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*Faculty Members are pictured during their
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*Educating Students To Become Servants Of Christ
To Make A Difference In Today's World*

Letter from the President

I have no choice,
for God has given me
this sacred trust.

I Corinthians 9:17 NLT

Words convey great power. The God-breathed words in Scripture are the unparalleled example of powerful words.

God spoke intentionally and with great precision as he used prophets, apostles, and others to pen His words. Proverbs 30:5 proclaims “Every word of God proves true.” Paul stated that he had no choice but to proclaim the Gospel as God’s ultimate truth revealed in His Word, *this sacred trust*.

The sacred trust we have at Bryan—both a responsibility and a privilege—is seeing to it that we nourish and protect the mission of the college in the way that our founders intended. Truly, we are set apart to uphold this *sacred trust*—to manifest the Word of God as the foundation for all teaching that emanates from this hill. Like Paul, for us at Bryan, our choice and charge are very clear.

In this edition of *Bryan Life*, Professor Travis Ricketts, head of our history, justice, and government department, examines the ideals of William Jennings Bryan as a moral statesman. Mr. Bryan understood the sacred trust given to him, and all of his political decisions were based on his deep convictions from the Scriptures. Mr. Bryan was a godly example for our students of living out your vocation from a biblical worldview.

Another significant feature of this edition is our focus on human trafficking, one of the greatest tragedies of our time. Through new curricula, online courses, and ministry with state and parachurch entities, Bryan is at the forefront for preparing students for this ongoing battle.

Eugene Cho, pastor and founder of the mission organization, One Day’s Wages, opened our Spiritual Life Conference by challenging the Bryan community with this statement: “You cannot change the world until *you* are changed.” Dr. Daniel Dreisbach, one of the nation’s foremost authorities on the subject of separation of church and state, spoke at our Convocation. He encouraged us to examine the First Amendment through the eyes of the founders of our great nation. The founders desired total freedom of religion—not just freedom of worship, and they were all too familiar with the controlling effect that an established tax-supported national church would have on this fledgling nation. If our nation is to survive, our foundational governance must come from God, not government.

With another record enrollment, we enthusiastically embrace our mission. And we thank you for your consistent support and ardent prayer for our students and for our faculty and staff who are called to nourish and protect our sacred trust.



Stephen D. Livesay



Rudd looks new!

The first phase of renovations to Rudd Auditorium has been completed. New carpeting is down, a new color scheme is on the walls, a digital sound system, and better-than-new seating is in place.

Our thanks to those whose gifts have made possible this major upgrade for Rudd – a venue for chapels, concerts, theatrical productions, and many other functions that are vital parts of Bryan College life.



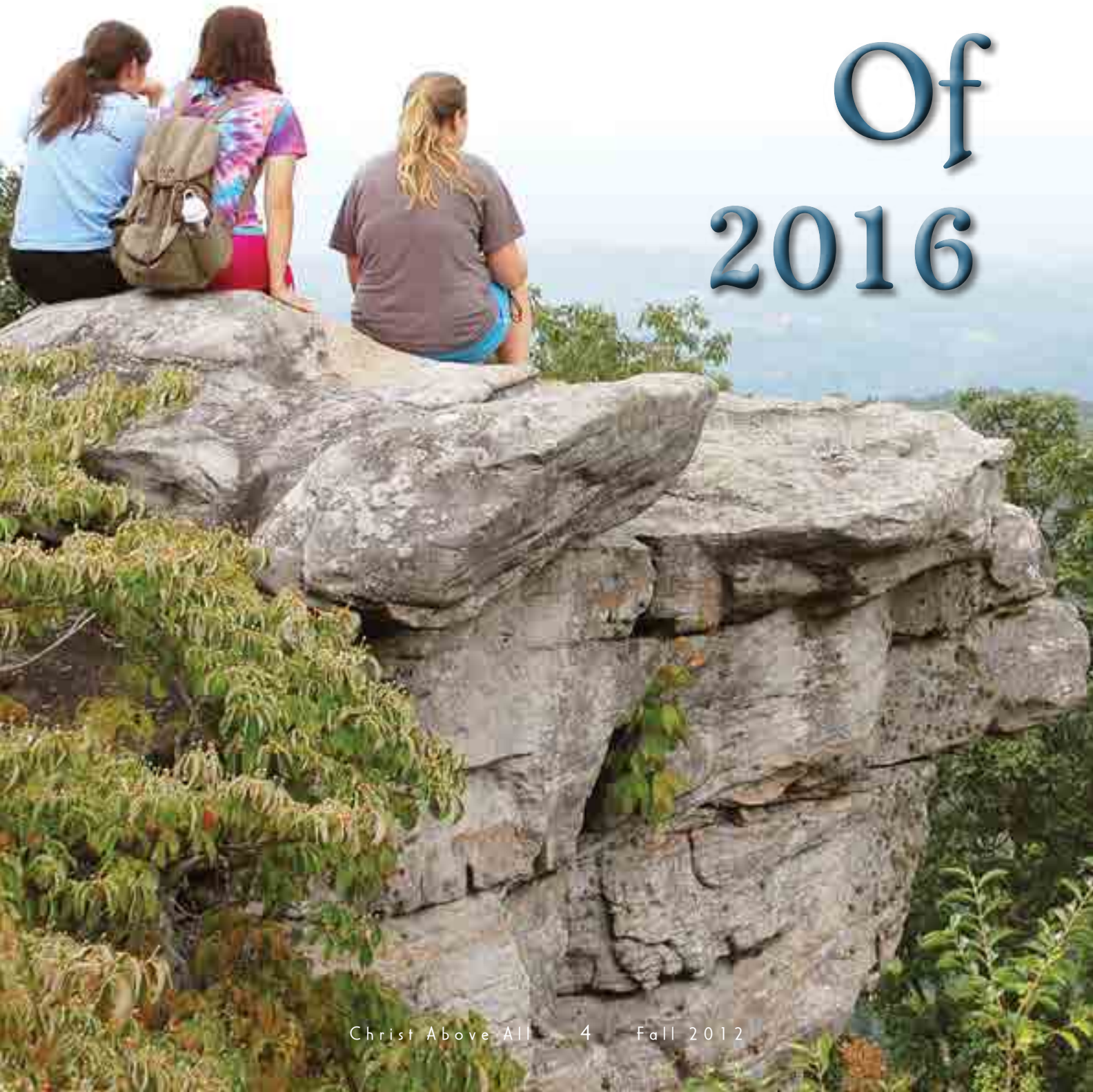
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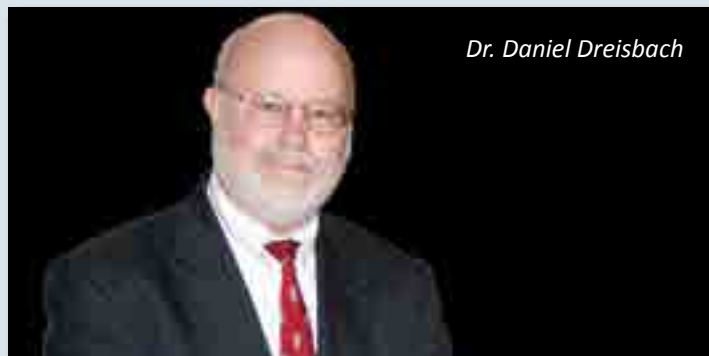
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Welcome Class Of 2016



Bryan College has a sacred trust to prepare students to live lives of excellence, seeing their world through the lens of the Word of God, President Stephen Livesay told new students and their parents as the 2012-13 academic year began in August.



