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## MOMENTS LIKE THESE

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# A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

These are exciting days at HBU! At our Spirit of Excellence Gala last November, we celebrated the 50th anniversary of the University's chartering – and the promise of the future as HBU looks ahead to its next 50 years and strives to become a national, comprehensive university with a strong commitment to both faith and learning. I am pleased to share with you that the future is looking brighter than ever because of recent developments that give us a new momentum in implementing the University's twelve-year vision, *The Ten Pillars: Faith and Reason in a Great City* ([www.hbu.edu/vision](http://www.hbu.edu/vision)).

One recent milestone with exciting implications for the future is our Board's decision to move forward in allowing up to one-third of HBU-elected trustees to come from non-Baptist Christian churches. Departing from the traditional requirement that all trustees hold membership in a Baptist church, this historic decision reflects the visionary leadership of our trustees, who value and affirm the University's Baptist identity and its affiliation with the Baptist General Convention of Texas (BGCT) but also recognize that, as we work to implement the vision and fulfill our mission under the Lordship of Jesus Christ and the authority of Scripture, it is important to join with and have support from Christians of similar confession and witness in our diverse city and region. Non-Baptist Christians who hold to the preamble to HBU's bylaws can make far-reaching contributions through service on our Board – just as the many non-Baptist Christians on our faculty, staff and administration serve as vital members of our campus community. Under the new arrangement, the Board will continue to elect 75 percent of HBU's trustees, with at least two-thirds of those trustees coming from Baptist churches, and the BGCT will continue to elect 25 percent. I wholeheartedly support this decision by our trustees, and I believe it is appropriate for HBU's identity as an evangelical university in this great city populated with talented, dedicated Christians from many denominations.

Another development of historic significance – a cause for celebration throughout the campus – is the recent settlement of litigation involving the Brown Administrative Complex, with its M. D. Anderson Student Center. I want to thank all members of the University family – especially our students, faculty and staff – for their resilience, perseverance and good spirit over the last two-and-a-half years.

We also are excited about the freshman village we are creating to enrich the student life experience on the campus. Such an experience is vital to our efforts to establish a residential society of

faith and learning while recruiting and retaining students of high quality from the Houston area and throughout Texas and beyond.

Recent approval of HBU's certification self-study by the NCAA provides another source of momentum as we work to implement the goals outlined in the vision document. We were genuinely thrilled to learn of this decision – one recommended by a peer review team that visited the campus last fall – and now we anticipate that the NCAA will vote to award HBU full Division I membership next July. This new status will open doors for exciting growth in our athletics program and on the campus as a whole. It also will lead to increased community awareness, involvement and support and to national exposure for our student-athletes and the University.

Another recent development involves the strategic updating of our campus master plan. Just as the *Ten Pillars* vision guides our work in building so many areas of the University – enrollments, undergraduate and graduate curricula, student life programs, athletic programs and others – this master plan serves as our guide in building out the physical plant. My leadership team and I currently are working to review the plan and explore possibilities for upgrading and expanding campus facilities – now and in the future. It is truly exciting to envision the HBU of 2020!

As you will discover in the pages that follow, we have much more to celebrate at HBU this spring. In fact, this issue of *HBU News* features a kaleidoscope of people, programs, activities and events that in many ways reflect progress toward the *Ten Pillars* vision. I know you will enjoy reading about them and about

our new advertising campaign designed to enhance awareness of the University in our community and beyond. If you have visited [www.hbu.edu](http://www.hbu.edu), driven past a billboard or turned on your radio recently, you may be familiar with some of the ads featuring "Faithful Leaders" at HBU. This theme reflects the commitment of many of our students to integrating faith and learning as they prepare for lives of meaningful service.

Every day on this campus we strive for the highest quality in all that we do, so that we can provide a learning experience that instills in students a passion for academic, spiritual and professional excellence as a result of our central confession, "Jesus Christ is Lord." This is our mission as we build on the pillars in our vision document.

Blessings,



Robert B. Sloan Jr.





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## On The Cover

Resident assistants. Student Government Association leaders. Members of the "Pack Attack." Fraternity brothers and sorority sisters. Husky cheerleaders. HBU's next generation of faithful leaders fill many different roles and wear various T-shirts and uniforms as they prepare themselves to not only excel in their chosen fields, but also to succeed at life. On Saturday, Feb. 26, they came together in a unique way to encourage prospective students to join them and "Be Part Of It" at HBU.

# Good Health

School of Nursing and Allied Health expansion to honor Mary Ann Belin's legacy of service



On Feb. 23, HBU announced a lead gift of \$300,000 from long-time friends Bruce and Mary Ann Belin that will allow the School of Nursing and Allied Health to move forward with plans to modernize and enhance its nursing program and facilities.

"As one of the most significant families in the University's first 50 years, Bruce and Mary Ann Belin have indeed blessed HBU with their many generousities," said President Sloan. "We are so grateful for all they continue to mean to the life of the University, and we were especially thrilled that Bruce wanted to honor Mary Ann in this special way."

With the proposed expansion – which will be named the Mary Ann Belin Nursing and Allied Health Simulation Lab when complete – the School of Nursing and Allied Health will double both classroom capacity and lab space to make room for additional students. In addition, it

will incorporate new high-fidelity simulation technology that has been identified as a best practice in developing individual competencies and realistic preparation for clinical settings. By providing real-life patient care scenarios for students, the Mary Ann Belin Nursing and Allied Health Simulation Lab will help HBU continue to meet the highest national standards of quality in nursing education.

"Having taught Sunday school and served on our church staff for many years, Mary Ann has ministered to everyone she knows in one way or another," said Bruce Belin. "She has also nursed me back to good health several times, so we are honored that our gift to the School of Nursing and Allied Health will reflect this legacy while helping HBU provide a strong Christian education to an increasing number of nursing students."



## "Bouncing up at an astonishing rate"

HBU's momentum captures attention of journal of religiously informed public philosophy



"Is there anywhere to go to college in the United States today where you'll get a socially useful diploma, you'll have the chance of getting an actual education, and you won't get your faith beaten out of you?"

That was the question the editors of *First Things*, the journal of The Institute on Religion and Public Life, sought to answer in their special college issue published in November 2010.

After collecting and analyzing information, including the results of two student polls, on more than 2,000 colleges and universities, the *First Things* staff validated HBU's continued efforts to implement its unprecedented vision for higher education in America by recognizing the University in two categories, "Schools on the Rise, Filled with Excitement" and "Best Seriously Protestant Schools."

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2.	Wake Forest University	Wi
3.	Houston Baptist University	Ho
4.	The Great Lakes	St





# Creative Gifts

School of Art welcomes first cohort into Master of Fine Arts program



One draws inspiration from his past travels and work in Vietnam, Cambodia and other Asian countries.

The paintings of another were completed and exhibited in historic shotgun houses in Houston's Third Ward through the Project Row Houses Summer Artist Studio Residency program.

The works of two of them have been selected for the 2011 "Rising Eyes of Texas" juried art exhibition at the Rockport Center for the Arts in Rockport, Texas.

With their differing creative interests and experiences, the members of the first cohort of students to enroll in HBU's new Master

of Fine Arts in studio art – the University's first terminal degree and the only one of its kind offered by a Christian university in Houston – are enriching the creative experience for all students in the School of Art.

Taught using a tutorial apprenticeship model with individual and group criticism, the Master of Fine Arts program allows students to acquire graduate-level technical proficiency in their studio disciplines while also studying the contemporary art world, eras of art history, and gallery and museum practices. The students interact daily with their professors – full-time faculty artists

who have studied under masters and have achieved commercial success – in the University's state-of-the-art studios for printmaking, sculpture, drawing, painting and ceramics.

The 60-hour Master of Fine Arts in studio art can be completed in four semesters, and applications for the fall 2011 semester are being accepted until May 1, 2011. For more information on the program, including instructions on how to apply, please visit [www.hbu.edu/MFA](http://www.hbu.edu/MFA) or contact School of Art Director Michael Collins at [mcollins@hbu.edu](mailto:mcollins@hbu.edu).



**Randall Mosman**

Oil painting, metalsmithing, mixed media

"Since returning to the United States, I view my home in such a different way. Because I am aware of another way of life, I hope to bring forth in my work the struggle to find my place on this earth."



**Juan Castillo**

Painting, sculpture, ceramics, mixed media

"My work is characterized by a close attentiveness to the human figure that I like to expose as a material testament to both the enigmatic incorporeal and natural world that we at times strive to discern yet often disconcert."



**Melissa Klotz**

Oil painting, collage, drawing, ink, watercolor

"In a post-symbolistic fashion, I find more from my imagination than from the physical description of an object itself."



# A WHOLE LIFE

**Whit Goodwin**

joins HBU as director of Student Life

Sabbaticals are not just for college professors any more.

Whit Goodwin, the newly hired director of Student Life, believes the holistic, comprehensive college experience HBU strives to offer can and should serve as a “sabbatical” for its students.

“The idea of a student taking four years to come to a place like HBU to be fed into and to have a chance to grow in leadership, in ability, in knowledge, in wisdom and in spirituality, that is something I think is unique to Christian higher education, and certainly to what HBU is trying to accomplish through its Ten Pillars vision,” Goodwin said.

As a student at Samford University – a primarily residential campus in Birmingham, Ala., with approximately 4,700 students – Goodwin pursued what he views as a traditional college experience, living in a dorm and being heavily involved in student ministries and Greek life.

