew for the December 2007 international space station mission.

1990s

CLASSNOTES

Valerie Garrett ('91) was named a Green Building Specialist for the City of Portland, OR, Office of Sustainable Development.

Amber E. Ginther ('95, '95) owns Integrity Marketing & Communications, an event planning business.

Greggory "Gregg" Groenemann ('93) was named vice president of marketing and franchise operations for Sonitrol Corporation.

Jon David Hensarling (J.D. '96) has joined Ragsdale Liggett P.L.L.C. as an associate attorney in their litigation department. Prior to joining the firm, he worked in a Washington, D.C., law firm as an associate in a trial section dedicated to litigation involving securities fraud and contract claims.



◀ **Veronica Juarez** ('99) was selected to be a Texas Diabetic Association media representative and has received the Houston Area Diabetic Association Media Award for 2007-2008.

Agnieszka Klich ('90) joined the London offices of Chadbourne & Parke L.L.P. as a partner and member of the project finance practice.

Karen Lawrence ('95, M.A. '00) has joined the editorial team of Morgan Stanley as industry editor in their New York City office.

Jennifer McDaniel ('95) has announced her candidacy for Washougal, WA, city council. She is actively involved in downtown revitalization efforts.

Richard "Rick" Mumey ('98, J.D. '01) has started his own law firm, The Mumey Law Firm, PLLC, in Houston, TX.

Cathy H. (Huynh) Nguyen ('95) and her husband University as an assistant professor and reference librarian.

Christopher L. Evans ('01) and his wife, Suzanne, welcomed the birth of their daughter, Liliana Elizabeth, on October 24, 2007.

James A. Frederick (J.D. '07) joined the labor and employment practice in the Dallas office of Gardere Wynne Sewell L.L.P.

Pedro Funes ('07) joined Park View Intermediate School in Pasadena I.S.D. as orchestra director.

Kevin Hardman (J.D. '01) was named to the Class of 2007 by Stakeholder 100. He is an associate with Andrews Kurth L.L.P.

Andrew Hoggatt ('00) and his wife Marlina welcomed the birth of their first son, Luke Daniel, on November 16, 2007. He will be attending the Texas Bowl to root for the Coogs!

Terry T. Kidd ('01, M.S. '02, M.Ed. '03) edited in collaboration Handbook of Research on Instructional Systems and Technology (IGI Global). Additionally, he is a doctoral candidate at Texas A&M University and is the Director of the Office of Instructional Development & User Support Services at the University of Texas Health Science Center School of Public Health.

Andrew Kozma (Ph.D. '07) won Zone 3 Press's inaugural First Book Award for his collection of poems *City of Regret.*

Elline Lipkin (Ph.D. '03), lecturer on literature and writing at the University of California, Berkeley, married Richard Steven Horowitz on December 8, 2007.



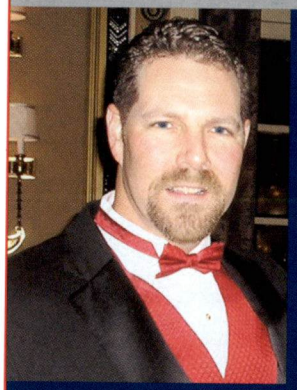
◀ **Renia S. Lusby** ('07) joined the University of Houston Office of Special

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Mike Holley ('90) A Team Player

BY TREVOR N. MITCHELL

Ever since spending his entire Cougar football career blocking for UH Heisman trophy winner Andre Ware ('96), Mike Holley ('90) has demonstrated that he is indeed a true team player. After a stint in junior college, Holley came to the University of Houston in 1988 and played an integral role in helping the Cougar football team earn a national ranking in both of his years at UH.

These days, Holley has a team of his own. In 2000, he started Human Resources and Payroll Solutions (HR&P) with the idea of creating a niche service that would work perfectly for companies with 10-500 employees. As the president and founder of the company, Holley and his staff of 12 aim to provide the highest quality human resource and payroll services to a broad range of clients.

"Each business is unique, just like their owners," said Holley. "At HR&P, we cater to their specific needs and keep them up to speed on the never ending-changes in the field of human resources."

Holley graduated from Klein High School in 1985 and received his bachelor's in Political Science from UH in 1990.

"Being a Cougar alumnus means everything to me," said Holley. "I feel a special bond when I deal with other UH alumni, and I also think that going to school in the middle of a big city left me better prepared for the real world."

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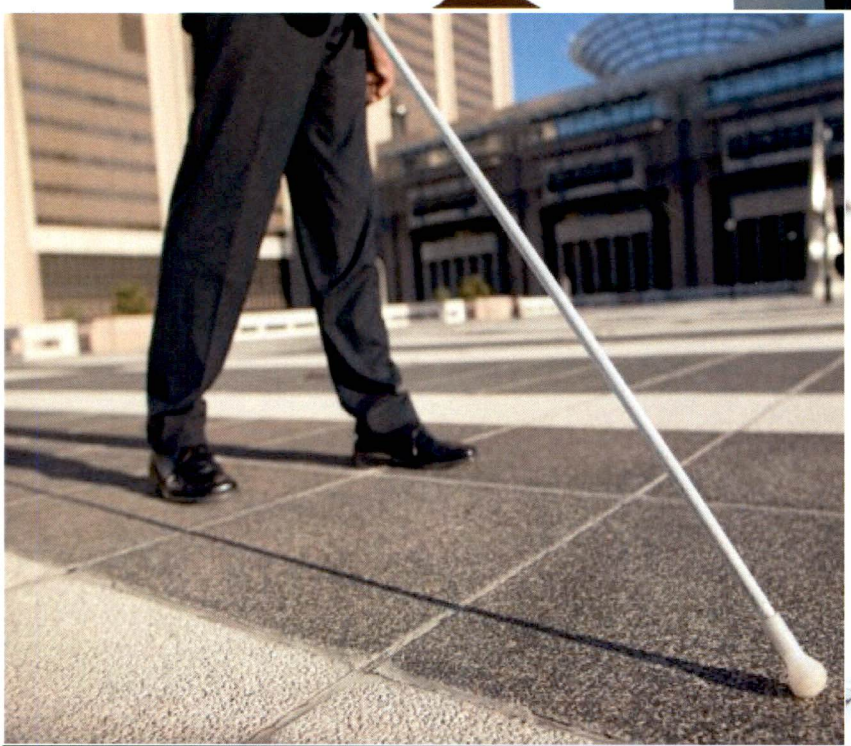
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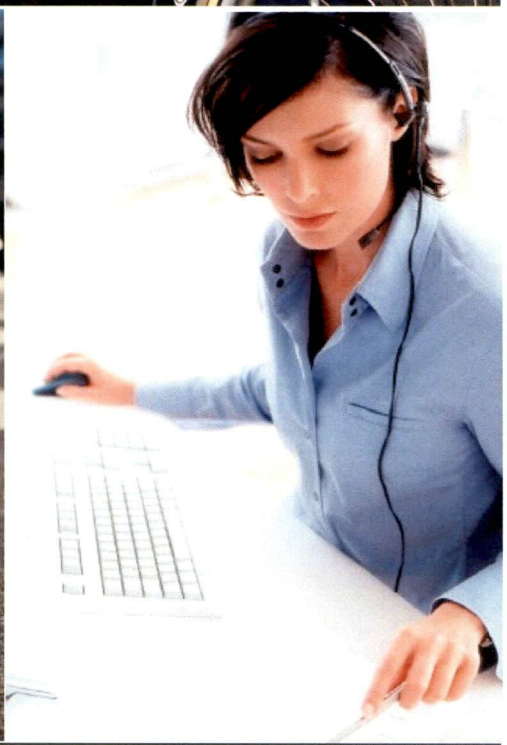
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The Austin Mayor's Committee for People with Disabilities (AMCPD), was established by City Ordinance, which states the AMCPD's purpose is "To encourage, assist and e able persons with disabilities to participate in the social and economic life of the city of Austin, achieve maximum personal independence, become gainfully employed, and use and enjoy fully all public and private facilities available within the community."

The committee operates within the geographic city limits of Austin in cooperation with the Governor's Committee for People with Disabilities.

The Committee's membership is made up of seven local residents appointed by the City Council. Other interested citizens, known as Associate Members, volunteer their unique skills and knowledge and work alongside Committee Members in pursuing AMCPD goals.

Texas Governor's Committee for People with Disabilities

The Governor's Committee on People with Disabilities mission is to further opportunities for persons with disabilities to enjoy full and equal access to lives of independence, productivity, and self-determination. The committee is composed of 12 members appointed by the governor and of nonvoting ex officio members. At least seven of the appointed members must be persons with disabilities.

The Committee serves as a central source of information and education on the abilities, rights, problems, and needs of persons with disabilities, and recommends changes in disability policies and programs in the areas of accessibility, communication, education, emergency preparedness, health, housing, recreation, transportation, veterans and workforce.

The committee also supports a network of committees on people with disabilities; issues awards to promote greater awareness; and promotes compliance with disability related laws.



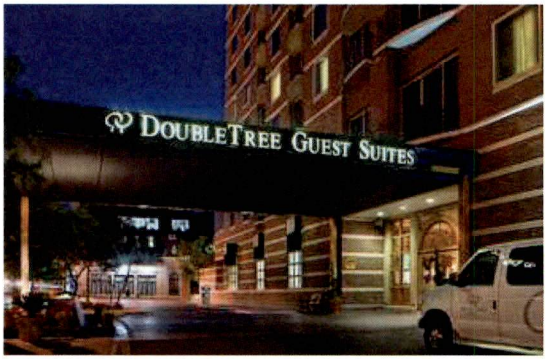


2011 AMCPD Awards Program Agenda

5:30 pm	Doors Open, Registration, Networking Video Loop presentation of winners Music by Terry Shimazu
6:15 pm	Dinner
7:00 pm	Norman Kieke Austin Mayor's Committee for People with Disabilities
7:05 pm	Austin Mayor Lee Leffingwell Welcome from the City of Austin
7:10 pm	Governor Rick Perry (Video Address) Welcome from the State of Texas
7:15 pm	Joe Bontke Texas Governor's Committee on People with Disabilities
7:20 pm	Lex Frieden, Keynote Address Texas Institute on Rehabilitation Research
7:30 pm	Presentation of Awards

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2011 Lex Frieden Employment Award Winners

Walgreens

The Governor's Trophy- Scott Tisdall, Walgreen's (Waxahachie)
Scott Tisdall is often contacted by corporate leaders from all over the U.S. for his advice on hiring and retaining employees with disabilities. He is known for integrating employees with disabilities comfortably into the environment of the workplace. Mr. Tisdall encourages educational tours for business managers, community leaders and local school districts. Sign language interpreters, walkie-talkies with texting capabilities, Ubi-Duos, and other technology are common in the Distribution Center. Mr. Tisdall is also known within the community for his personal efforts and contributions to programs such as day camps, golf tournaments, accessible transportation, etc.

PCSI

Large Employer Award- Professional Contract Services Inc (Killeen)
At PCSI, supervisors undergo extensive training that gives them the necessary tools to ensure their employees are able to perform their jobs to the best of their abilities. PCSI is made up of employees with disabilities from the most entry-level position through the ranks all the way up to administration status. PCSI provides accommodations that range from transportation needs, to cell phones with texting capabilities for communication between employees and supervisors, to necessary time off for specific health needs.

Johnson Controls

Medium Employer Award- Johnson Controls (San Antonio)
Johnson Controls of San Antonio is a heavy metal fabrication shop which employs a large number of employees who are deaf or hard of hearing, and members of the staff in the Human Resources Department have learned American Sign Language to facilitate communications. The presence of employees with hearing impairments has sparked communication awareness among all the employees at Johnson Controls and has encouraged many of them to voluntarily learn ASL in classes offered onsite.

Small Employer Award- Taco Cabana #278 (Austin)

Taco Cabana #278 is dedicated to hiring individuals according to their abilities and strengths. Sign language is used with two employees who are deaf, and positive verbal prompts are used during work assignments for another employee with autism. The manager and staff are all supportive of the role of people with disabilities within their organization, and the three employees with disabilities have shown significant progress in their working skills and social/vocational interactions. The camaraderie and genuine respect among all of the staff from Taco Cabana #278 is an essential part of the work environment.

2011 Non-Profit Employer Award

Laredo Independent School District (Laredo)

Laredo ISD has employees with disabilities in various levels of the school district, including those who work as educators, bookkeepers, office personnel, custodial staff and administrators. All employees have opportunities for advancement to any position in which they are able to perform the essential functions of the job. Laredo ISD's philosophy and policies extend from recruiting the most highly qualified faculty and staff to addressing the needs of our employees in an effort to retain a highly qualified workforce.

Martha Arbuckle Award for a Local Committee

Texas RehabACTion Network (TRAN) of the Coastal Bend (Corpus Christi)

In the three years since its formation, TRAN has used outreach and innovative techniques to inform the population of the Coastal Bend of the existence of a valuable underutilized resource available to the labor market: qualified individuals with disabilities, eager to prove their capability to perform well on the job when offered the opportunity. TRAN's primary efforts were the Annual Coastal Bend Walk 'n Roll Celebration, bringing together local branches of organizations for people with disabilities; and its leading role in organizing the local Employers' Symposium.

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2011 AMCPD Employment Award Winners

Small Employer of the Year Award- P. Terry's Burger Stand William Cannon

P Terry's restaurant is accessible to all people. It is a very inclusive environment providing disability awareness training to employees with the expectation that all team members provide support for a successful work and customer experience. Mr. Terry and his staff welcomed Jacob, a student with an intellectual disability into their business with open arms. The entire staff served as natural supports. Jacob works in the store lobby wiping trays and tables; he keeps the drink station clean and stocked and performs light custodial duties. Mr. Terry made accommodations such as color coding spray bottles in order that correct supplies would be used. Mr. Terry was also accepting of long term job support provided by a private individual. Jacob is a complete team member receiving holiday appreciations and invitations to all company events. Mr. Terry is so pleased with Jacob's performance that he offered to hire more students with disabilities.

Medium Private Employer Award- Walgreens #5160

Walgreens and Mr. Marcelino Garza, a manager, are extremely inclusive of employees and customers with disabilities. Mr.Garza certainly leads by example. He has employed students of AISD's supported employment program for the last four years. Mr. Garza was willing to incorporate any accommodation suggested by the job coaches such as cool down time when anxiety escalated; calm repeated work directions or assigning a specific task. He also ensures that all his staff is well trained. Mr. Garza shared his successful experience in hiring our students with his colleagues. His willingness to share resulted in AISD's supported employment department now having 7 students working at 7 different Walgreens!

Large Employer Award- Target Austin SouthWest Greatland Store

Target's philosophy regarding employing and advancing Texans with disabilities is simple. Every person deserves a chance to make a difference in another's life. When Target employs a person for its team, the company is looking for someone who wants to make this community a better place to live while making the customer shopping experience pleasant and productive. Even though an individual might have a disability, more often times they have a greater ability to promote the company's mission: Being Fast, Fun, and Friendly. Whether it's modifying a team member's work schedule, adapting a specific task, or embracing the aid of a job coach, if the reasonable accommodation can be made available, Target will make it happen. Target team members with disabilities are valued employees making Target an exciting place to work.

Federal Employer Award

Department of Veteran Affairs Financial Services Center

The Human Resources Department and staff in the Financial Services Center at the Department of Veteran Affairs work very hard to hire people with disabilities. They initiate contact with the Department of Assistive and Rehabilitative Services and recruit qualified applicants. They offer a range of positions from entry to professional level. The Department of Veterans Affairs simplified their application process and offer telework and flexible work schedule as accommodations. Their facility is accessible, clutter free, and provides good lighting around employee work stations. Assistive technology and software can be installed for employees who are blind or visually impaired. They have a Section 508 coordinator to monitor any accessibility issue to ensure their website and work setting will be accessible for people with disabilities whether they are applicants, employees or vendors. Orientation and Mobility services are available for employees who have mobility issues. Thus far, three consumers from Division of Blind Services work at the Financial Services Center. Two employees have worked there for more than ten years.



Entrepreneurship Award- Christina Blair

Christina Blair's intention for the Learning Hideout is to provide tutoring and home schooling services that are accessible to children with disabilities including legally blind individuals. Additionally, the program provides resources to teachers and parents. She carefully researched the market and set up her business to provide a store for teacher resources and a space for tutoring. She continues to build on her existing network within the education field. She invests in quality materials and uses resources from small business development, including grants from DARS and DBS. Ms. Blair takes advantage of opportunities such as providing summer camps for students in need of child care. She is capable of making special accommodations such as adapting materials to Braille. Her business is accessible, including parking and having her business on a neighborhood bus line. After just one year, she reports her business is profitable enough to pay her rent and utilities.



Employee of the Year Award- Chris Botello

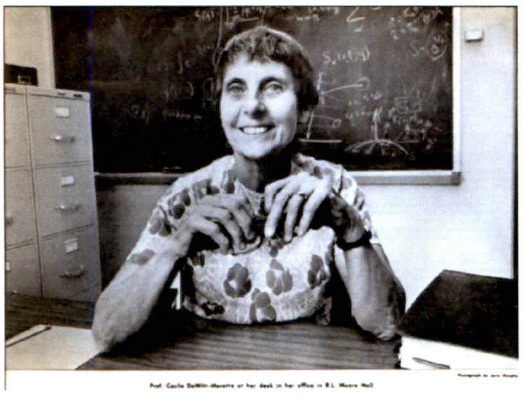
Chris Botello is a Mary Lee Foundation resident, who used to live in a group home and now lives in his own apartment. He is a cashier at Target and has worked there since October 2002. He can walk but, generally uses a wheelchair and rides the bus to and from work each day. He always performs his job with a positive attitude and a smile! He is an inspiration to his coworkers, customers and friends. Although his schedule changes weekly and he usually works weekends and holidays, he never complains. He is an excellent cashier who is speedy and meets all of the required goals. Sometimes he misses activities and fun events due to his job, but Chris recognizes that work comes first before fun. He is a major contributor to the store's service scores; they do better when he is working. People who shop at the Target where Chris works, know him by name because of his charismatic personality.

Distinguished Service Award- Andrew Levack

Andrew Levack and Engender Health work to improve the health and well being of people from the poorest communities all over the world. Mr. Levack continues to strengthen this type partnership with the Austin Travis County Work Based Learning Program by providing financial support for the implementation of the Leadership Institute. This program allows 60 youth with disabilities to participate in the Austin Travis County Summer Youth Employment Program. In addition to financial support, Andrew and Engender Health also hired two youth. These employees train youth in leadership principles, creating action plans, setting leadership goals, seeking inspiration, and choosing a role model. Thanks to Andrew this year's Leadership Institute was a huge success! This program would not have been possible without him.

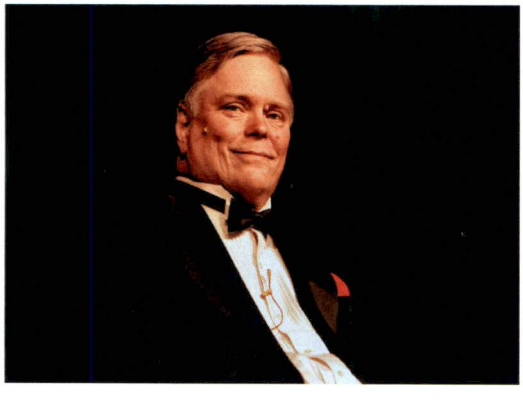
Media Award- I Live Here I Give Here (ILHIGH)

Community Needs Spotlight is a program of I Live Here I Give Here (ILHIGH) in which non-profits and community leaders discuss issues affecting all Austinites and gives the community a chance to see the faces of Austin's non-profits. In June, VSA Texas was chosen to speak on "Creating an Inclusive Community." Danney Ursery, VSA Board Member, spoke about the work VSA Texas does and support provided to people with disabilities. Questions for the spotlight were insightful, covering the mission, the needs and lives affected. ILHIGH is progressive in their choices to promote equality. They let the mission speak for itself through Danney's words. ILIIGH was a conduit for VSA Texas to KUT radio resulting in airing a piece about Body Shift, a disabilities dance class cooperative with Forklift Danceworks. Through these ongoing actions and connections between the philanthropic community, ILHIGH promotes the idea of accessibility to events, and responds to these needs by facilitating topics like Creating an Inclusive Community.



Martha Arbuckle Meritorious Service Award- Cecile DeWitt

Dr. Cecile DeWitt is a tireless advocate for mental health services. She is a member of the Austin Travis County Integral Care's Citizens' Planning Advisory Committee and the Mayor's Task Force for Mental Health. She stresses the importance of family in long term treatments. Cecile is the founder of Planned Living Assistance Network of Central Texas (PLANCTX). Reflecting her insight, PLANCTX offers services to both adults and families, making it unique! Dr. Dewitt is an avid PLANCTX fundraiser, creating "A Circle of Friends," starting an endowment, donating her book royalties, and gifting a manual she wrote, "I.T. for Intelligent Grandmothers. Internationally, Dr. DeWitt created "Physics at Work in Neuroscience and Neuroscience at Work in Mental Health," for physicists, neuroscientists, and mental health research scientists from across the globe. The purpose is to meet and share knowledge across diverse disciplines to advance the understanding of mental illness. At 88, Cecile says she feels herself aging; however, her actions reflect the energy and tenacity of a young person. She continues to spend time on advocacy activities with the vision that PLANCTX "will be there for people who need services in the future."



Keynote Speaker- Lex Frieden

Frieden is the UT Chancellor's Health Fellow on Disability, a professor of biomedical informatics and rehabilitation at UT Health and director of the Independent Living Research Utilization Program (ILRU) at TIRR Memorial Hermann Rehabilitation Hospital. He was appointed by President George W. Bush as chair of the National Council on Disability in 2002, and also served an eight-year term on the United Nations Panel of Experts on the Standard Rules for Disability. Frieden is author or co-author of more than 60 articles on independent living, disability rights and rehabilitation. He has received two Presidential Citations for his work in the field of disability, and was awarded an honorary doctorate in law by the National University of Ireland in 2004.





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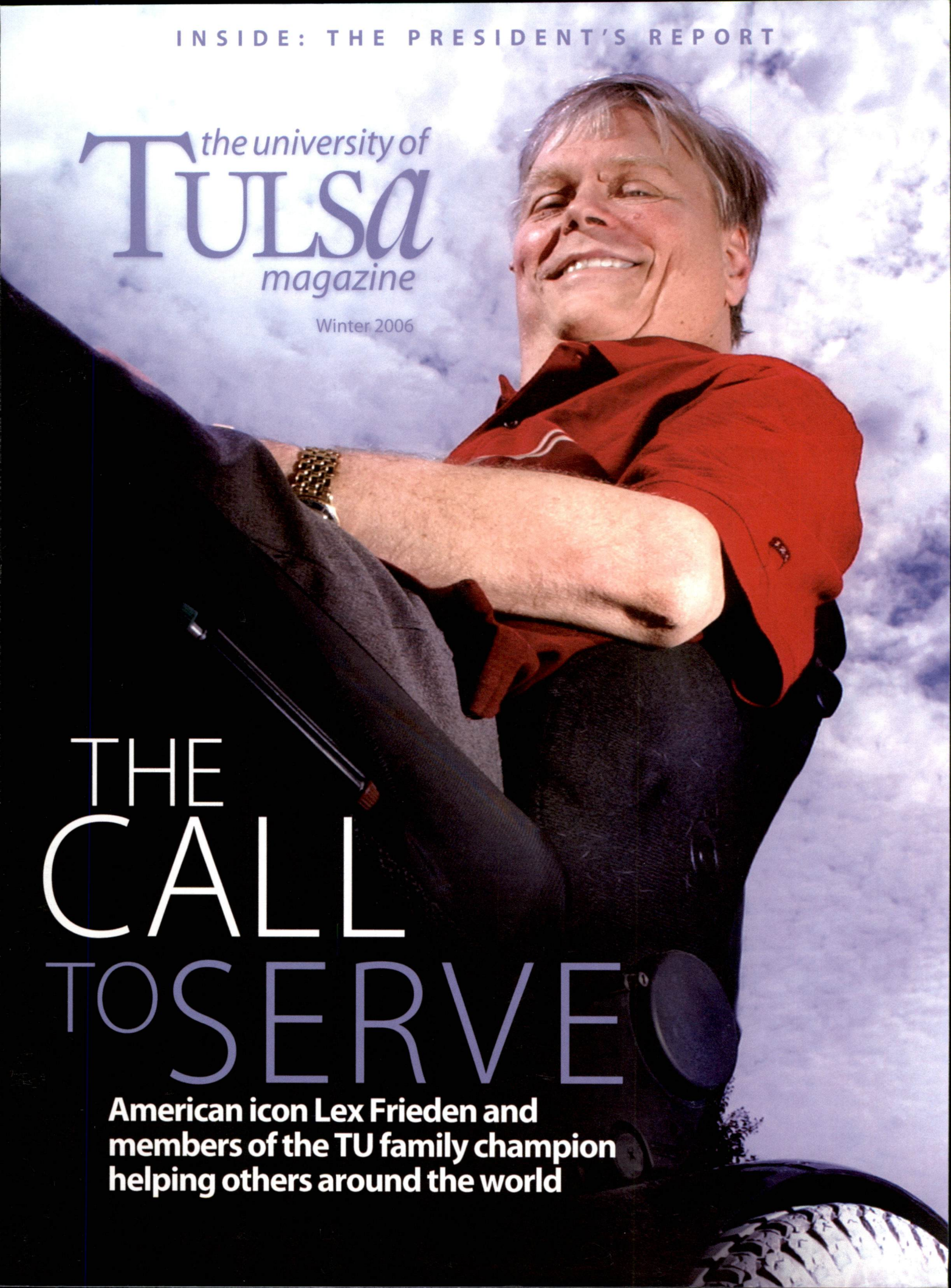
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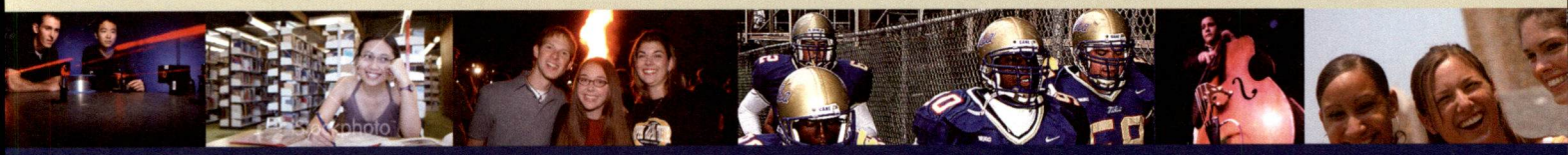
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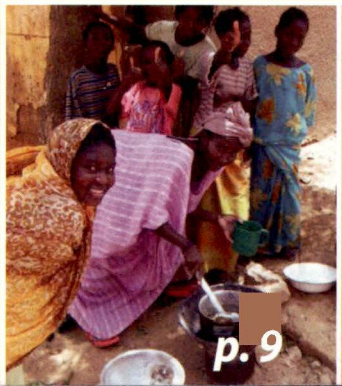
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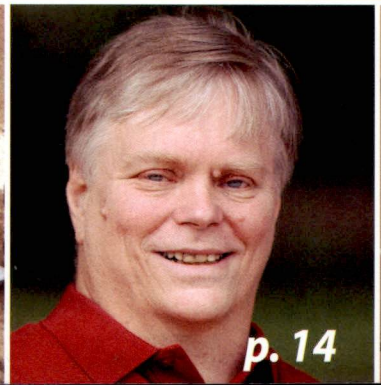
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Kendall Bell gets new home



GROUND WAS BROKEN on The University of Tulsa campus in spring 2005 to begin constructing Bayless Plaza, which will soon house the University's historic Kendall Bell.