Dr. Daniel Dreisbach

Providing an exclamation mark to that idea, Convocation speaker Dr. Daniel Dreisbach encouraged students to understand that a university in the Western tradition is a place where individuals are united in a search for truth. "The unity in 'university' is found in God," he said. "Once God is removed from the university, the 'uni' becomes fragmented, incoherent, and it ceases to be a university."

Swarms of upperclassmen helped some 255 new students move into residence halls Aug. 25, before the formal opening program that afternoon.



Student Government President Amy Morris encouraged the new students to find a balance between work, play, and rest. "But the most important thing you can do is spend time in God's Word."

Dr. Livesay said the goal of a Bryan education is not just preparation for a career, but for students

to "see life clearly through the lens of the Word of God. There is a lot of uncertainty in the world today. People are hungry for that which is certain. We are going to see the world through the lens of its creator."

The incoming class, part of a record 1,633 enrollment, includes students from 24 states and 11 countries. Registrar Janet Piatt reported that 1,517 students were enrolled in the college's undergraduate programs and 116 in graduate programs in the School of Adult and Graduate Studies.

Eugene Cho, founder of One Day's Wages, a non-profit agency addressing global poverty, spoke in the Spiritual Life Conference as school began. He challenged students to understand the sacrifice Christ made for His followers and to live sacrificially as a testimony to His love.

During the Convocation service, Academic Vice President Bradford Sample likened the students to modern pioneers who are exploring "helping to craft the culture.

We will push you to do more than you thought you could do. When you leave this place, we want you to be men and women of God who aren't overwhelmed by the obstacles you will face."

Convocation speaker Dr. Dreisbach is a professor in the Department of Justice, Law and Society in the American University School of Public Affairs in Washington, D.C. His special area of interest is the First Amendment to the Constitution and the intersection of religion and government.

He challenged the contemporary understanding of Thomas Jefferson's metaphor of "a wall of separation between church and state," based on a plain reading of the First Amendment and the Founders' understanding of the value of religion. "America's founders believed education along with virtue were the foundations for self-government," he said.



Eugene Cho

He said the wall metaphor distorts the meaning of the Establishment Clause because a wall restricts parties on both sides. The Establishment Clause, however, restricts only government. "Replacing the First Amendment's words with "wall" immediately restricts religion. Thus, I submit, it exceeds the restrictions of the First Amendment. It dangerously provides government power over religion. The government has proceeded to define what a church is and, ultimately, the duties of churches.

"The First Amendment began with a restriction on government only. Now government is in a position of telling churches what they can and cannot do. The 'Wall of Separation' has been used to silence churches and all too seldom to restrict government."

Dr. Driesbach charged that "the capacity for self-government is undermined when religious expression is restricted from the public marketplace. No wall of separation should stop you from doing what our God mandates. As people of faith, I believe we have the duty to defend vigorously the liberties our God and our forefathers gave us."



Presidential Merit Scholars

The Presidential Merit Scholarship is the highest academic award presented by Bryan College. Recipients are determined based on a combination of scholastic achievement in high school and outstanding performance on college entrance exams. The 2012 class of Presidential Merit Scholars, with their majors, includes:



Bryan Alderman
Longwood, Fla.
Christian Ministry/leadership option
Zopf/Jensen Presidential Merit Scholar



John Leckrone
Waxhaw, N.C.
History/secondary education



Stephanie Richard
Boone, N.C.
English/secondary education



Isaac Geyman
Bonners Ferry, Idaho
History and Politics and Government



Christina Sabin
Columbia, S.C.
Biology
Ware Presidential Merit Scholar



Abigail Kouns
Corrytown, Tenn.
General Studies
Ware Presidential Merit Scholar



Michael Sherrill
Jonesboro, Ark.
Communication Studies/corporate option
National Merit Scholar



David Holcomb, '94, left and Bob Jensen, '80

Back On Campus, Back To Work

Two Bryan alumni have come home with a shared goal of wanting to help make a Bryan education more valuable for students. They'll just be approaching that goal from different angles.

Bob Jensen, '80, is the new associate director of career services, tasked with connecting students with recruiters and graduate schools while preparing them for life after college. David Holcomb, '94, is the new annual campaign director to give leadership in raising scholarship funds which are awarded to more than 98 percent of students each year.

Bob said, "I'm looking forward to helping students and alumni be in a position where their Christian testimony can have an impact on the world. Being able to help people is a great opportunity."

After a career in law enforcement that included 20 years with the U.S. Secret Service, Bob said he is glad to be back at Bryan. "This is my best assignment. I want to be where the Lord wants me to be, making an impact for God's Kingdom." He and his wife, Becky (Woodall), '80, live in Chattanooga, where Becky works as a paramedic. They have two children and two grandchildren.

David said he is excited to return to Bryan with a goal of "helping alumni tell their stories" to make it possible for more young people to have the Bryan education experience. "Every alumni, faculty, staff, and parent of a student has a story about how Bryan has had an influence on their lives. My goal is to get alumni to be volunteers to go face-to-face with friends to encourage them to help students who need financial help."

David comes to Bryan after eight years as an executive with the YMCA in St. Louis, Mo., and Savannah, Ga., and eight years in the private equity business managing client relations and raising capital from investors. He and his wife, Diana (Forbes), '94, have two children.

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Student Success Goal of New Program

New students were welcomed to campus with two new initiatives to help ensure a successful transition from high school to college – and beyond.

A new course to that end, the College Success Seminar, also will kick off a four-year program, the Bryan Journey, designed to ensure students have all the resources they need to succeed at Bryan and later in life. The College Success Seminar is a one-hour course required of students new to the college, with attendance taken, grades given, and a project due at the end of the semester.

The College Success Seminar is designed to be the first phase of a comprehensive four-year Quality Enhancement Plan to enhance student learning at Bryan, as required by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools for Bryan to reaffirm its regional accreditation. At the same time, new students will be assigned to Christian Life Formation (CLF) classes to read and discuss *Living the Cross Centered Life* by C.J. Mahaney as part of a campus-wide Common Reading Program. Upperclassmen, faculty, and staff also are being encouraged to read the book to open avenues for conversations with

new students.

Lorraine Doran, director of the College Success Seminar, said that the class “will address topics such as how to study, social skills, money and time management, and dealing with stress, and will answer questions like ‘who do I talk to about this?’ We’re trying to build skills that any college student needs, but tying them closely to the Bryan experience. Our motto, which summarizes our hopes for students throughout their college career, is ‘Learn. Grow. Succeed.’”

Every week, students meet in Rudd Auditorium to hear a presentation about a particular topic for about 15 minutes, then break into small groups led by upperclassmen to discuss the concept in depth.

Concepts will be presented when they might be timely for students. “For example, we’ll be talking about test-taking skills just before midterms, and social skills toward the end of the semester when the ‘new’ has worn off the idea of having a roommate.” Speakers generally will be teachers from different academic departments or representatives of various offices students will deal with throughout their college years.

Bethany Smith, who heads the Common Reading Program, explained that the program arose from perceived needs of new students. “In talking to freshmen, we found that after the ‘where are you from and what is your major’ questions, conversation can be difficult at first. We believe this will provide common ground to bridge that gap.”

“We are excited to see this program starting up and growing,” Mrs. Smith said. “This is something the entire campus community can join in with a common goal of spiritual and intellectual growth.”



Patio Grille

Campus Improvements

Rudd Auditorium took the spotlight this summer, but students saw other improvements when they returned, according to Vice President for Operations Tim Hostetler.

A patio, similar to the Shakespeare Garden outside the library, has been added to the Latimer Student Center outside the Sub Zone; a new railing like the one around the Shakespeare Garden has been installed between Huston Hall and Mercer Hall; and a concrete venue for bleachers has been added to the soccer field.