“I had many great mentors at Samford who taught me the Scriptures and helped shape me academically, spiritually and socially,” Goodwin said. “I look back at that place as kind of a home where I went for four years and grew and prospered, and I

Board. Having grown up in the Bible Belt South, he considered the opportunity an eye-opening experience.

“I got to see college from a different viewpoint, which was very invigorating for me,” Goodwin said. “Watching students grow by learning even the little stuff – like figuring out the subway patterns – I realized there is no better time than the college years to really affect students for the Lord.”

Provost Paul J. Bonicelli considers Goodwin an especially attractive addition to the University’s residential society of learning because of his work in ministry and his theological training, which includes a Master of Divinity from Samford.

“HBU’s preamble makes it clear that we are about presenting God’s Word and the truth of it to our students,” Goodwin said. “All of our programming and interactions will be designed to not only help students develop as people in general, but also to train them to be disciples of Christ.”

Upon returning from Europe, Goodwin joined the staff at his undergraduate alma mater, where he held several positions in student life, including oversight of residence halls and Greek housing and leadership of a residence life staff responsible for the development and implementation of student involvement, social and educational programs.



**OUR PROGRAMMING AND INTERACTIONS WILL BE DESIGNED TO NOT ONLY HELP STUDENTS DEVELOP AS PEOPLE IN GENERAL, BUT ALSO TO TRAIN THEM TO BE DISCIPLES OF CHRIST.**

want HBU students to have a chance at an experience like that too, because I know how incredibly formative it was for me.”

After graduation, Goodwin moved to Germany to work with Swiss and German college students as a student education and mobilization coordinator for the Southern Baptist Convention’s International Mission



"Working in residence life, I learned that many of today's college students, and Millennials in general, have never had to share a bedroom with anyone," Goodwin said. "Learning to see and discuss differing viewpoints by living together with others and forming a community in a residence hall represents a fantastic opportunity for personal growth that they may not get elsewhere in life. Experiences like that, and especially on a diverse campus like the one we have at HBU, can play a key role in shaping the minds, hearts and souls of our students."

## Sweet Resolution

### HBU reaches insurance settlement on damaged Brown Building

During a special surprise party attended by faculty and staff on Feb. 22, HBU announced that a settlement has been reached regarding the University's lawsuit with ACE American Insurance Company and York Claims Service Inc.

"While the University cannot disclose details of the settlement, we are very pleased with the outcome from this litigation," said President Sloan.

"I especially want to thank the students, faculty and staff of the



University for their good spirit and resilience during these last two-and-a-half years," Sloan said. "Now we are ready to move forward in accomplishing the goals as outlined in the *Ten Pillars* vision."

## A New Path

### Grants from Houston Endowment, Cullen Trust for Higher Education allow HBU to reroute IT network

In December 2010, Houston Endowment Inc. granted HBU \$1.5 million to help the University implement several recommendations from a civil engineering infrastructure study of the campus completed in 2009 with funding from the foundation. The recommended upgrades to the University's information technology infrastructure will allow HBU to better meet the expectations of today's tech-savvy students by increasing uptime and reducing the risk of extended downtime.

Thanks to the generous donation from Houston Endowment, and a similar \$1.5 million grant from The Cullen Trust for Higher Education received earlier in 2010, HBU's Information Technology Services (ITS) is beginning the first phase of the infrastructure upgrades, which involves

laying miles of new fiber and copper cabling around the entire campus. ITS has worked with vendors to design a new layout for the cabling and network routing that will no longer be dependent upon a single campus building once the final phases of the project are complete. The implementation of this new design will make the network more adaptable and resilient as the University continues to expand in the coming years.

"HBU is enormously grateful for the support of organizations like Houston Endowment and The Cullen Trust and for their affirmation of the University's *Ten Pillars* vision," said President Sloan. "These grants will make a great difference in our ability to serve our students and improve the quality of their learning experience."





# A Beneficial Partnership

HBU, Memorial Hermann alliance to enhance University's health, athletic programs

In December 2010, HBU and Memorial Hermann Healthcare System announced a strategic alliance – made on behalf of Memorial Hermann Southwest Hospital and the Memorial Hermann Sports Medicine Institute – that will enhance the University's nursing degree programs, name Memorial Hermann as the official healthcare provider for HBU athletics, and provide greater accessibility to the Memorial Hermann Wellness Center for HBU's student body.

"This partnership represents the continuation of a long-standing relationship between HBU and our colleagues at Memorial Hermann Southwest," said President Sloan. "It reflects our mutual commitment to quality medical care and to the physical, emotional and spiritual well-being of our neighbors in the southwest Houston community. The alliance extends and exemplifies HBU's *Ten Pillars* vision by diversifying the University's programs as we continue to blaze a trail for Christian universities in today's modern era."

## SCHOOL OF NURSING AND ALLIED HEALTH

The agreement provides students who are enrolled in HBU's School of Nursing and Allied Health with unique hands-on opportunities to work side-by-side with the nursing staff at Memorial Hermann Southwest, the city's largest and most sophisticated suburban hospital. The students will have access to the hospital's emergency room – the second busiest in Houston – as well as lab equipment and state-of-the-art simulated robotic technology.

"This partnership brings together a nationally recognized healthcare organization with a nationally acclaimed university to benefit the Houston community," said George Gaston, CEO, Memorial Hermann Southwest. "The alliance between HBU's nursing program and the nursing staff at Memorial Hermann Southwest allows students to take the knowledge they've gained from the classroom and put it into simulated, real-life situations. This means better trained nurses upon graduation, and we see this as a solid step towards future employment."

## HBU ATHLETICS

As the official healthcare provider for HBU athletics, Memorial Hermann Sports Medicine Institute will bring the sports medicine and human performance expertise of its affiliated sports medicine physicians to the HBU campus to provide a weekly orthopedic clinic to help University athletes better prepare for NCAA Division I competitions. HBU student-athletes will also be granted easy access to all clinical specialties and services at Memorial Hermann Southwest. In addition, Sports Medicine Institute physicians will perform physical examinations of HBU athletes prior to the start of the fall term and offer on-site physician coverage for all HBU home athletic events.

## WELLNESS CENTER

To significantly enhance HBU's current array of student health services, HBU students will have the opportunity to join the Memorial Hermann Wellness Center – Houston's most complete medical and fitness health facility – at reduced student rates. Located adjacent to the HBU campus and Memorial Hermann Southwest, the 80,000-square-foot Wellness Center offers a wide variety of health, fitness, therapeutic and psychological well-being programs.

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## SIFE grants bring investment in campus, community

HBU's Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE) completed a renovation project in the HBU Bookstore on Feb. 23, with approximately \$3,000 in funding provided by the National Association of College Stores Foundation's College Stores (NACS) of 2015 Investment Grant Program and a Sam's Club Environmental Sustainability Challenge grant. Under the guidance of HBU Bookstore Director and NACS Foundation President-Elect Anthony Martin, SIFE members Dy Duffield and Ronald Ramsey led a team that repainted the bookstore using environmentally friendly materials and reconfigured its layout to enhance the store's appearance and help it better meet the needs of its customers. More than 120 NACS members in Houston for the association's Campus Market Expo 2011 toured the renovated HBU Bookstore on Thursday, Feb. 24.

In further recognition of its dedication to positive environmental stewardship and community service, HBU's SIFE team was also one of only 50 organizations nationwide awarded a \$1,200 Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation Community Improvement Challenge grant in January 2011. The funds will be used to plant a produce garden at the Oaks on Bissonnet apartments near the HBU campus in conjunction with the YMCA's Caring Community Centers program at the complex. Once the garden, which will bring some green space to an otherwise concrete-heavy environment, is complete, children in the YMCA program will tend it and enjoy its produce.

## A Unified Witness

Vote clears way for non-Baptist Christians to join HBU Board of Trustees

Effective March 10, the HBU Board of Trustees amended the University's bylaws to open as many as one quarter of its positions to non-Baptist Christian trustees. The move is designed to help HBU – the only evangelical university in the city of Houston – reach out to committed Christians of many denominations in the diverse city by providing them a voice on its governing board.

"As our nation's fourth-largest city, Houston is enormously diverse, but at the same time, it also has a rich Christian witness," said President Sloan. "Cooperating in this way with the broad Christian community in the region is absolutely vital to fulfilling the University's mission."

Historically, HBU has elected three-fourths of its own trustees, provided they were Baptist. With this vote, one-third of the trustees elected by HBU – one-fourth of the total board – can now be non-Baptist Christians. All board members, regardless of their Christian affiliation, will be held to the same confessional statement in the preamble to the University's bylaws that explicitly states the school's biblical commitment and its adherence to orthodox Christian doctrine.



## A Great Connection

School of Business students inspire Star of Hope leadership

"Just think of what God will do with their lives in the years to come." Those words, spoken by a member of the executive team at Houston's Star of Hope Mission, followed a presentation to the nonprofit organization by eight students from HBU's School of Business in November.

At the invitation of the Star of Hope last fall, HBU's Active Project Learning Experience team, made up of four undergraduate students and four graduate students, conducted thorough research on both the Star of Hope and existing best practices in the nonprofit sector to prepare and present a strategic plan designed to help the 103-year-old rescue mission achieve the objectives of its Vision 2015.

Among other things, the road map for the Star of Hope's next five years includes plans to double – to approximately 2,000 – the number of people served each day. Doing so will require additional financial support and new partnerships and community alliances as the organization adds services and programs.

To help identify new ways to raise the awareness and funding

necessary to help it achieve its goals for the future, the Star of Hope decided to seek an independent viewpoint and a fresh perspective from area college students training for careers in business.