"For almost 100 years now, the bell has given voice to the pride and delight of TU students upon achieving one of life's most important goals," Tulsa Alumni Chapter President Ryan Rex (BA '95) said at the groundbreaking. "Today we set the stage for future generations of TU alumni to become part of this proud tradition as we gather to break ground for Bayless Plaza."

The 7,500-square-foot plaza will feature extensive landscaping and brick walkways. The centerpiece of Bayless Plaza will be the Kendall Bell, housed in its copper cupola and encircled by six 28-foot columns in cast stone.

The plaza is named for Bernice Bayless (BS '49) and her late husband, Robert Bayless (BA '49), who made a generous contribution to the University to help fund the project.

Bayless Plaza is the first in a series of construction projects that will transform the southern part of the TU campus and create a formal entrance from 11th Street. Additional projects include an oval drive leading up to the plaza, an expansive commons with a fountain and formal gardens, and Collins Hall, a new alumni and student services building.

TU students named Truman Scholars

BRIGID DECOURSEY AND MATTHEW WARREN, currently TU seniors with plans to attend law school, were among 75 students from around the country selected as Truman Scholarship winners.

The Truman Scholarship Foundation recognizes students with outstanding leadership potential who are planning careers in government or public service. Each scholarship will provide $30,000 for two years of graduate study.

TU also received an Honor Institute Award from the Truman Scholarship Foundation in recognition of the University's exemplary participation in the program.

"This award is a tribute not only to the outstanding TU students who have received Truman Scholarships over the years, but to each and every employee of The University of Tulsa whose work has contributed to the development and coherence of our academic community," TU President Steadman Upham said. "We commend Brigid and Matthew for their academic achievements and for their altruistic goals. Their aspirations reflect TU's mission to educate students who welcome the responsibility of citizenship and service in a changing world."

DeCoursey is a biochemistry and environmental policy major from Little Rock, Ark. Her goal is to become a public servant "to help our country undo the injustice to low-income citizens living in polluted areas," she said.

Last March, she presented research on "Potential Pollutants in the Water-soluble Extract of Chicken Litter" at the American Chemical Society national meeting in San Diego.

Warren, of Stillwater, Okla., is a triple major in political science, economics and French with a minor in international studies.

"I want to become an international human rights lawyer and work, if possible, for the United Nations," he said.

Warren, who is in the TU Honors Program, is a member of Phi Sigma Iota, the foreign language honor society, and the Order of Omega, a Greek honor society. He founded Le Groupe Français, a French conversation group at TU.

Truman Scholars receive priority admission and supplemental financial aid at premier graduate institutions, leadership training, career and graduate school counseling, and special internship opportunities within the federal government.

CBA inducts three into Hall of Fame



President Steadman Upham (center) and Dean Gale Sullenberger (right) stand with (from left) John A. Brock, James E. Wilburn and John Garrett Graves (son of the late John M. Graves) before their induction into the CBA Hall of Fame.

The College of Business Administration honored two native Tulsans, John Brock and Jim Wilburn (BS '74), and posthumously recognized J.M. "Jack" Graves, with induction into the CBA Hall of Fame.

In 1956, Graves started J.M. Graves Oil Properties, which later became Calumet Oil Company. Along with the Tulsa-based company, Graves also led J.M. Graves LLC, JMG Oil and Gas LP, Green Country Supply Inc., Green Country Chemical and Green Country Submersible Pumps.

His induction into the CBA Hall of Fame as the outstanding business leader was attended by members of his family, including his son, John Garrett Graves, who accepted the award.

Brock, chairman of Brighton Energy LLC and owner of Rockford Exploration Inc., an exploration and development company, was recognized as an outstanding entrepreneur and noted for his dedication and innovation in the petroleum industry. Among his accomplishments is the creation of the Tulsa Innovation Center, which assists new businesses as a means of providing employment and enhancing the economic environment of Northeastern Oklahoma.

Wilburn is the president, CEO and a founder of Winnercomm Inc. Winnercomm is the world's largest supplier of third-party programming to ESPN, a winner of 12 Emmy Awards and operator of Skycam, a mobile aerial camera system that is revolutionizing the way sports are broadcast in America. Wilburn also serves on the TU Board of Trustees.

The October induction ceremony, hosted by Dean Gale Sullenberger and featuring TU President Steadman Upham, was attended by more than 250 guests.

Mentors needed for graduate students

CBA graduate students at TU have the opportunity to receive personal career guidance and networking assistance for the professional world by signing up for a mentor.

Any student enrolled in a TU graduate business program can request to be paired with an alumnus who has agreed to act as a mentor for a student. Once the match is made, the mentor and student have the flexibility to connect as often as they like and make arrangements that accommodate their schedules.

Currently, the mentor program has 16 students matched with alumni, and Ron Cooper (BS '72), the director of Graduate Business Programs, is recruiting additional alumni to participate.

Any graduate business program alumnus interested in becoming a mentor for a graduate student can contact Cooper at 918-631-2680, or ron-cooper@utulsa.edu for more information.

BAH gets new entrance

Students passed beneath the words "College of Business Administration" as they entered the Business Administration Hall's new north tower entrance for the first time in August 2005.

The tower includes a newly installed elevator, 2,800 square feet of space and provides an expansive view overlooking the north and east ends of campus. Lounges added on the second and third floors serve as study and informal gathering areas for business students.

Other new additions to the business building include landscaping, a resurfaced parking lot and reconfigured walkways that are in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.



Chapman Trust gives $400,000 to center

The Center for Communication Disorders will receive $400,000 over the next four years from the J.A. and Leta M. Chapman Trust (1949) to support the Mary K. Chapman Speech and Hearing Clinic, which includes the Cleft Palate-Craniofacial Clinic.

The gift will be used to provide speech, language and hearing evaluations and therapy to clients who are unable to cover the expenses. The funding will also provide services to the Hispanic community and update the hearing and speech evaluation equipment used in the clinics.

"The funding is helping us reach a broader base of patients, including Spanish-speaking clients, and helping us to equip the best facility in the region," College of Arts and Sciences Dean Tom Beneditkson said.

Walker inducted into Hall of Fame

With a distinguished career of 23 years as a well-known Tulsa columnist, Danna Sue Walker (BS '63) was recognized as the 2005 inductee into TU's Communication Hall of Fame at the Tulsa Press Club in October.

"Danna Sue, you are joining an illustrious group," TU President Steadman Upham said. "Your column is a way in which community service is highlighted in Tulsa. You are a tremendous representative of the University."

Walker joined the *Tulsa World* in 1963 as the first society editor. She left the paper to raise her two daughters, but returned in 1981. Today, Walker helps nonprofit organizations share their events and purpose as the People & Places editor.

Walker joins Hall of Fame members Jim Hartz (BA '62), Phil Dessauer (MS '77), Saidie Adwon, Robert Lorton (BA '64), Bob Losure (BS '69), Kenneth R. Greenwood and Ken Neal (BS '57).



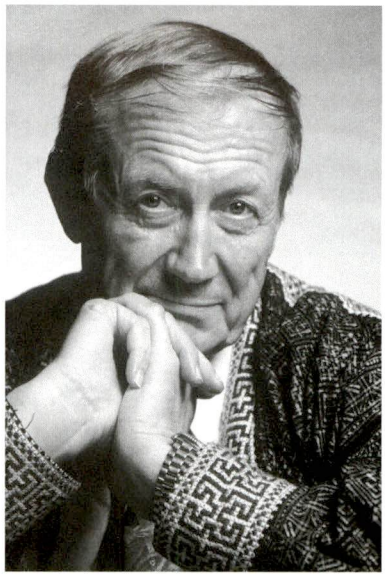
Danna Sue Walker (BS '63) (second from left) is pictured with (from left) Department of Communication Chair John Coward, childhood friend Roxana Lorton (BA '63) and TU President Steadman Upham after her induction into the Communication Hall of Fame.

Lhevine and Schnetzer recognized for service

Dean Tom Benediktson presented Mary Lhevine (BS '82) and her husband, Dr. George Schnetzer, with the 2005 Henry Kendall College of Arts and Sciences Distinguished Service Award during the College's annual convocation last May.

The award was given in recognition of Lhevine and Schnetzer's leadership, support and vision for the College. Both serve on the College of Arts and Sciences Board of Visitors, the Nimrod International Journal Advisory Board and the McFarlin Fellows Advisory Board.

In addition to recognizing Lhevine and Schnetzer with the Distinguished Service Award, 100 hours of community service were performed by the College in honor of the couple.



Yevtushenko performs famed poem at Tulsa PAC

World-famous Russian poet and distinguished professor of English at TU, Yevgeny Yevtushenko, performed his poem, "Babi Yar" during "Between the City of Yes and the City of No," at the Tulsa Performing Arts Center in October 2005.

"Between the City of Yes and the City of No" is a two-act celebration of music, poetry and art featuring Yevtushenko's poem along with a 200-voice male choir and the TCC Signature Symphony.

Yevtushenko wrote "Babi Yar" in 1962 as a political outcry against the silence of the Russian government over the 1941 massacre of thousands of Jews and their mass burial in the Ukranian valley of Babi Yar. Before the poem was banned by the Russian government, Russian composer Dmitri Shostakovitch requested permission to set it to music. Thus, Symphony No. 13, also performed during the presentation, was born.

The poem became an international sensation and has been translated into 72 languages.

Scholarship symposium held at college

The College of Law hosted its 5th Annual Legal Scholarship Symposium, "The Scholarship of Nadine Strossen – The Scholar as Activist," in September 2005.

The two-day symposium brought America's leading constitutional and civil rights scholars together to discuss and critique the scholarship and career of Nadine Strossen, professor of law at New York Law School and president of the American Civil Liberties Union.

"Strossen is smart, accomplished and one of the most effective advocates for fundamental liberty in our country's legal history," Chapman Distinguished Professor Paul Finkelman said. "She brings an incredible level of intelligence and sophistication combined with determination and good humor to every debate and every discussion of freedom of expression."

As president of the American Civil Liberties Union, Strossen has been at the forefront of the pivotal constitutional and social issues of this era. *The National Law Journal* has twice named her one of the "hundred influential lawyers of America." Her writings on women's rights, freedom of speech and civil liberties have garnered her national recognition.

Other conference attendees included Melvin I. Urofsky, emeritus professor of law and public policy at Virginia Commonwealth University; Erwin Cherminsky, Alston and Bird Professor of Law and Political Science at Duke University; Penelope Andrews, who was nominated for a seat on the Constitutional Court in South Africa; and Finkelman.

Law professors present at conferences

Two College of Law professors traveled to Canada and California to share their expertise at conferences hosted by respected university law schools.

Associate Professor of Law Janet Levit presented "Constitutionalization of Human Rights in Argentina" at the University of Saskatchewan College of Law in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada. Her presentation was part of the "Reflections on Rights Enforcement: Comparative Perspectives" conference held in September.

Professor of Law Charles Adams presented "A History of Indirect Liability in Patent Law" at a conference about third-party liability in intellectual property law. The High Technology Law Institute at the Santa Clara University School of Law hosted the conference at the Sun Microsystems Campus in Santa Clara, Calif., in October 2005.

College hosts first Native Justice Powwow

TU's Native American Law Center (NALC) cohosted the first annual "Native Justice Powwow" to coincide with the beginning of the National Congress of American Indians' 62nd Annual Conference, held in October.

"This powwow was to honor tribal lawyers, judges, law enforcement officers, court clerks and all those who protect and enforce tribal laws," said Professor Melissa Tatum, codirector of NALC.

The event was made possible by the support of NALC, TU Native American Law Student Association, TU Student Bar Association, Oklahoma Bar Association and the law offices of Alexander, Berkey, Williams, and Weathers LLP.

Established in 2000, NALC builds on the Native American Law Certificate program TU established in 1990 and provides unequaled resources for the study and teaching of legal issues concerning Indian tribes and other indigenous people worldwide.

The College of Law has made a significant commitment to tribal law unsurpassed by any other school in the country, with six full-time professors who specialize in the field.

With more than 35 federally recognized tribes headquartered in Oklahoma, and approximately half of those tribes within a moderate driving distance from Tulsa, the TU College of Law is a natural setting for the study of Native American law.

College of Law ranked second "most welcoming"

The Princeton Review named The University of Tulsa College of Law second in the nation in "Most Welcoming of Older Students" in the 2006 edition of *Best 159 Law Schools.*

The rankings were based on a survey of more than 15,000 students attending 159 law schools profiled in the book. With the exception of Baylor, TU was the only law school in the region to obtain a "top ten" ranking in any of the categories listed in the book.

For more information, go to www.law.utulsa.edu.

Rybicki receives Engineer of the Year Award

EDMUND F. RYBICKI, the Harry H. Rogers Professor of Engineering at TU, received the 2005 Engineer of the Year Award at the Oklahoma Society of Professional Engineers Awards banquet in June 2005.



The award recognizes outstanding leadership, untiring effort, and unusual initiative and success by an engineer for advancing the engineering profession.

"(Dr. Rybicki's) ...efforts and success in the engineering profession have made a significant mark on the nation's industries," OSPE President Craig Whitbeck said.

Rybicki's accomplishments include helping to develop the most popular method for a specific type of fracture mechanics analysis still used by NASA in the Langley Research Center in Virginia on a computer named after him; development of the welding sequence used by the U.S. Army to weld battle tank hulls; helping to develop the welding sequence for the U.S. Navy's deepest diving submersible, SEACLIFF; and the invention and patent of a porous metal application used in hip replacement prostheses.

Rybicki has authored or coauthored 500 papers, conference proceedings, reports and presentations at technical meetings, receiving eight awards for his technical papers.

Graduate program ranked 3rd best in nation

THE PETROLEUM ENGINEERING Graduate Program was ranked third in the nation in *America's Best Graduate Schools 2006*, a *U.S. News and World Report* publication.

Rankings are based on assessments by petroleum engineering department heads at 15 schools that offer doctoral degrees. Each department head rated other schools on a five-point scale. University of Texas at Austin and Stanford University ranked first and second, respectively.

Department Chairman Mohan Kelkar credits TU's high ranking to professors with expertise in key areas – drilling, production and reservoir engineering – who provide students with a variety of research projects that enhance their studies.

"Our faculty bring in about $6 million a year in research support," said Kelkar, noting that TU has a separate 20-acre campus in North Tulsa dedicated to studies of oil and gas topics. "Within the industry, we have a world-wide reputation for graduating highly qualified engineers."

McElroy family gift will establish engineering lab

A COMPUTER-CONTROLLED ENGINEERING lab, featuring a state-of-the-art machine shop, will soon enhance the education of students in the College of Engineering and Natural Sciences. The lab is made possible through the generosity of TU Trustee Arthur H. "Chip" McElroy II and his family.

McElroy (BSME '85), president and CEO of McElroy Manufacturing Inc., and his wife, Sharon (BS '86), along with his sisters Donna Dutton, CFO, and Peggy Tanner, executive vice president, also of McElroy Manufacturing, contributed to the new lab. The machine shop will allow students to build prototypes of their own designs and serve as a tool for teaching students the skill of machining. All departments within the College will have access and use of the lab, and a technician will be onsite to maintain and monitor the facility.

Geosciences Department acquires mineral collection

THE DEPARTMENT OF GEOSCIENCES received a collection of minerals containing hundreds of specimens from Arlene Siereveld, of Wagoner, Okla.

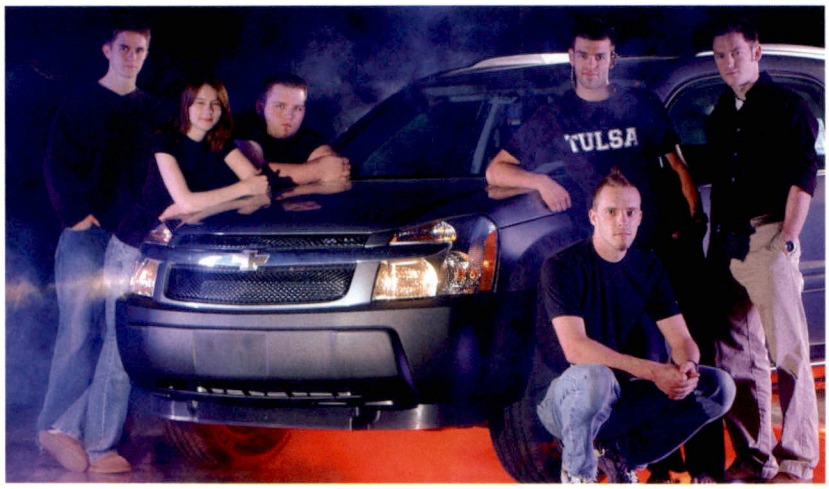
The collection was the work of Siereveld's late husband, Ed, who was an electrical engineer, educator and avid rock collector.



The collection is currently being photographed and cataloged by Catherine Webster, a second-year TU graduate student majoring in geology. Once an inventory is complete, the collection will be housed in Keplinger Hall.

"The rocks and minerals come from all over the world, with numerous specimens from Mexico, Africa, South America, Europe and Asia," Webster said. "There is some beautiful Lapis Lazuli from Badakshan, Afghanistan, and a specimen found only in Russia, called Charioite – a purple rock, which was a favorite of Mr. Siereveld's daughter. And, of course, the collection includes a wide range of excellent specimens from all over the United States."

TU students win a new car



Ryan Gillette (from left), Sarah Rouk, Taylor Coleman, Ryan Guldan, Aaron Acklen and Justin Rempel (ME '05) were part of the TU team competing in Challenge X to win a Chevrolet Equinox.

University of Tulsa students in the College of Engineering and Natural Sciences won a new car, and now they'll tear it apart.

The students were awarded the keys to a Chevrolet Equinox last June in Pontiac, Mich., as a part of Challenge X: Crossover to Sustainable Mobility, a competition largely sponsored by General Motors and the U.S. Department of Energy. The purpose of the competition is to help find ways to reduce automobile pollution and improve energy consumption.

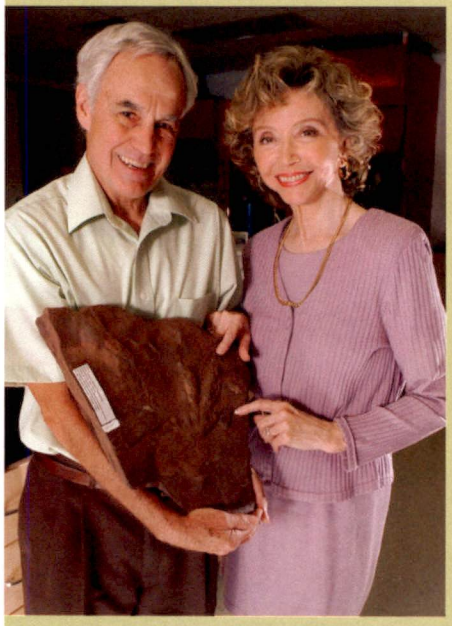
To do this, TU students will remove the SUV's gasoline engine and begin to transform the silver-colored car into a diesel-electric hybrid vehicle. The students will also add fuel cells that can convert hydrogen gas into electricity.

Once the students rebuild the engine, they'll take it for a test drive – in a desert – in Phoenix – in the summer. The test drive is required during the second year of the three-year competition.

Seventeen schools are competing in Challenge X and thus far, the TU team has been stiff competition, receiving a $10,000 grant, winning third place in total cash earned and more prizes than any other team.

The TU team is composed of 40 students majoring in physics, computer science, and electrical, chemical, mechanical and petroleum engineering.

TU alumna donates dinosaur footprints



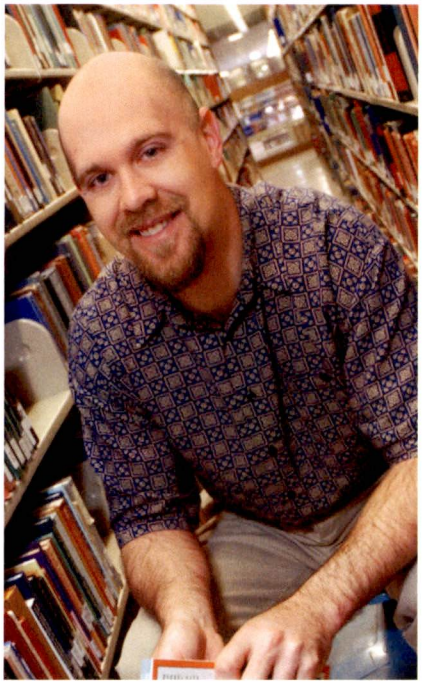
Dr. Robert W. Scott, Department of Geosciences research associate, accepts one of six Triassic rock dinosaur footprints donated to the University by Lynette Bennett (BA '59).

Millions of years ago, dinosaurs inhabited the earth. Today, they inhabit The University of Tulsa. Well, at least their footprints do, thanks to the generosity of Lynette Bennett (BA '59).

Bennett gave six Triassic rocks, which include a set of fossilized dinosaur footprints, to TU for display in the geosciences department. About six inches long and four inches wide, the footprints were made by an animal having three long toes with claws and resemble those made by Anchisauripus or Grallator. These reptiles are thought to have been some of the oldest dinosaurs because their prints were found in sandstone deposits dated to the Triassic period, spanning 250 to 200 million years ago.

The sandstone deposits formed in lakes that pooled in a great rift valley system extending from Connecticut to Virginia.

Bennett, a paleontology enthusiast, uncovered the footprints in 1964 when she joined an archaeological dig in Lincoln Park, N. J., while performing in "Funny Girl" on Broadway with Barbra Streisand. Bennett learned of the dig through a newscast and convinced the Hudson River Valley Museum to provide her with the proper documentation that would allow her onto the site. Her participation in the dig uncovered the six Triassic rocks along with a large 500 pound slab of a series of tracks, which she gave to the Hudson River Valley Museum.



Professor exercises authorship

If it's time to get your body into shape, you should head to the library first.

Clinical Assistant Professor Patrick Hagerman in the Exercise and Sports Science Department of the School of Nursing wrote *The Complete Idiot's Guide to Body Sculpting*, as a "how to" guide for body sculpting.

The book focuses on effective body sculpting exercises using both free and machine weights. Included is information about nutrition; cardiovascular exercises; flexibility; tools, tables and templates for resistance and cardio training; meal and nutrition plans; heart rate and body mass charts; and a caloric-content guide.

Basically, it's a portable trainer that fits easily inside your gym bag.

The book, published in December 2004, was not Hagerman's first. In 2000, he wrote *Fitness Testing 101* and has published more than 20 journal and magazine articles. Currently he's working on *The Complete Idiot's Guide to Core Conditioning*, set to print in February, and *Strength Training for Triathletes*, due out later this year.

Alumna's "The Outsiders" DVD released in Tulsa

Tulsa got a taste of Hollywood in September with the world premiere of *The Outsiders: The Complete Novel*, based on the novel by S.E. Hinton (BS '70), at AMC Southroads.

The red carpet was rolled out for Hinton, along with actors Ralph Macchio and C. Thomas Howell, as they attended the invitation-only event, presented by Warner Home Video and Street School, a nonprofit alternative education and counseling facility in Tulsa.

As the home of the writer and setting for the movie, Tulsa was the natural choice for the location of the premiere. In 1983, the original cinema version of *The Outsiders* also premiered in the city.

Hinton wrote *The Outsiders* while attending Rogers High School. Twelve million copies of the 1967 novel have sold, with translations available in 27 languages. The coming-of-age story set in 1960s-era Tulsa ranks second on the all-time list of best-selling children's books and is still a favorite staple of teen reading lists in schools worldwide.

The newly released two-disc set features more than 22 minutes of new footage, representing the movie that director Francis Ford Coppola said he originally intended to release.

"Don't Bug Me" campaign wins Health Award

As flu vaccines became scarce last year, Hillcrest HealthCare System and Tulsa City-County Health Department needed to get the word out to Tulsans on alternative ways of avoiding the flu.

They enlisted the help of Bill Hinkle (BS '69), a TU adjunct marketing and management professor, to develop a public awareness campaign that would get the community's attention and relay their message. Using a bug as their spokesperson, the group developed the "Don't Bug Me" flu prevention campaign, in which simple steps for preventing the spread of the flu virus, like regular hand washing, were communicated by a bug.

The clever campaign won the Champion of Children's Health Award and served to educate Tulsa-area citizens on ways to stay healthy during flu season.