Rudd's makeover, however, provided the most dramatic "before and after" contrast as the building has received the first significant overhaul in its nearly 40-year existence. Chief among the improvements have been repair and reupholstering of seating, relocation of the sound control booth and recording studio, and creation of a lighting deck. New carpet, new floor treatment under seats on the main floor, a pull-out stage for speakers, painting, new lighting, and a new energy-efficient air conditioning system are also part of the upgrade.

"We were able to address some of the infrastructure issues and improve the appearance in Rudd," Mr. Hostetler said. "I'm very happy with what we accomplished, and we have gotten some positive feedback about how it looks."

He pointed out that the Sub Zone has become a popular option for lunch as well as snacks throughout the day for students. The new patio, home for the Patio Grille, will provide space

for Pioneer College Caterers staff to offer meals such as hamburgers, hot dogs, and grilled chicken as regular alternatives to cafeteria meals, weather permitting.

The new railing between Mercer and Huston was made possible by a grant from the Huston Foundation and continues the motif set at the library.

The new seating at the soccer field, funded by gifts by alumni, continues long-range efforts to improve intercollegiate athletics facilities.

Bryan Given Library Building

Bryan College has been given a historic building in Lynchburg, Va., with the intention of benefitting the college.

Professor Kevin Clauson, who donated the property, said the building housed the Jones Memorial Library from its construction in 1908 to 1987. His organization, the Patrick Henry Institute, acquired the property in 1995. The Institute is a Christian public policy and Christian socio-political ethics think tank and study center, founded by Dr. Clauson, that seeks to apply Bible-based ethical precepts to modern-day public and

legal issues.

Bryan President Dr. Stephen Livesay said the college plans to do some minor repairs to the building, and intends to sell it. "The library is one of Lynchburg's few examples of the formal Beaux-Arts style with a formal stairway leading from Rivermont Avenue to a grand portico with colossal columns paired with Ionic capitals. The property encompasses an entire city block of 1.4 acres. We are desirous of finding someone who would purchase, restore, and preserve this beautiful, historic facility."

Bryan & UT Collaborate

Bryan College and the University of Tennessee have teamed up to try to protect Dayton's Pocket Wilderness from a tree-killing insect invasion, Dr. Brian Eisenback said.

Dr. Eisenback, professor of biology, this spring helped UT's Dr. Pat Parkman release 3,615 *Sasajiscymnus tsugae* beetles in the Laurel Snow State Natural Area, a segment of the Cumberland Trail known as Pocket Wilderness to generations of Bryan students. These small beetles are a natural enemy of the Hemlock Woolly Adelgid (HWA), a non-native invasive insect that kills hemlock trees.

Dr. Eisenback said the project began when one of his students, Curt Hays, found HWA infesting Eastern hemlock trees in the park. "This was part of his senior research project in biology, and was the first known incidence of HWA at this location," Dr. Eisenback said. "HWA is killing



Jones Memorial Library



hemlock trees throughout their native range, and threatens to impact native forest ecosystems."

To combat the pest, the U.S. Forest Service has sponsored an intensive research program to investigate HWA control. Several predator beetles have been studied and no evidence has been found that they pose a significant threat to native organisms, Dr. Eisenback said.

"Our hope is that these beetles will establish at Laurel-Snow State Natural Area and that they will help suppress the spread of HWA," Dr. Eisenback said. "In the future I will be working with Bryan students to monitor the hemlock trees for signs of beetle establishment and to track the spread of HWA throughout natural areas in and around Rhea County. It is an exciting opportunity for me and my students to be involved in a larger effort to help save hemlocks."

MBA Earns National Recognition

A recent recognition has put Bryan's MBA with a concentration in Human Resource Management in an elite circle of institutions offering similar programs.

Dr. Michael Chase, dean of adult and graduate studies, said the college has been notified that the Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM) "has acknowledged that its MBA with a concentration in

Human Resource Management fully aligns with SHRM's *HR Curriculum Guidebook and Templates*."

SHRM is "recognized nationally as playing a vital role in setting quality standards in HR programs," Dr. Chase said. "It is the professional organization in the world for HR practitioners."

Throughout the world, 280 programs in 219 educational institutions have been acknowledged by SHRM as being in alignment with its *Curriculum Guidebook and Templates*. "The HR Curriculum Guidebook and Templates were developed by SHRM to define the minimum human resources content areas that should be studied by HR students at the undergraduate and graduate levels," Dr. Chase said.

For Bryan to earn this recognition, Dr. Chase said, "All of the curriculum for the MBA with the HRM concentration was submitted to SHRM for review. After a careful analysis it was determined that the program did meet the established content guidelines."



Leigh Anne Touhy

BOP to be Blind Sided

Leigh Anne Touhy, one of the central figures in the best-selling book and Oscar-nominated movie *The Blind Side*, will be the featured speaker

for the 2013 Bryan Opportunity Program dinner April 18.

The Blind Side, with Mrs. Touhy portrayed in the movie by Academy Award-winning actress Sandra Bullock, tells the story of the Touhy family's coming to include Michael Oher. "The faith of the family and the challenges they overcame produced a story which will challenge and encourage our alumni and friends," Bryan Vice President for Advancement Blake Hudson said.

The Bryan Opportunity Program is a guarantee by the college that students from Tennessee families with less than \$35,000 annual income will receive scholarship and/or grant funds that will meet or exceed the cost of tuition at Bryan College. This year, 65 students are enrolled at Bryan through the Bryan Opportunity Program

Scheduled each year in April, the Opportunity Program Dinner is the major fund-raiser to support the program. Support of the host committee, consisting of alumni and friends of the college, and gifts and pledges made at the dinner provide the scholarship funds offered to students. Previous speakers have included columnist Cal Thomas, Col. Oliver North, and Michael Reagan, son of President Ronald Reagan.

Mrs. Touhy and her mother and partner, Virginia Roberts, owns Flair I, an interior design firm in Memphis, Tenn. She has designed for such clients as Peyton Manning, Scottie Pippen, Isaac Bruce, and OJ Mayo, and was a member of the design team for *Extreme Makeover: Home Edition* Season 8 during the 2010-11 season.

Mr. Hudson said further information about the Opportunity Dinner will be available on the Bryan website, www.bryan.edu/dinner. "Mrs. Touhy is an inspiration for audiences, and I'm sure she will be an inspiration to all who are able to attend the dinner."



Worthy...

In late August, more than 250 new students descended on Bryan College. The vast majority were incoming freshmen, with about 25 being transfer students. They represented 11 countries and 24 states. From Iceland to Alaska. From Britain to Brazil. From Wyoming to Florida. A truly diverse group indeed.

They came with fear, trepidation, excitement, and anticipation for the next chapter in their lives. In that group were 20 children of alumni who came as first-time students. It was great to see so many alums invest in their children's lives by bringing them here.

It is interesting to see how they chose to come to Bryan. As we have discussed previously, fewer than 10 percent of high school seniors even bother to look at a school smaller than 1,200 students. They tend to like larger cities, with more to do, more facilities on campus, and more entertainment readily available.

To be sure, some came to participate on athletic teams, in our dramatic productions, or because of a good scholarship. Most of them came because of who we are, Christ Above All. In the final analysis, they chose Bryan College to educate them over so many other options. They deemed us worthy.

As alums, we all remember our story as to how we got to Bryan. For some, it was the only place our parents would pay for. Others came to play on a sports team. But for so very many of us, it was the lure of a biblically based education, offered by men and women who truly believed in Christ Above All. When I got here and met all those professors and my incredible classmates, I felt so many times that I was not worthy.