"This is God's business," said Star of Hope CEO Hank Rush. "We know He is going to provide, but we want to be smart about it."

After reviewing the recommendations made by HBU's team of students, including some the Star of Hope had considered but did not yet have the research or help needed to get started, the organization's executive team selected seven initiatives – many focused on branding and advertising opportunities – for further action.

"It was impressive to watch the HBU students work," Rush said. "It was clear that, in addition to their charisma and bright minds for business, they have a heart for service and showing God's love."





## Senior presents at academic conference

In January 2011, Wesley Gant, a senior majoring in government, attended the annual meeting of the Southern Political Science Association in New Orleans. As a member of an undergraduate student research and training panel discussing Perspectives on Local and National Politics, he presented a paper titled "The Political Ideology Spectrum: A Triadic Approach to Sociopolitical Values."

"It's an argument against the traditional conservative-liberal dichotomy," Gant said, "suggesting that our political values are actually rooted in not two but three distinct social values: liberty, unity and vitality." He said the event gave him a better understanding of how ideas and research develop through the academic community.

"Having an undergraduate student present at a national conference is really unusual," said Dr. Chris Hammons, professor in government. "This was a great opportunity for Wesley, who is considering going on to graduate school, to build his resume while strengthening HBU's reputation on a national level."



## Art student's response to human suffering places second in statewide competition

HBU art student Seth Miller found himself increasingly upset by what he viewed as society's somewhat callous response to human suffering in other countries.

"We feel sorry for those in places like Haiti, but feel awkward when we are shown pictures of their destitution," Miller said. "We would rather have an anonymous person to pity than to actually see their faces."

"Anonymous Pity," a mixed media collage created by Miller to portray the perceived lack of identity placed on those in suffering countries, was awarded second place in December 2010 at the "Destinations" art exhibition at the Hill Country Arts Foundation in Ingram, Texas. With the award, Miller became the first



HBU art student to place in a statewide undergraduate competition.

Open to all students enrolled in art studies at Texas colleges and universities, the "Destinations" exhibition was juried

by Jerry Seagle, who graduated with honors from the University of Texas at Austin with a Bachelor of Fine Arts in painting. Seagle referred to the exhibition – which, in addition to Miller, included student artists representing the University of Texas at Austin, Texas Tech University, the University of Houston, and Texas State University, among others – as a strong and positive body of work.

"Art should encourage the viewer to explore. This exhibit does that," Seagle said. "There is a definite edge to these pieces and also a quality of rawness."

## Mock trial team makes best ever showing, advances to Opening Round Championship

Despite a winter storm that made travel treacherous throughout Houston and the state of Texas, HBU hosted the American Mock Trial Association's Houston Regional Tournament for the second year in a row Feb. 4-6, 2011. For the third straight year, the HBU mock trial team secured a bid to the Opening Round Championship, the first phase in the two-part National Championship Tournament, to be held March 25-27 in Memphis, Tenn. In its best ever showing at the Regional Tournament, HBU took ballots from the University of Texas,

Southern Methodist University, University of Texas-Pan American, and University of St. Thomas. In the individual awards, senior Dillon Smith and sophomore Shelby Tankersley, seated left, earned Outstanding Attorney awards, while junior Joseph Strack, standing left, and senior David Toney earned Outstanding Witness awards.





## On Loan

Dr. David Capes named Thomas Nelson Research Professor

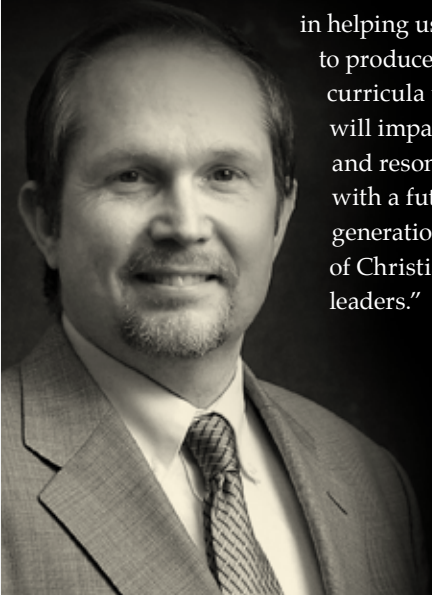
Thomas Nelson Publishers and HBU announced the appointment of Dr. David Capes, former dean of the HBU Graduate School, as Thomas Nelson Research Professor in September 2010. This outstanding partnership creates an opportunity for Capes to assist in designing and executing printed and digital products of the highest quality to engage young, evangelical minds with the Scriptures and to stimulate a new movement in Bible exposition.

Under this new collaboration Capes, who will continue to serve as a faculty member in HBU's School of Theology, will develop various products, including a new translation of the Bible – *The Voice* – created in partnership with Ecclesia Bible Society. Also, Capes will assist in the creation of biblical commentaries and various curriculum resources for the benefit of the post-modern church.

"We are fortunate to have Dr. Capes collaborate with our team," said Senior Vice President and Bible Group Publisher Gary Davidson.

"The extensive expertise and unique perspective he brings to the position will be vital assets

in helping us to produce curricula that will impassion and resonate with a future generation of Christian leaders."



## A Celebration 400 Years in the Making

Dunham Bible Museum marks historic milestone for King James Bible

For 400 years, the King James Version of the Bible has served the English-speaking world as one of the most influential Bible translations. To help mark this important milestone, HBU's Dunham Bible Museum is hosting "KJV@400: from Hampton Court, around the Globe, and to the Moon," a year-long celebration of the 400th anniversary of the publication of the King James Bible in 2011.

The HBU campus hosted approximately 600 guests in September 2010 for the premier of *KJV: The Making of the King James Bible*, a documentary produced by the Christian History Institute in cooperation with the Dunham Bible Museum. The documentary, portions of which were filmed within the Dunham Bible Museum in April 2010 by award-winning documentary producer Jerry Griffith, brings to life the dramatic struggles through which people with very different objectives managed to create a Bible that has remained popular for centuries.

In January 2011, the Dunham Bible Museum opened the special "KJV@400: from Hampton Court, around the Globe, and to the Moon" exhibit, which draws from the museum's collection of rare Bibles, including an original 1611 edition of the King James Version. The exhibit will remain on display in the Dunham Bible Museum through Dec. 16, 2011.

To highlight the universal appeal and influence of the King James Bible, the Dunham Bible Museum will host a lecture by astronaut



Jeff Williams

on April 14,

2011, at 7 p.m. in Belin

Chapel. Williams authored

a book, *The Work of His Hands*, that draws from his reflections on scenes of Earth witnessed during his three space shuttle flights to address the goodness of divine providence, God's care for His creation, and His wisdom in ordering the universe. In connection with Williams' lecture, the Dunham Bible Museum will display a collection of space-themed Bible memorabilia, including an authenticated and certified

complete microform copy of the King James Version taken to the moon and back 40 years ago with Apollo XIV.

A special conference, "KJV@400: A Story of Biblical Proportions" scheduled for Oct. 28-29, 2011, will serve as the culmination of the Dunham Bible Museum's focus on the 400th anniversary of the King James Version. The forum will allow

a select group of distinguished 21st century scholars to commemorate and consider the historic background of the King James Bible and its cultural influence around the globe, from England to America and beyond.



### KJV@400 EVENTS

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| MAR. 31    | Dr. Dan Wallace on New Testament text behind the King James Bible  |
| APR. 14    | Astronaut Jeff Williams on his book, <i>The Work of His Hands</i>  |
| OCT. 28-29 | Conference: "A Story of Biblical Proportions." Speakers include Donald Brake, Gerald Bray, Leonard Greenspoon, David Jeffrey, Timothy Larsen, Liana Lupas, Leland Ryken and Robert Sloan |



# Austrian music festival selects Schola Cantorum as choir-in-residence

Just finished performing, backstage @HoustonBaptistU. Schola Cantorum & Univ. Singers sound excellent. HBU's still making gr8 musicians.  
5:01 PM Tue 5/26/16 via Twitter

(tweet from alumnus JJ Worthen '09)



Schola Cantorum, HBU's auditioned choir specializing in works written for chamber choirs and small ensembles, has been invited to be the choir-in-residence for the 36th annual Classical Music Festival in Eisenstadt, Austria, Aug. 2-16. In addition, Dr. John Yarrington, director of the HBU School of Music, has been asked to be the chorus master for the event.

As a festival participant, Schola Cantorum will rehearse and perform in the Esterházy Palace in Eisenstadt. The festival orchestra and chorus will also present concerts in St. Stephen's Cathedral in Vienna, the Bergkirche in Eisenstadt, and other venues in Austria.

To help cover the estimated registration, transportation, lodging and food costs of \$3,000 per person for the 30-35 students planning to travel to Austria, Schola Cantorum performed a benefit concert, "It's a Grand Night for Singing," in Dunham Theater on Feb. 18.

Those wishing to help fund Schola Cantorum's participation in the Classical Music Festival can contact Dr. John Yarrington at 281-649-3338.

## BRITISH POP ART PRINTS: FROM THE COLLECTION OF DAVID E. BRAUER

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# Faculty Focus

**President Robert B. Sloan Jr.** was a featured participant in the Distinguished Visitors Series at The King's College in New York City in November 2010. Dr. Sloan was among 20 writers, economists, politicians, educators and cultural leaders who have served as notable guests for the program. "The Distinguished Visitors Series allows students to learn from and interact with some of our nation's top leaders," said Dr. Marvin Olasky, former provost of The King's College and editor-in-chief of *WORLD* magazine. "This look at passionate lives complements the theoretical understanding students gain in the classroom."