The statewide Champions of Health competition is sponsored by Blue Cross Blue Shield of Oklahoma and attracts hundreds of entries each year.



For some it is a personal responsibility. Others view it as a way of life. Some simply call the act a pastime. Whether it's done out of kindness, sympathy or fulfillment, the intent is a conscious effort to help those less fortunate while giving of yourself.

Foundation *of* SERVICE ▸▸▸



Service-Minded

At TU, "service" is a part of the University seal, advanced by the faculty and staff, and found at the heart of the student body.

THERE IS A SYMBIOTIC RELATIONSHIP between The University of Tulsa and the community of Tulsa – one that fosters a kind heart, giving spirit and generous hand. This attitude is held by the community and reflected on the seal of its namesake university.

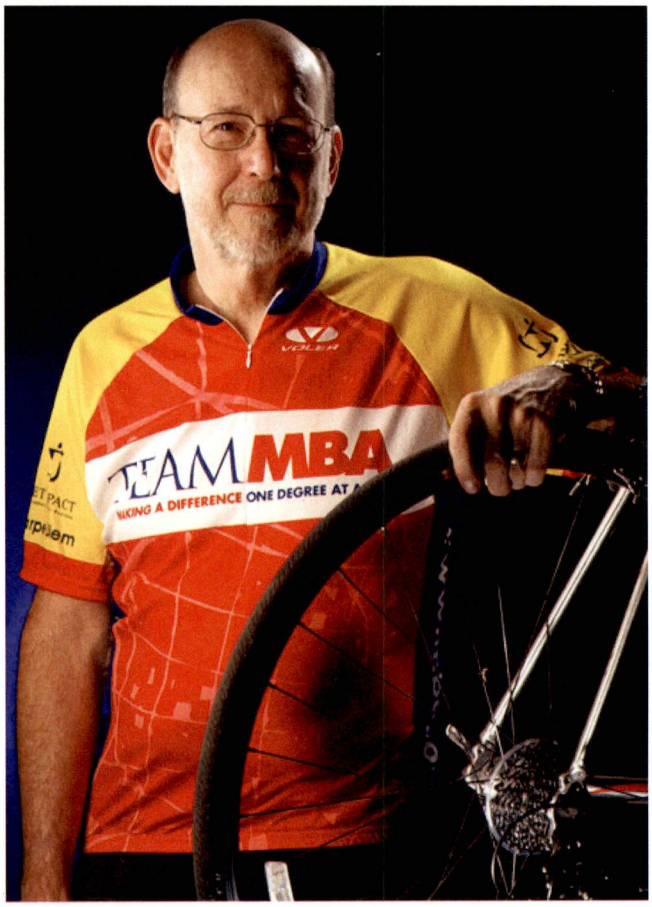
"We wouldn't be the same university if we existed in any other community," TU President Steadman Upham said. "We *are* The University of Tulsa."

In 1921, when Henry Kendall College became The University of Tulsa, an official seal was already in place. Although the origin of the seal is unknown, there is no question that it was carried forward and instilled in TU's culture. Today this same seal is stamped on every graduate's diploma, branding it with the words "faith," "wisdom" and "service." And while it may be common for universities to embellish their seals with similar values, less often do you find those values in action on campuses and throughout the surrounding communities.

So what is the common factor found between TU and Tulsa? Service.

Eighty-five years after adopting the name of its home city, the University reflects many of the same characteristics found in the city of Tulsa. In 2003, a study conducted by the *Chronicle of Philanthropy* ranked Tulsa 14th in the percentage of discretionary income given to charity by residents in the 50 largest cities. A 2005 economic impact study at TU revealed a similar spirit of giving. The study estimated that students, faculty, staff and administration contribute more than 100,000 hours a year in community service efforts.

"We are very much a part of the community," Upham said. "We could not flourish were it not for the support we receive from the community, and we're happy to give back."



Mark Collins, associate dean of the College of Business Administration, raised $1,500 for the Lance Armstrong Foundation through the Tour of Hope Ride in Washington, D.C.

On an annual basis TU contributes about $300 million to the Tulsa-area economy and is one of the city's largest employers. But the University's greatest impact may be its commitment to giving back through countless volunteer hours. Indeed, the idea permeates the entire University, across departments, through hallways and into the classroom – ultimately knocking on the door of each freshman's heart and mind.

"We want to instill in our students the idea of citizenship," Upham said. "And that means being well-educated as well as productive citizens, which means being involved in their community."

By displaying "service" on its seal, TU holds itself accountable to a university's role in the community. And being located in a city with a national reputation for giving is a lofty position to uphold.

"This is the most generous community I've ever lived in," Upham said. "You immediately have a way to get involved in this community, and everyone is involved. It's very humbling."

To meet its standards of service, TU seeks to attract employees who not only carry service as a personal value, but also encourage students to strengthen their community ties.

"When hiring someone we always look to see what activities they're engaged in," Upham said. "We want qualified people, but I always want to see what else in life is important to them."

There is even a position at TU created to pair students with community initiatives. Associate Dean of Students for Career Services Mike Mills finds service opportunities and matches students to those positions.

Students can get involved in two ways. Through the college work-study program, students have the option to work for one of 25 community agencies with which the University is partnered. A public service internship program also exists for juniors and seniors to work at nonprofit agencies. To date, more than 125 students have participated in the two programs.

Finding volunteer opportunities for students is important to TU faculty, administration and staff, but many also donate their own free time with commitments ranging from strengthening the mind to strengthening the body – all for helping others.

Psychology professor Joanne Davis is extending education across the world through Hope for Iraq, an organization providing medical and psychological books and journals to Iraqi medical and mental health professionals.

"Western literature was severely restricted under Saddam's rule, so the professionals were about 15 years behind in their medical and mental health knowledge," Davis said.

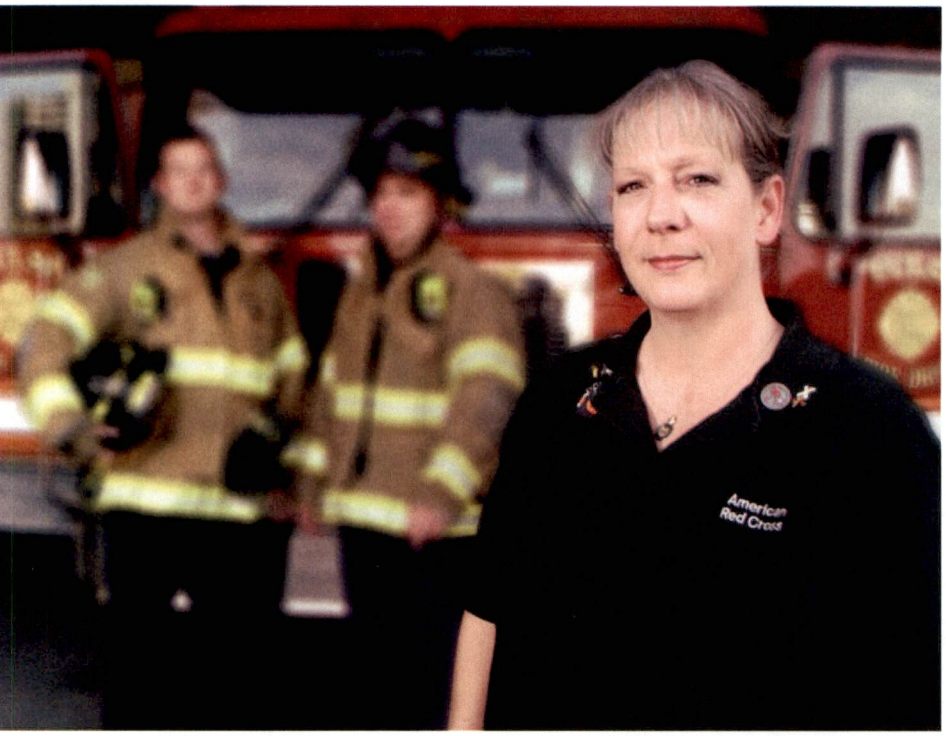


Law professor Marianne Blair is an assistant leader of a junior Girl Scouts troop.

Davis became aware of the lack of information available to Iraqi professionals through a current student, Isaac Shields, who at the time was deployed to Iraq with the U.S. military.

Davis in turn involved the College of Arts and Sciences. The psychology department and the local chapter of Psi Chi, a national psychology honor society, collected books and journals from physicians, psychologists and social workers across Oklahoma. In the fall of 2004, with support from College of Arts and Sciences Dean Thomas Benediktson, the group sent 54 boxes of materials to Iraq. This shipment attracted so much media attention that more donations poured in and weeks later Hope for Iraq delivered 420 boxes full of books.

From a professor strengthening minds to a professor strengthening bodies, Mark Collins, associate dean of the College of Business Administration, pledged to ride 50 miles in the Tour of Hope Ride in Washington, D.C., in honor of cancer survivors and raise $1,000 for the Lance Armstrong Foundation. The ride was cancelled due to rain, but Collins honored his commitment by riding the 50 miles in Oklahoma and raised $1,500



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for the foundation.

The TU Athletics Department is also aware of the positive influence athletes can have on their communities, especially with children. Coaches and administrators team up to promote opportunities for their student-athletes to reach out to youngsters. In addition to spending time in grade schools, college athletes also invite children to campus for "Shadow a Student-Athlete Day." Free clinics are another common service provided by the department, giving student-athletes the opportunity to coach future athletes.

"It's unusual to find an academic community so rallied around the idea of participating in the community," Upham said. "I have heads of organizations writing me letters of thanks for the efforts of those affiliated with the University."

For Upham the idea of service extends to his personal life as well. He cultivates not only personal relationships within the community, but also those for the University. He is on the board of the Tulsa Metro Chamber of Commerce, Gilcrease Museum, Boy Scouts of America, and supports Fanconi Anemia Research Fund, which exists to find treatments and a cure for Fanconi anemia.

Following Upham's lead are a number of University employees, including Anita Foote, senior editorial processing assistant in the Petroleum Abstracts Department of the College of Engineering and Natural Sciences.

Foote is a member of the American Red Cross emergency response team. In association with volunteering, she has attended hours of training courses and is CPR certified so that she can assist in any Red Cross emergency. In the past year, she donated more than 100 hours, but Foote is not stopping there. She hopes to become a national responder, taking her commitment to helping others across the country.

Law professor Marianne Blair helps the younger generation as an assistant leader of a junior Girl Scouts troop of 5th graders. Blair has worked with scouts for more than a decade, following her son and daughter through the ranks.

"I chose to participate in these activities because I think that Scouts has provided both of my children with the opportunity to engage in social service activities in the community, and to learn a host of new skills," Blair said.

On top of the individual contributions of University personnel within their community, a university also has the resources and capability to affect lasting change across borders and cultures. As a ready source of experts on a multitude of subjects, the faculty at TU continuously focus on the study of new concepts and ideas with the goal of transferring that knowledge to business and government institutions. By encouraging research and innovation, TU collaborates in an important way to develop new technologies, products and processes that aim to make a positive impact on humanity.

"Service can take many forms," Upham said. "It's figuring out ways to help others through the work our students do in the city and region, the technology we transfer to industry and government, and the consultation and pro bono services we provide."

For example, biology professor Charles R. Brown is studying a virus that infects cliff swallows, funded with a grant from the National Institutes of Health. His research could further understanding of the transmission of viruses that affect humans, such as West Nile virus.

And technology that could have future implications is being developed at TU today. Chemistry professor Dale Teeters and graduates Nina Korzhova (BSChE '01) and Lane Fisher (BS '99)

patented a method of making nanobatteries, the smallest and most powerful rechargeable lithium ion battery in the world, for use in tiny machines. A dizzying array of potential applications await such a battery, including being used to power microbe-sized equipment through a patient's blood vessels for life-saving medical purposes.

As a first step toward transferring this technology to the business, government and technology communities, Christopher Guglielmo (BSBA '03) and third-year TU law student Tyler Beaty recently developed an award-winning business plan, "Colossus NanoBatteries," with the help of Dr. George Vozikis, Bovaird Endowed Chair of Entrepreneurship and Private Enterprise, resulting in a $20,000 prize from the Donald W. Reynolds Foundation. This collaborative effort brings the commercialization of the nanoscale microscopic battery – and its many possible benefits – one step closer to reality.

As the University continues to grow, the ways it reaches the community also expands.

Mills, with the help of faculty, students and community service leaders, is in the research and development phases of bringing a new program to the campus to enhance service opportunities and students' educational experiences. Known as Service Learning, the program's goal is to align academic requirements with community needs. SL is rooted in the idea of reciprocity – the student benefits academically while the community benefits through needs fulfillment.

SL emerged from a mission "to improve the effectiveness of community organizations by drawing upon the research skills and technical expertise of faculty and students in a variety of disciplines" of the Center for Community Research and Development. CCRD, located on campus, collaborates with the University and the Community Service Council of Greater Tulsa with the hope of linking these groups to address complex social issues.

A recent forum sponsored by CCRD hosted more than 75 students, faculty and community leaders to further explore the concept of SL and discuss moving it into the next phases.

Upham believes programs like SL will continue to strengthen TU's pillar of service as the University moves forward and keeps a helping hand open for the community that bears its name.

"Service is part of our fabric," Upham said. "It's what makes us good, and we want to go from good to great, so we're only going to strengthen that which is already good."



Psychology professor Joann Davis collects medical and psychological books and journals to send to Iraqi medical and mental health professionals.

Starting with the University seal and ending in the very heart of its staff, faculty and students, service is a common thread found throughout this compassionate campus. TU affiliates are making a difference in the lives of those around them, whether it's in a classroom or in the community; they're finding ways to make our world better.

From a freshman who volunteers at a nonprofit to a professor leading research that could eventually save lives, the idea of service is passionately alive at TU. But what makes The University of Tulsa different is not that you can find staff, faculty and students who dedicate service to the community – it is that you can find a community dedicated to service in those very same people. TU is a university that remains true to a promise displayed so prominently on its seal; a promise of service – to each other, to the community and to the world.



One Man's Loss...

Humanity's Gain.

Now and again, someone very special comes along;

someone with seemingly endless energy and vision;

in essence, someone whose impact

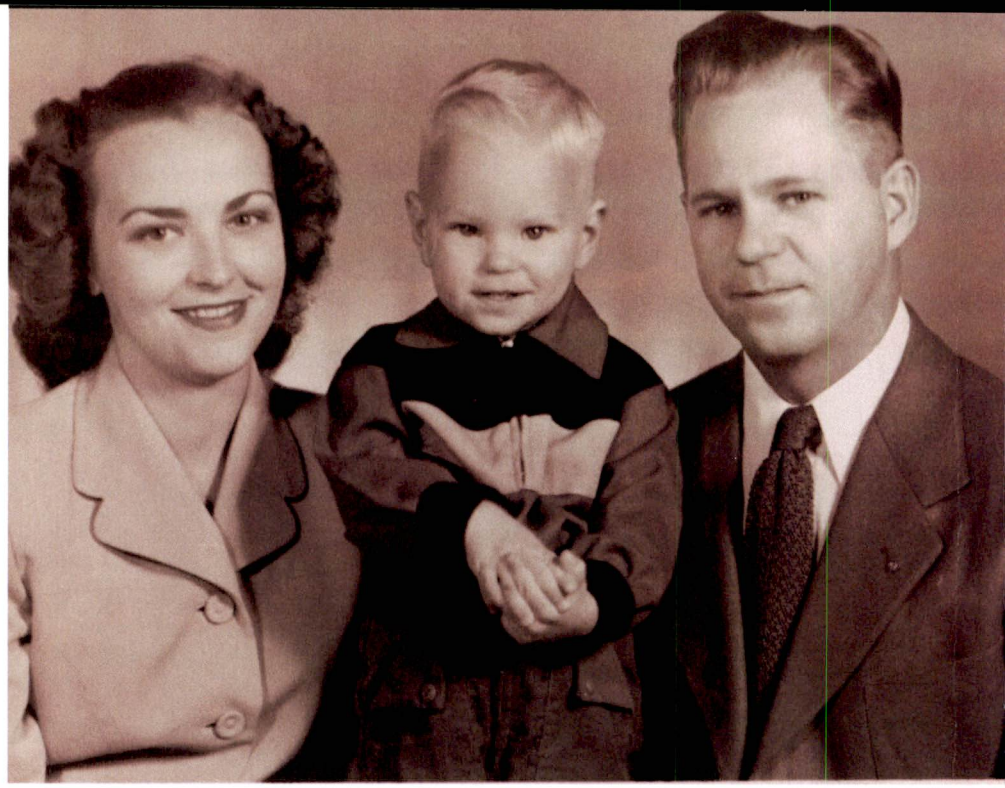
on his or her fellow man is immeasurable.

Lex Frieden (BS '71) is living, breathing proof of just such a person. A crusader for independence and equal opportunity, his life and career have been devoted to enriching every aspect of life for people with disabilities — people like him who do not allow a "disability" to stand in the way. From drafting the Americans with Disabilities Act, to serving as the chairperson of the National Council on Disability, Frieden epitomizes a passionate spirit that knows no limits.

The path our lives take may be shaped by experiences, but it's what we do with those experiences that determine who we become. Frieden didn't wake up one morning and say, "I'm going to change the world;" more likely, he woke up one morning and realized he had changed the world.

Frieden has witnessed firsthand the coronation of a queen in Amsterdam; accompanied the captain on a ferry bridge to Sweden; sat atop the Great Wall of China; been on the stadium field at Sydney, Australia's Olympic Village; vacationed in Copacabana, Rio; and cruised a river in British Columbia.

And that's only a sampling of Frieden's amazing life experiences. Yet, had it not been for a near fatal accident on November 18, 1967, his story would probably never be told. ▶▶▶



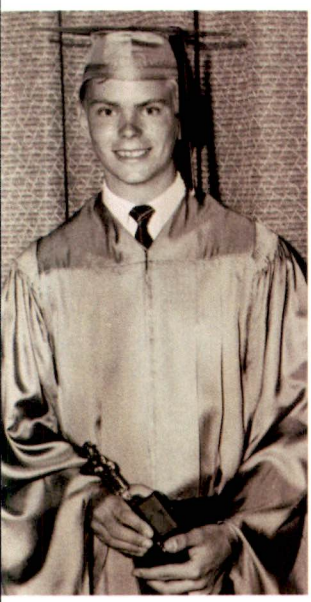
Lex Frieden's early years, shown here with his mother and father.

Ozzie and Harriet Country. Frieden was born a healthy baby boy in Alva, Okla., where he grew up in a caring family and community.

"It was a very homogenous, supportive community where everybody looked out for everybody else," Frieden said.

His father was a manager for a gas company; his mother a traditional mom and housewife. The family was almost picture-perfect with the addition of a younger sister. The small farming community, population 7,000, had a graduating class of approximately 100. Frieden's life could easily have doubled as the set for a 1950s television show.

"It was an Ozzie and Harriet country," Frieden said. "I had a very nurturing childhood."



A star student, he graduated as valedictorian of his high school class and enrolled at Oklahoma State University on a president's scholarship in 1967.

But just a few months after attending his first college class, Frieden's life took a dramatic turn.

He had nearly completed his first semester of college, ready to take advantage of a long Thanksgiving break.

That Saturday night, Frieden and four of his friends were drinking and driving through downtown Stillwater. At the same time, four other OSU students were doing the same thing in the opposite direction. The two cars crashed violently in a head-on collision and eight students were thrown in every direction — except for one.

Frieden.

Paramedics arrived at a scene with eight students strewn among mangled car parts and one trying to get out – but unable. Frieden sat helpless as his classmates were loaded into an ambulance before he was dragged from the backseat of a Camaro.

"I didn't know what was wrong," he said. "I couldn't move and I hadn't realized that I couldn't feel anything."

One nurse was on duty that night when the ambulance arrived at the campus infirmary with nine students in need of immediate medical attention.

"There were nine of us lined up at the campus clinic with one nurse who was used to taking care of coughs and flu," he recalled.

The campus doctor, a gynecologist, was called in to help. With only outside appearances to go on, the nurse tried to treat the more severely injured students first. This meant if you weren't bruised or bleeding, you'd have to wait. Frieden had no cuts, scrapes or bruises, so he lay on a cot unable to move, wondering what was wrong with him, waiting for the nurse to take him to the doctor.

"The nurse would come by and ask how I was

LEX FRIEDEN: THE JOURNEY

1949 Frieden was born on March 5, 1949, in Alva, Okla.

1967 Graduated Alva High School as valedictorian and voted "most likely to succeed" by classmates

1967 Injured in an automobile accident, resulting in quadriplegia

1971 Graduated cum laude from The University of Tulsa with a degree in psychology

1972 Received fellowship for graduate study in psychology at the University of Houston

1975 Helped organize the American Coalition of Citizens with Disabilities and served as national secretary until 1977

doing and I told her I couldn't feel anything," Frieden said. "I kept saying I needed to see a doctor, and she determined I was just in shock, so she kept covering me with blankets. I was about to have a heat stroke."

Student after student, friend after friend went in to see the doctor while Frieden waited – unable to move, to feel, to get help.

When his turn finally came, his back was x-rayed several times, but the images revealed nothing. When the doctor left to examine the latest x-ray, Frieden suggested that the x-ray technician look a little higher. With that picture the reason Frieden couldn't get out of the car was now clear – his neck was shattered.

Moment of Enlightenment. At 2:00 a.m. on Sunday, November 19, 1967, Frieden was met at an Oklahoma City emergency room by Dr. Don Rhinehart (BS '54), a neurosurgeon who immediately operated on Frieden's neck. By the following weekend, Frieden was in a hospital room recovering.

"I remember the OU/OSU game was that weekend," Frieden said. "All I wanted was some milk and to watch the OU/OSU game. Isn't it funny how basic your wants become? I only wanted those two things – milk and to watch the game. I don't even remember what the score was."

Meanwhile, the other eight students had recovered from their injuries and resumed their busy lives, spending the Thanksgiving holiday weekend at home with their families.

Frieden spent the next six weeks, including Christmas, in a hospital room. Only months before, he'd left home as a young man searching for independence; now he found himself confined by four walls and a hospital bed. The accident that fateful night left him without the use of his legs or grip of his hands and only limited use of his arms. What he didn't know, however, was whether or not he would spend the rest of his life in that state, and whether or not he would ever walk again.

But that was about to change.

Naturally inquisitive, Frieden asked his nurse to read to him. Uninterested in fiction, his subjects of choice were medical books and the parts he wanted read out loud were the neurology-related chapters. As he learned more about his injury, he repeatedly asked his doctor the same ominous question, "Will I walk again?" Each time the answer was mired in a sea of medical terminology.

"The doctors have to make sure you're psychologically ready to accept the reality," Frieden said.

That Christmas Eve, Frieden watched a movie on his hospital room television called, *The Men*. It concerned a war hero shot in the back in Korea who returned home paralyzed and told the story of his struggle adjusting to his disability. The movie spoke to Frieden for obvious reasons, and it revealed a reality he was struggling to uncover.

"There are people who have it all and do nothing with it and thus they achieve nothing. We all have so many gifts and talents — you just have to adjust."

"I said, 'That's me.' It was a very enlightening moment," he said.

It confirmed Frieden's suspicions about his disability and his theory that he would never walk. Again, he approached his doctor for an answer.

"Each time I asked the doctor, I would refine my question using more medical terminology hoping to get an answer," he said. "As I got more evidence that my theory was correct, the doctor finally owned up to it."

For an 18-year-old, or anyone for that matter, it was a horrifying truth, a crucial moment in Frieden's life. How do you deal with the reality of that loss? Even today, the answer to this question is reflected in Frieden's eyes – eyes that have seen more wonders of

1975 Helped organize the Houston Coalition for Barrier Free Living

1976 Served on a consultant panel for the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Science and Technology

1977 Married his wife, Joyce, in front of the Jefferson Memorial in Washington, D.C.

Prepared background paper for the White House Conference on Handicapped Individuals

1978 Joined faculty of Baylor College of Medicine as research instructor, and cofounded the Coalition of Texans with Disabilities

1979 Founded and became director of the Independent Living Research Utilization Program at TIRR (The Institute for Rehabilitation and Research) in Houston, Texas, and helped organize more than 400 centers for independent living throughout the U.S.

the world and accomplished more for his fellow man on two wheels than most of us can ever imagine achieving on two legs.

"Dr. Rhinehart told me, regardless, the key is to do as much as you can with what you have left," Frieden recalled. "There are people who have it all and do nothing with it and thus they achieve nothing. We all have so many gifts and talents – you just have to adjust."

The simplicity with which Frieden describes that "adjustment" is the foundation of his life today. It's the reason he has dined at Kennebunkport with former President George Bush, sat in the Oval Office with President George W. Bush, written several books, received an honorary doctorate in law from the University of Ireland as well as two Presidential Citations and many other honors.



Lex, with wife Joyce, circa 1975.

One in a Million. Frieden's story could end there – that he was in a car wreck, became a quadriplegic and went on to work relentlessly on behalf of people with disabilities across the world. It makes a great story and it's the truth. But the challenges he has faced along the path are what reveal how one man becomes a leader and activist for millions.

In January 1968, two months after his accident, Frieden spent three months at The Institute for Rehabilitation and Research (TIRR) in Houston, a center that would later become an important part of his life.

Frieden accepted he would never walk again, that his body was disabled. But his mind was not. By August of the same year, Frieden was ready to return to pursuing a college degree.

"I figured what happened to me was something that happened to one in a million, so I thought, 'I'm going to have this unique experience'," he said.

He remembered noticing a handicapped student at OSU and the difficulties that student encountered due to lack of accessible facilities. Because of that memory, he chose not to return to the school and began researching other institutions.

He discovered Oral Roberts University – a then-new college in Tulsa with the latest technology, buildings and an impressive campus with one-level entrances – all important for a person in a wheelchair.

About the same time, ONEOK acquired the gas company that employed his father, transferring him to Tulsa. So the young valedictorian and presidential scholar applied to ORU and waited for his acceptance letter. A rejection letter arrived instead.

Frieden thought the letter was a mistake. He even called the school to tell them they made an error and mailed the wrong letter. He talked to the dean of admissions who said his grades, test scores and letter of recommendation were all impressive, but he couldn't come to ORU because he indicated on his application use of a wheelchair.