Now I see these new students, and remember what it was like. I vaguely remember the chapels where scholarships were discussed, and who received them. I remember Coach Reeser telling me he had \$1,000 scholarship money for the soccer team. He gave 10 of the starters each \$100. Big money back in 1978! I have seen the need for scholarships grow dramatically in the past four years.

So I must ask you: in your heart of hearts, is Bryan College WORTHY of your support? Is it worthy of your prayerful consideration? Is Bryan College worthy of sending your child here for their education?

Come back to campus. Meet with the professors. Meet some of the students. If you had any doubt, I think you will come to the same conclusion I did. Bryan College is WORTHY.

In His Grace,

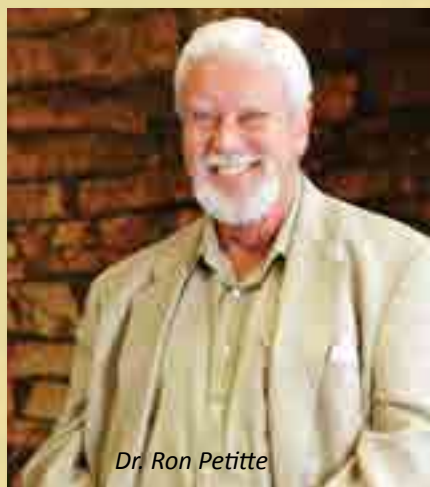
David Tromanhauser
Alumni Director



HUMAN TRAFFICKING

**BRYAN ADDS
RESOURCES TO
FIGHT AGAINST
SCOURGE**

Bryan is stepping up its efforts to combat human trafficking, offering classes on the subject and working toward a minor and "option" in the field.



Dr. Ron Petite

Dr. Ron Petite, professor of politics and government and director of the Center for Leadership Initiatives, is working with Mr. Ben Norquist, director of Faith and Mission, and others on campus to create one of the premiere educational programs addressing this global scourge.

"We're responding to incredible ongoing student interest in the subject over the past several years," Mr. Norquist said. Philosophically and theologically the topic fits with the mission of the college. And some of our students are going the extra mile and are saying they want to commit their lives to this."

Before this year, Bryan's involvement with the human trafficking fight was centered in efforts of the Department of Faith and Mission, the Center for International Development, the Center for Leadership Initiatives, and the student-led Students Stopping the Trafficking of Persons.

Academic Vice President Dr. Bradford Sample came up with the concept for a four-course sequence and asked Mr. Norquist to work with Dr. Petite to make the courses a reality. "We introduced the academic element this past spring when I taught an introductory course, Trafficking in Persons," Dr. Petite said. "It wound up being the largest class I've ever had."

Interest demonstrated on-campus has the potential to reach far beyond Bryan Hill. This past summer, Mr. Norquist taught the introductory and domestic trafficking classes, the first two in the sequence. Eight students, including several not otherwise connected to the college, took the classes. Courses on international trafficking, which will be offered on campus in the spring, and a senior-level capstone class, are being developed.

Already, two Politics and Government graduates have gone into the field. Stepheny Petite, '10, works as the advancement (fund-raising) officer for International Justice Mission (IJM) in Great Britain. Carrie Cook, '11, worked with IJM in Cambodia before transitioning to a church organization in that country addressing human trafficking.

"A lot of students around the country are planning to address the problem as social workers, law enforcement officers, and through other means to make a difference," Mr. Norquist said. "We want to populate the anti-trafficking community with men and women well-educated in the discipline and animated by a love for Jesus."



Ben Norquist

Academically, he said, "Our educational goal is to have students conversant with the factors, dynamics, and cause and effects of human trafficking around the world. Human trafficking takes dozens and dozens of forms and happens for dozens and dozens of reasons, and there are a number of factors which make populations vulnerable. We want our students to be compelling advocates for the anti-trafficking community."

With this in mind, Dr. Petite and Mr. Norquist are working to link classes under the Criminal Justice and Psychology programs, as well as to provide courses online and on campus. At the same time, they are building relationships with anti-trafficking agencies and activists to bolster the education Bryan offers.

"I'd like to see a minor and an option in the Politics and Government major in place in the next several years," Dr. Petite said. "When we have those, Bryan will offer more in this field than any school in the country. I see as well an international component in cooperation with universities and agencies in Great Britain."

WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN

THE MORALIST

By Travis Ricketts, Ph.D.
Professor of History



For those among us who admire Bryan's personal integrity but find some (or many) of his ideological positions untenable, the squirming occasioned by questions from politically savvy peers increased in 2006 when leftist historian Michael Kazin published *A Godly Hero* in which he argued Bryan should be applauded for prompting the Democratic Party toward an unprecedented expansion of the federal government. That he used Bryan to legitimize this power grab of the twentieth century was tricky ground for Kazin to tread. After all, since the mobilization of the Christian Right in the 1980s, evangelical Christians as an elective force have not principally benefitted the Left. In this work, Kazin, perhaps, attempted to

make the Left more palatable to Christians – just in time for the upcoming 2008 elections – by showing them that one of the most famous Christians of the previous century was clearly on the ideological left.

Kazin significantly overreaches, though, arguing “in a practical sense, Jefferson may have been more important to him [Bryan] than Jesus” [Kazin, 15]. Bryan would have objected, having written “faith in God, belief in Christ, and confidence in the people” motivated him in his causes [Coletta, *Political Puritan*, 290]. Regardless, Kazin and like-minded compatriots have enjoyed some fruit from their efforts, as we have witnessed in the last half decade many in the evangelical community embrace “social [redistributive] justice,” which, if we are honest with ourselves, is what Bryan hoped to accomplish through the free and unlimited coinage of silver.

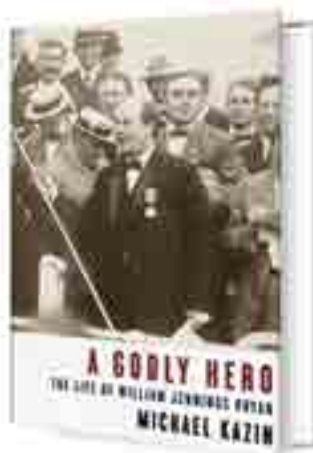
Few doubt that politicians

today utilize the language of civil religion to enhance their prospects at the ballot box. Was Bryan engaged in electoral shenanigans, or was he sincere in using religious beliefs as a guide to policy? There is consensus among historians that WJB adopted his positions because of his understanding of his faith. Describing Bryan, Coletta writes “he . . . denied that ethics could

be separated from the religious foundation he believed provided the substructure of democratic government [Coletta, *Political Puritan*, 298].

From where did this mooring come? David Anderson suggests that from his father Bryan learned that “the law, religious

devotion, and Democratic fervor seemed not merely complimentary but fused into a single comprehensive way of life” [Anderson, 21]. There were Bible readings and discussions at the noon and evening meals and, of course, Sundays were filled with family and church meetings. As a youngster, he signed pledges





to abstain from both tobacco and alcohol; he kept his word. In addition, he never used profane language. Rather than serving to portray a Bryan who accepted a doctrine of works for salvation, a danger for succeeding generations of fundamentalists, it characterizes young Bryan's maturity as realizing that works are a logical outgrowth of faith [Bryan, *Seven Questions*, 74, 82-83].