## CONTRIBUTING AUTHORS

**Dr. Anthony Joseph**, associate professor in history, wrote the article, "The Decline of the Cheerful Taxpayer: Taxation in Pennsylvania, c. 1776-1815," for *Pennsylvania's Revolution*.

**Dr. Will Rutherford**, assistant professor in Christianity, contributed a section on "Monotheism" to the Oxford Encyclopedia of Ancient Greece and Rome.

**Dr. Richard Fiese**, professor in music education, published "Celebrate Texas Music Education" in *Southwestern Musician*, the official publication of the Texas Music Educators Association. Dr. Fiese is college division chair and vice president of TMEA.

## 2010-2011 PIPER PROFESSOR NOMINEES

**Dr. Ann Gebuhr**, professor in music, College of Arts and Humanities

**Dr. Louis Markos**, professor in English and Robert H. Ray Chair in Humanities, College of Arts and Humanities

**Dr. Dawn Wilson MEd '99**, associate professor in educational technology, School of Education

**Dr. J. Matthew Boyleston**, assistant professor in English and writing and interim associate dean of the College of Arts and Humanities, was the first runner-up for the Melissa Lanitis Gregory Poetry Prize and semi-finalist for the St. Lawrence Book Award for his book, *Viewed from the Keel of a Canoe*.

**Dr. Steven Jones**, assistant professor in classics, has been appointed director of the Master of Liberal Arts program in the College of Arts and Humanities. Under the direction of the Provost's Office, Jones will refocus the master's program toward greater emphasis on the classical liberal arts.

**President Robert B. Sloan Jr.** wrote the article, "'Center,' 'Horizon,' and Rhetorical Focus in Ignatius of Antioch," in *Thriving in Babylon: Essays in Honor of A. J. Conyers*.

**Dean Riley**, professor in library science, had his essay, "Information Apprenticeship: Integrating Faith and Learning in the Library," published in *The Christian Librarian*.

**Dr. Norene Lowery**, assistant professor in education, contributed to the mathematics chapter in *Preparing to Teach Texas Content Areas, the TExES EC-6 Generalist and the ESL Supplement*.

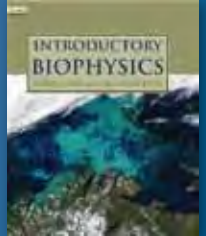
**Dr. Rachel Hopp**, associate professor in biology, College of Science and Mathematics

Dr. Hopp was selected as the University's nominee to the Minnie Stevens Piper Foundation for consideration for its statewide Piper Professor Award, which recognizes superior teaching at the college level. As the University's nominee, she will also receive HBU's Dr. Larry D. Smith Award for Teaching Excellence.

## BOOK RELEASES

**Dr. J. R. Claycomb**  
Associate professor in physics

*Introductory Biophysics: Perspectives on the Living State*



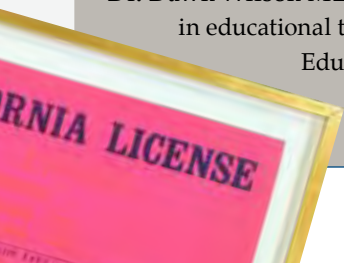
**Dr. Louis Markos**  
Professor in English and Robert H. Ray Chair in Humanities

*Apologetics for the 21st Century and Restoring Beauty: The Good, the True, and the Beautiful in the Writings of C. S. Lewis*



**Dr. Yuri Yatsenko**  
Professor in business

*Optimal Control of Age-Structured Populations in Economy, Demography, and the Environment*







VALUE OF AN EDUCATION IN A LIBERAL ARTS COLLEGE  
IS NOT THE LEARNING OF MANY FACTS, BUT THE TRAINING  
OF THE MIND TO THINK SOMETHING THAT CANNOT BE  
LEARNED FROM TEXTBOOKS.

- Albert Einstein

# Reclaiming the Art of Understanding

*How the new Liberal Arts Core engages the past to secure the future*

The guiding principle of Houston Baptist University is illuminated in the words of renaissance poet John Donne: "Reason is our soul's left hand, faith her right."

What does it mean to look to one hand and see reason, to the other and see faith? To wrestle with authors over primal questions: "Who am I?" "Why am I here?" "What is my purpose?" "How do I know I am of value?" "What is the nature of the Good, the True, and the Beautiful?"

These questions are at the center of HBU's new Liberal Arts Core Curriculum that will commence in the fall of 2011. This new curriculum, the product of more than three years of work throughout the University, represents the best of higher education. The curriculum focuses students toward the twin pursuit of knowledge and understanding. In

a society where workers do not finish their careers in the same jobs in which they start, these skills are critical to students' future success, both in their vocations and in their lives.

The Liberal Arts Core Curriculum is distinguished from other undergraduate curricula in at least three ways. First, this core is dedicated to student engagement with the greatest thinkers, authors and artists of Western Civilization. Only through such an in-depth exploration of the best that Western Civilization has to offer can a student fully mature intellectually, emotionally and spiritually. Winston Churchill's words on this are certainly true: "The farther back you can look, the farther forward you can see."

Second, students under the Liberal Arts Core Curriculum share common classes

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that present a unified vision of knowledge and understanding. The fragmentation of knowledge has beset university curricula. Some fear a unified vision of a common core because this vision points in one direction: to God's unified creation of all things in His Son's divine Word. Our courses have been rigorously designed to complement each other. When a student reads Shakespeare in English, he will also learn in history about theater and the development of representative democracy in Renaissance England. These courses show the full breadth of human possibility while soberly viewing human limitation. More significantly, this common experience among students will build a unique sense of community that will vitalize learning, something students will cherish. This is true to our original vision, and many of our earliest alumni speak warmly of our founding core curriculum for this reason. These common courses allow HBU to establish that what we teach coincides with what we stand for as a university. In this core, we can point to a body of knowledge that is the heart of a Christian liberal arts experience.

Finally, with an emphasis on thinking, reading and writing, the Liberal Arts Core Curriculum introduces unique, visionary classes that cannot be found at other universities. For example, where most universities have *Freshman Composition*, we now offer *Writing for Wisdom*, a two-

course writing seminar based upon the methodology of St. Augustine. These classes ask foundational questions: "What is the purpose of higher education?" and "What is the nature of the Good Life?" Students intensely investigate the classics, such as Plato's *Apology*, the Creeds of the Church, and Martin Luther King Jr.'s "Letter from a Birmingham Jail." In today's mutable

world, the ability to make oneself understood is of primary importance; therefore, our students learn to write through deep investigation of their own lives while attending to the nature of who they should be under God's plan. Another original course is our government class titled *Freedom's Foundations*, which is grounded on

the notion that freedom is precious and requires deep responsibility. Our students will understand in

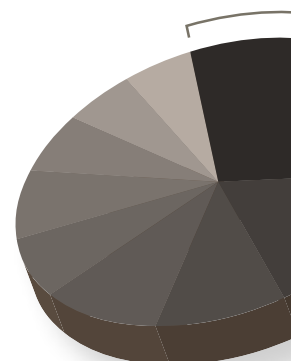
*A strong liberal arts education teaches students to think critically and express themselves clearly, all within the context of Judeo-Christian values. These are qualities that the corporate world is looking for in a business professional, in addition to the knowledge of a business discipline. As a business professional and educator, I see the costs of failing to provide training in both reason and faith – corporate America spends \$3.5 billion annually on remedial writing, while the Enron fraud cost stockholders \$11 billion.*



Dr. Mohan Kuruvilla  
Dean, School of  
Business

## BY THE HOURS

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- English and Writing (12)
- Government and Economics (6)
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aptitude gained from a strong liberal arts core is what distinguishes HBU nursing graduates from other nurses and is the reason they are highly recruited by the world-renowned hospitals in the Texas Medical Center. These employers recognize that HBU prepares excellent communicators and critical thinkers who are competitive in the industry's high technology health care environment. Evidence from nursing research indicates that student success in nursing programs is highly correlated with skills – such as strong reading and comprehension – associated with the liberal arts core curriculum. These skills are essential for communication with patients, their families and members of the health care team, especially among the community's diverse population.

an immediate way that throughout history societies have lost freedom less from having it taken by force, but more often through people willingly giving it away.

Although it is a familiar story in this, our 50th year, it is worth retelling. In 1963, a vibrant, young Billy Graham visited Houston Baptist

College and charged us to fight the tide of rampant secularism by becoming a world-class, Christian liberal arts university faithful to reason and revelation. With this new Liberal Arts Core Curriculum, HBU is fulfilling Dr. Graham's high calling as reflected in *First Things* magazine, which describes us as a "school on the rise, filled with excitement." At a school dedicated to bringing Athens and Jerusalem together, we can settle for nothing less.



Dr. Margie Ugalde  
Dean, School of  
Nursing and Allied  
Health

The HBU Liberal Arts Core Curriculum promises to provide our future educators with a more certain foundation and a confidence in its content. Students in the teacher education program at HBU learn not just facts but the deeper meaning of cultural knowledge. It is from this core liberal arts experience that future teachers learn and deeply understand the foundations of knowledge, wisdom and civilization that they will pass on to their own classes. This makes them the kind of effective teachers you want your children and grandchildren to have.

## THE STATE OF HIGHER EDUCATION TODAY:

45%

of students make no significant improvement in their critical thinking, reasoning or writing skills during the first two years of college; 36 percent after all four years.