Frieden assured him that he would not be an imposition; that he'd already visited the campus and it was perfect for him. He even offered to bring his grandfather with him to help. But, at that time in the country, not accommodating people with disabilities was the social norm, a widely accepted practice.

Frieden's disability was reason enough for rejection.

1979 Received master's of social psychology from the University of Houston

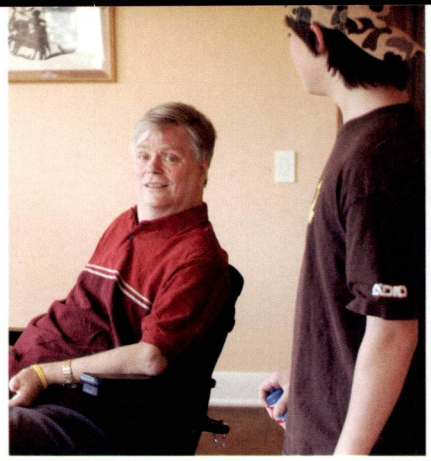
1980 Named TU Distinguished Alumnus

1980 Awarded World Rehabilitation Fund Fellowship to study programs for disabled people in Europe

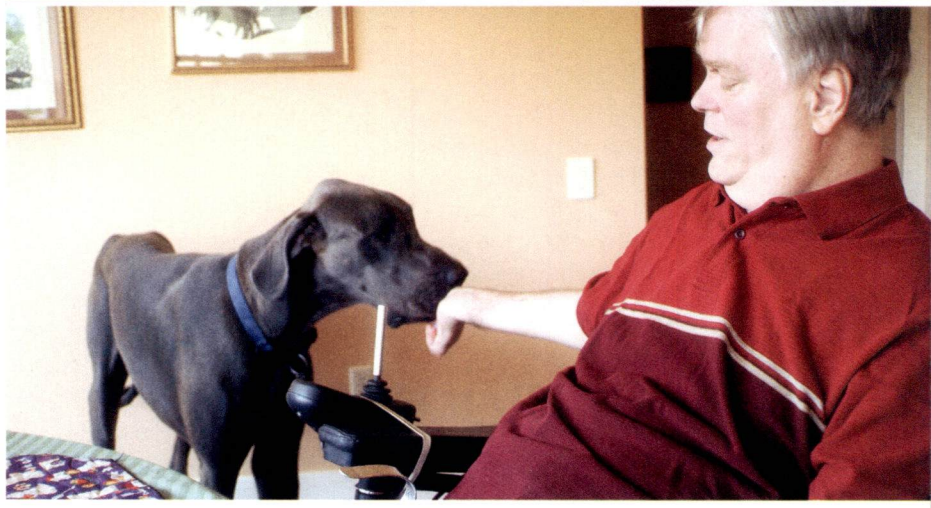
1983 Honored by U.S. Jaycees as one of America's Ten Outstanding Young Men

1984-88 Served as executive director of the National Council on the Handicapped (known today as the National Council on Disability) where he led writing the proposal for the Americans with Disabilities Act

1988 Received presidential citation from President Ronald Reagan







Top Left: Lex with grandson, Trey O'Conner. Top Right: Lex gets around – and he's a pro at it. Above: Lex, with one of his best friends, Lance.

He dropped the phone and, as the receiver swung by its cord, he sat in shock and disbelief. It was three days before he told his parents what happened.

"I was in a catatonic state for three days," he said. "Breaking my neck didn't bother me. Being turned down because of my disability – that bothered me."

Even after a disabling car wreck, a life-saving surgery, and learning to live without the use of his arms and legs, it was one phone call that made him feel helpless.

Miracle in a Parking Lot. A family friend, Tom Coffman (BSBA '63, JD '66), suggested to Frieden's father that he consider The University of Tulsa. Frieden wasn't encouraged, knowing that TU was an older university with older buildings. That was the same reason he had decided against returning to OSU, but he also wanted an education, and he was determined.

He set aside his concerns and arranged to meet with the dean of the college of education, Elmer Ferneau. He was considering studying to be a school teacher, a logical profession for someone in a wheelchair, but it was not the career Frieden desired.

The dean suggested they meet outside his office, in the parking lot. Frieden wheeled out of a van onto the black asphalt where the dean was waiting. They discussed Frieden's real interest, a degree in engineering and he faced again the loss of hope. TU's College of Engineering and Natural Sciences was three miles away from campus. As they explored the list of degree possibilities, barriers continued to emerge because of older buildings, too many steps, inaccessible floors, etc.

As Frieden grew increasingly discouraged, the dean of students, Harry Carter, joined them on the asphalt and pointed to a building under construction. He said it included a level entrance and an elevator, and would be completed by the time Frieden wanted to enroll. It would be the only building Frieden could access with little or no help.

"He told me to figure out what classes I wanted to take, call him and those classes would be offered in the new building," Frieden recalled. "It was a stroke of genius and that was the miracle that occurred in the parking lot."

The building housing all Frieden's future classes was Oliphant Hall, and it provided him with access to education. It also showed Frieden a progressive way of thinking – one that involved simplicity and solutions – exactly what he'd need for his future endeavors.

Three years later, in 1971, Frieden graduated with a B.S. in psychology.

Assume Responsibility. While Frieden was attending classes at TU, a new group was forming in Tulsa called WIN—Win Independence Now – with the goal of making the community more open and accessible to people with disabilities.

1989-90 Represented the U.S. on a disability and employment panel at the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development in Paris, France

1990 Americans with Disabilities Act signed into law

1991 Became senior vice president at TIRR (The Institute for Rehabilitation and Research)

Awarded presidential citation from President George H.W. Bush

1995 Appointed professor of physical medicine and rehabilitation at Baylor College of Medicine

1996-2000 Served as chairman of the American Association of People with Disabilities

Frieden wanted nothing to do with the group.

"I was not interested in joining a club for the disabled," he said.

Against his protests, Frieden's father took him to a WIN meeting. Frieden sat through the duration of the meeting with tears of anger in his eyes and by the time it was over, he was ready to put WIN behind him with no intention of ever getting involved.

But like the car wreck that paralyzed him, this too was another unexpected situation that would have a huge impact on his life.

Three days after the meeting, Frieden received a phone call from Mike Phillips, a man he didn't remember from the group. Holding firm against becoming involved with WIN, he told Phillips he was not interested. But Phillips was relentless and by the end of the conversation, Frieden agreed to proofread the organization's new bylaws. Thus began a life-long relationship that played a large part in shaping Frieden's remarkable path.

The group explored and discussed what society's responsibility is to those with disabilities. As a result of their efforts, many significant changes were made in the infrastructure of Tulsa from ramps on sidewalks and public transportation for people with disabilities, to passing an ordinance that required all public buildings be handicapped accessible.

"It was very progressive at the time," Frieden said. "These actions really had an impact on my life. I began learning how people can assume responsibility for affecting their own community and environment. Tulsa was conservative, but also receptive."

Reasonable Accommodations. After completing his degree at TU, Frieden went to graduate school at the University of Houston with a teaching fellowship. He began working with TIRR, the same rehabilitation center he attended following his accident, on an experimental program to put former patients in a communal setting. This allowed him to live away from home without needing an independent caretaker. It also led to his current position as senior vice president of TIRR and director of its Independent Living Research Utilization Program.

But while earning his master's degree in social and environmental psychology, he continued to be involved in overcoming real-life barriers.

"I began finding ways to contribute in addition to my own edification," he said.

In 1973 the Rehabilitation Act passed, which included a provision that said any federal building must be accessible to those with handicaps. Because of Frieden's previous work with local organizations, he was invited to Washington, D.C., in 1975 to help answer a question – what should a federal building do if it's not reasonable to make it completely handicapped accessible?

Frieden recalled the "miracle" in the TU parking lot and the answer was evident – it should do the best it can under the circumstances. The concept became known as "reasonable accommodation" and the phrase exists in every disability law today.

Again Frieden's purpose evolved, and he saw how the law could assist people. He became more involved in the political process and influencing change.

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New Challenges, New Skills. Frieden began emerging as a leader in the independent living movement and was a consultant panel member for the United States House of Representatives' Committee on Science and Technology from 1976 through 1978. He prepared a background paper on Community and Residential Based Housing for the 1977 White House Conference on Handicapped Individuals. In 1984, he was named executive director of the National Council on the Handicapped and was instrumental

1990

Selected as member of U.N. Panel of Experts on the Standard Rules for Disability

Received the Henry B. Betts Award for "efforts that significantly improve the quality of life for people with disabilities"

2000-2004

Served as president of Rehabilitation International, a federation of 200 national and international organizations and agencies in 90 countries working for the rehabilitation of people with disabilities, and for the equalization of opportunities for persons with disabilities and their families within society

2002

Appointed by President George W. Bush and confirmed by the U.S. Senate as chairperson of the National Council on Disability

2004

Awarded an honorary doctorate in law (L.L.D.) by the National University of Ireland

in constructing the first draft of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

As Frieden's political life became more prominent, so did travel demands. For a wheelchair-user, this was not an easy task. He continually experienced the frustrations he was fighting to correct, fueling his desire to make the nation more accessible to everyone.

"You can either accept a challenge as a frustration, or you can approach it with a problem-solving spirit and look for a way around it," Frieden said. "Every challenge met and overcome is a new skill acquired that you can use for the next challenge."

As doors opened in America for people with disabilities, Frieden began wondering what was occurring elsewhere in the world. In 1980, he received a grant to travel to Scandinavia to see how they addressed disability.

"At the time, Sweden was regarded as the most socially advanced country," he said. "You can't learn everything by reading. There are scenes the author fails to describe, so I decided to move there for the summer."

Frieden, along with his wife, Joyce, also paralyzed due to a rare disease known as encephalomeningiomyelitis, headed to Sweden. But while en route an airline strike ensued leaving them stranded in Amsterdam. Frieden looked at the inconvenience as a new challenge and met it head on by securing the wheelchair-dependent couple a place to stay and transportation. As a result of an inconvenience – the strike – they were able to attend the queen's coronation in Amsterdam.

Next to the captain, atop the bridge of a sea-going ferry, the Friedens arrived in Sweden a few days later.

"Why did I break my neck? Maybe it was to have all these wonderful experiences. You learn, accept, move on and do the best you can with what you've got," he said.

From his time in Sweden, Frieden wrote a book that was widely circulated there. In it, he noted that in trying to help those with disabilities, Sweden had actually created a patronizing society in which they care for the handicapped rather than help them become independent.

As Independent as Possible. "I think people quite naturally want to be as independent as they can be," Frieden said. "It's important for us to organize society in such a way that people can achieve their own goals and be as independent as possible in spite of their disabilities.

"It's really sad that people spend their whole lives building a home and creating a lifestyle they enjoy, but when they become disabled or elderly they have to

One Alumna's Admiration

DUE TO A FIGHT WITH POLIO in 1937, Jill Tarbel (BA '46) now travels by way of a motorized wheelchair. She's not only seen and experienced the changes brought on by the passage of the Americans with Disabilities Act; she's fought for them.

Tarbel served as secretary for the American Coalition for Citizens with Disabilities, and through this organization became personally acquainted with Lex Frieden.

"Lex is a great man," Tarbel said. "He has learned to live with his disability and help others do the same."

Tarbel believes Frieden has borrowed from the supportive nature he found at TU when the University went out of its way to make classes accessible to him.



"I think he's made it a vocation to help other people by getting laws passed," she said. "The ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) is making the world accessible to everybody, and Lex had a lot to do with that."

As people with disabilities become more mobile throughout the United States, Frieden is turning his efforts to seeing that same freedom afforded to those in other countries. His tireless work ethic is only outshined by his inspiring attitude.

"Lex is an amazing man," Tarbel said. "I've never seen him down on his disposition. He's always positive with a great attitude."

Editor's note: TU Trustee Emerita Jill Tarbel has changed the landscape of Tulsa and Oklahoma in her own fight for people with disabilities. As a civil rights activist, she has served on the Mayor's Commission on Concerns of the Disabled, the Oklahoma Advisory of the U.S. Civil Rights Commission, the Tulsa Area Alliance on Disabilities, Oklahoma Coalition for Citizens with Disabilities and the American Coalition for Citizens with Disabilities. As a community activist, Tarbel has served on the boards of the Tulsa Junior College Foundation, River Parks Authority, Tulsa Senior Services, Philbrook Museum, Tulsa Opera, Planned Parenthood and the Hillcrest Foundation. She was recognized by The University of Tulsa as a Distinguished Alumna in 1995, and the following year, Tulsa Area Alliance on Disabilities created the Jill and Brook Tarbel Lifetime Achievement Award. In 1996, she was inducted into the Tulsa Hall of Fame, and in 2001 Tarbel joined Oklahoma's most prestigious women when inducted into the Oklahoma Women's Hall of Fame.

leave that environment. It's not natural and we have to do whatever we can to avoid that."

Frieden's dedication and efforts led to the Americans with Disabilities Act, which he helped conceive, draft and pass in 1990. It stands firm today to rid the nation of discrimination against people with disabilities. In 2002, he was appointed by President George W. Bush and confirmed by the Senate as the chairperson of the National Council on Disability. With this distinctive appointment, Frieden was charged with making recommendations on disability policy issues to the President and Congress.

His work in the independent living movement carries on today. He continues to serve as senior vice president and director of TIRR's Independent Living Research Utilization Program where he began his rehab and recovery.

And Frieden became a teacher after all – he's a professor of physical medicine and rehabilitation at Baylor College of Medicine.

"The efficacy of the independent living concept is being proven each day by more and more severely disabled individuals as they choose to assume the responsibilities of directing their own lives and as they become active participants in the mainstream of life in their communities," he said.

His political involvement has neither ceased nor slowed with the passage of the Americans with Disabilities Act. He's a member of the United Nations Panel of Experts on the Standard Rules for Disability and immediate past president of Rehabilitation International, a federation of 200 organizations and agencies in 90 countries working for the equalization of opportunities for persons with disabilities and their families within society and for the rehabilitation of people with disabilities.

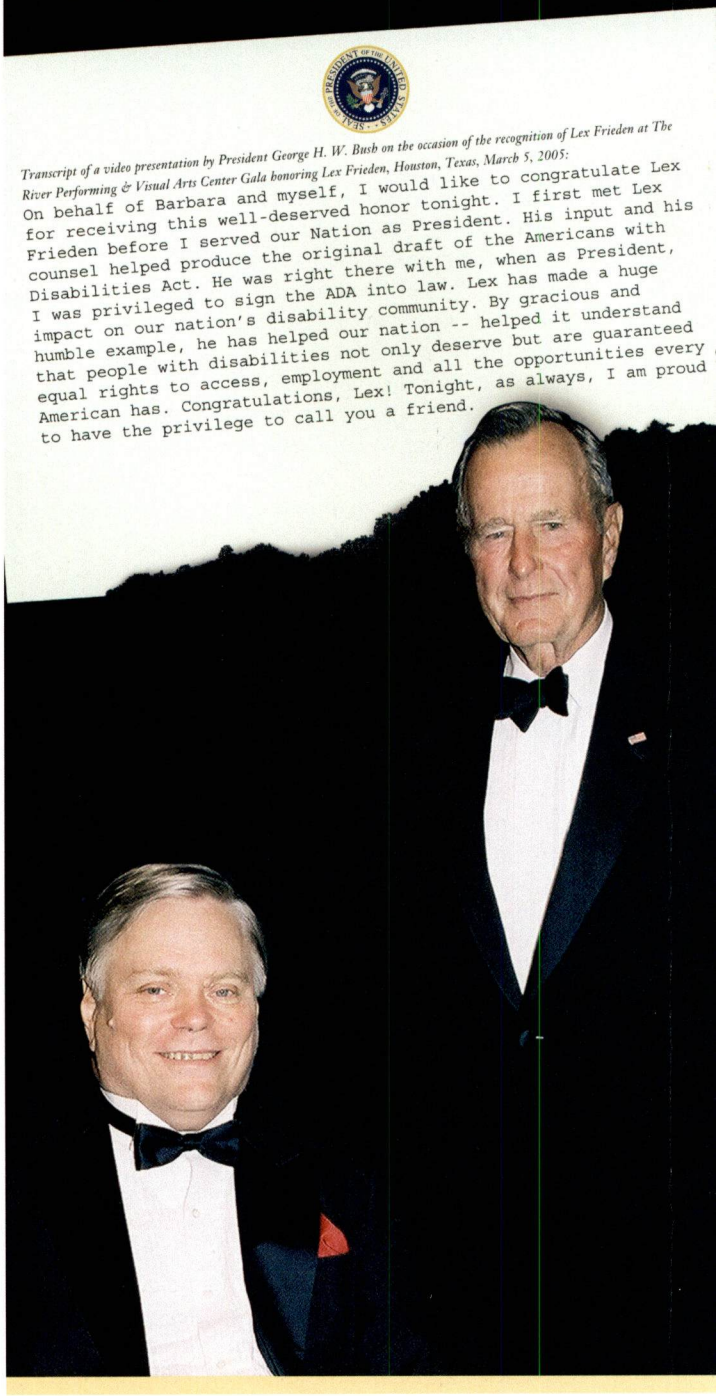
A Life Destined. Not many people can say one single day changed their lives. In Frieden's case, not only can he say one day changed his life, he can name the precise date and moment this life-altering change occurred.

On this particular day in one man's life - November 18, 1967 – Lex Frieden's new journey began. It began with an attitude, will and spirit far stronger and more enduring than the force of the two colliding cars.

Since that fateful day in 1967, Frieden has made every day thereafter count. His work has been relentless and his commitment unwavering. Frieden's innate character may have destined him for greatness, but his life experiences have shaped a zealous crusader; a man responsible for infusing hope and independence into the lives of many.

High Praise

Frieden has earned national recognition, national honor and national gratitude for his lifetime of service.



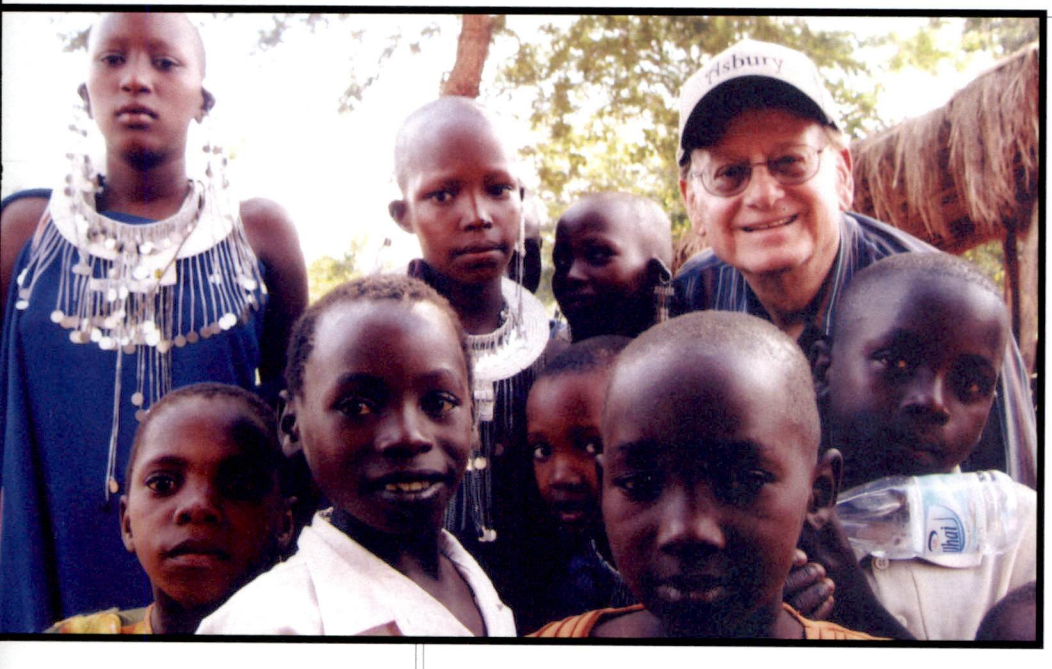
Transcript of a video presentation by President George H. W. Bush on the occasion of the recognition of Lex Frieden at The River Performing & Visual Arts Center Gala honoring Lex Frieden, Houston, Texas, March 5, 2005:

On behalf of Barbara and myself, I would like to congratulate Lex for receiving this well-deserved honor tonight. I first met Lex Frieden before I served our Nation as President. His input and his counsel helped produce the original draft of the Americans with Disabilities Act. He was right there with me, when as President, I was privileged to sign the ADA into law. Lex has made a huge impact on our nation's disability community. By gracious and humble example, he has helped our nation -- helped it understand that people with disabilities not only deserve but are guaranteed equal rights to access, employment and all the opportunities every American has. Congratulations, Lex! Tonight, as always, I am proud to have the privilege to call you a friend.

We Asked, You Answered

How Do You Serve?

Late last year, we sent an e-mail to alumni asking how you serve your community. We were pleasantly surprised at the overwhelming response to our request, but not surprised to see our socially-conscious alumni continuously finding ways to make their communities, and our world, a better place to live. We regret that space limitations allow us to print only a sample of the responses we received. For more, visit www.utulsa.edu/alumni.



"In July I was privileged to travel to Tanzania in East Africa, on a medical mission. It was a most rewarding experience."

Chuck Scott
(BA '52)
TULSA, OKLA.

Karen Paul Langdon
(BA '69, JD '85)
TULSA, OKLA.

"Ten years ago I was on the board of the Child Abuse Network, and it had no signature fundraising event and little name recognition. I called the AMC theater headquarters, and we put together the CAN Film Festival, a family event featuring movies, hors d'oeuvres served by the Doubletree Hotel, all the coke and popcorn kids could eat and other activities. There were 1,000 people at the first one, and AMC loved it. Now Child Abuse Network is well-known in the city, and the event is still raising almost $45,000 each year."



How Do You Serve? cont'd. ▶▶▶

We Asked, **You Answered:** How Do You Serve?

Erin Darlington
(BA '05)
STILLWATER, OKLA.

"I am currently in Duran, Ecuador, doing a year of volunteer service with a program called Rostro de Cristo."

Barbara Vogel Schwarz
(BSN '83)
TULSA, OKLA.

"In 1998, I cofounded Tulsa Project Woman, a program to help women without health insurance and with low incomes access breast health care at minimal to no cost. I ran the organization without pay for three years from my home. We currently have one full-time director and three part-time staff helping women access breast health care through multiple community agencies, promoting the program and acquiring grants. Last year we served more than 1,600 women and diagnosed 40 breast cancers."



Brad Berkson
(BS '85)
GREAT FALLS, VA.

"I became a pilot several years ago and now fly mercy medical missions for Angel Flight and Pilots of Christ. We provide free air transportation to needy patients and their families for medical treatment around the country. This marrying of my passion for flight into service makes the passion even more enjoyable and gives it purpose."

Kathy Burke Bullock
(BSN '73)
WAXHAW, N.C.

"I spearheaded a foundation with my husband to help organize, fundraise, train personnel and place AEDs (defibrillators) onsite in all of our local high schools. These efforts are ongoing and include schools of other levels now. It was a very humbling and encouraging experience to be a part of helping this community come together and implement this AED program."



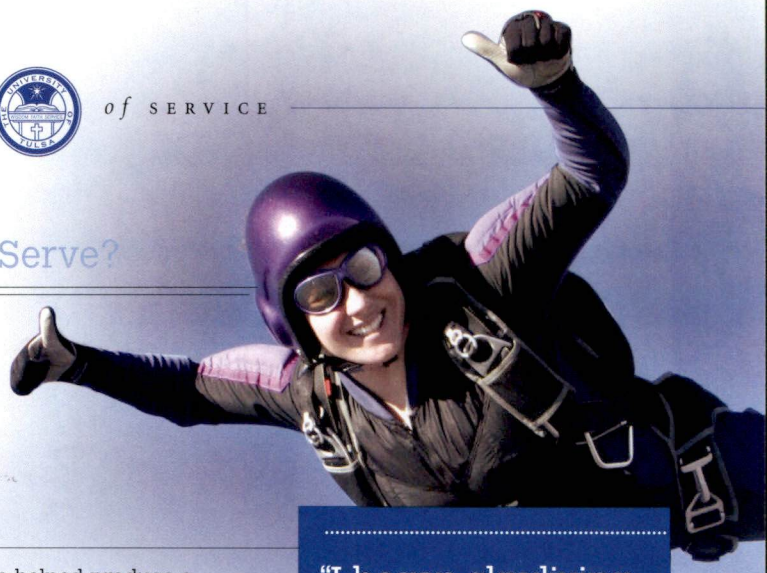
Dr. June Ehinger
(EdD '86)
OKLAHOMA CITY

"I just returned from The Republic of Georgia where a team from our office (the Oklahoma State School Boards Association) trained 19 trustees and administrators in the process of using local citizens to govern their schools. This is the first step in establishing a democratic society."

Patrick Ardahalian
(BA '97)
GUTHRIE, OKLA.

"I was a National Olympic Committee assistant for the country of Bahrain during the Athens 2004 Olympic Games. I worked mostly in the Olympic village where I was responsible for the team's welfare. I translated all information from Greek to Arabic, and I showed the athletes how the Greeks party."

We Asked, **You Answered:** How Do You Serve?



Erin Riley Leraris
(BA '93)
INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

"I am the cofounder of a parental support group for families of food allergic children. I worked closely with the schools, drafting a food allergy policy that was presented to the local district."

Kim Wilson Beach
(BA '91)
DURANGO, COLO.

"Following our daughter's stroke, we helped produce a pediatric exercise video. It's designed to help all parents know how to work with their children to help them develop to their fullest potential."

Teresa Peer Hobbs
(BS '81)
DURANGO, COLO.

"For the past six years my daughter and I have been members of the Azalea Chapter of the National Charity League. This is a national mother-daughter organization dedicated to foster the mother-daughter relationship through volunteer community service. We have found these experiences to be quite humbling, very rewarding and quite beneficial to our relationship."