At age 14, in 1874, he chose Presbyterianism, which like the Baptist and Methodist doctrines of the day, "stressed fundamentalism, evangelicalism, and individual responsibility," thus the inherent connection to his moralist tendencies [Anderson, 23]. Bryan did go through a period of intellectual rebellion when he attended Illinois College. The most prominent manifestations of this were a consideration of Darwinism and the influence of transcendentalism that gave him, according to Anderson, "an idealistic view of human nature." Bryan's faith emerged intact, and he later said that "the adolescent tendency to become overconfident of one's intellectual powers" caused this crisis [Anderson, 23-24]. At his college graduation, he spoke on character. As Anderson paraphrases Bryan's definition, "character, then, was the ability to accept eternal principles, to live by them, and to choose alternative courses of action on their bases" [Anderson, 23, 26]. Anderson

describes Bryan's motivation for his actions for the remainder of his life in this way: "The orderly, moral growth of individuals and institutions, guided by God, was the essence of his political and personal philosophy, and actions and doctrines that threatened either or that denied the traditional absolutes of democracy and Christianity were abhorrent to him" [Anderson, 190].

How, then, did Bryan's moralism affect policy? Attempts to help those who could not help themselves pervaded Bryan's life. He advocated the advancement of African-Americans in society through education even though this was not a politically expedient position in the Democratic Party. Additionally, Bryan opposed the Ku Klux Klan. Freedom of religion was an important issue to Bryan, and he supported the rights of Catholics and Jews to worship as they pleased, even calling for the Democratic Party to "exterminate Ku Klanism" at the Democratic National Convention of 1924 [Levine, 257-58, 312].



Helping others overseas also appealed to Bryan. In 1898, he began to promote American intervention in Cuba because he believed the Cubans desired their independence from Spain. He even volunteered and was elected as colonel in command of the Third Nebraska Regiment. After

assisting in liberating the Cubans, however, he resigned because the war with Spain had ended and, to Bryan, the "war" that remained was a morally reprehensible war of imperialism [Anderson, 26, 98-101, 103, 179].

Bryan in 1910, foreshadowing arguments made popular in theologically liberal circles two decades later, called war inherently "unchristian" [Coletta, *Progressive Politician*, 3]. War was not only evil because of the taking of lives, but it also redirected resources away from domestic reforms. America's empire, according to Bryan, should be built through "moral example" and the exportation of democracy. Although Coletta affirms that Bryan's intentions were honorable, the results of the policies he designed as secretary of state were not always positive. Yet, Coletta shows that Bryan was no hypocrite. His priorities and most of his actions in life matched his rhetoric, as Coletta writes, "his uniqueness lay in his double dedication, first to his God, second to the ideal of imbuing America's domestic and foreign relations with Christian ethics and morality" [Coletta, *Bryan: Political Puritan*, 294, 286, 284].

In late March 1917, a few days before President Wilson asked Congress to declare war on Germany, Bryan, who had resigned as secretary of state in 1915 over Wilson's handling of the *Lusitania* incident, asked members of Congress to consider holding a public referendum to let the people decide whether they wanted to fight, and die, for European monarchs and banners. The proposed referendum illustrates Bryan's moral and political consistency; a commitment and dedication to both God and democracy [Griffin, 267-88].

So whether on issues of domestic or foreign policy,

Bryan's faith informed his moral perspective, which prompted his decisions in the political arena. Some applaud that; others object to it. And, for some, it seems to be acceptable when it places Bryan in allegiance to political positions with which they are sympathetic, but an anathema when Bryan injects morality into public discourse that produces positions that they do not support. Many historians celebrate the populist 1890s Bryan, but intensely dislike the Bryan of the 1920s [Larson, 234-235].

Almost without exception, Bryan's peers and biographers agreed that Bryan's Christian faith was a central factor in determining his policy positions, although several also viewed this as his fatal flaw. In his biography of Bryan, Coletta proposes that Bryan was a man of high moral values. Also, "his romance with Mary Baird never ended, with his devotion to her during the illness of her later years unflagging and unremittent" [Coletta, *Political Puritan*, 285-286]. On the other hand, Coletta proposes that Bryan's morality was his major flaw as well, because his rigid view of morality at times caused political

inflexibility and marginality. This was especially pronounced when it came to complicated questions of foreign policy or questions of patronage. While historians generally give Bryan high marks for his contributions to American history [Commager, 88], he has been unfairly pilloried on both the stage and the screen. Soon after Bryan's death Senator George W. Norris, who admired his "sincerity, honesty, and almost unlimited courage" [Norris, 862], wrote: "The world will regard him as a great political leader and as a religious teacher, and yet, after all, in the truest sense of the term, in the highest type of politics and religion, there is but little difference between the two" [Norris, 859].

Why would someone be motivated with such moral fervor? Clements argues that Evangelical Protestantism drove Bryan, claiming that his daily life revolved around it, asserting: "From it he derived many of the basic principles of his policy: the belief that the nation should obey the same moral code as the individual; the conviction that service to others was the first duty to God; the assumption that America, as the leading Christian nation, had a missionary obligation; the belief that although it was necessary to preach to the heathen, the most persuasive argument was the example of a Christian life; and the assumption that because all men were basically alike at heart, all would accept and applaud a truly Christian policy" [Clements, 10].

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Mary Bryan

2nd Generation Students



Alumni and their children who enrolled at Bryan this fall are pictures following the orientation program on Aug. 25. Please see the key below to identify the family groups.

1. Mary (Kirtley) Gonzalez, '79, and Jacqueline Gonzalez.
2. Danny Walker, '84, and Payton Walker.
3. Tom, '84, and Dawn (Shriver), '85, Gardner and Amber Rose Gardner.
4. Dallas Beck, '83x, and Rachael Beck.
5. Jim Arnold, '98, and Brandon Arnold.
6. Sharon (Watson) Underwood, '84, and Molly Underwood.
7. Darlene (Ragland) LaPlue, '81, and Crystal LaPlue.
8. Pamela (Henry) Rowe, '81, and Somer Rowe.
9. Scott, '81, and Margaret (Koehn), '84x, Smith and Andrew Smith.
10. Mark Padgett, '80, and Stacy Padgett.
11. Mark, '90, and LaDonna (Robinson), '90, Olson and James Olson.
12. Ted, '71, and Beverly Meberg, and Arianne Meberg.
13. David, '80, and Anna (Barth), '82, Tromanhauser and Daniel Tromanhauser.
14. Seth Julin, '93, and Caleb Julin.
15. Lewis, '86, and Terri (Goodman), '86, Alderman and Bryan Alderman.
16. James, '85, and Tammi (Love), '86, Freuler and Grace Freuler.



Rathbun Group

50s

The Rathbun and Henry families held a Bryan family reunion in May 2012 in Alaska to celebrate Joshua Rathbun's high school graduation. Joshua, now a Bryan freshman, is the grandson of (from left, front), JOHN and JOYCE (JOHNSON) RATHBUN, both '54; and MARILYN KAY (TEMPLE), '55, and DAVID HENRY, '57. Back are his parents, DEBBIE (HENRY) and JOHN MARK RATHBUN, both '80; Joshua Rathbun; DANIEL HENRY, '80; and current Bryan student Danielle Rathbun.

Alcoa Tornadoes 1959 Tennessee state basketball champion team and played baseball and football. At Bryan, he scored 2,139 points in basketball, a record that stood for many years. After coaching at Rhea Central High School, he returned to Bryan where he coached basketball for 18 years and served as athletics director and baseball coach and taught science and physical education. He is particularly grateful for the promise of Romans 8:28.

DAVID FISHER, '67, received the honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from Piedmont College in Demorest, Ga., in May. David was baccalaureate speaker for the college. He serves as pastor of Plymouth Church of the Pilgrims in Brooklyn, N.Y.

than 35 years. Following retirement he and his wife, Pam, took 7 ½ weeks to drive to Alaska from their home in Cyprus, Texas, and in September, they travelled to Japan. In May, they took his mother, GRACE (LEVENGOOD) BENNETT, '42, from her home in Knoxville, Tenn., to visit her brother, AL, and his wife, JOYCE (COOPER) LEVENGOOD, both '52, at their home in Dayton, and stopped by the Bryan campus.