50%

of students have never written more than 20 pages in one typical semester course, while 32 percent never read more than 40 pages per week.

"Students who major in the traditional liberal arts – including the social sciences, humanities, natural sciences and mathematics – showed significantly greater gains over time than other students in critical thinking, complex reasoning and writing skills."



Dr. Randy Wilson  
Interim Dean,  
School of Education

# A Passionate Investment

Board Chair David Brooks seeks to help students find their "pathway to opportunity"

Although a banker by trade, David R. Brooks, chair of the HBU Board of Trustees, has been actively involved in both public and private educational organizations for many years. His service on the HBU Board follows previous positions as president of the Board of Trustees at McKinney Independent School District from 1996-2000 and as chief financial officer at Baylor University from 2000-2004. As chairman of the Board of Directors and CEO of Independent Bank Group and a current representative on the McKinney City Council, Brooks brings to his position as HBU Board Chair solid and ethical business expertise and a strong commitment to integrity.

## **To what do you attribute your passion for education?**

I deeply believe that education is a great equalizer, allowing individuals to raise themselves up beyond their life circumstances. Neither of my parents attended college, but they believed strongly in education as the pathway to opportunity and led my brothers and me in that direction from a very early age. The four of us ended up with nine – four undergraduate and five graduate – degrees, and, as a result of this personal life experience, I have been passionate about education and have invested my life accordingly.

**As chairman of the board of the nation's leading enrollment management consulting firm for colleges and universities, you are aware of many of the best practices in higher education. In your opinion, what are some of the things that HBU is doing best to set itself apart from the competition?**

To be a great university, an institution must attract and retain outstanding

students, faculty and staff. HBU is doing a number of things to achieve this high bar, including communicating its compelling vision for the future. New facilities also communicate a commitment to the future of the University and its mission, and HBU has done that. And communicating

to those outside of Texas what a dynamic metropolitan city Houston is helps attract students, faculty and staff as well. HBU is quickly getting on the national radar, and we will continue to expand the University's reach and influence as we move forward. The positive results the last few years under President Robert Sloan's leadership tell a very compelling story.

**This is not your first time to work with President Sloan. What are some of the qualities that make working with him and helping implement his vision so rewarding?**

In my opinion, Dr. Sloan is the most compelling visionary and spokesperson for Christian higher education in the nation today. He has dedicated his life and career to challenging Christian universities and colleges to have an impact in our culture, laying out a very big vision. Dr. Sloan has worked tirelessly to attract outstanding students, faculty and staff toward these goals, and his track record reveals a lot of progress. I continue to be honored to serve in this great Kingdom cause with Dr. Sloan.





# Spirit of Excellence Gala

On Nov. 16, 2010, George W. Bush, 43rd President of the United States, helped HBU observe the 50th anniversary of its chartering as keynote speaker for the Spirit of Excellence Gala. Approximately 900 faculty, staff and friends of HBU gathered at Houston's Hilton Americas to help celebrate the historic occasion while raising more than \$850,000 – a gala-fundraising record – for undergraduate student scholarships.

During the event, chaired by Gina and Congressman Bill MBA '85 Flores with underwriting chairs Lisa '76 and Jerry Simon, HBU honored Linda and Archie Dunham, Tellepsen Builders and The Hamill Foundation with its highest tribute, the Spirit of Excellence Award, for their vision, dedication and leadership. In addition, President Sloan recognized Joella and Stewart Morris and Grace Gandy for their lifetime commitment to HBU.

President Sloan's remarks for the evening included a video excerpt from the Religious Emphasis Week sermon Billy Graham delivered on campus in 1963 and the reading of a portion of a letter Graham sent in recognition of the University's milestone anniversary.





Robert & Sue Sloan



Jim & Sherry Smith



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Gina & Bill Flores



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& Dr. Yasmine Haddad



Wayne & Pat Goettsche



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# BACK IN BUSINESS

## HBU LAUNCHES NEW AD CAMPAIGN



*"Students today understand that there is more to life than just a good education. This new campaign lets them know that HBU embraces achievement and personal leadership."*

**Be a part of the next generation of faithful leaders.**

**That is the call to action that HBU presents in a new advertising campaign – its first major branding effort in more than 10 years – launched in February targeting bright, hard-working students seeking a deeper college experience.**

**Following a branding and awareness reputation study conducted in the summer of 2010, Kim Gaynor, HBU's vice president for University Communications, discovered that, while the University had high brand awareness among surveyed groups in the Houston area, their familiarity with the breadth and quality of academic programs offered at HBU was low.**

"Amongst the audiences that are important to us, HBU is perceived as a small, private, religious school in Houston, but the University is so much more than that," Gaynor said. "We want students to know that HBU is a rapidly growing and exciting place to be."

With the help of Houston advertising agency FKM, the University set out to

*"We want students to know that HBU is a rapidly growing and exciting place to be."*

develop a creative idea that would position HBU on the short list – not just the radar screen – of good students looking for real substance in an educational institution.

Having identified through the brand reputation study a benchmark from which to build, HBU and its partners at FKM undertook a thorough and methodical process of data collection and analysis – including a demographic analysis of current students, a review of messaging and media used by competitive institutions, and the study of research data from the nation's leading enrollment management consulting firm – that resulted in four creative concepts.

The four concepts were then tested in focus groups with prospective and current HBU students, as well as alumni of the University. Based on the feedback captured through the message testing, the concepts were refined into a single campaign.

"Students today understand that there is more to life than just a good education," Gaynor said. "This new campaign lets them





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know that HBU embraces faith as the foundation for academic achievement and personal leadership. We are preparing students to not only excel in their chosen fields, but also to succeed at life."

To make the strongest, most authentic connection possible with the types of students the University is seeking, the first phase of the new campaign features real HBU students sharing their personal experiences. It also incorporates profound quotes from famous names in history to emphasize the University's focus on imparting wisdom and helping students gain understanding.

From digital advertising boards in First Colony and Memorial City malls to radio spots voiced by HBU students and traffic report sponsorships on nine of Houston's most

popular radio stations, the campaign uses media with high visibility and high impact. On the Internet, HBU is utilizing search engine marketing, display ads are running on radio station web sites, and the HBU home page has been revised to incorporate imagery from the campaign. In addition, five billboards around Houston, including two on the Southwest Freeway near the HBU campus, carry the campaign message. The selected media are designed to deliver an average of 20 impressions each among greater than 80 percent of the intended target audience.

"We wanted to re-establish HBU's presence in the marketplace in a big, bold way," Gaynor said. "Now that we are in the business of promoting ourselves again, we plan to expand the campaign with additional creative executions moving forward. There are a wealth of HBU students, professors and alumni with wonderful stories we can tell."

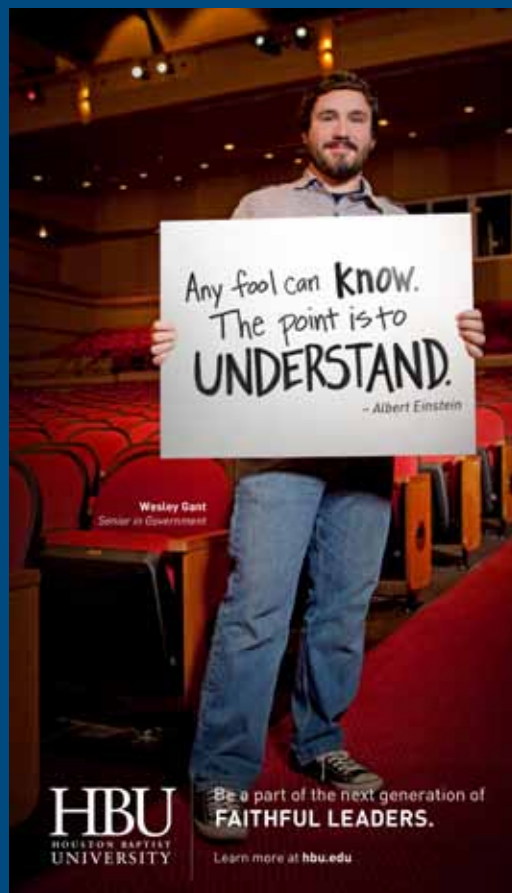
## DIGITAL DISPLAY ADS

Memorial City Mall  
First Colony Mall

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96.5 KHMV - Contemporary Hits  
97.1 KTHT - Classic Country  
97.9 KBXX - Urban Contemporary  
100.3 KILT - Country  
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"Many of those who suffer a fatal heart attack have average or unremarkable cholesterol levels, normal stress or exercise treadmill tests, and few, if any, major risk factors." – American Heart Association

A heart scan can detect hidden heart disease before any symptoms are present, and all HBU faculty, staff, alumni, students and their families are eligible to receive 50% off the cost of a heart scan from the Memorial Hermann Wellness Center's Wellness Institute when booked before May 31.

Call 713-448-SCAN (7226) to learn more and schedule an appointment.

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**April 29-30, 2011**  
**Houston Baptist University**



**Dr. H. Tristram Engelhardt, Jr.**  
Rice University  
"Christian Bioethics in a Post-Christian World:  
Facing the Challenges"  
Friday April 29 1:00 pm



**Dr. Grattan Brown, S.T.D.**  
Belmont Abbey College  
"Discovery and Revelation: The Consciences of  
Christians and Humane Bioethics"  
Saturday April 30 9:00 am



**Dr. C. Ben Mitchell**  
Union University  
"Rights of Conscience and the Rape of the Soul"  
Saturday April 30 1:00 pm

Professional registration is \$50, Clergy registration is \$30, Student registration is \$30. Registration includes admission to a day-and-a-half conference of panels, breakouts and discussions, including three plenary addresses.