Jen Ashbaugh
(BS '04)
CLAREMORE, OKLA.

"I participated in the TURC program when I was at TU, donating my research project to the Presbyterian Peacemaking Program. After graduation I served as a volunteer in Belfast, Northern Ireland, working as a peacemaker from August 2004 to August 2005."

Russell Johnson
(BSBA '81)
ALAMOSA, COLO.

"Three years ago, I and several colleagues began a community group called the Diabetes Summit Partners. We are working together to unify resources aimed at providing better education and support services for our diabetic population."

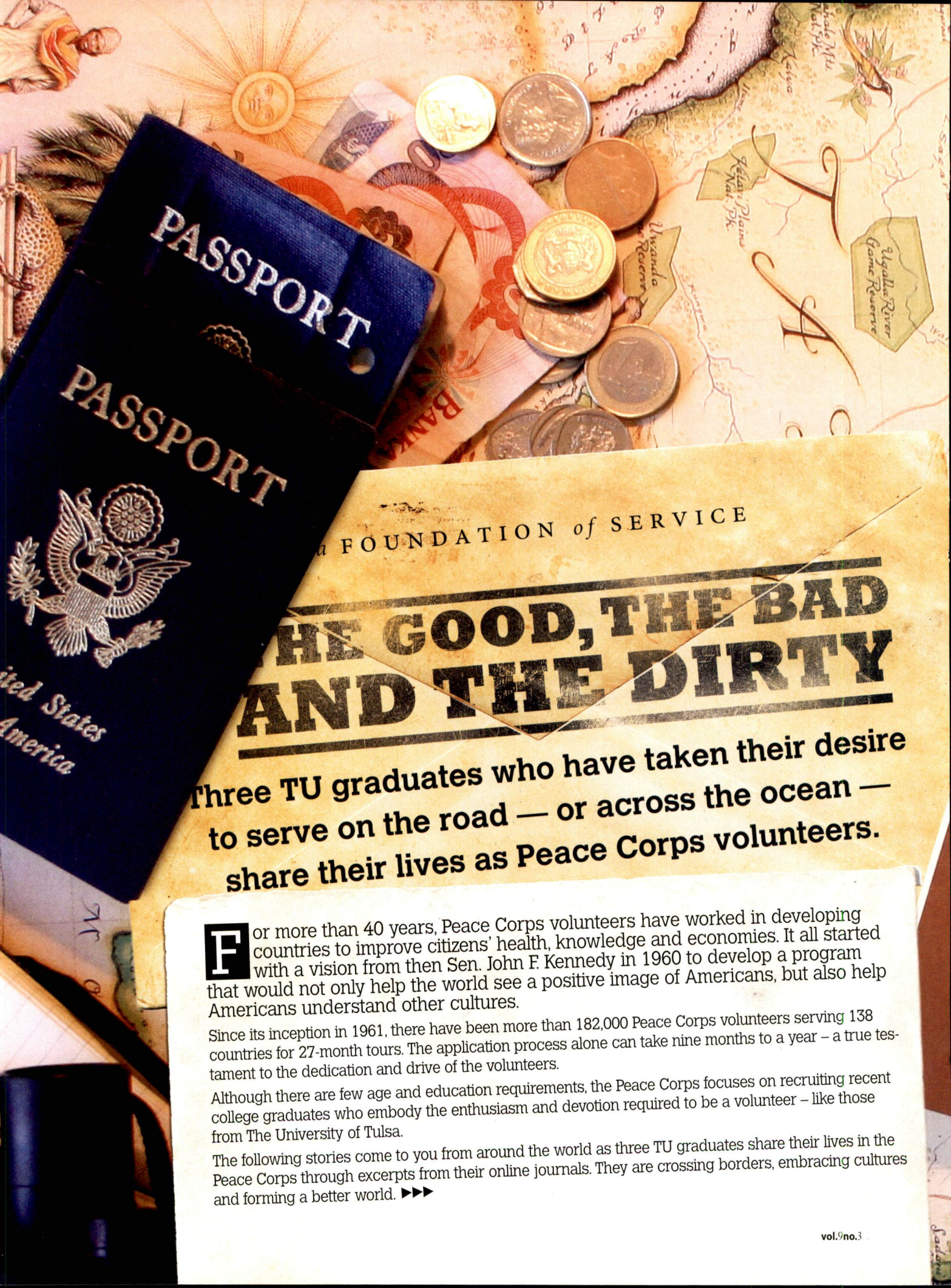


Diane Jones Cheek
(BS '75)
OVERLAND PARK, KAN.

"I volunteer at a place here in Kansas City called 'Alexandra's House.' It is a charitable prenatal hospice and infant refuge for sick and dying babies and their families. We go alongside the family through their pregnancy, birth, delivery and death of their baby. We do everything a regular hospice does, just for babies that are either stillborn, or die shortly after birth."

"I began skydiving a little over three years ago and have been on over 600 jumps. Women are the minority in this adventure, so we decided to break the existing women's formation skydiving record of 24 set in 1999 and raise funds at the same time. On July 31, 2005, a new Women's Texas State Record in skydiving was set. The 28-way all female formation was held complete for 19 seconds. In addition to the new record, we are happy to report that $10,000 in donations for the event was given to Jump for the Cause and the City of Hope, benefiting breast cancer research and awareness."

Erika Hefter
(BSBA '99)
DALLAS, TEXAS



a FOUNDATION of SERVICE

THE GOOD, THE BAD AND THE DIRTY

Three TU graduates who have taken their desire to serve on the road — or across the ocean — share their lives as Peace Corps volunteers.

For more than 40 years, Peace Corps volunteers have worked in developing countries to improve citizens' health, knowledge and economies. It all started with a vision from then Sen. John F. Kennedy in 1960 to develop a program that would not only help the world see a positive image of Americans, but also help Americans understand other cultures.

Since its inception in 1961, there have been more than 182,000 Peace Corps volunteers serving 138 countries for 27-month tours. The application process alone can take nine months to a year – a true testament to the dedication and drive of the volunteers.

Although there are few age and education requirements, the Peace Corps focuses on recruiting recent college graduates who embody the enthusiasm and devotion required to be a volunteer – like those from The University of Tulsa.

The following stories come to you from around the world as three TU graduates share their lives in the Peace Corps through excerpts from their online journals. They are crossing borders, embracing cultures and forming a better world. ▶▶▶

NAME:	DEGREE:	AGE:	PEACE CORPS ENROL
Suzanne Carroll	BA '04	23	June 2004

LOCATIONS SERVED:	RENT LOCATION:	EXPECTED DATE OF RETURN:
Kaedi, Mauritania	Selibaby, Mauritania	August 2006

FUTURE PLA[illegible]S: Readjust t[illegible] life in [illegible]merica and move to either Washington, D.C. or Chicago.

"Trite as it may sound, I have always wanted to see the world and try to make a difference. Joining the Peace Corps was the perfect excuse to move to another country, become fluent in a new language, discover new friends and family, and help out where I can…all for free."

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Happy Ramadan – 16 October 2004 – 10:41 a.m. About a month ago all of the Peace Corps volunteers here in Selibaby volunteered to help out with a big polio vaccination campaign. Little did I realize that this event was part of an international campaign of UNICEF/World Health Organization to eradicate polio from the entire world by 2005. My part was walking door to door with my good friend Molly in over 25 villages vaccinating 2,093 kicking, screaming, and biting young pleasant children. It was probably the most exhausting four days of my life. It was an awesome experience in that we got a glimpse into every home we visited and were able to clearly see the differences between the cultures and the everyday lives of thousands of people.

Happy Turkey Day! – 22 November 2004 – 12:16 p.m. With the damage from the locusts and a particularly dry rainy season this year, I don't know how these people (whose only food/income is in the fields) are going to survive the year. The U.S. will hopefully provide food aid, but unfortunately a majority will go straight into the wealthy stores to be sold instead of given to those who desperately need the food. Needless to say, this Thanksgiving I am thankful for being an American and having everything I could ever want or need.

It's been a while – sorry – 13 December 2004 – 6:41 p.m. I also started my traditional Arabic lessons last week and may have found a few projects to begin work on. Potentially I may be working with two local NGOs (non-governmental organizations) on projects with women's groups. One helping them preserve vegetables and the other by finding a way to use six Singer sewing machines to make a profit for these women.

The way business is conducted in the developed world is nothing like business here. Even my title as a Small Enterprise Development volunteer is misleading considering what we consider a small business in the States would be the equivalent of a huge corporation over here. Before I can begin to work on increasing profit or efficiency, I would have to teach numeracy or literacy to the women.

"By the time my service is up, I will be able to speak, read and write both French and Arabic fluently. I am gaining experience that is not possible in graduate school, figuring out exactly what I want from life, and of course making friends and having a helluva time in Africa."

Back in the Swing of Things – 31 July 2005 – 10:21 a.m. My trip back from the States was rather uneventful but difficult nonetheless. On the flight from Dallas to New York, I got a little teary eyed, but was late and had no time to reconsider boarding the flight to Dakar.

From the moment I was back with my host family, all my worries about living here floated away. It is incredible what a difference a host family makes. They were ecstatic about all the gifts, but most of all that I made it back safely. In my absence, they raised the roof on my house, replaced the roof on my hut, built me a covered patio area, and surprised me with a garden full of flowers and trees. Amazing, who wouldn't love this place with a family like mine??



NAME:	DEGREE:	AGE:	PEACE CORPS ENROLLMENT:	CURRENT LOCATION:	EXPECTED DATE OF RETURN:
Krista Dawn Atchley	BA '04	23	January 2004	Cabul, Moldova	July 2007

LOCATIONS SERVED:	FUTURE PLANS:
Cabjoz Besh, Uzbekistan; Urgench, Uzbekistan; Costesi, Moldova	Attend graduate school or work in another country teaching English as a foreign language.

"I had never traveled outside of the U.S., and the Peace Corps sounded like a good way to begin some world traveling. I was excited about the idea of working in a completely different culture, learning a new language and living at the same level as the host country nationals."

JOURNAL:

Budesti – Saturday, August 20, 2005. This morning I took my first bath at site. I felt like a three-year-old trying to wash myself. The bucket is probably 12 inches deep, but I only use water from one tea kettle to get clean. I really had to think about the best washing routine to ensure all parts were clean and not being washed with totally dirty water.

Today's Strategy – Wednesday, September 14, 2005. I have been reading travel books lately and my most recent one is "Tales of a Female Nomad," by Rita Golden Gelman. She says, "Once I leave the U.S., I am not bound by the rules of my culture. And when I am a foreigner in another country, I am exempt from the local rules. This extraordinary situation means that there are no rules in my life. I am free to live by the standards and ideals and rules I create for myself."



"I want to roam the world...I want to be a nomad."

Teacher Appreciation Day – October 5, 2005. Today I received over 30 roses from individual students, notebooks, pens, chocolates, well wishes and kisses. The mayor's office donated 4000lei (approximately $317 U.S. dollars) as a gift to teachers.

Despite bad behavior in the past, all my students were extra nice today and willing to cooperate and participate in class. Overall it was a nice relaxing day, and I look forward to many more celebrations in Moldova.

133 – Tuesday, October 11, 2005. Today was my 133rd day in Moldova. That is one more than I was in Uzbekistan. Today was also the day I wanted to go home more than anything. It's been a rollercoaster here, and I was ready to get off and get on a plane. But a nice hearty workout of running, crying, and repeating those two until I could do neither, and I was fine. Sometimes you just need to get it all out!

Adapting? – Tuesday, October 18, 2005. I hung out with some volunteers I first met back in June. They are all heading home (or other exotic locations) in 72 hours. The sad thing about Peace Corps is you meet a lot of extraordinary people, and they walk in and out of your life about every nine months.

Big Fish – Saturday, September 29, 2005. A lot of people I have talked to recently have been using the phrase "big fish in a small pond." Growing up I always felt pretty comfortable and confident in my surroundings. Kind of like a big fish in a small pond (Sand Springs, Oklahoma, is pretty easy to feel comfortable in). When I joined Peace Corps, I was so intimidated by everyone I met, and that nice comfy feeling went away for awhile. The people I have met in Peace Corps are amazing, so talented in whatever it is they do, and a lot of world travelers. I felt a little uneducated, inexperienced, etc. But now everyday I am starting to realize that there really are no big ponds or small ponds, and we are all pretty much the same fish in the same pond.

NAME:	DEGREE:	AGE:	PEACE CORPS ENROLLMENT:	CURRENT LOCATION:	EXPECTED DATE OF RETURN:
Matthew Britton	BSFA '03	25	June 2004	Tidjikja, Mauritania	September 2006

LOCATIONS SERVED:	FUTURE PLANS:
Cabjoz Besh, Kaedi, Mauritania; Lehweitat, Mauritania	Attending graduate school for a masters of public administration. Eventually wants to work for the U.S. Foreign Service or USAID.

"I, like most other Peace Corps volunteers, wanted to do something to help less fortunate people. I also wanted a challenge – I wanted to see if I was tough enough to live overseas, away from friends and family and modern comforts for a couple of years."

JOURNAL:

18 December 2004 - 16:41. Some kid stole my shortwave radio while I was eating lunch with my host family the other day, so now my room is an official "no kid zone." Normally, I would be pretty mad, but all I could think about was how lucky I was to have stuff that other people wanted to steal, and how fortunate I am that I'm well-off enough that I don't have to steal.

Speaking of which, a few of you have asked if I need anything...well, one thing that I've learned by living in Mauritania is that I "need" a lot less than I ever thought I did.

5 January 2005 – 10:44. I saw myself in a large mirror for the first time in six months, and it kind of freaked me out, so I weighed myself at the medical office...18 pounds lost isn't too bad, huh?

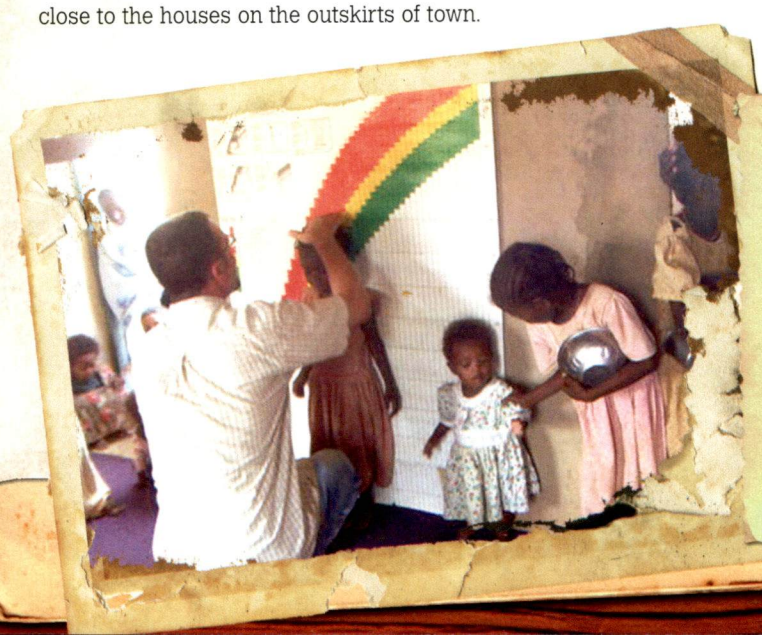
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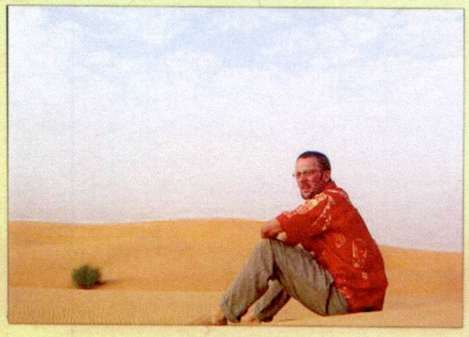
04 May 2005 – 22:11. Now that I have moved to Tidjikja, I have all kinds of stuff to do – an AIDS education and imam (religious leader) training to help with, opening feeding centers for kids who will be affected by the imminent food shortage this summer, site evaluations for new volunteers coming in July, and nutrition education for women's gardening cooperatives and the girls' mentoring center in Tidjikja, not to mention studying for the Foreign Service Exam, preparing to whelp puppies, and a half-dozen home improvement projects for our regional house.

27 May 2005 – 20:41. Today I did the cheesy aide worker thing and rode out with World Vision in a semi-truck 40 km into the desert to deliver 10 tons of U.S.-donated wheat, Canadian-donated split peas, and U.S.-donated vitamin A-enriched vegetable oil to people in Rachid who are working for the Food-For-Work program set up by the World Food Program.

22 August 2005 – 19:17. I was wide awake, kneeling on the side of the road, checking the vital signs of an old man with a gash in his forehead. He had been driving when he lost control of his car (probably swerving to avoid a herd of something), went off the road, and flipped it. We awkwardly picked the man up and moved him into the car, with me yelling in three languages to hold his head and neck still. In the car, I took the older passenger's turban and put it over the old man's head wound and instructed the other man to press on it. Early the next morning, the old man was airlifted out of Tidjikja and flown to Nouakchott. As far as I know, he's still alive.

13 October 2005 – 14:44. After observing all of the destruction caused by the recent rains and subsequent flooding, I noticed something that I found interesting, and slightly amusing – the poorest people in Tidjikja might have actually come out on top in this situation, which is not something that normally happens ANYWHERE, much less so in the developing world. The poorest people in Tidjikja are the laborers, whose families live on the outskirts of town in the sand dunes. When the water came, it rushed through the center of town, in the valley where most of the people live. It didn't even get close to the houses on the outskirts of town.





A Major in Social Commitment

When you recall your college years, you probably remember difficult classes, challenging professors, late nights, close friends and memorable parties. But a new trend is emerging among university students that will likely elicit different memories for today's generation of scholars.

THE IDEA OF SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY is evident through an outpouring of volunteerism and escalating number of hours donated by university students across the nation. A 2004 survey conducted by Campus Compact, a national nonprofit organization, showed "a strong five-year trend toward increased civic engagement among (students at) U.S. colleges and universities... the percentage of students involved in service on campus reached 40 percent in 2004, up from 33 percent in 2001."

And The University of Tulsa is no exception.

Not only do TU students participate in social and professional organizations, part-time jobs, corporate internships and study abroad, they also donate an enormous amount of time to community service. And these hours of service aren't just hours required for membership in certain student organizations, but rather there are student organizations that exist for the sole purpose of serving the community.

Consider Micah Kordsmeier, for example, a junior majoring in political science and Spanish with a minor in economics. He's also the president of the TU chapter of Habitat for Humanity, responsible for directing the group's efforts at fundraising, educating, publicizing, recruiting and building. He said that his involvement in the organization is his release from a stressful week of classes, exams and projects.



"Leading an organization like Habitat for Humanity is personally rewarding in many ways," Kordsmeier said. "Building on weekends is a great way to get outside and work with others on something you can be proud of, and it really does help me wind down after very busy weeks."

Habitat for Humanity is a nonprofit organization that works to eliminate inadequate housing and homelessness by using volunteer labor



and donations to build or rehabilitate houses for disadvantaged families around the world. There are more than 200 TU students on the chapter's mailing list who participate in building, fundraising and other projects.

For Kordsmeier, being a part of Habitat is more than developing leadership skills or filling in the community service section of a job application. He's involved because of the satisfaction he gets from helping others.

"What I love the most is that I can make a positive difference in so many ways at once," he said. "When we are at builds, the future owners are usually there helping, and the pure happiness and gratitude that they show us is truly touching."

Student Association President Byron Sanders says this same attitude is echoed throughout the student body.

"Community service is something that's in us," Sanders said. "We've been blessed with so much that TU students recognize we have a responsibility to give back."

He noted, for example, that at TU's first home football game of the 2005 season, the Student Association and Student Affairs Orientation office collected $11,300 for Hurricane Katrina victims.

"That's just a snapshot of the type of student body we have," Sanders said. "When we're asked to help, we do it."

Sanders is personally aware of the generosity and sincerity of TU students. As a transfer student from Southern Methodist University, he was surprised how easy it was to immediately become involved with campus activities. He said that being a part of something "bigger than yourself" provides a deeper sense of satisfaction and better sense of self.

The community organizations that students assist welcome their initiatives to hold fundraising campaigns on campus.

Community specialist for the American Cancer Society, Sarah Franzen, works closely with the TU chapter of the nonprofit and is amazed at students' dedication and willingness to help.

"In the past three years, TU students have made fighting cancer an annual tradition by planning their own American Cancer Society Relay for Life event on campus," Franzen said. "It's amazing to think about the positive impact these student are making in the fight against cancer. TU students are supporting life saving research, education, advocacy and service initiatives that we could not accomplish without volunteers like them."

Kristen Taylor (BSBA '04) joined the staff of the local American Cancer Society after her own





TU College of Law student Lauren Chandler spends three to five hours a week with her little, Korey, as part of the community-based program through Big Brothers & Sisters of Green Country.

involvement in the TU chapter. She pointed out that since TU students have been hosting Relay for Life, they have raised almost $60,000 and volunteered countless hours.

But you don't have to look at the more than 160 student organizations on campus to find a commitment to service. Students often seek out volunteer opportunities on their own.

Lauren Chandler is enrolled in TU's College of Law. While her time is limited due to school and family obligations, she was compelled to act when she saw an ad for Big Brothers & Sisters of Green Country, an organization that pairs adults with children from single parent homes.

"I thought I should do this," Chandler recalled, "so I signed up for the community-based program, which means I spend three to five hours a week with my little."

Chandler's "little" is 10-year-old Korey, who also wants to be a lawyer. Chandler just completed her one-year commitment to Korey and the program and was offered a choice of whether to continue the relationship.

"We just clicked from the beginning," she said. "Now I can't imagine not being involved in her life. I want to stay involved in her life through middle school, high school and even help her fill out her college applications."

To help keep Korey inspired to attend law school, Chandler received permission to show Korey the law school library, where aspiring lawyers spend much of their time.

And Korey's admiration for Chandler helps keep the law student focused on achieving her own goals.

"Knowing she's watching me makes me want to do better," Chandler said. "She inspires me."

From organizations to individuals, an attitude of social responsibility is widespread on TU's campus. With that attitude, they're taking more with them after graduation than a diploma.

"We're not going to remember the tests," Sanders said. "We're going to remember the people whose lives we touch and the people whose lives touch us."

Tulsa names Bubba Cunningham Athletics Director



Lawrence "Bubba" Cunningham, athletics director at Ball State University in Muncie, Ind., since 2002, was named The University of Tulsa's new director of athletics.

"I am especially pleased to announce Bubba's appointment," TU President Steadman Upham said. "He is the candidate that best exemplifies the qualities and characteristics we were looking for as the University's new director of athletics. Bubba is the ideal person to sustain the momentum from our previous leadership and move the program forward."

Cunningham, 43, spent the past three years at Ball State. In his tenure, he guided a program with 19 intercollegiate sports and a budget of $12.4 million. He also secured the largest single gift in Ball State athletics history during a $12 million campaign to renovate the university's football stadium.

"The transformation that's occurring on campus and the entrance into Conference USA with all the new opportunities that C-USA presents for the university is exciting," Cunningham said. "The University's continued rise in academic reputation nationally is attractive. The size of the campus and the chance to work with outstanding coaches and student athletes is very appealing."

Cunningham has signed a five-year contract with the University.

TU breaks ground for Case Athletic Complex

The University of Tulsa held the official groundbreaking ceremony in October 2005 for the Case Athletic Complex in the north end zone of Skelly Stadium, prior to the Tulsa-Houston football game.

The three-story, 30,000-square-foot structure will consolidate football operations and provide a dramatic anchor to Skelly Stadium.

The first floor will feature a locker room and training and equipment rooms, while the second floor will house a Lettermen's Lounge, offices and a state-of-the-art audio-visual suite. In addition to team meeting space and game-day suites, the third floor will include an academic support center with counselors' offices, private and group study space for all student-athletes, and a computer lab. The athletic coaches' offices will also be moved to the new complex.

The construction of the complex is made possible by a gift from TU Trustee Mike Case, as well as contributions from more than 260 donors.

Mills named to National Scholar-Athlete Class

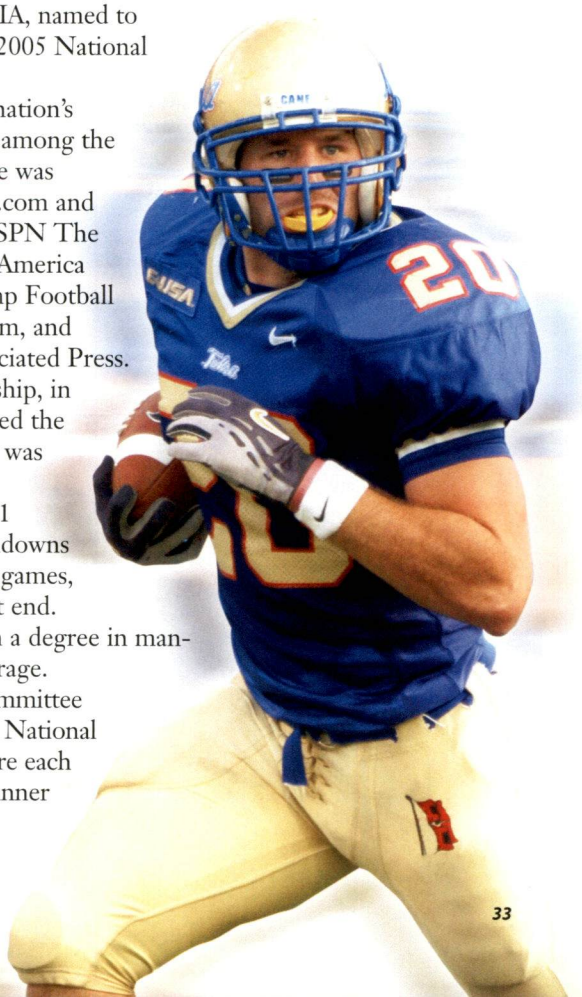
Garrett Mills (BS '05), former tight end for The University of Tulsa Golden Hurricane, was one of 16 college football student-athletes, from all divisions of NCAA and NAIA, named to the National Football Foundation's 2005 National Scholar-Athlete Class.