60s

WAYNE DIXON, '64, has been named to the Blount County, Tenn., Sports Hall of Fame and is to be inducted with five others Oct. 29, 2012. Coach Dixon captained the

70s

JON BENNETT, '76, retired from BP May 1, 2012, after a career in the petroleum industry spanning more

80s

DON LARSON, '81, has been elected to the board of directors of Lydia Home (www.lydiahome.org), a national Christian multi-service agency which has been in operation for 90 years. Its mission is to strengthen families to care for children and to care for children when families cannot.

MARK, '85, and Rebecca JONES announce the birth of their fourth child,

The Boot Family





Asher Isaiah Jones



The Waites Family



Palmer Sisters

Asher Isaiah, on April 6, 2012. Asher joins siblings Lindsay, 19, Nate, 17, and Alex, 15. Mark laughs when he is reminded that he will be 67 when his adopted son graduates from high school in 2030.

JOHN, '87, and Wendy PATTON announce the birth of their daughter, Julia Rachel, on March 9, 2012. Julia weighed 7 lbs., 5 oz., and was nearly 19 inches long. The Pattons live in Madrid, Spain, where they are church planters with ABWE International.

90s

KEVIN, '91, and KARLA (TRAMMELL) BOOT, '93, adopted their daughter, Julia Ann, on Dec. 17, 2011. The Boots are missionaries in Brazil, mobilizing Brazilians to reach the Muslim world.

00s

RICHARD, '00, and KRISTA (WALLACE) HETZEL, '99, have moved to Costa Rica for language school in preparation for mission service with AMG International in Peru. In Peru, they will help coordinate a childcare ministry that serves 450 sponsored children, and host short-term teams to serve with AMG in Peru.

JENNIFER (MUSSELMAN), '01, and Bryan WAITES announce the birth of their daughter, Kathleen Morgan, on June 10, 2012. Kathleen weighed 8 lbs., 15 oz., and was 21 inches long. She joins big brother Joey, 3. The Waites family lives in Atlanta, Ga.

KRISTEN BALDWIN DEATHRIDGE, '02, earned the Ph.D. degree in public history from Middle Tennessee State University in May 2012. She earned an M.A. degree in archaeology from the University of Reading in 2005. Kristen and her husband, Jason, live in Mount Juliet, Tenn.

MATT and AMY (JENKINS) PALMER, both '02, announce the birth of their third daughter, Mia Jean, in November 2011. Mia joins big sisters Kate, 7, and Aubrey, 5. Matt completed his MBA degree through Bryan's online program in June, and received his degree in August. In addition, the Palmer family recently moved into a new home in Clearwater, Fla., which is the house where Amy grew up.

JASON, '02, and Mary STORIE, who work with college students through Cru, have moved from Eastern Kentucky University, where they have served the past five years, to East Asia for the coming year. Their sons are Jacob, 2, and Luke, 6 months. Jason's brother, JOSH STORIE, '09, will work with them in East Asia.

ERIN (DAVIS), '02, and John WISEHART announce the birth of their daughter, Myah Leesi, on June 12, 2012. Myah weighed 7 lbs., 1 oz., and was 19 ¾ inches long. She joins big brother Carter, 16 months. The Wisehart family lives in Newnan, Ga.

Kristen Deathridge



The Storie Family



Myah Leesi Wisehart





The Capp Family



Lila Sommers Troyer



Allora Isabel Meloncon

DANNY, '02, and Anne KING, along with their children Becca, Hayden, and Kathleen, returned to Cologne, Germany in August. They are missionaries with Greater Europe Mission, serving as part of a church planting team.

KRISTI LAWSON, '03, and Brad Capp were married May 29, 2010. Kristi and Brad welcomed their daughter, Luci Catherine, on March 28, 2012. She joins big brother Alex, 15. The Capp family lives in Chattanooga, Tenn.

EMILY (STIFFLER), '04, and Brett WINTERS announce the birth of their third son, Dean Matthew, on March 2, 2012. Dean joins big brothers Jack, 5, and Luke, 2. The Winters family lives in Springboro, Ohio.

MICHAEL, '05, and CEREN (CARPER), '06, STONE announce the birth of their second daughter, London Taylor, on March 20, 2012. London joins big sister Brooklyn Elizabeth, 3. The Stone family lives in Chattanooga, Tenn. Michael teaches Advanced Placement calculus and honors

statistics and coaches the boy's varsity basketball team at East Hamilton High School and Ceren teaches first grade at Cloud Springs Elementary.

TALOR ARMSTRONG, '05, and Jeff Troyer were married June 26, 2009. They have two daughters, McKenna Ruth, 2, and Lila Sommers, who was born July 2, 2012. The Troyer family lives in Macon, Miss., at Lake Forest Ranch, a Christian camp in summer and a retreat center the rest of the year.

TAYLOR and JULIE (THOMPSON) HASTY, both '06, announce the birth of their second son, David Jaxson, on April 28, 2012. Jaxson weighed 7 lbs., 14 oz., and was 19 $\frac{3}{4}$ inches long. He joins big brother Maddux, 3.

JUSTIN and RACHEL (GENTRY) LONAS, both '06, announce the birth of their second daughter, Eden Noelle, on Aug. 5, 2011. Eden joins big sister Canaan Elizabeth, 3. The Lonas family lives in Chattanooga, Tenn., where Justin works for AMG International publishing a digital magazine for pastors and is a development assistant for AMG.

MATT, '08, and ROBIN (CRUVER), '07, MELONCON announce the birth of their first child, Allora Isabel, on June 8, 2012. Allora weighed 8 lbs., 1 oz. The Meloncon family lives in Dayton, where Matt is a programmer in Bryan's Information Technology department and Robin is home with Allora.

JOSH, '08x, and HOLLI (MANCINI), '08, POOL announce the birth of their son, Mason Eli, on April 18, 2012. Mason weighed 7 lbs., 7 oz. The Pool family lives in Stuarts Draft, Va., where Josh works for UPS and Holli is a stay-at-home mom.

CALEB and LEANNE (MCDANIEL) RAGLAND, both '08, announce the birth of their son, Cordon "Cory" Lee, on May 19, 2012. Cory weighed 7 lbs., 10 oz., and was 20.5 inches long. He joins big brother Charlie, 2. The Raglands live on the family farm in Magnolia, Ky., where they grow corn, soybeans, and pigs.

STACEY BRADSHAW, '09, has worked on several films since graduation, and was cast in a lead role

Winters Brothers



David Jaxson Hasty



Eden and Canaan Lonas





Lavender Rosemary Dotson



Zach & Amy Mobley



Bryson & Alyssia Harper

in a full-length independent Christian film that was shot in August. She worked with props, as a wardrobe supervisor, and as an extra in the Stephen Spielberg film "Lincoln."

HILARY (TULLBERG), '09x, and Christopher DOTSON announce the birth of their daughter, Lavender Rosemary Eula, on Aug. 12, 2011. Lavender weighed 7 lbs., 8 oz., and was 20 ¾ inches long. The Dotson family lives in Dayton, Tenn.

10s

ZACK BOWE and ALI IBSEN, both '10, were married in June 2012 in Roswell, Ga. ELIZABETH YATES, '10; and LAUREN PRATT, '11, were bridesmaids and JOSH STORIE, '09, helped provide music for the ceremony. Other alumni attending included LINDSEY WOLFE, '10; BROOKE CORBETT, '10; JONATHAN BROWN, '09; BRAD, '09x, and HEATHER (WINDOM), '09, TODD; and LISA BARKER, '10. The Bowes live in

Tallahassee, Fla.