Co-sponsored by Houston Baptist University; Pope John Paul II Forum, University of St. Thomas; Orthodox Clergy Association of Southeast Texas; and Touchstone Magazine

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## A Story Not His Own: Voddie Baucham

"God absolutely crushed my pride at this place, and it was the best thing that ever happened to me."

The path that led Voddie Baucham '92 to HBU would confound those who view progress and success from a worldly perspective.

Raised by a single teenage Buddhist mother in gang and drug-infested south central Los Angeles, Baucham was a freshman at Rice University before he heard the Gospel for the first time. He was majoring in international business and pre-law with the goal of becoming an international lawyer.

"Position. Power. Status. Wealth. That's what I wanted, until God got a hold of me," Baucham said. "Then what I wanted was to

serve my King."

It was an opportunity to speak at a Fellowship of Christian Athletes event at Rice that Baucham credits with changing his direction in life dramatically.

"It was like a light switch went on," Baucham said. "I felt completely at home. I thought I had found what I was created to do."

By his junior year, he was preaching and being invited to speak at numerous events, often because of his success as an award-winning Division I student-athlete.

"I accepted the invitations gladly, but eventually I came under conviction due to my lack of knowledge," Baucham said. "I was a licensed Baptist minister with less than two years in the faith under my belt."

The desire to better train and prepare himself for a future in preaching and ministry led Baucham to transfer to HBU from Rice – leaving behind a full athletic scholarship and a potential future in the NFL – before the start of his senior year.

"I was 18 months away from a seven-figure signing bonus. I thought I would go somewhere and finish playing ball," Baucham said. "God sent me to HBU, where the next football game I would play would be intramural."

For the newly married father of a young daughter, the transition to HBU and the new reality of paying his own way through school was a struggle. And without a football career, Baucham found that the groups who had once called upon him to speak at their events suddenly went silent.

"I quickly learned that people didn't

care about what I knew," Baucham said. "All people cared about was me carrying a piece of pig across a piece of chalk. I was an instant nobody, and it was absolutely what I needed to be conformed to His image."

Now the pastor of preaching at Grace Family Baptist Church in Spring, Texas, and the author of six books,

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Baucham has

been given the opportunity to travel throughout the United States and around the globe preaching the centrality of Christ and the Gospel to all of life.

In the fall of 2010, he returned to HBU to speak in Convocation and deliver a lecture titled "The Fatherless Family" for The Guild Institute in Christian Family Studies. As a Christian husband and father raising and home-schooling seven children, Baucham encouraged today's HBU students to approach their education and their goals in a more meaningful way.

"So many students treat education like something outside the realm of the Gospel and its implications," Baucham said. "God is concerned with the stewardship of our minds, and we should study like we believe that. Stretch yourself, and strive to lay a broad, solid and deep foundation for future learning and growth."



THE DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS AWARD IS PRESENTED TO ALUMNI WHO HAVE MADE A DISTINCTIVE CONTRIBUTION IN THEIR PROFESSION WHILE CONSISTENTLY EXEMPLIFYING THE STANDARDS UPON WHICH HBU IS FOUNDED.





The sound of laughter fills the HBU Student Health Services Clinic in the Lake House.

It may not be what one expects to hear in a space typically associated with students who are not feeling their best, but for Dr. Percy Howard III '85, who has donated his on-call hours to the clinic as its medical director since 1998, it is

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## ALUMNUS AWARDS

simply business as usual.

Howard, a self-professed "easy-going person," envisions his work to improve the well-being of HBU students as an extension of his personality.

"I often see students at their worst, when they are down or having a tough time," Howard said. "In helping make them well physically, my goal is to inspire them to keep going and not give up on their dreams."

It was a dream to take care of everyone from babies to geriatric patients, much like the doctors he saw on television – specifically Doc Adams on *Gunsmoke* and Marcus Welby – that led Howard to HBU, and, ultimately, to the field of family medicine.

After serving four years as a medic with the U.S. Air Force to take advantage of the GI

Bill, he enrolled as a student at HBU majoring in biology and chemistry. After graduation, he went on to attend the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston and to complete his residency in the Baylor College of Medicine Family Medicine Program.

As an atypical college student coming out of military service, Howard selected HBU for its proximity to his home and to Memorial Southwest Hospital where he worked.

"It was kind of an accidental meeting between HBU and me, but it was a meeting that worked out wonderfully," Howard said. "I was paying for school myself, so I was really focused on what I needed to be doing. HBU turned out to be a very no-nonsense atmosphere that helped keep me focused mentally and spiritually while preparing me for medical school."

Howard credits the HBU professors who challenged him and facilitated his growth into not just a better student, but also a better person, for his success in medical school.

"As I tell my daughters, education is a weeding out process," Howard said. "Every level you go up, it gets harder and harder. At HBU, I had to learn how to study better, and it was that training and the development of those skills that kept me in the running in medical school."

Having benefited from the guidance of the faculty and staff during his time on the HBU campus as a student, Howard is happy to

have the opportunity to contribute his time and his expertise to a community to which he feels a strong bond.

At the end of each day, it is the seemingly simple reminders of a job done well – such as a smile and wave from a student he helped in the past – that mean the most to Howard.

"I still remember when I was in their shoes, facing physical or psychological stress," Howard said. "I know if you have someone just to get you through that – to shine a little light and help you make it to the other end of the tunnel – it's a wonderful thing."



THE MERITORIOUS SERVICE ALUMNUS AWARD IS PRESENTED TO ALUMNI WHO HAVE MADE SIGNIFICANT, SUSTAINED CONTRIBUTIONS OF TIME, ENERGY AND CREATIVITY TOWARD THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE UNIVERSITY WHILE CONSISTENTLY EXEMPLIFYING THE STANDARDS UPON WHICH HBU IS FOUNDED.







Rick Bailey '69 with HBU's first Homecoming Queen Jan Stephenson Lucas '70



# 50 YEARS

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2010 Homecoming King Stacy Uy and Homecoming Queen Kathlyn Hendrix





# AWARD-WINNING LEAPS

HBU senior claims Great West  
Indoor Track and Field Athlete of the Year

HBU senior **JONATHAN STAPLES** was named the Athlete of the Year at the Great West Conference Indoor Track and Field Championships held at the historic 168th Street Armory in New York City Feb. 27-28. Staples finished as the meet's top male scorer with 24 points, taking gold in the long jump, silver in the triple jump, and bronze in the high jump.

Senior Maximo Mendoza and sophomore Jake Adkins also brought home gold for HBU, in the 5,000-meter run and the shot put, respectively. In addition to the three gold medals, HBU track and field athletes scored 10 silver medals and six bronze on their way to setting new school records in the triple jump, the 60-meter hurdles, and both the men's and women's 4x400-meter relays.



Photo by Aaron Packard



## ELITE PERFORMANCES

Huskies shoot, steal their way to top of NCAA rankings

As the 2010-2011 men's basketball season drew to a close in March, HBU senior forward Andrew Gonzalez and senior guard Michael Moss found themselves in some very good company.

With an average points per game of 23.1, Gonzalez was ranked number four in the nation among NCAA Division I players for scoring per game as of March 6. In addition, he is the 16th Husky to reach 1,000 career points, and one of only three – along with Huey Preston (1976-78) and David Preston (1993-95) – in HBU men's basketball history to reach the milestone in two seasons.

Moss is averaging 2.79 steals per game as of March 6, ranking him number six in the nation for steals. In the Huskies' March 3 contest at home against North Dakota, he tied his career best record of eight steals in a single game. Beginning with the 2009-2010 season, Moss has built a streak of 30 straight games in which he managed at least one steal.

## They Score!

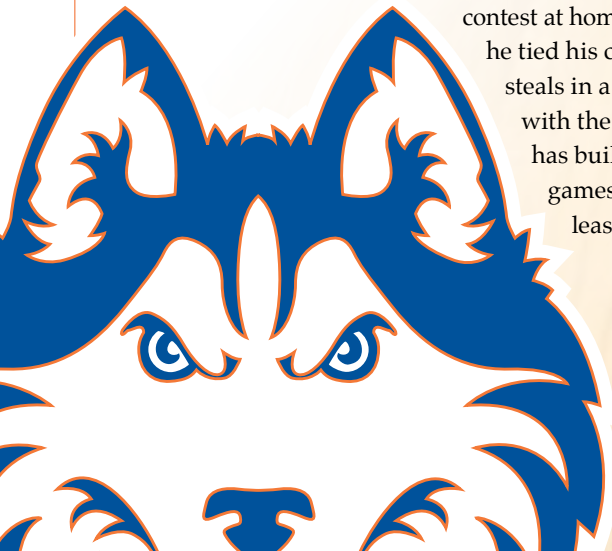
### Seventeen Huskies make Great West Academic All-Conference Team

HBU placed 17 of its fall student-athletes – representing volleyball, women's soccer, and men's and women's cross country – on the Great West Academic All-Conference Team. The Huskies tied for the most student-athletes with a 4.0 grade-point average in the conference, thanks to the academic performance of women's cross country runners Erica Clark and Halcie Pfeiffer and volleyball player Sarah Hazlewood.