A versatile player, Mills led the nation's tight ends in receiving and was also among the nation's leading receivers overall. He was named first-team All America by SI.com and CBS Sportsline.com, to the 2005 ESPN The Magazine / CoSIDA Academic All-America football team, the 2005 Walter Camp Football Foundation All-America second-team, and third-team All-America by the Associated Press. In the Conference USA Championship, in which the Golden Hurricane defeated the University of Central Florida, Mills was named MVP.

Mills finished his career with 201 receptions for 2,389 yards, 23 touchdowns and caught a pass in 40 consecutive games, the longest current streak for a tight end.

He graduated in December with a degree in management and a 3.91 grade point average.

Selected by the NFF Awards Committee from a pool of 184 nominees, the 16 National Scholar-Athlete Award recipients were each honored at the 48th NFF Awards Dinner in December at the Waldorf-Astoria in New York City. Each received an $18,000 postgraduate scholarship.



Alumni Association charters two new chapters

The University of Tulsa Alumni Association chartered two new alumni chapters in Chicago and Washington, D.C., in September 2005.

The addition of the two chapters brings the total number of chartered chapters to 10, representing almost 22,000 alumni.

TU President Steadman Upham joined alumni at the Mid-Day Club in the Windy City to celebrate the chapter's charter. Upham encouraged alumni to take advantage of the opportunity by participating in chapter events and encouraging others to get involved.



Celebrating the charter of the new Chicago alumni chapter with President Steadman Upham and his wife, Peggy, are (from left) Ken (BSBA '68, JD '70), Debbie (BA '95) and Anne Davidson (BS '68, MS '71) at the Mid-Day Club in Chicago, Ill.

"In addition to being one of the nation's leading commercial and cultural centers, Chicago is home to about 450 TU alumni," Upham said.

In Washington, D.C., where approximately 500 TU alumni reside, the president and his wife, Peggy, hosted a chartering event in September at the Hart Senate Office Building.

"A chapter of this size in a city of Washington's prominence represents enormous opportunity for professional networking, camaraderie and active engagement in the life of TU," Upham said.

You can visit the Chicago Chapter online at www.utulsa.edu/alumni/chicago, and the Washington Chapter at www.utulsa.edu/alumni/dc. If you are interested in getting involved with either chapter, please contact Amy Freiberger (BSBA '96, MBA '99) in the Office of Alumni Relations at amy-freiberger@utulsa.edu or 918-631-3727.

Call for at-large members to national board

The National Board of the TU Alumni Association is calling for nominations of alumni to serve as at-large members.

At-large members serve for one, two or three-year board terms and participate on at least one committee during their term. Directors are expected to make an annual financial contribution to the University and attend all board meetings.

The National Board of Directors serves as the governing board of the Association and maintains one mission – bolstering and advancing The University of Tulsa.

Nominations are due March 1, 2006, for the summer 2006 elections. Please submit nominations, including basic biographical information, to sandy-willmann@utulsa.edu, or send to Office of Alumni Relations, 600 South College Avenue, Tulsa, Okla. 74104.

Giving thanks to alumni volunteers

Tulsa Chapter Alumni Association volunteers gathered in August for the first annual Volunteer Alumni Network reception at Westby House, the residence of TU President Steadman Upham and his wife, Peggy.

The Volunteer Alumni Network is comprised of approximately 100 volunteers who support the Alumni Association's many committees and donate countless hours to the Office of Alumni Relations.

"Your energy invigorates the TU community and accomplishes things that otherwise would be impossible," said Tulsa Chapter President Ryan Rex (BA '95).

The reception also featured a presentation by Rex of the first Tulsa Alumni Association Volunteer of the Year Award to Tracy Turner Anquoe (BS '89, MA '93) for her dedication to and support of the Alumni Association.

If you live in the Tulsa area and are interested in serving on the Volunteer Alumni Network, contact the Office of Alumni Relations at 918-631-2555 or alumni@utulsa.edu.

TU took Conference USA by storm at Homecoming 2005





Alumni, students, faculty, staff and friends of The University of Tulsa gathered on campus, September 22-24, to celebrate Homecoming 2005, and watch the Golden Hurricane football team beat Memphis 37-32 in overtime.

The success of this year's event was the result of the dedication and hard work of Homecoming Chair Rhonda White (BSBA '98) and her committee of alumni, students, faculty, staff and friends.

New reunions included the Class of 1955, a 1960 football team reunion, a reunion celebrating the entire Decade of the 1970s and a Young Alumni Bash. The Dallas Chapter won the "Chapter Spirit Competition," which was sponsored by the Tulsa Chapter for registering the highest percentage of alumni attending Homecoming 2005.

Call for Distinguished Alumni

The Alumni Association is calling for nominations for the annual Distinguished Alumni award.

Distinguished Alumni recognition is open to any TU alumni who have distinguished themselves by rendering extraordinary service and achievement to a particular discipline, organization or cause on an international, national, statewide or local level. Basic qualities of good character and citizenship, as well as a demonstrated commitment of service to The University of Tulsa, shall also be considered.

Honored as distinguished alumni during Homecoming 2005 were Dr. John Forrest (BA '72), business entrepreneur Jim McGill (BS '65) and Judge Charles Owens (JD '60).

Current TU employees and members of the TU Alumni Association Board of Directors are not eligible for the award. To see a listing of all past Distinguished Alumni or to download the nomination form, visit www.utulsa.edu/alumni/honors/da.

Save the date to Uncork in 2006!

Mark your calendars to attend the second annual TU Uncorked Wine Festival on June 2, 2006, with honorary chairs Jim (BS '65) and Jean McGill.

Chairing this year's event, which benefits the TU Alumni Association Scholarship Fund, are John Williams (BS '88, JD '92) and Cristina Smith Williams (BA '92).

Last year, Uncorked raised more than $32,000 and hosted more than 300 alumni and friends.

If you are interested in sponsorship opportunities, please contact Amy Freiberger at 918-631-3727 or amy-freiberger@utulsa.edu.



Upcoming Alumni Association Events

TUESDAY, MARCH 28, 2006
Kansas City Chapter Reception hosted by President Steadman Upham and his wife, Peggy.

TUESDAY, APRIL 4, 2006
St. Louis Chapter Reception hosted by President Steadman Upham and his wife, Peggy.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26, 2006
Denver Chapter Reception hosted by President Steadman Upham and his wife, Peggy.

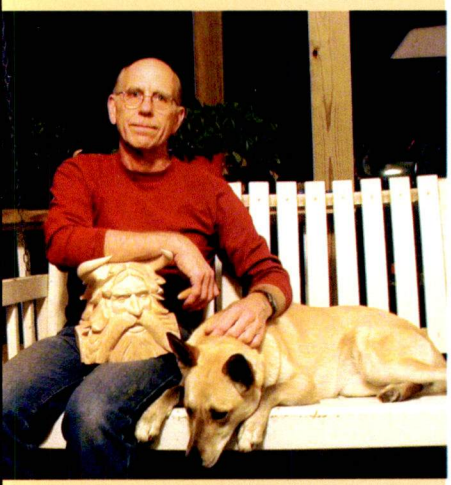
SATURDAY, MAY 20, 2006
Dallas Chapter Family Picnic in the Park

FRIDAY, JUNE 2, 2006
TU Uncorked Wine Festival in Tulsa

For a full listing of TU alumni events, visit www.utulsa.edu/alumni. To stay informed about TU events in your area, update your e-mail address with the Office of Alumni Relations at 918-631-2555 or alumni@utulsa.edu.



The TU Alumni Association was seen and heard at the corner of 8th and Florence during pre-game tailgate parties encouraging fans to "Wear Blue" and support the Golden Hurricane. For a list of alumni events, visit www.utulsa.edu/alumni.



Rusty Johnson (BS '65) received third place for his "Welcoming Committee" carving in the group category at the national Caricature Carvers of America competition in Pigeon Forge, Tenn.

1940s

George (BA '49) and **June** (BS '49) **Megill** visited Brazil in August when George preached at the 25th anniversary of Cordeiro Methodist University, which they helped start. The Megills served as missionaries in Brazil for 24 years. They also returned to Hamlet, N.C., to preach at the 50th anniversary of the fellowship at United Methodist Church where George was pastor.

1950s

Rogers Lehew (BS '50 MS '51) is on the board of Education Matters Trust, a foundation that raises and distributes funds that will go directly toward helping public school children obtain their goals. The mission of the three-year-old foundation, which distributed $100,000 last year, is the enhancement of public education.

Howard Waugh (BS '53) was recognized by *People* magazine and Habitat for Humanity for his considerable contributions to the organization over the past 16 years. He has served as a board member and has been instrumental in building more than 100 homes for those in need.

Frank H. Koers (BS '54) helped plan the first Transportation Expo at a local airport in Kennesaw, Ga. More than $24,000 was raised for the local food bank through nearly 5,000 paid admissions.

Harry Poarch (BS '55) was inducted into the 2005 Oklahoma Military Academy Hall of Fame. He is owner and president of Economy Lumber Co. in Tulsa. Harry completed more than 29 years of active duty in the U.S. Army and earned two Legions of Merit, two Purple Hearts and four Bronze Stars.

Lewis C. Beach (BS '56) was named a 2005 Distinguished Alumnus of the Oklahoma Military Academy. Lewis has enjoyed a long career as an independent oil and gas producer and owner of Beach Operating Company in Tulsa.

Clyde D. Graeber (BS '56, JD '59) was elected chairman of the county commission for Leavenworth County, Kan. He has served on the Leavenworth City Commission, as the treasurer for the state of Kansas, secretary of the Kansas Department of Health and Environment, a member of the Kansas House of Representatives and mayor of Leavenworth. Clyde worked as an attorney and banker and resides in Leavenworth, Kan., with his wife, Pauline.

David R. Cecil (BS '58) is a professor of mathematics at Texas A&M University-Kingsville. He is involved with several outreach programs, including serving as the mathematics faculty mentor to Upward Bound/Math Science. David has been on the board of Ronald McNair Scholars Program for high GPA, minority and/or first generation college juniors and seniors. He was also a moving force in forming the regional site of the Texas Science Olympiad on the campus of TAMUK.

William T. Hayes (BSPE '58) was chosen by the *Galveston Daily News* in March as an unsung hero. He is credited with collecting more than $2 million of used, durable medical equipment, which he cleans, restores and repairs, for the Jesse Tree volunteer organization. He resides in Galveston, Texas, with his wife, **Sue Cooper Hayes** (BA '57).

Margaret Davis (BA '59, MA '64), the dean of the Gordon Albright School of Education at City University in Seattle, received the Washington Education Association 2005 Human and Civil Rights Award in the



Members of the Class of 1955 gathered on Sept. 24, 2005, for the annual Fifty Years or More Brunch during Homecoming. More than 150 alumni and friends were in attendance.

category of "community service." Throughout her career, she has been instrumental in promoting diversity in the classroom.

Donna Ross Hogan (BA '59) has retired after six years at the University of Texas-San Antonio. She has worked with libraries for about 30 years, spending 15 years as a trustee and friend in Oklahoma and the other 15 years as a library professional in Oklahoma, Alabama and Texas. She plans to continue as a friend of libraries in San Antonio while traveling and visiting friends and family.

Janet Bascom Sutter (BS '59) has been named Distinguished San Diego Mortar Board Alumna. Janet was with Copley Newspapers in San Diego for 31 years, retiring last year as director of corporate publications and awards. She is on the executive board of Friends of University of California-San Diego Libraries and has served on the boards of the San Diego Historical Society and its Costume Council, which she helped start and served as chairman. She is a U.S. trustee of the Royal Society of Arts, based in London.

1960s

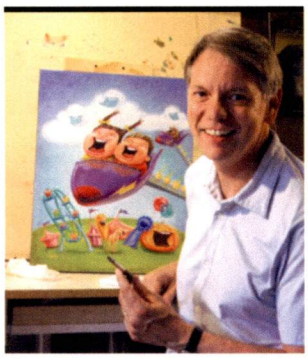
Ross Hawkins (BS '61) founded The Hummingbird Society in 1996, the only known nonprofit in the world dedicated solely to hummingbirds. In 1999, he took early retirement from Morgan Stanley to serve as the society's full-time executive director – without pay. The group now has members in 26 countries and is working on its prime mission of preventing hummingbird extinction. Ross encourages interested alumni and friends to read more about the society at www.hummingbirdsociety.org.

John A. Moore (BA '62, MA '64) has completed his 10th book, *The New United Nations: International Organization in the 21st Century*, coauthored by Moore's long-time collaborator, Jerry Pubanz, and published by Prenitce-Hall in October 2005. Moore was the Lázszló Országh Distinguished Chair of History in Hungary during the fall and winter of 2004. To reach his Fulbright assignment in Budapest, John and his wife, **Linda Christ Moore** (BA '63), biked from Vienna. Once in Hungary they biked around Lake Balaton, reputedly the largest European lake outside Scandinavia.

Becky Elizabeth Wallace (BA '62) and **Janice Parks Dreiling** (JD '80) were actively involved with the planning and implementation of a suffrage celebration on August 27, 2005, in Bartlesville, Okla., to commemorate the passage of the 19th Amendment.

Lee C. Anderson (BS '63) is the chair of the building committee for the First Congregational Church of Dundee, Ill. The committee broke ground on a new church, which will be completed in a year.

Jerry Dillon (BM '63) and his wife, **Deniese Magness Dillon** (MS '73), have volunteered for their adoption program for the last 33 years. Jerry has been the visionary for Dillon International Inc., their intercountry adoption agency, which is now working in eight countries finding orphans a better life. Jerry and Deniese reside in Tulsa.



Phill Cooper (BFA '73) created the official 2005 Tulsa State Fair poster. Best known for designing the "Tulsa" logo, Phill is the creative force behind Cooper Design, a respected design studio offering an array of print advertising services.

Rusty Johnson (BS '65) was matched with his little brother, Jon Reed, through Big Brothers and Sisters of Green Country in Tulsa. Jon now lives in Massachusetts, but contacted Rusty in 2003 to help him with the art, design and production of a book. Through online collaboration, the book was completed in 2004 and their "big brother" relationship has continued. *Resumés from Hell* is available through major book dealers.

Bob Marshak (BS '66) was elected chairman of the Tempe Golf Committee in Tempe, Ariz. The golf committee is an official commission of the city of Tempe.

William D. Pennington (BS '66, MA '67) is the president of Murray State College in Tishomingo, Okla.

Larry E. Judge (BS '68) and his wife, Kathy, have retired and moved from the St. Louis area to a golfing community near the beach in Pawleys Island, S.C.

Lin Brister (BS '69) founded First Fruits Ministry, sending medical missions primarily to Mexico to perform cataract surgery at no cost. Missions have also worked in China, Africa and Ecuador, with a trip planned to Nigeria in February 2006.

1970s

Rev. Dr. William J. Carl III (BA '70) is president of Pittsburgh Theological Seminary after serving the First Presbyterian Church of Dallas for 22 years.

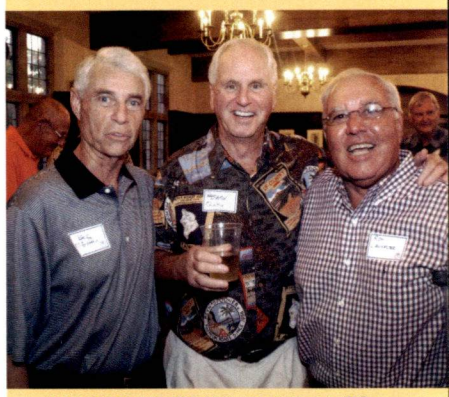
Richard E. Wiseley (BS '70), managing director of the western division of Oppenheimer & Co. Inc., was presented the Humanitarian Award at the Anti-Defamation League Los Angeles Celebration on Dec. 4, 2005, by his wife, **March** (BS '70).

Alfonso A. Cueto (BSBA '71) sold his Miller Brewing Co. distributorship in Miami and Key West in 1994. Since then, he has served as president of the Orange Bowl Committee and head of the Coral Gables Sister-City Program with Grenada, Spain. Alfonso is also involved with Pantados, an organization that assists families of political prisoners and dissidents inside Cuba, and Kiwanis Club of Little Havana, which organizes the largest Hispanic festival in the U.S.

Dr. Jacob Jorishie (BS '71) served as a guest conductor for the TU marching band in their Homecoming performance of the alma mater. Professor Kenneth G. Grass, applied associate professor of music, considers Jake the honorary director of bands.

Norma J. Curley (BS '72) served as the musical director for a Frank Sinatra tribute at the Tulsa Performing Arts Center. She lives and works in Manhattan.

Leslie Coon Bohon-Bothwell (BS '73), Lincoln Elementary School counselor, won first place in the Parenting Press' Sibling Appreciation Contest for a story she wrote about her sons, David and John Paul. She has taught in Norman schools for eight years.



Bob McGoffin (BS '63), **Bard Quku** (BS '63) and **Ron Lancaster** (BS '64) attended the 1960 TU Football Team reunion during Homecoming. The reunion included a trip to Camp Flagstone and receptions at DoubleTree Warren Place and TU's campus.



Jerry (BSBA '90) and **Jennifer Strom Salcher** (BS '91) are proud to announce the birth of their first child, McKenzie Anne, born March 15, 2005, at Hillcrest Women's Health Center in Tulsa. McKenzie attended Homecoming 2005 – her first TU football game. Jerry is vice president of plant operations for RAE Corporation in Pryor, Okla. After spending the summer at home with McKenzie, Jennifer returned to Williams, where she is a senior staff analyst in the IT department. Jennifer also serves on the board of the Golden Hurricane Club for TU. Jerry and Jennifer reside in Owasso and celebrated their 14th wedding anniversary in September 2005.

Deborah Kaye Campbell Betts (BSN '79) was promoted to colonel in the Army Nurse Corps on December 16, 2004. She is the director of the U.S. Army Practical Nurse Course at Fort Gordon, Ga., and has been in the Army almost 23 years.

1980s

Jerry K. Thomas (JD '81) was named vice president of institutional advancement at McKendree College in Lebanon, Ill. Before accepting his position, Jerry served as the director of development and associate director of institutional advancement for the Southern Illinois University College of Engineering in Carbondale, Ill.

Thomas Becker (MS '82, PhD '87) is now in the reservoir engineering field studies group with Chaprall Energy LLC in Oklahoma City.

Sharon L. Corbitt (JD '82) serves as the chair of the Domestic Violence Intervention Service. She is past president of several organizations including the American Bar Association Family Law Section, Parent Child Center of Tulsa, Oklahoma Chapter of American Academy of Family Law Lawyers and Oklahoma Family Law Section of the Oklahoma Bar Association. Sharon has also been appointed to several select committees of the American Bar Association. She resides in Tulsa with her husband, **James C. Lang** (BA '62, JD '64).

Nancy Farmer (MS '82) has been named president and CEO of Tuition Plan Consortium, an organization of more than 250 private colleges and universities nationwide that operate Independent 529 Plan, a pre-paid tuition plan.



Melissa Lenox (BSBA '99) married Jim Chapman on May 7, 2005, at Carmel Valley Ranch in Carmel, Calif. Some of Melissa's "favorite TU girls" made the trek to Northern California for the wedding. TU alumnae who participated in the wedding were **Tiffany Ractliffe Doble** (BSBA '99), **Susie Street** (BSBA '00), **Breezi Fischer** (BSPE '01) and **Christie Lenox** (BSBA '02). Other TU alumnae who attended the wedding were **Megan Gray** (BS '01), **Katie Daniel Corder** (BSBA '00) and **Michelle Jarchow Weber** (BSBA '00). Melissa and Jim live in San Francisco where they purchased a home.

John W. Thomas (MBA '82) has served on the Tulsa Area United Way Community Investment Panel for five consecutive years working to validate the need for member agency funding.

Christie Day Cannon (BS '83, JD '87) is the associate general counsel for Pepco Holdings in Wilmington, Del. She is very involved in pro bono work in the state of Delaware, serving as a guardian ad litem representing abused and neglected children in family court.

Ben Crandall (BS '83) is an associate professor of nursing at Indiana Wesleyan University in Marion, Ind. He takes nursing students to China to work in orphanages, nursing homes and the Shengyang Women and Children's Hosptial, as well as guest lecturing at China Medical University. His next trip will be in May 2006.

Dave Fernandes (BS '83) graduated with honors from the American Banker's Association National Graduate Trust School at Northwestern University in Evanston, Ill. He is assistant vice president of Hickory Point Bank & Trust in Champaign, Ill. Dave is responsible for investment and trust services for the bank's Champaign facility. He has been an attorney in Champaign for more than 19 years.

Timothy L. Moore (BS '83) was named vice president of corporate engineering by Genetch Inc.

Geoffrey P. Norton (BS '83) and his wife, Debbie, celebrated the birth of their third daughter, Sawyer Muir, on July 10, 2005. Sawyer's big sisters are McKay, 8, and Tatum, 5. Geoffrey continues to practice law in Los Angeles when he is not changing diapers.

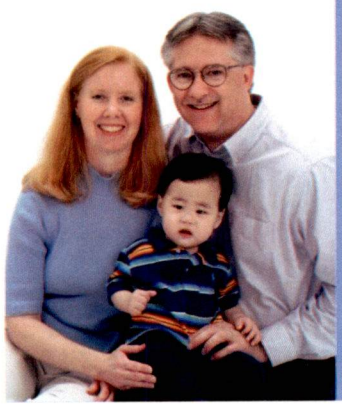
Robert W. King (MBA '84) and his wife, Karen, live in Florida where Bob teaches intensive math and calculus at an inner-city Miami high school.

Resa Willis (PhD '84) has received the Distinguished Faculty Award for Scholarship at Drury University, where she's taught since 1980.

Brad Berkson (BSPE '85) has been appointed director of program analysis and evaluation within the Office of the Secretary of Defense. He will provide independent analytic advice to the secretary of defense. Brad holds an MBA from Harvard University. He is a pilot and flies as a volunteer for several mercy medical airlift organizations, which transport patients for treatment.

Bryce Hill (JD '85) and his wife, Sunshine, renovated the former Tulsa Little Theater building on South Delaware Avenue where Bryce now practices law, while his wife takes care of the theater business. They have had several events in the building and expect to have more plays and musical events in the future.

Veronica Barranco Marks (BA '86) was elected to serve on the board of directors for the Dallas/Fort Worth Chapter of the National Investor Relations Institute. Her term as the chapter's vice president of professional development runs from June 2005 through May 2006. Veronica is manager of corporate communications at Digital Recorders Inc. She and her



Scott A. Martin (BSBA '83) and **Suzanne E. Price Martin** (BSBA '84) have adopted Josiah Vincent Kun-Bin Martin. Josiah was born July 7, 2004, in Gwangju, South Korea. Scott and Suzanne traveled to Seoul in July 2005 to receive their new son. Josiah was welcomed home by his older brother, Joshua Eugene Soo-Bin, and sister, Katelyn Ruth Yeo-Kyung. The Martins live in Matthews, N.C., where Scott is a senior compliance manager for Banc of America Securities in Charlotte.

husband, Jim, have two children, James, 19, and Andrew, 15. The family resides in Carrollton, Texas.

Bradford Bole (BS '88) and his wife, Janet, returned on May 7, 2005, from Saratov, Russia, where they adopted a 10-year-old son, Alexander.

Jose A. Chajon (BS '88) has been awarded the Visual Developer C# Award for technical community contributions.

Steven West (BA '89) was awarded a Masters of Tourism degree from the University of Canberra in Canberra, Australia. The ceremony was held on the floor of the Parliament House. Steven is the coordinator of applied studies for the Blue Mountain Hotel School at the University of New England.

1990s

Eva-Marie Haig Gooden (BA '90) placed third in the figure category of the NPC Oklahoma Bodybuilding and Fitness Championships in June 2005 in Tulsa. Eva-Marie resides in Tulsa with her husband, John.

David Beach (BSBA '91) was named controller for Aka Energy, a natural gas company located in Durango, Colo. His wife, **Kimberly Wilson Beach** (BA '91), is the parent partner coordinator for Florida Mesa Elementary School in Durango. David and Kimberly have two children, Chris, 9, and Ashley Ruth, 7.

Kristin Garrett (BA '91) completed a residency in internal medicine at Oregon Heath Sciences University in Portland. Prior to her residency, Kristin graduated from medical school at the University of New Mexico. She will be a practicing physician in Vancouver, Wash. Kristin is engaged to her long-time friend, Dwain Clifford.

Kevin King (BSBA '92) was inducted into the TU Athletic Hall of Fame and participated in the reality show "Wife-Swap." Kevin and his wife, **Amy Battenfield King** (BA '92), reside in Tulsa.

Rodney Lee Mosley (PhD '92) is part of a research team at the University of Nebraska Medical Center that is hoping to develop a vaccine for Parkinson's disease.

Marcus Phipps (BME '92) opened Harlingen Homes on March 30, 2005, after nine years as an award-winning real estate agent with a national firm. Marcus and his wife, Lisa, are expecting their third son, joining 9-year-old Joshua and 6-year-old Jonathan.

Jennifer Wood Edwards (BA '93), with her sister and current TU student, Nicki Wood, created Catoosa's Annual Hometown Halloween Festival four years ago. In addition to organizing the festival each year, Jennifer and her husband own SouthWest Fire Protection Inc.

Erin Riley Leraris (BA '93) and her husband, Tony, welcomed their third child on August 9, 2005. Phillip Max-Millard Leraris joined 6-year-old Benjamin, and 4-year-old Molly.

Rob Platt (BSBA '93) has accepted the position of logistics manager for the North American sales division of Haldex Braking Systems. Rob lives in Kansas City with his wife, **Nancy Ward Platt** (BSBA '94), and their two children, Kemering, 4, and Dutch, 2.

Molly N. Casteel (BA '94) received a Master of Divinity from Princeton Theological Seminary on May 14, 2005. After an internship at Yuma Regional Medical Center in Yuma, Ariz., Molly will become the associate pastor for women's advocacy of the general assembly office of the Presbyterian Church U.S.A. in Louisville, Ky.