ZACH MOBLEY, '10x, and AMY BARHAM, '10, were married Sept. 17, 2011. Alumni in the wedding included KATIE BARHAM, '08; OLIVIA DOWNEY, '11; AMBER (SMITH) ROSS, '11; KELSEY OGLE, '10x; EMILY HURLBUT, '11; and ANDREW DORN, '09. Amy and Zach live in Cordova, Tenn., where Amy works for Life Choices of Memphis, a medical clinic for women facing crisis pregnancies, and Zach is project manager for Summit Landscapes.

MICHAEL SCHROEDER, '10, has completed Officer Training School for the U.S. Air Force and he and his wife, MELISSA (BROWN), '09, have moved to San Antonio, Texas, for further training. Michael is being trained to fly remotely piloted aircraft, commonly known as drones.

BRYSON HARPER, '12, and continuing student Alyssia Lindsay were married July 7, 2012, in Dayton, Tenn. Bryson has been named the interim track and cross country coach at Bryan. The couple lives in Dayton.

CARLIN NASIATKA, '12, has been asked to stay for the next two years a program manager at Spruce Lake Retreat, a Christian retreat center in Canadensis, Pa., where she worked this past summer.

The Pool Family



Zack & Ali Bowe



Michael & Melissa Schroeder



Acts Project 2012



The Acts Project is a vocational internship in a missions context preceded by an intensive semester of preparation. This summer, 10 students served internships around the world. Nine of them offered perspectives on their experiences.



Gerleen Dineros,
ENGLAND

As I worked in Birmingham, UK, this summer I realized the contrast between the England that used to be foundational in sending out missionaries, and the modern England where churches close by the dozens each week. Two important

lessons I learned are the importance of reaching the lost at their level, and how working in cross-cultural ministries is a wonderful example of what life will be like in heaven.



Sarah Gray, FRANCE

My time in France brought me to realize that I was living by and buying into an American version of Christianity. My eyes were opened to the reality that God is a global God, and I was challenged and encouraged by new culture experiences

which reminded me that the global Church does not – and should not – fit perfectly into my preconceived notions about what being the Body of Christ really means.



Jessica Dudley, ZAMBIA

In Zambia I saw a lot of brokenness and a lot of beauty. There were times that I felt hopeless for the people around me. God had to remind me in a powerful, experiential way that He is the same God in Zambia that He is in the U.S. I realized that I had been putting a lot of trust in material things rather than in the God who

watches over each person regardless of what culture he lives in or how desperate his situation seems. The beauty I saw was that of faithful men and women dedicated to loving those around them and serving God even though their obedience required much sacrifice.



Josh Kirkland,
SOUTH AFRICA

Being in Cape Town this summer gave me such a vision for what it means to be able to use any skill or career in a missional way. Business is not all about making money, it is also about investing in lives and building the future.

Working alongside Living Hope staff opened my eyes to the power of the gospel as it brings hope, transformation, and love into brokenness, disease, and sorrow through willing and faithful people. It starts with making yourself available and letting God use you where he will.



Meagan McIntyre,
IRELAND

I expected to do accounting work all summer and maybe join a few outreaches around the area. What I did not realize was that I would have the chance to reach out in a country where only 1 percent of the population knows

the Lord as their savior. Missionaries in Ireland have a passion to share the gospel, but they can only continue their work if they have adequate funds to cover living expenses. My office work helped me see how desperately missions agencies around the world need support from others.



Andrea Manz,
MIDDLE EAST

"My God is so big, so strong, and so mighty, there's nothing my God cannot do." I sang it in Sunday School growing up; they sang it in Kid's Club in the center where I worked this summer in the Middle East. Later, I had the honor of attending a

prayer meeting with local workers. I heard people unabashedly ask God to bring whole nations to Himself, heal thousands of refugees, and bring peace where there are centuries-old feuds. And I wondered, why have I been singing that God is big all of my life, but not praying like I truly believe it?



Aaron Shears, INDIA

My summer in India afforded me a chance to commune and serve with brothers and sisters who experience the same God but in a totally different context. Sharing in the same triumphs and struggles showed me that our God is consistent regardless of the setting

and plot of our lives. This summer's journey showed me that I can't ensconce myself in the busyness of day to day life and neglect ministering to people.



Matthew Stombaugh,
INDIA

This summer, I had the opportunity to serve with Word for the World Ministries in southern India. I was continually convicted and encouraged by the lives of the Indian missionaries I served with. Their idea of ministry is a daily way of life lived both inside and outside of

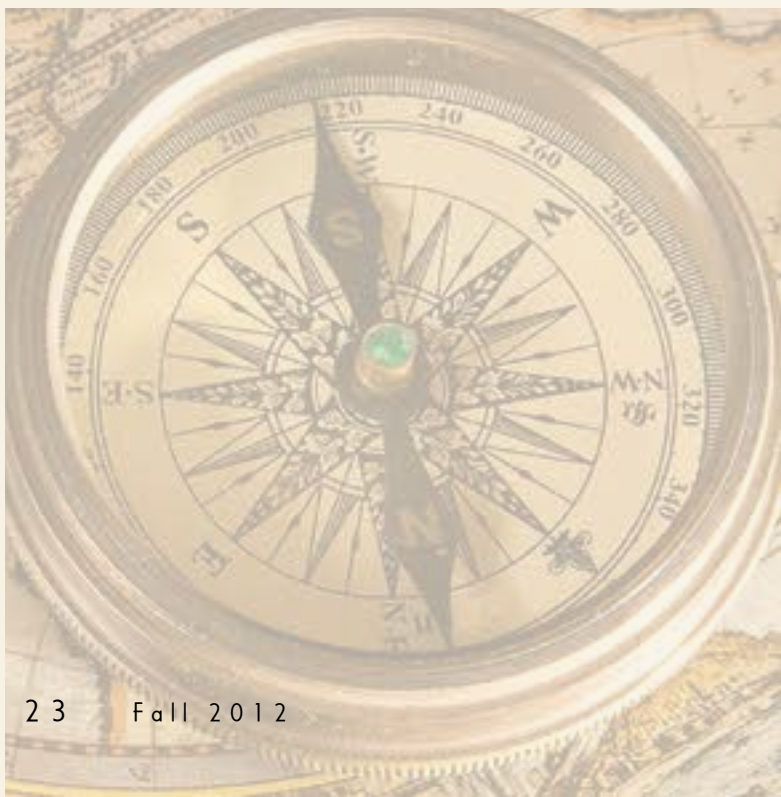
church walls. The ability to come along side of these missionaries, to work and live among them, and to see how the gospel is lived out tangibly, was and continues to be unforgettable.



Jonathan Warner,
IRELAND

My time working with Operation Mobilization Ireland taught me many lessons about myself and culture, but what I gained the most was a deeper understanding and appreciation for the church and my Christian walk. God

taught me how to slow down and listen to Him speaking through His word and His people. As I shared the truth of the Gospel with others it breathed a new life and meaning into my own faith.



SIFE: Helping students move up the career ladder

by Rachel Jones



James Folsom

Because of practical experience gained in student organization SIFE (Students in Free Enterprise), three Bryan students have entered the business world prepared to succeed with solid jobs.

Former SIFE President James Folsom explains the organization is “a non-profit student-led organization at more than 1,500 colleges and universities in 39 countries.” In the past two years, Bryan’s SIFE team has advanced to the national competition, a privilege reserved for only the top 25 percent of teams across the U.S.

SIFE, James said, not only imitates the business world, but seeks to promote a better standard of living for communities at home and abroad through special projects. “SIFE projects promote entrepreneurship, and are focused on business and free enterprise,” he said.