### Women's soccer, softball teams achieve noteworthy academic performances

In addition to placing four of its players on the Great West Academic All-Conference Team, women's soccer received the National Soccer Coaches Association of America Team Academic Award in the fall of 2010 for achieving a cumulative 3.05 GPA.

Not to be outdone, the softball team earned a combined GPA of 3.5 – the highest cumulative term GPA in the program's history – in the fall of 2010, when 11 different players made the Dean's List.





HBU's 15 men's and women's NCAA Division I intercollegiate varsity teams have a redesigned home on the web.

More than just a revised layout and enhanced graphics, the new [hbuskies.com](http://hbuskies.com)

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also introduces several new features designed to provide Husky fans with greater behind-the-scenes access to news, stats, schedules and more for their favorite sports. There are even livecasts and live stats for many sporting events.

# WINGS TRADE

## • HUSK-E REPORT

As the official e-newsletter of the HBU Athletics Department, the Husk-E Report delivers the latest developments in Husky Athletics to alumni and friends via their e-mail inbox or their smartphones. To subscribe, visit [www.hbu.edu/HuskEReportSubscribe](http://www.hbu.edu/HuskEReportSubscribe).

## • LEADERS OF THE PACK

From the University's classrooms to its athletic venues, HBU student-athletes are excelling and realizing their true potential in a variety of ways. With the new "Leaders of the Pack" feature, fans will meet and learn more about what drives individual Husky athletes to compete.

## VIDEO VAULTS

The new Video Vault feature, currently available for women's basketball with more sports to be added soon, puts fans in the middle of the action. Hear from coach Mary Gleason and several of her star players or watch clips from recent contests. It's the next best thing to being in Sharp Gym to cheer on the Huskies in person.





## A Beneficial Occasion

The Guild announces continued investment in graduate education, Institute in Christian Family Studies at 2010 Christmas Luncheon

During the annual Christmas Luncheon on Dec. 3, 2010, Guild President Sharon Corry presented First Lady Sue Sloan, who was guest speaker for the event, and President Robert Sloan with gifts to enhance two of the organization's primary programs.

The first gift, of \$75,000, will be used to expand The Guild's graduate scholarship program with the establishment of its sixth endowed scholarship, the Sue Collier Sloan Endowed Graduate Scholarship. Since 1995 The Guild has provided a total of 141 annual awards and 19 endowed scholarships to career classroom teachers. Sixty-three graduates have completed the Master of Education degree through The Guild's scholarship program.

With a second gift of \$50,000, The Guild doubled the endowment for The Guild Institute in Christian Family Studies, which serves to strengthen the Christian family through outreach projects involving teaching and research. Established in December 2009, the Institute hosted two lectures in 2010: "How can the Christian university restore a culture of marriage?" with Ruth Institute Founder and President Jennifer Roback Morse, Ph.D., and "The Fatherless Family" with Grace Family Baptist Church Pastor of Preaching and 1992 HBU alumnus Voddie Baucham, D.Min.



Robert B. Sloan Jr. Endowed Scholarship Recipient Brian Cuthbert '06 and wife Jessica '07 (left) with Guild President Sharon Corry (right)



Sue Sloan (center) with Christmas Luncheon Co-Chairs Debra Perich (left) and Katie Thompson (right)



Sue Sloan, AMS President Marsha Eckermann '68, Sylvia Thompson, President Sloan and Museum Day Luncheon Chair Beverly Boykin

## American Museum Society continues support of Museum of American Architecture and Decorative Arts

The American Museum Society is experiencing another busy year. Highlights have included the annual Museum Day Luncheon featuring Texas historian and author Sylvia Thompson, who shared stories about "Famous and Infamous Women in Texas;" the Christmas Tea and Open House at the home of Andrea and Charles Gossett, featuring their extensive collection of military memorabilia; and a presentation by Dr. Diane Lovell, dean of the HBU College of Arts and Humanities, on her research of the 19th century letters of Lady Catherine Howard Bissett. In addition, AMS members assisted with decorating the Museum of American Architecture and Decorative Arts for the Christmas holidays.

The American Museum Society of HBU was founded in 1965 to promote public interest in the development of the cultural and educational aspects of the Museum of American Architecture and Decorative Arts and to assist the Museum's director with its operations. For more information on how you can be a part of the AMS, contact Vivian Camacho at 281-649-3413 or [vcamacho@hbu.edu](mailto:vcamacho@hbu.edu).



# Hearts of Service

Aldine ISD names middle school in honor of dedicated HBU alumni

In the almost 40 years that lifelong educators Vernon '69 and Kathy '69 Lewis dedicated to the Aldine Independent School District, they witnessed many changes in the halls and classrooms where they served.

Through it all, though, they remained steadfast in their dedication to their students and their calling.

"Maybe we didn't notice it at the time, but, looking back over our lives, we can see unbelievable doors opening," Kathy said. "Our passion for children, and the desire to connect with the children and with our co-workers, grew each year."

Having found what they considered a tremendous support system amongst their colleagues, many of whom they now consider family, the Lewises were given numerous opportunities to grow personally and professionally within Aldine.

Kathy began her career as a high school teacher and retired as a middle school education counselor in 2007. Vernon worked as a teacher, assistant principal and principal in middle and high schools before moving into administrative positions at the district level. He retired as assistant superintendent of administration in December 2006.

"Aldine recognized potential leadership abilities, and, when they saw capabilities in young people like us, they put us into leadership positions with the opportunity to excel," Vernon said.

The Lewises credit the providence of God, and their time spent being nurtured by the faculty and staff as members of the founding classes at Houston Baptist College, for the development of the skills they would need to be successful educators.

"Everywhere we turned was

a Christian influence," Kathy said. "The unbelievable faculty built up our confidence, and our faith in God, while equipping us academically, socially, emotionally and spiritually for the outside world."

“...it is the opportunity to reflect back on their careers spent simply doing what they loved that has reawakened many emotions.”

"God knew what we were going to be, and where we were going to be, before we ever knew it," Vernon said. "The basic training we had at Houston Baptist College, and the relationships that we forged at that time, would lead us into this."

In recognition of the Lewises outstanding contributions to the Aldine ISD community, the district dedicated its 10th middle school – Vernon and Kathy Lewis Middle School – in honor of the couple on Oct. 24, 2010.

While the unexpected recognition has been a humbling experience for the Lewises, it is the opportunity to reflect back on their careers spent simply doing what they loved that has reawakened many emotions.

"The children grew faster than we wanted for them to, and sometimes you had to see through many rough exteriors, and many layers, to get to the child's heart, but a child's heart is always there," Kathy said.

"We just loved our kids unconditionally," Vernon said. "Educators must remember that each family is sending you the very best that they have – they are not keeping their best ones at home – so you take each child where you find him or her and propel them from there."



# Alumagrams

What's new with you?

## 60s & 70s

**Alan Moore '69** has retired from Dow Chemical Company and now resides in Lake City, Colo. He has a son, Clinton.

**Kathryn Mayfield '70** is a teacher at HISD's Reagan High School.

**Dr. Shirley Clark Merritt '70** has moved her psychiatry practice to Boerne, Texas. She and husband Merlin have two children, Michael and Julie, and enjoy mission trips to Guatemala and Venezuela.

**Judy Bynum George '72** was among 25 artists whose work was featured in "A Stroke of Brilliance," an exhibition at Watson Gallery in Atlanta in the fall of 2010. A second exhibition of George's work, "Breakthrough to Beauty in a Hostile World," was on exhibit at the Quinlan Visual Arts Center in Gainesville, Ga., from December 2010 to February 2011.

**Judy Clark Zoch '72** is a lead case management supervisor with Harris County Public Health and Environmental Services. She has three children: Angela, Nathan and Aidan.

**Pam Moore '74, MBA '81** is the financial advisor on the board of directors of the Marvin and Juanita Smith Learning Centers of Excellence.

**Dr. Timothy Oesch '76** had his latest novel, *Zarkanis and Colesia*, which extols the ideals of Godly romance and matrimony, published by Xulon Press in September 2010.

## 80s

**Sam Ferreri '80** is a realtor in Pearland. His daughter, **Katie '10**, graduated from HBU in May.

**Diane Rose Wilson '80** is a teacher at Angleton High School. She has three sons: William, Steven and Zachary.

**Doug van Dorsten MBA '81** was named chairman of the board for sp3 Inc. in November 2010. He is also president and CEO of van Dorsten and Co., which provides strategy and financial consulting services to small technology companies.

**Gary Pate '81** is an attorney with the Houston office of Lugenbuhl, Wheaton, Peck, Rankin & Hubbard. He is also a licensed and ordained minister.

**Pamela Clampitt Vandewalker '82** is co-creator and co-writer of Lillenas Publishing Company's *Tiny Tots & Tunes*, a faith-based, interactive music curriculum designed for babies and toddlers and their parents or caregivers.

**Mike Murillo MBA '83** and wife Patsy celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Jan. 28, 2011. The couple has resided in College Station, Texas, since 2003, when Mike retired as director of planning and operations at Continental Airlines.

**Kevin Gilmore MBA '84** was named plant manager for Lectrus Corporation's Houston operation in October 2010.

**Dr. Jack Chapman '85** joined the team of physicians at Ascendant Neuro in November 2010 and offers treatment of chronic pain at University General Hospital and Humble Surgical Hospital in the Houston area.

**Bill Flores MBA '85** was elected to represent Texas' 17th Congressional District in the U.S. House of Representatives in November 2010.



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**Donna Ireland Kimbler '85** is a district manager for Blue Buffalo Company. She and husband Patrick have three children: Cody, Abbey and Blaine.