Julie Hathorn Doshi (JD '94) and her husband, Ankur, had a daughter, Kaila, born in November 2004. Julie is working at home in Houston in order to spend time with her daughter.

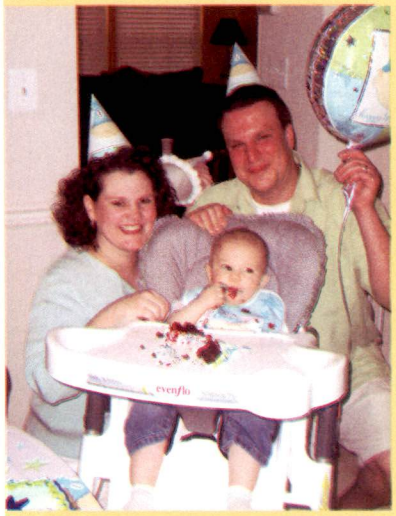
Aaron Duncan (BS '94) is serving his second tour of duty in Baghdad. From Iraq, Aaron says, "Just think,



Carrie Swayze Beckwith (BA '97, MA '99) and her husband, Kevin, a Tulsa native, celebrated her 30th birthday with a scuba diving trip to the Bahamas with some "new friends." Carrie is an avid diver off the coast of Wilmington, N.C., where she and her husband reside. She is a certified rescue diver and is working toward getting her instructor's license.



Heidi Vice (BSBA '00) married Captain Michael Berriman on July 3, 2004, at the Tulsa Garden Center with Dr. Hank Knight officiating. The wedding party included **Heather Vice** (BSN '96), **Brandy Langham** (BSBA '00) and **Jaclyn Davis** (BS '00). Ellie and Lena Kincaid, daughters of **Penny Kincaid** (BSN '96), served as flower girls. Heidi and Michael reside in Savannah, Ga.



Jennifer Cain Wroniewicz (BA '94) and her husband, David, welcomed a baby boy, Mark Benjamin, on April 29, 2004. The family resides in Fairfax, Va.



Cameron Betts (BA '96) completed his Master of Health Systems Administration at the University of Kansas Medical Center. He is a market research analyst for BlueCross BlueShield of Kansas City. Cameron married Sandy Brown in September 2005 on the steps of the Liberty Memorial in Kansas City. Cameron and Sandy reside in Kansas City with their dogs and cat.

all those classes and the only thing I use from thermodynamics and physics is determining the muzzle velocity of an M16 rifle and mortar points of origin."

James Ford (BA '94) was named director of the new honors program at Rogers State University in Claremore where he has been teaching philosophy and religion for five years. Jim resides in Tulsa with his two children, Jacob, 8, and Eli, 4.

Deborah Davidson (BA '95) has joined the Chicago office of Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP, a law firm where she specializes in complex employment and employee benefits litigation.

Crystal Perry Icenhour (BS '95) and her husband, **Derek** (BSBA '95), have moved to Durham, N.C., for Crystal's job at Duke University Medical Center. She will be completing her postdoctoral medical mycology training in the Molecular Mycology Pathogenesis Training Program. Crystal is a volunteer for the National Postdoctoral Association, an organization devoted to improving the working conditions of postdoctoral scholars across the U.S.

Jennifer Madsen Mochwart (BA '95), her husband, Ted, and daughter, Abby, welcomed Emma Jane on October 3, 2005. The family resides in Centennial, Colo.

Ronnie E. Smith (BSME '95) and his wife, Jena Tomes-Smith, welcomed their new daughter, Madison Ann, on June 28, 2005.

Shannon Winters (BSChE '95) has joined Aerofil Technology Inc. as the manager of process documentation and employee learning. She resides in Sullivan, Mo.

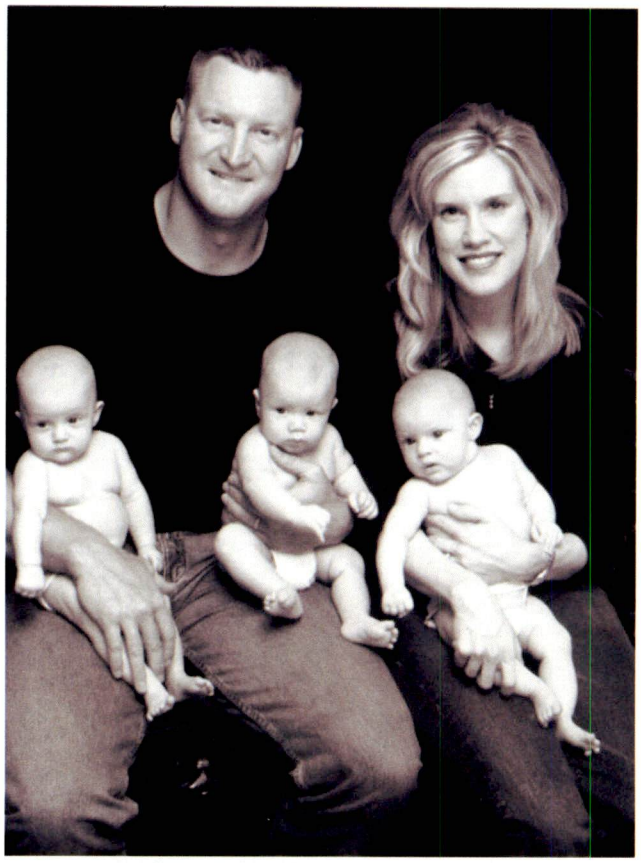
Anna Baxter (BA '96) received a master's in opera from Baylor University and married Chi Bun Jimmy Chaing. They live in Vienna, Austria, where they are active in their International Baptist Church and have presented numerous concerts in Hong Kong and various cities in Europe. Anna sings with a professional chorus and teaches music theater classes in a number of schools in Vienna.

Toneille Bent (BA '96) is involved with the Knowledge is Power Program Tulsa College Preparatory housed at Lincoln Elementary School in Tulsa. The program is an accelerated and intensive learning program for fifth grade students. Toneille teaches the students Spanish and founded Essesnce-tial Truths, a service providing life coaching and motivational programs.

Meghan McCarrier Harding (BA '96) and her husband, **Brennan** (BS '96), moved to Portsmouth, Va., where Brennan is a navy anesthesiologist. Their second son, Isaac, was born April 21, 2005.

Nicci Howard (BA '96) is pursuing a doctorate in clinical psychology in San Diego.

Casey Meek (BA '96, MA '00) married Patrick Carter in Vail, Colo., in 2003. They welcomed their sons, Cross Emerson, in March 2004, and Cosby Cason, in February 2005. The family resides in Tulsa where Casey works part time as a consultant at Villareal & Associates, a management consulting firm. Patrick is a CPA.



Kim Volki Owens (BSBA '95, MBA '97) and her husband, **Dave** (BS '91), had triplets on February 9, 2005. They are proud to welcome two girls, Madison Janya and Kennedy Grace, and a boy, Eisenhower "Ike" Don.



Tim Martin (BSME '99) and **Natalie Tidwell** (BSBA '00) were married at Sharp Chapel on September 17, 2005. The wedding party included **Jennifer DeSpain** (BS '02, MBA '04), **Katie Meier** (BA '01), **Kara Snedegar Vonderkall** (BSBA '98, MBA '99), **Wes Caswell** (BA '98), **Adonis Peil** (BSBA '99), **Neil Whitworth** (BS '98, MBA '00) and **Brian Pollan** (BSME '99). The couple will split their time together between Grand Rapids, Mich.; Nashville, Tenn.; and Tulsa. Tim is a pro football player for the AFL Grand Rapids Rampage, and Natalie is a professional country singer in Nashville.

Matt Moffett (BA '96) is an artist and elementary art teacher for Tulsa Public Schools. He began an international career painting pet portraits in oils in 1999. Collectors include former president Gerald Ford, Barry Switzer, Doris Day Animal Foundation and Pyramid Real Estate Corporation. To date, Moffett has painted more than 1,000 commissions and has participated in more than 40 art shows and exhibits, which include murals in the city of Tulsa. Last spring HGTV came from Hollywood to M2 (squared) Studio to film "Imagine That," which aired in October. To see Matt's paintings, visit www.m2studioportraits.com.

Lisa Palluconi (BA '96) accepted a position as legal counsel to IBM's Office of Governmental Programs in Washington, D.C., after four years of practicing law at Akin Gump Strauss Haur & Feld. Lisa and her husband, **Aaron Stuber**

(BSChE '94), reside in Arlington, Va., where Aaron is a senior process engineer for Washington Gas.

Amy Diekelman Rushall (BS '96) and her husband, Jeff, had their second daughter, Isabel Christine, on June 13, 2005. Her big sister, Evelyn, was born February 6, 2004.

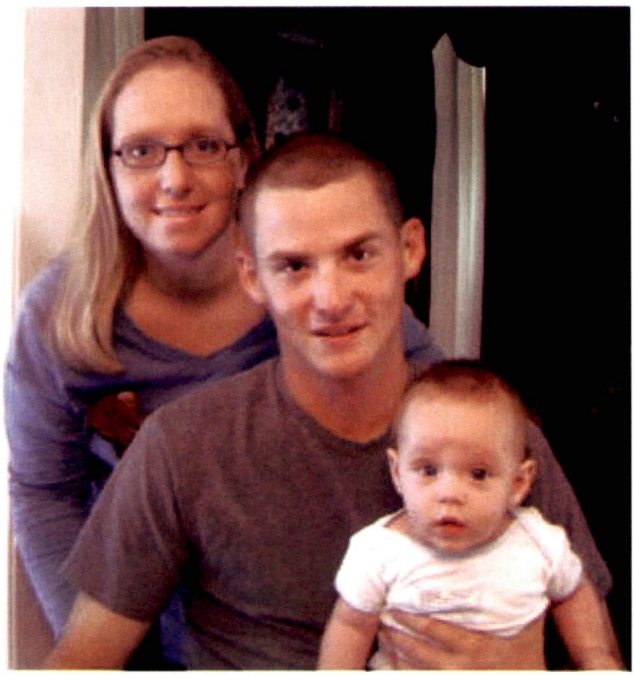
Carolyn Rhoades Tir (BA '96) began her master's degree in public administration at the University of Georgia in Athens, focusing on higher education administration with a specialization in the development and administration of university study abroad programs. Carolyn and her husband, Dr. Jaroslav Tir, enjoy spending several weeks each summer on the Dalmation Coast of Croatia, Jaroslav's native country.

Cindy Yankton (BSBA '96) married Troy Larson on September 10, 2005, at Rotary Gardens in Janesville, Wisc. Cindy is a senior treasury analyst at TDS Telecom in Madison, Wisc.

Laura Boland (BA '97) and **Benjamin Lok** (BS '97) were married on July 9, 2005, in Tampa, Fla. TU alumni in the wedding party were **Tanya Pitts** (BS '97), **Melissa Lok** (BSME '03), **Brandon Land** (BS '97) and **Lance Watson** (BS '96, MS '03). The couple resides in Gainesville, Fla., where Ben is a professor at the University of Florida, and Laura is a marketing consultant.

Ethelene Swinney Davis (BA '97) has been involved with Big Brothers and Sisters of Green Country since 1996, after returning to Tulsa to finish the degree she started in 1973. She has been matched with her current little sister, 15, since she was in fourth grade. Ethelene feels that if she is unable to give one hour a week of time to help someone else, she is indeed too busy! She also has a junior club through Modern Woodmen of America, has been a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA), teaches a church class for adults and children and is a TU Homecoming volunteer.

Mark Luitwieler (BSBA '97) sold his fitness clubs and returned to the industry he loves, petroleum. He is now the national sales and product manager for Fuel Managers Inc. Mark and his wife, **Michelle Granum Luitwieler** (BSBA '95), have two children: Mallorie, born September 8, 2003; and Mitchell, born May 12, 2005. Michelle is the managing partner of her own consulting firm, Madison Avenue Consulting. Mark and Michelle live in the Tulsa area and love to watch the Golden Hurricane and the Pittsburgh Steelers.



Adriane Studenny Bradshaw (BSBA '98) and her husband, **Donivan** (BSBA '00), welcomed their first child, son Devin, in February. Donivan is a six sigma project manager at IBM and, Adriane is an attorney with the firm of Studenny & Associates. They reside in Broken Arrow.

Michelle McRuiz (BA '98) is the associate editor at Overeaters Anonymous World Service Center in Rio Rancho, N.M., where she edits a monthly magazine, *Lifeline*. Prior to this job, Michelle worked as a communications and database manager at Menual School in Albuquerque for four years. She is finishing her thesis to graduate with a master's in professional writing from the University of New Mexico in December.

Ron Lee (BSEE '97) was promoted to manager of power systems at the John F. Kennedy Space Center in Cape Canaveral, Fla. Ron is employed by the United Space Alliance, NASA's prime contractor for space shuttle operations, and resides in Titusville, Fla.

Harcharan Rajagopal (MS '98) and his wife, Gayatri Jayaraman, had their first child, Rohan, born February 24, 2005. The family resides in Mayfield Heights, Ohio.

Brian Surratt (BA '98) joined the staff of the city of Seattle's Office of Economic Development as its industry sectors manager where he will lead efforts to support Seattle's leading industries. Brian also joined the adjunct teaching faculty of City University's Master of Public Administration Program.

Christen Goltermann (BSBA '99) married Kent B. Lindsrom of Rockton, Ill., on September 10, 2005. Christen is working as the lead communications development specialist for DEAF Way Interpreting Service. Christen and Kent reside in Glendale, Mo.

Ann Heidger (BA '99) was elected as the president of the Dallas Chapter of the TU Alumni Association. She serves on a board of 11 alumni officers planning events for approximately 1,200 alumni in the Dallas area. The group is also involved in recruiting new students to TU. Visit www.utulsa.edu/alumni/dallas for more information. Ann works as a senior account executive for Business Wire.

Jan Gaddis Rodriquez (JD '99) accepted a position with Ball Corporation in Broomfield, Colo., as in-house counsel.

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Eric Hirt (BS '00) and **Jennifer Daugherty** (BS '04) were married in



Chuck Kucera (BSBA '94, MBA '00) married Stacey Enloe on October 16, 2004, in Independence, Mo. The wedding party included groomsman **Brandon Almeida** (BA '94). Chuck and Stacey reside in Kansas City where Stacy works as a commercial interior designer, and Chuck is a software analyst for H&R Block.



Andrea Klahr DelGiorno (BA '96, JD '00) and her husband, Michael, welcomed their identical twin daughters, Anna and Alexandra, on November 3, 2004.

July 2005. They purchased their first home and moved to Olathe, Kan.

Inemesit Usoroh O'Boyle (BA '00) graduated from Tulane University with a JD in May 2005 and her husband, **Sean M. O'Boyle** (BSME '98), graduated in August 2005 with an MBA from Tulane. While their plans were to work in New Orleans, Hurricane Katrina has temporarily displaced them to Jackson, Miss. They look forward to returning to New Orleans. Inemesit and Sean are doing quite well and thank all those around the country who have opened their hearts and homes to the many displaced residents of coastal Louisiana and Mississippi.

Rhiannon Thoreson Stephens (BA '00) and her husband, Patrick, are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Kennedy Kay, born June 21, 2005.

Christa (BA '00) and **Casey** (BS '00) **Whitmire** have been relocated to Rockford, Ill., where Christa is working as a teacher, and Casey is working for a hospital products company, Hospira. They have a 1-year-old son, Cade.

Sean Davis (BS '01) spent nearly three months in Antarctica as part of an expedition to measure gasses on the surface and aloft, and to determine their effects on the ozone layer.

Gavin L. Harris (BA '01) became one of the first trainers of the newly formed Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) and was one of the first responders to Hurricane Katrina, setting up medical, evacuation and morgue facilities, as well as providing a friendly ear for those who needed to talk. Gavin has many stories of people overcoming nearly impossible odds. His most terrifying moment was when he was waist deep in water doing home searches with his dog, Lapachucho, and found a 17-foot long crocodile lurking in the flood waters just off Canal Street.

Katie Irish (BA '01) graduated in May from NYU's Tisch School of the Arts with a master's in costume design. She is working as an assistant on the new musical "White Christmas" and as a swatcher for HBO's television show, "Deadwood." Katie moved to Brooklyn with her husband, **Scott Chin** (BA '00), who is working as a producer for the advertising agency Lowe Worldwide.

Suzanne Morrel (BSBA '01, MS '03) moved from Norwich, Conn., to Seattle, for a promotion as a budget analyst with the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Matt Rice (BSBA '01) ran his first marathon, the Chicago Marathon, on October 9, 2005, completing his goal and placing in the top 16 percent of all finishers. Matt resides in Chicago where he is a national account manager with Gen-A Network, publisher of 17 regional sports publications.

Jane Ann Talkington (MBA '01) is working on a doctorate in sustainable development at Oklahoma State University, which is part of her mission to be an affordable housing developer of green communities. She has three children, ages 12, 5 and 3.

Michael Wall (BA '01, MTA '03) is living in Austin and playing arena football for the Austin Wranglers. In the off-season he spends his time on the lake with his girlfriend, **Anna Nedderman** (BS '02), and golden retriever, Bubba. Anna completed her master's degree in communication sciences and disorders at the University of Texas at Austin. She works at Easter Seals Early Child Intervention Program in Austin.

Christopher M. Cone (BSBA '02) married **Sarah Keller** (BA '04) on November 5, 2005. TU alumni in the wedding were **Stephen Harrington** (BSBA '02), **Daniel Townsend** (BSBA '02) and current student, Nathan Keller.

Suzanne Dodson (BSChE '02), **Cherie Almeida** (BSChE '99, MS '01) and **Christi Patton** (MS '88, PhD '93) are involved with the annual Girl Scout Badge Day put on by the Society of Women Engineers in Tulsa. Each January or February, they hold all-day workshops where girls learn about science and math careers and complete activities required to earn their badge.

Angela Nicole Farrar (BS '02) and **Raina L. Shanks** (BS '02) have received scholarships from the Osteopathic Founders Foundation. Nicole was awarded $3,000, and Raina was awarded $2,000 to assist them in their final year at the College of Osteopathic Medicine at Oklahoma State University.

Anna Gibson (BA '02) has launched her own freelance writing and design business at www.freelancing-etc.com. She will marry Kenny Farringer in June 2006.

Melissa Holderby (BA '02) graduated in May from the University of Oklahoma College of Law.

Darriel Johnson (BS '02) is a first year doctor of pharmacy student at the University of Tennessee College of Pharmacy in Memphis. He volunteers at the Christ Community Health Service, where he takes part in community health teaching, as well as screenings for body mass index and blood pressure. As a member of the American Society of Pharmacists, Darriel volunteers at various health fairs and churches providing blood pressure and glucose screenings and education about the dangers of high blood pressure.

Matthew Lindsey (BA '02) is in his second year at Harvard's Kennedy School. He spent the last summer as an intern in the

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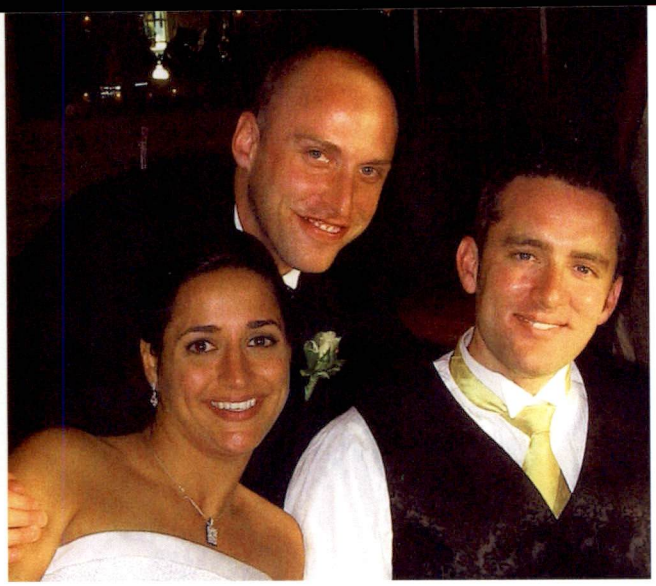
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Monte Hawkins (BA '99) was married on June 11, 2005, to Katrina Dafnis. The wedding was held in Menlo Park, Calif., followed by a honeymoon in Hawaii. Katrina is a first year medical resident at George Washington Hospital in Washington, D.C. Monte works for a defense contractor at the Pentagon. Monte and Katrina reside in Arlington, Va. They are photographed with best man (center) **Nate Olson** (BA '99). **Cary Stidham** (BSBA '01) also attended the wedding.

city of San Diego working on a transportation policy issue. The day of his departure from San Diego, it was officially declared "Matt Lindsey Day" by the mayor.

Cristen Perks (BSBA '02, MBA '03) accepted a job in Washington, D.C., as an online communications consultant with Issue Dynamics Inc., where she is planning and implementing online issue advocacy campaigns. Cristen also completed her first half marathon, the Rock 'n' Roll Half Marathon, in Virginia Beach, Va., on September 4, 2005.

Christopher Rhoades (BS '02, MBA '05) has taken a job as a buyer for Hope Lumber in Tulsa.

Anna Studenny (BSBA '02) resides in Lexington, Ky., where she is the stallion accountant for Darly at Jonabell Farm, the U.S. division of one of the world's most successful thoroughbred stallion operations.

Chandi Wagner (BA '02) is in Ecuador for the Peace Corps. Her job includes working with youth and teaching English and life skills.

Kristin Barker (BA '03) and **Shawn Harwell** (BA '04) will be married on May 27, 2006, in Tulsa. Kristin is attending the University of Houston and will graduate with a master's degree in piano accompaniment and chamber music in May 2006. Shawn works for Ozark Film and Video Productions in Springdale, Ark.

Christina R. Bond Kirk (JD '03) and her husband, Mario, have developed a program in conjunction with their local church that provides academic supplemental assistance to students through a unique self-esteem establishing, biblical-based program. They reside in Edmond, and Cristina is an attorney in Oklahoma City.

Lydia Troncoso Pistol (BA '03) completed an MSC in city design and social science at the London School of Economics. She works as an urban planner with Atkins Consultancy. She married Tim Pistol in November 2004 and they reside in London.

Heather Wilson Sammis (BS '03, MA '05) and her husband, Brett, were transferred from Hulburt Field in Fort Walton Beach, Fla., to Hamilton, Ohio. Heather began teaching at McGuffy Foundation School, and Brett is teaching Air Force ROTC. They will be in Hamilton for three years.

Tina Tran (BA '03) is in the Foreign Service finishing her assignment at the U.S. Embassy in Islamabad, Pakistan. After that, she will be in Washington, D.C., for six months of Arabic language training en route to her next assignment at the U.S. Embassy in Baghdad. Her portfolio will be helping to build provincial governments outside of Baghdad.

Henda Demonstenes Luciano Valerio (BSPE '03) works for CABGOC, a subsidiary of Chevron in Angola, as a field artificial lift optimization engineer.



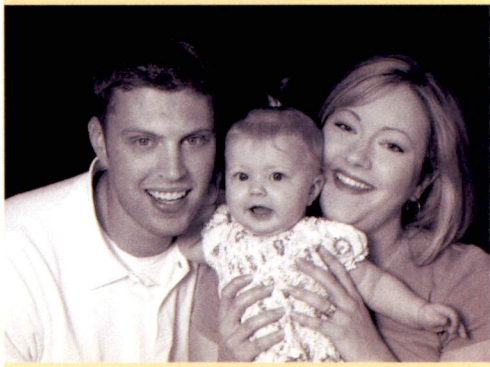
Cari Clark (BA '98) married Brandon Wegge on June 25, 2005, in Kansas City. They honeymooned in Bermuda. TU alumnae in attendance were front row, left to right: **Adriane Studenny Bradshaw** (BSBA '98), **Kara Snedegar** (BSBA '98, MBA '99); back row, left to right: **Jennifer Harrison Brandt** (BSBA '96), **Lisa Hyne Schleiss** (BSBA '96), **Cari, Harrison Tyree** (BA '99), **Jamie Noble Casper** (BA '98) and **Leanne Schild Campbell** (BSBA '98). Other alumni in attendance were **Heather Reeves** (BSBA '98), **Kristin Breaux** (BSBA '99) and **Donivan Bradshaw** (BSBA '00).



Erin Donovan Fruland (BSChE '98) and her husband, Brian, proudly welcomed the birth of their daughter, Donovan Louise, born on December 24, 2004. They live in Fayetteville, N.C., where Erin is teaching part time and coaching, while Brian, a captain in the U.S. Army, is deployed to Iraq until December 2005.



Beth Pense (BFA '03, MTA '04) married Scott Hughes on May 21, 2005, at Sharp Chapel. TU alumni in attendance were **Amy Bueno** (BS '03), **Melanie Vincent** (BA '03, MA '05), **Adrienne McVey** (BS '05), **Natile Eneff** (BSBA '05) and current student Kendra Marrs.



Sarah Durham Coffin (BSBA '00) and her husband, Jason, announce the birth of Camille Grace on March 4, 2005. Sarah and Jason reside in Jenks. Sarah left The Philbrook Museum of Art as the marketing and public relations manager to stay at home. Jason is an account executive with SBC and began pursuing a master's degree at TU in the fall.

Gabrielle Duda (BA '04) is development coordinator for the National Multiple Sclerosis Society in Springfield, Mo.

Nichole Hamm (BA '04) completed a master's in Mediterranean archeology at the University of Bristol in Bristol, UK.

Matthew Morgan (BS '04) received his private pilot's license in May.

Corie Anderson Tarara (JD '04) joined the Minneapolis firm of Winthrop & Weinstine in September 2005 as an associate attorney practicing in environmental/land use law, as well as corporate real estate.

Scott Zeligson (MTAX '04) was promoted to manager in the tax department of Sartain Fischbein & Co., in Tulsa.

Megan Decker (BA '05) is dedicating a year of service with the Dominican Volunteers U.S.A. She serves as a music teacher at San Juan Diego Middle School in Racine, Wash.

Mary McGlohon (BS '05) received an NSF Graduate Fellowship and is attending Carnegie Mellon University.