Laura Maye joined SIFE with hopes of boosting her resume, but soon realized the organization served a greater purpose. She said SIFE developed two projects over the past two years – one teaching local ninth-graders the value of a dollar and higher education, and the other supporting Kenyan orphans and enterprise.

The program at Rhea County High School, Reality Check, is much like The Game of Life. SIFE team members assign students a job and salary and the students use their “resources” to cover real life expenses such as purchasing groceries or even buying a car.

To support the international business community, SIFE laced up their shoes and recruited runners on and off campus to raise funds first for a school for Kenyan orphans, and later to start a business on the school’s website selling Kenyan crafts. Before their first 5K for Kenya race, “people on campus only knew us for our recycling efforts. The 5K showed everyone that SIFE does other projects for other purposes.”



Laura Maye

“(Our projects) directly impact our community and communities around the world,” said former SIFE Secretary Kelly Miller. “We ‘get out’ of Dayton, but also become more involved in Dayton at the same time.”

While many SIFE members are business majors, Kelly was a music major with a business minor. She joined the club her senior year because a friend told her there were job fairs featuring Fortune 500 companies at SIFE’s regional and national competitions.

Kelly interviewed with ConAgra Foods at SIFE’s national competition job fair. “Within 10 days, they offered me a job,” she said. “I thought long and hard about accepting because the job included relocating to Myrtle Beach, S.C., from Chicago.”

Now Kelly is a sales representative and account manager and travels to 34 Wal-Mart stores in North and South Carolina to keep the ConAgra products where they are most visible and most likely to sell.

“I go into three Wal-Mart stores a day,” she said. “I keep our foods where they’re supposed to be, and work with the store managers to put ConAgra on the shelf. Sometimes I personally get the products out of the stock room and put them on the shelf. If I can build a relationship with the store manager showing them that I’m here



Kelly Miller

to help – not just sell – I’m giving them a good reason to stock Con Agra products.”

Like Kelly, James landed a quality job with The Clorox Co. as a result of a job fair at a SIFE competition. After his junior year, he did an internship with Clorox, which led to a position as a supply chain analyst immediately following graduation.

“As an analyst, I make sure that we are delivering products to customers in the most efficient way possible,” he said. “I work directly with sales, and am on the Kroger team. As long as products get on the shelves, I’m doing my job. You’d be surprised at how much planning goes behind that \$1.97 bottle of bleach.”

He credits his experience with SIFE as a factor in getting his job at Clorox. “With SIFE, I learned how to talk to people in a professional environment, gained professional acumen, and developed a dedication to my work, which translated into dedication to my career,” he said. “If it weren’t for joining the SIFE team, I wouldn’t have the job I do now.”



Steve Flaherty

LETTERS THROUGH TIME!

A Bryan alumnus who died during the Vietnam War made national news in July when letters he had written to his family but never delivered were given to U.S. officials this spring and then turned over to his relatives.

Vietnamese officials presented letters written by Steve Flaherty, '70x, to U.S. Secretary of Defense Leon Panetta in June during Mr. Panetta's visit to Vietnam. Steve was killed in combat in 1969.

The news shocked Greg Senter, '70x, Steve's roommate at Bryan. “We played baseball together,” he said. “He was one of the best athletes and the toughest guy I’ve ever known.”

News reports about the exchange of letters said Steve's letters commented on the carnage of war, his fear, and resolve in the face of the horrors of that conflict. His family has donated the letters to a military museum in South Carolina.

New Staff Come Aboard



New faculty and staff this fall include, from left, Jason Glenn, assistant director of worldview formation; Josh Lammert, assistant athletic trainer; Susan Matherly, academic records specialist; Jeanine McCurdy, campus visit coordinator; Angie Price, '91, director of human resources and financial assistant; Bob Barger, helpdesk technician; Rachel Jones, '09, communication specialist; Ruston Pierce, admissions projects manager; and Chelsea Zimmerman, '12, career services assistant. Not pictured are Clayton Schmidt, '12, and Kyle Thomas, '12, both physical plant technicians, Bob Jensen, '80, associate director of career services; and David Holcomb, '94, annual campaign director.

Faculty/Staff Notes



Dr. Phil Lestmann participated in a roundtable discussion at Chattanooga State Community College in July regarding the Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics hub for 17 counties in the Chattanooga region. Stakeholders include K-12 teachers and administrators, higher education professionals, businesses, private foundations, and the general public.

Dr. Michele Pascucci has had an article accepted for publication in *Literatura Mexicana*, a peer-reviewed journal for Mexican literary criticism. The article presents and analyzes two previously unknown poems by Mexican author Jose Juan Tablada that she discovered while doing archival research in Mexico City. She also participated in a 10-day faculty study trip to Costa Rica and Cuba, organized by the Latin American Studies Program of the Council for Christian Colleges and Universities. Participants met with politicians, theologians, and scholars to discuss various issues in Latin America.

Dr. Travis Ricketts and three students attended the American Enterprise Institutes' Purpose & Prosperity Conference in June. The conference was planned to explore the confluence of faith and economics.

Rodney Stoker, head track and cross country coach, resigned his position at the end of August to become an assistant coach for track and field/cross country at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville. **Bryson Harper**, '12, a four-year cross country runner, has been named interim cross country head coach.

Dr. Dana Wilson completed several courses in May to update her American Red Cross certifications in the following: instructor and instructor trainer for CPR for the professional rescuer, and instructor and instructor trainer for lifeguarding. She then taught lifeguarding, first aid, and CPR for the professional rescuer courses for the Bryan and Fort Bluff lifeguards.

Dr. Todd Wood was featured in the cover article in the July/August edition of *Christianity Today*. The article discussed how their faith influences Dr. Wood, a young-earth creationist, and Dr. Darrell Falk, an evolutionary creationist who is head of BioLogos.

TRANSITIONS

Faculty and staff who have assumed new positions for the new school year include:

Ms. Rhonda Kettenring, to be the assistant to the academic vice president.

Ms. Stacey Duke, to online admissions counselor for Adult and Graduate Studies.

Mr. Jason Glenn, to assistant director of worldview formation and instructor in Christian studies and philosophy.

Mr. Luke Hathaway, to web designer and programmer.

Mr. Ryan Smith to assistant multi-media manager.

Ms. Marica Merck to director of marketing and career services.

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HERE'S HOW IT WORKS.

You transfer cash or securities to Bryan College, in exchange for income for life. This income can even continue to a surviving spouse or another individual for life, if you choose.

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Dr. WILLIAM W. Paul, '41x, of Carol Stream, Ill., died June 18, 2012.

Word has been received that **MILTON MURPHEY, '44x**, of Portsmouth, Va., died in December 2000.

DOROTHY (UPTON) TEGTMEYER, '47x, of Venice, Fla., died June 25, 2012.

Dr. ILA RUTH MAHR, '48, of Alta, Iowa, died Dec. 27, 2011.

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HELEN (DUNN) PURYEAR, '55x, of Glen Allen, Va., died July 1, 2012.

MARY LOUISE JOHNSON, '59, of Holton, Mich., died Feb. 20, 2012.

GLEN LEHMAN, '59, of Dallas, Texas, died April 4, 2013.

JOHN RYNDERS, '61, of Littleton, Colo., died Sept. 22, 2011.

MARGARET (GIBSON) WILLIAMS, '62x, of Marion, S.C., died May 5, 2012.

DOROTHY (HARGREAVES) ALLEN, '65, of Marysville, Mich., died April 6, 2010.

EDWARD J. ROBESON III, '83H, of York, S.C., a former trustee of the college, died Aug. 5, 2012.

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