Kyle S. Smith (BSME '05) received a Sloan Foundation Fellowship and is attending Carnegie Mellon University, where he is conducting research in the areas of biocellular mechanics and nanotechnolgy.

Vanessa Russo Tidwell (BS '05) received a Spencer T. Olin Graduate Fellowship for women at Washington University.

Cody Williams (BA '05) is engaged to John Anderson, III. The wedding is set for summer 2006.

In Memoriam

Warren H. Adams *(BA '73), June 30, 2005*
Kent Thomas Anderson *(BS '67), December 2004*
Robert Batchelor *(BS '57)*
Margaret Kral Baumgardner *(B. Music '58), June 24, 2005*
Gladys Jones Beckner *(BA '36), June 27, 2005*
Robert Stephen Bewley *(BS '70, BS '71), May 15, 2005*
Sam Bewley *(BS '38), July 31, 2005*
Gerald A. Carrens *(BS '50), May 1, 2005*
Syrus E. Chambers *(BS '49), July 7, 2005*
Herbert H. Collins *(BA '37), June 25, 2005*
Carolyn M. Connors *(MS '81), June 29, 2005*
Mary Lynn Jeffers Cornwell *(BA '47), July 12, 2005*
Joe Crank *(BA '50), September 22, 2005*
Dennis Michael Dunliffe *(BS '77), May 2, 2005*
Ryan Cunningham *(BS '98), October 4, 2005*
Chauncey L. Duncan *(BS '63), July 7, 2005*
Clarence Ehlers *(BS '41, MA '46)*
Ronald D. Fixico *(BS '85), April 28, 2005*
Thomas Joseph Griffin *(BS '55), July 27, 2005*
Roberta Hadley *(MTA '63), July 21, 2005*
Steven Charles Harmon *(BS '89), July 21, 2005*
Bruce Devell Hartnitt *(BA '58), May 15, 2005*
Marshall "Mike" Heatherly *(BS '66), April 21, 2005*
Forrest Dean Hicks *(BS '67), May 7, 2005*
Mary Elizabeth Gunn Hodnett *(BA '34), April 8, 2005*
Lloyd Holtz *(JD '66), May 10, 2005*
Helen Birbilis Kaprelos *('40), April 25, 2005*
Donald Wayne Lewellen *(BS '40), April 23, 2005*
John Lovell *(BS '48), May 14, 2005*
Elizabeth Miller Mahan *(BA '35), September 15, 2005*
Robert A. Mason *(BS '44), September 13, 2005*
Joseph V. Maude *(BS '52), 2003*
Wilfred McCleod *(BS '62, MS '64), June 3, 2005*
Paul McLeod *(EdD '67), June 6, 2005*
Robert N. McDuffie *(BS '49), August 31, 2005*
Michael S. McKillip *(BS '68), July 1, 2005*
Robert Edgar Megill *(BS '48), September 28, 2005*
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Norman S. Morrisey *(MS '50), August 10, 2005*
Tony Mummolo *(BS '69), August 31, 2005*
Ann Virginia Murray *(BS '54), June 10, 2005*
Donald Lee Norman *(BS '61), April 27, 2005*
Ann Hurst Overstreet *(JD '89), August 11, 2005*
Charles William Pate *(JD '65), August 12, 2005*
Fred S. Parks *(MS '54), May 2005*
Meurlin L. Pitts *(BA '56), June 16, 2005*
Jean Grant Reames *(BS '47), August 26, 2005*
Betty Joann Reynolds *(BA '78), August 21, 2005*
B. G. Rider *(BS '50)*
Donald H. Ruggles *(B Music '41), September 18, 2005*
Beverly Breene Odell Ryan *(BA '37), June 24, 2005*
Dianna Joyce Seay *(BA '78), June 29, 2005*
Harry E. Schad *(BS '49), April 25, 2005*
Bessie Bernice Smith *(BS '58), March 25, 2005*
Curtis L. Smith *(BS '80), July 19, 2005*
Harold Leon Smock *(BA '48), June 6, 2005*
Floyd M. "Steve" Stevenson, *('32), August 10, 2005*
James Edgar Thomas *(BS '50), September 9, 2005*
Edward Earle Tomlins Jr. *(JD '56), May 3, 2005*
Diana Mei-Huey Wang *(MS '74), May 20, 2005*
Gretchen R. Wheeler *(BA '49), August 25, 2005*
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L. G. Bradstreet Jr., *May 30, 2005*
Donald Brawner M.D., *June 2, 2005*
Fred A. Dix Jr., *May 30, 2005*
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Jim F. Gassaway, *May 4, 2005*
Albert Jacob Geiger, *August 25, 2005*
Karol Louis Hujsak, *August 17, 2005*
Marshall M. Jackson, *September 9, 2005*
Mary Barnard Lawrence, *August 27, 2005*
Judson D. Lowd, *May 6, 2005*
Marlene Gail Frederick Luitwieler, *July 17, 2005*
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Sandra M. Shower, *September 3, 2005*
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Barbara Trine, *December 2004*
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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

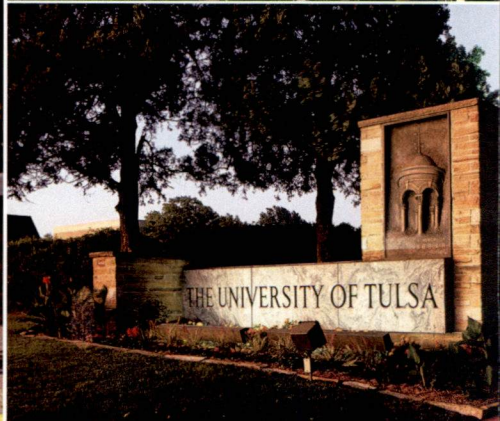
THE UNIVERSITY OF TULSA

STEADMAN UPHAM
PRESIDENT

FULTON COLLINS
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD









Greetings from the Chairman

The University of Tulsa has prospered over the years thanks in large part to the planning and action of our university and community leaders. As Chairman of the Board of Trustees, I am grateful for the opportunity to work with an outstanding group of leaders who possess great vision and a deep commitment to TU. With the board's guidance, a thoughtful master plan for TU's future, and the steadfast support of many alumni and friends, our university has made impressive strides in recent years.

The proof of our progress is widespread. Since 1996, TU has...

- *Transformed the campus into a residential environment, where more than 60 percent of our undergraduate students live on campus;*
- *Constructed more than 700,000 square feet of facilities at a cost of more than $100 million;*
- *Increased its endowment over 60% -- from $477 million to $770 million;*
- *Grown its external research funding by 80%;*
- *Established a Ph.D. program in computer science and emerged as a national leader in information security education and research;*
- *Produced 4 Marshall scholars, 34 Goldwater scholars, 7 Truman scholars, and many other winners of nationally competitive scholarships;*
- *Raised the mean ACT score of its freshman classes from 24 to 27 and the mean SAT score from 1180 to 1240;*
- *Increased the number of National Merit Scholars among entering freshmen from 10 to 83, a seven-fold gain placing TU 9th in the nation this year in National Merit Scholars per capita;*
- *Ascended from third-tier status to #93 in U.S. News & World Report's nationwide ranking of doctoral universities;*
- *Constructed campus facilities serving every intercollegiate athletic program: football, basketball, tennis, soccer, rowing, golf, track and field, softball and volleyball;*
- *And contributed more than half a million dollars to the Tulsa Area United Way, and hundreds of thousands of hours of service to other charitable and civic organizations.*

These and many other achievements have been realized not only through the board's guidance, but also through the generous support of alumni and friends in Tulsa and throughout the world. As our campus community prepares to celebrate two historic events in 2007 – the city of Tulsa's centennial and the 100th anniversary of the relocation of Henry Kendall College to Tulsa – we are reminded that TU's past, present, and future are integrally linked to that of our city. By continuing to create and capitalize on opportunities together, we will bring new strength and vitality to the destiny we share.

Yours truly,



Fulton Collins

Greetings from the President



Some 18 months ago, Peggy and I decided to make the move from California to Tulsa. We came because we saw in TU an outstanding example of an extended family working together to attain a shared vision.

Since that day, we have only grown more impressed with TU students, alumni, donors, trustees, faculty, administrators, staff, and friends. We are indeed fortunate to work day-by-day with so many inspired people in a city with a big heart and a growing excitement about the future.

Judging from the progress presented here, TU's future is bright, indeed. Our increasingly credentialed students are taking advantage of the many opportunities TU offers. And they are achieving new levels of success in the classroom, in the community, on the field of athletic competition, and within themselves. Because of these and other successes, TU continues to be recognized as a university of choice for exceptional students from throughout the country and around the world.

As you read the following report, I encourage you to recognize TU's progress as the result of your continued support. Preparing today's students for lives of leadership in tomorrow's world is a formidable undertaking and a profound responsibility. Our enviable success in fulfilling this mission is a testament to each and every member of our TU family.

With best regards,

Steadman Upham

New Successes, Continued Progress.

During the past 18 months, The University of Tulsa underscored its strength in the fundamental areas of academic excellence, fiscal health, alumni activity, athletics excellence, and campus development. It has been a time of headlines – a new president, new construction, another top-100 ranking, football championships, and new records set by the most academically distinguished class in TU history. These milestones, other developments noted below, and still other successes unreported here herald a future rich in possibilities.

Scholarship Achievements

Truman Scholarships
Brigid DeCoursey
Little Rock, Ark.
Biochemistry, Environmental Policy

Matthew Warren
Stillwater, Okla.
Political Science, Economics, French, International Studies (minor)

Goldwater Scholarships
Pavel Gershteyn
Colorado Springs, Colo.
Computer Science

David Robinson
Katy, Texas
Chemistry

Udall Scholarship
Todd Hoppe
Sand Springs, Okla.
Chemistry

National Science Foundation Fellowship
Alison Galatian
Depew, Okla.
Geosciences

Andrew Matzen
Albuquerque, N.M.
Geosciences

Mary McGlohon
Oklahoma City, Okla.
Computer Science, Mathematics

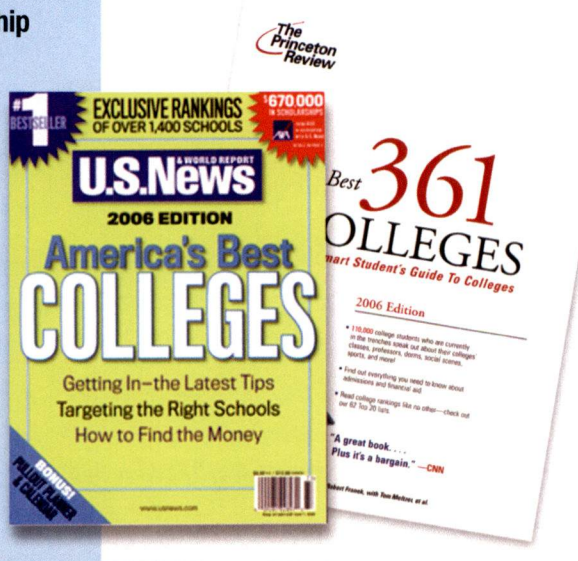
Vanessa Russo
Tulsa, Okla.
Engineering Physics

Academic Achievement.

Class of 2009: The Class of 2009 is the most academically qualified in University history. More than one in eight freshmen is a National Merit Scholar, ranking TU ninth in the nation on a per capita basis. Moreover, a record-breaking 62 percent of new freshmen finished in the top 10 percent of their high school classes, and both SAT and ACT scores tied all-time TU records.

Scholarship Achievements: TU students continued the University's winning tradition in competition for prominent national scholarships, securing two Truman Scholarships, two Goldwater Scholarships, one Udall Scholarship, and four National Science Foundation Fellowships.

Truman Honor Institution: This year's two Truman Scholarships brought the University's total to 10 since 1988. Recognizing this milestone, the Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation named TU a Truman Honor Institution, an award reserved for select colleges and universities that champion service learning.



Rankings Recognition.

U.S. News Top 100: The ongoing rise of the University in prominent national college rankings included continued recognition as a *U.S. News & World Report* Top 100 national doctoral university. The 2006 U.S. News rankings list TU at #93 among 248 reviewed.

Princeton Review Best Colleges: The Princeton Review continued to recognize TU's high performance in its *361 Best Colleges* guide. Individual category rankings produced particularly encouraging news. TU ranked #9 in the nation in student happiness, #10 in quality of life, and #5 in town-gown (city-university) relations. This was the first year that TU ranked in the top 10 in all three lists. Other Princeton Review rankings included citation as one of 81 Best-Value Colleges, one of 143 Best Business Schools, and one of 122 Best Western Colleges.

Sound Finances.

A strong endowment, efficient operations, and continued success in drawing external funding place the University in a sound and secure financial position.

For the first time, the University's total assets surpassed the $1 billion mark this year. The University's total endowment, including funds held in trust by others, was $770 million as of May 31, 2005 – a 13.1 percent gain over the previous year. This growth outperformed by 60 percent the S&P 500's 12-month return of 8.2 percent.

In fundraising, a record high alumni giving participation rate of 25 percent helped push total giving to $16.3 million for the year ended May 31, 2005.

Operations continued within budget on total expenses of $130,936,000. External funding for research and sponsored programs totaled $17,853,421.

The University reached a financial and technological milestone when it sold its first patent in mid-2005. The patent covers digital anti-piracy technology developed by TU computer science professors John Hale (BS '90, MS '92, PhD '97) and Gavin W. Manes (BS '00, MS '02, PhD '04). New York-based Overpeer, Inc., purchased the patent for an undisclosed sum. TU Trustee Jim McGill chairs the new Technology Transfer Committee of the Boards of Trustees that facilitated the sale.



Campus Growth.

Campus development progressed with several previously planned and newly announced projects.

11th Street Entrance: A current project to develop a major campus entrance along 11th Street will include an oval drive; an extensive commons with formal gardens and a fountain, and Bayless Plaza, a stately new home for the Kendall Hall Bell and cupola.

Collins Hall: The centerpiece of the 11th Street project will be Collins Hall, a 39,000-square-foot building that will bring together the offices of Admission, Financial Aid, Housing, Alumni Relations, and other offices providing direct service to students, alumni, and visitors.

Case Athletic Complex: Construction is under way for the Case Athletic Complex, a three-story, 30,000-square-foot structure that will consolidate TU Football operations and provide a dramatic anchor for the north end of Skelly Stadium. The complex will include program offices, training space, a Lettermen's Lounge, and an academic support center serving all TU student athletes.

Jack Zink Indoor Rowing Center: Last February, the University broke ground on a state-of-the-art rowing center. Along with strength and conditioning equipment, locker rooms and office space, the 8,000-square-foot center will feature a rowing tank, allowing athletes to train indoors, on water, in full lineup. The tank in particular is a premium feature found only among the nation's most competitive rowing programs. (See athletics highlights below for TU Rowing achievements.)

Improvements to The U: Other campus projects have provided the opportunity to improve The U with the addition of trees, flowers, winter grass, extensive brick-paved walkways and enhanced lighting.

Property Acquisitions apart from those related to the 11th Street project include a multistory art-deco-styled office building on Harvard Avenue; the structure has been renamed the Henneke Building in honor of TU President Emeritus Ben G. Henneke. The University also was gifted a home near campus, which has been converted into the St. Adrian of Canterbury House, serving the Episcopal Student Association.

Alumni and Friends.

Alumni and donors are two – often overlapping – branches of the TU family that keep the University in step with the times and equipped for success. The enthusiasm and generosity of TU alumni and friends over the past 18 months brought several exciting developments.

New Alumni Chapters: 2005 saw the official chartering of two alumni chapters – Chicago and Washington, D.C. Besides being home to an enthusiastic group of alumni, each of these communities is a major U.S. city, bustling with activity and full of opportunities for future TU graduates. Alumni play an important role not only in referring talented students to TU, but also in matching them with internship and employment opportunities. In addition, alumni chapters provide plenty of opportunities for friendship, fun, and community enrichment.

TU Uncorked: One of the Tulsa chapter's most successful events was a brand new one: TU Uncorked, where guests sampled Oklahoma wines and hors d'oeuvres, raising more than $32,000 for TU scholarships in the process.

Alumni Participation in Giving: One of the most encouraging trends of recent years has been a pronounced increase in the percentage of TU alumni giving to the University. Alumni giving not only supports TU directly, it also serves as a measure of "customer satisfaction" that is taken very seriously by grant-making organizations and college ranking groups. After languishing at less than 9 percent historically, alumni participation in the past year reached an all-time high of 25 percent.



Athletics

The University's entry into Conference USA, football championships, facilities progress, and the hiring of a new athletics director have opened a new chapter in Tulsa Athletics history. These events headlined a year that also saw significant achievements among the University's non-revenue sports.

TU Football Wins Big: Under the guidance of Head Football Coach Steve Kragthorpe, TU Football completed an outstanding 2005 season. After emerging as Conference USA Western Division leader with a 6-2 conference record, TU went on to win Conference USA's inaugural championship game with a 44-27 victory over Central Florida. The team rode that momentum to a 31-24 win over Fresno State in the 2005 AutoZone Liberty Bowl in Memphis – a victory that secured Tulsa's first bowl championship in 14 years.

Cunningham Named AD: In October 2005, TU welcomed Lawrence "Bubba" Cunningham as new Athletics Director. Cunningham joins TU from his previous post as Athletic Director at Ball State University. He also has served as Senior Associate Athletic Director at Notre Dame, where he had a wide range of responsibilities. The Tulsa hiring committee was especially impressed with Cunningham's successes in program development, fundraising, community involvement, and facilities development. Most importantly, he has demonstrated a deep commitment to the complete success of student athletes both on and off the field.

Rowing wins in Boston: Two major victories at the legendary Head of the Charles Regatta in Boston headlined win-studded seasons for Tulsa Rowing. In 2004, TU took 1st place in the Club Four division, returning in 2005 to take 5th place in the highly competitive Championship Four division. Off the water, in 2004-05, TU rowers completed more than 800 hours of community service with organizations such as Big Sisters, St. Francis Hospital, and Habitat for Humanity. This service included working on two Habitat homes. The rowing team has won TU Athletics' annual award for team community service for the past three years.

Golf Going Strong: Both men's and women's golf teams advanced to the NCAA championship tournament – men for the eighth time in school history, and women for the 19th time in the 24 years of the tournament's history. TU women won the WAC Championship for the seventh year running, and TU men tied with SMU for first place in the WAC Championship.

Soccer Ranks #8 Nationally: Men's soccer advanced to the quarterfinal round of the NCAA Tournament and finished its season with a #8 national ranking – the highest in TU history.

New Facilities: The generosity of friends of TU Athletics is making possible the construction of two new facilities: The Jack Zink Indoor Rowing Center, and the Case Athletic Complex at Skelly Stadium. (See Campus Growth section above.)

Statement of Financial Position

May 31, 2005 (amount in thousands)

Assets

Current Assets

Cash and cash equivalents	$20,150
Investments, short term	5,312
Accounts receivable, net	11,107
Deposits with bond trustee	1,468
Inventories	161
Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	1,454
Contributions receivable, current portion	3,648
Total current assets	**43,300**
Contributions receivable, net	2,695
Student loans receivable, net	8,310
Investments	273,377
Deferred bond issue costs	2,599
Deposits with bond trustee	9,748
Educational plant, net	195,173
Funds held in trust by others	531,731
Total assets	**$1,066,933**

Liabilities and Net Assets

Current Liabilities

Accounts payable	$3,174
Accrued expenses	6,498
Notes and mortgages payable, current portion	848
Deposits payable	987
Deferred tuition revenue	3,737
Advances under grants and contracts	4,320
Bonds payable, current portion	2,335
Total current liabilities	**21,899**
Notes and mortgages payable, long-term	1,805
Advances under federal loan programs	7,518
Bonds payable, long-term portion	106,539
Other long-term liabilities	6,361
Total liabilities	**144,122**

Net Assets

Unrestricted net assets	146,615
Temporarily restricted net assets	119,368
Permanently restricted net assets	656,828
Total net assets	**922,811**
Total liabilities & net assets	**$1,066,933**

Endowments and Funds Held in Trust by Others

May 31, 2005 (amount in thousands)

Endowment investments	$238,765
J.A. and Leta M. Chapman 1949 Trust	40,078
James A. and Leta M. Chapman Charitable Trust	293,312
Leta McFarlin Chapman Memorial Trust	154,883
Pauline McFarlin Walter Memorial Trust	39,855
Jay P. Walker Charitable Trust	2,951
Other	652
	$531,731

Total endowment investments and funds held in trust by others $770,496

Endowment

Investment income	$2,213	0.9%
Net gains designated for operations	12,014	5.0%
Net gains in excess of gains designated for operations	12,463	5.2%
Total investment return on endowment	$26,690	11.1%

Funds Held in Trust by Others

Distributions of income	$22,704	4.3%
Increase in fair value	53,131	10.0%
Total investment return on funds held in trust by others	$75,835	14.3%

Statement of Activities May 31, 2005 (amount in thousands)

	Unrestricted	Temp. Restricted	Perm. Restricted	Total
REVENUES, GAINS AND OTHER SUPPORT				
Student tuition and fees	$70,637	$ -	$ -	$70,637
Less:				
University-funded scholarships	(15,758)			(15,758)
University-funded athletic scholarships	(3,463)			(3,463)
Scholarships funded by other sources	(6,551)			(6,551)
Net Tuition and Fees	44,865			44,865
Endowment investment income	1,185	1,026	2	2,213
Investment income (loss)	2,203	194	225	2,622
Income from funds held in trust by others	10,992	11,359	353	22,704
Gifts, grants, and pledges	4,600	13,808	2,933	21,341
Research services and sponsored projects	14,605			14,605
Sales and services of educational departments and public services	4,438			4,438
Sales and services – auxiliary enterprises	16,526			16,526
Net endowment gains designated for operations	6,061	5,943	10	12,014
Other	3,592	33	9	3,634
Total revenues, gains, and other support	109,067	32,363	3,532	144,962
Net assets released from restrictions	18,850	(18,932)	82	-
Total revenues, gains, and other support	**127,917**	**13,431**	**3,614**	**144,962**
EXPENSES				
Instruction	48,307			48,307
Research	14,288			14,288
Public service	5,190			5,190
Academic support	14,825			14,825
Student services	11,605			11,605
Institutional support and other	16,522			16,522
Auxiliary enterprises	20,199			20,199
Total expenses	130,936			130,936
Increase from operating activity	(3,019)	13,431	3,614	14,026
NON-OPERATING ACTIVITY				
Net endowment losses in excess of gains designated for operations	601	2,939	8,923	12,463
Payment under endowment agreement			(491)	(491)
Decrease in fair value of funds held in trust by others			53,131	53,131
Increase from non-operating activity	601	2,939	61,563	65,103
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) FOR THE YEAR	**(2,418)**	**16,370**	**65,177**	**79,129**
NET ASSETS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	**149,033**	**102,998**	**591,651**	**843,682**
NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR	**146,615**	**119.368**	**656,828**	**922,811**



Congratulations Golden Hurricane on the Conference USA and Liberty Bowl Championship titles!
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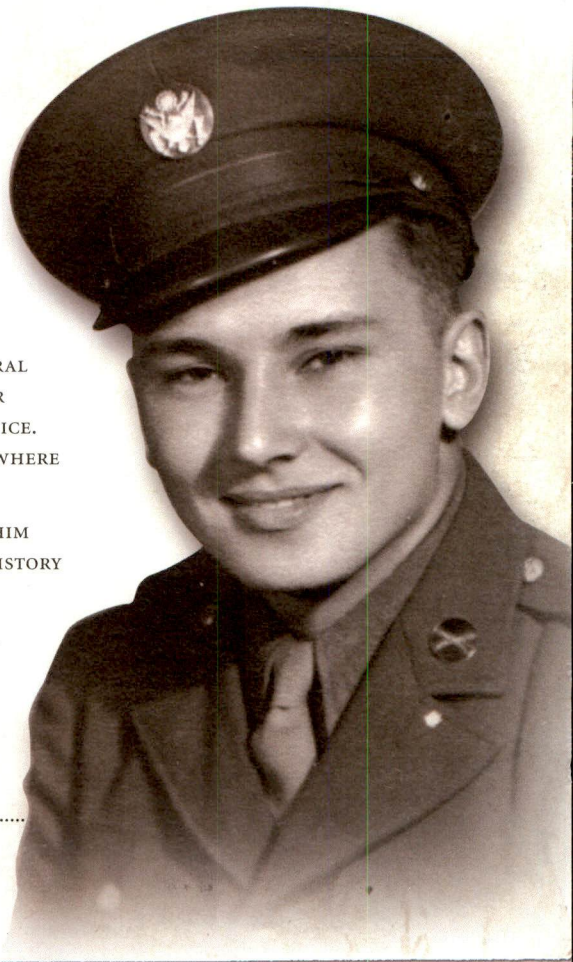
On a University of Tulsa bookmark next to a TU brass lamp at his desk read Winston Churchill's words, "We make a living by what we get. We make a life by what we give."

Those words lived in the heart of the late James Mowry Mitchell (BS '49, MS '51). And today the expression of his legacy remains in the lives he touched as a high school history teacher and the lives he continues to touch after his death.

Mitchell dedicated his life to serving others. After graduating from Tulsa Central High School, he fought for his country in World War II along with his two older brothers the late Young O. Jr. (BS '49) and the late John Charles, who died in service. When Young and James returned to Tulsa, a desire for education led them to TU where they both graduated in 1949.

James continued his education by pursuing his doctorate. His desire to serve led him back to Tulsa Central High School and ultimately a position as the head of its history department. He spent his life empowering young minds through education.

A love for history and his University motivated James to remember TU in his will. He designated a portion of his estate to create an endowment in his name honoring Young and his wife, Margaret Smith Mitchell. The endowment left to the TU Heritage Committee, which exists to preserve the University's past, combined his two loves – TU and history. James' legacy will live on and his generosity will forever be remembered.



To learn more about making a planned gift, please contact Jan Zink, senior vice president for Planning and Outreach, at 918-631-2565 or janis-zink@utulsa.edu

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