**Kevin McBeth '85** was appointed director of the St. Louis Symphony's IN UNISON® Chorus in January 2011. He made his debut conducting the chorus and orchestra for the "Lift Every Voice" Black History Month Celebration concert in February 2011.

**Pamela Martin Bratcher '86** helps residents at Cenikor's South Texas Residential Facility prepare for the GED. She and husband Raymond have two children, Austin and Audrey.

**Yvonne Jackson Pittman '86** is a secondary social studies curriculum specialist for Katy ISD. She and husband Jim have two children and four granddaughters.

**Shirley Gor Ward '86** is a mathematics curriculum specialist for HISD. Her husband **Brent Ward '88** is owner and creative artist for Eklektos Studios in Bellaire and plays in the Brazos River Turnaround with **Don Keller '89**. The Wards have three children: Luke, Lei-leen and Levi.

**Farha Ahmed '87** is seeking the office of Sugar Land City Council District 4 in the May 2011 elections.

**Joseph Dawson MACct '87** is professor of accounting at Lone Star College Kingwood.

**Randy Jackson MLA '87** was awarded the High School Teacher of Excellence Award from the National Council of Teachers of English in October 2010. Jackson, who teaches at Eastside High School in Greenville County, S. C., was one of 19 high school teachers nationwide to receive the honor.

**Jill Wagner '87** is co-founder, president and media director of McKenzie Wagner, an advertising and marketing firm in Champaign County, Ill.

**Stephanie Fridia Simmons '88** was appointed by Texas Governor Rick Perry to the Risk Management Board for a four-year term in January 2011. The Risk Management

Board reduces and controls risk by ensuring the ability of state agencies to protect their employees, the public and the state's physical and financial assets.

**Robin Keiffer Craig '89, MBA '91** has been promoted to buyer in the purchasing department at Lamar Consolidated ISD. She has three children: Jeffrey, Mason and Wesley.

## 90s

**Rosa Cruz '90** is a K-8 administrator for The Rice School/La Escuela Rice. She has two children, Daniel and Karina Gaona.

**David Odorizzi MS '90** was appointed finance manager with Quest Energy Management Group in October 2010.

**Vivian Camacho '91**, HBU's senior director for Advancement and Alumni Relations, has been appointed to a second term on the city of Sugar Land's Zoning Board of Adjustments and Appeals.

**Alexander Lee '91** is an investment officer with the Los Angeles Department of Water & Power.

**Joana Camacho-Matthynssens '93** was named the recipient of the National Catholic Education Association's Distinguished Principal for Region X, which includes Arkansas, Arizona, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas. The award will be presented in New Orleans in April 2011.

**Rainey Bunce Richardson '93** owns and operates Rainey Richardson Interiors in Houston.

**Franklin Byrd MBA '95** is vice president of finance and administration for Dallas-based Hunt Power.

**Jennifer Wilson Major MS-HRM '95** is co-founder of Brooklake Services. She and husband Greg have two children, Maci and Rena.

**Mark Shields '95** recently added the Uncle Rico van from *Napoleon Dynamite* to his growing collection of movie cars. In addition to the actual 9-foot-high orange van used in the 2004 movie, he owns replicas of the DeLorean time machine from *Back to the Future*, the Batmobile, and Bumblebee from *Transformers*.



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**Heidi Dietrich '00** and husband Eduardo Escobar are proud to announce the birth of their son, Johann Edward Escobar, on Feb. 25, 2009. He was welcomed by his sister, Katerina.

**Mindy Smith May '02** and **Shane May MED '01** are proud to announce the birth of their son, Harrison Micah, on June 14, 2010. He was welcomed by older siblings Ryleigh and Zachary. Mindy is a high school teacher for Humble ISD, and Shane is a high school teacher for Deer Park ISD, where he was inducted into the Deer Park Education Foundation Felton F. Waggoner Hall of Honor in 2010.

**Tanya Pugh Henderson MAP '08** and husband DeLeon are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Raeya Aleise, on July 20, 2010.

**Griffin Colvert Gonzalez '04** and husband Waldo are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Ellison Jean, on July 26, 2010.

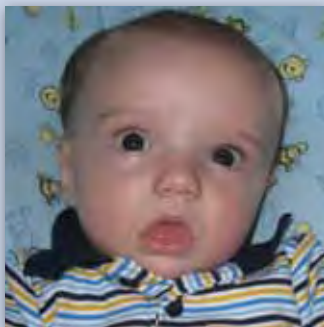
**Tom Kennedy '94** and wife Rebecca are proud to announce the birth of their son, William Gerald, on Sept. 8, 2010. He was welcomed by older siblings Rachel and Taylor. Tom is a senior chemist for Ideal Specialty Gases & Analytical Services.

**Olivia DeLoach Kyle '07** and husband Gregory are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Natalie Elise, on Sept. 23, 2010. She was welcomed by her brother, Cameron. Olivia works for the Health and Human Services Commission in Lufkin, Texas.

**Yousef Balat '99** and wife Shao are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Isabella, on Oct. 16, 2010. Yousef is an assistant professor in art at HBU.

**Dr. Dennis Wales '93** and wife Julisa are proud to announce the birth of their son, Daniel Elliot, in November 2010. The family moved to New Zealand in March 2011.

President **Robert and Sue Sloan** are proud to announce the birth of their newest grandson, Henry Lee Holt, on Dec. 7, 2010. He is the son of Alatheia and Justin Holt.



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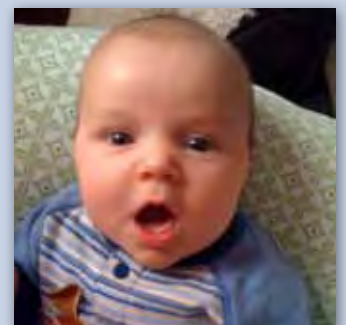
Gonzalez



Balat



Wales



Holt



**Clarissa Fraser '08** and **Matthew Fraser '08** are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Clara Michelle, on Dec. 12, 2010. She was welcomed by her sister, Makenzie.

**Stephen Cabell '02** and **Amber Martin Cabell '05** are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Lilly Catherine, on Dec. 22, 2010. She is the granddaughter of Mary and Anthony Martin, director of the HBU Bookstore.



Cabell



Kennedy



Fraser

**Kristy Rester Poole '96** is director of Bright Beginnings Child Enrichment Center in Angleton. She and husband Nicholas have two children, Noah and Casey.

**Michelle Crite MS '98** is the owner and designing artist behind Red Star Riggings, a line of custom western hats.

**Jessica DeValentino '98, MEd '00** is author of *How to Lose Weight in the Real World*, which exposes the hidden perils of food and reveals how food and lifestyle affect dieters' attempts to lose weight.

**Paula Behrens '99** released *Spirit Talk*, a seven-book collection of devotionals that share her journey from unbelief to belief. She is the senior pastor of Chappell Hill United Methodist Church in Chappell Hill, Texas.

**Holly Childs MBA '99** is a senior SAP business analyst with Aon Hewitt Associates. She and husband Brian have a daughter, Alicia.

**Melinda English MLA '99** completed a Ph.D. in anthropology at Union Institute & University.

**Himesh Gandhi '99** was named to Sugar Land's Planning and Zoning Commission in January 2011. He also serves as the legal counsel for the Fort Bend Chamber of Commerce, is the incoming chair of the Indo American Forum of Fort Bend, and is a board member for The Arc of Fort Bend and Shape Up Sugar Land.

**Daintee Glover Jones MLA '99** completed a Ph.D. in English literature at the University of Houston in December 2010 and is chair of the English Department at DeVry University's Houston campus.

**Susan Saurage-Altenloh '99** has been elected to serve as secretary on the board of directors for the Qualitative Research Consultants Association, a New York City-based not-for-profit global network of nearly 1,000 qualitative researchers, for 2010-2011.



**Evelyn Torres Gorman '99** married David Gorman on April 24, 2010. The couple resides in California, where Evelyn is a level III neonatal ICU RN at Santa Clara Valley Medical Center.

## 00s

**Armando Rodriguez '00** owns and operates Six Strings Music Academy, where he teaches music students of all skill levels to incorporate music into their lives by learning the basics and gradually working toward an advanced understanding of musical composition.

**Diana Coe MS '01** joined the Baton Rouge office of Adams and Reese as regional office manager in 2010.

### Alumni Association accepting applications for Alumni Endowed Scholarships

The Scholarship Committee of the Alumni Board of Directors is accepting applications for the Alumni Association Endowed Scholarships. Applications must be postmarked by April 15, 2011. The applicant requirements and application are available online: [www.hbu.edu/alumnischolarships](http://www.hbu.edu/alumnischolarships). For any questions, please contact Vivian Camacho, senior director for Advancement and Alumni Relations, at 281-649-3413 or [vcamacho@hbu.edu](mailto:vcamacho@hbu.edu).

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**Chanda Dancy '02** is a member of the band Modern Time Machines, which was voted the #1 band in the KROQ 106.7 Locals Only Countdown in Los Angeles in the spring of 2010. The band, which completed its first music video, "Mammoth," in 2010, was also voted Stryker's #1 Locals Only Band twice, in May 2010 and October 2010.

**Sanjiv Manghnani '02** is director of sales for Gaffney Kroese Supply.

**Sarah Alston Miller '02** is an ESL specialist for Goose Creek ISD.

**Robert Amboree '03** was named assistant women's basketball coach at Prairie View A&M University in October 2010.

**Heather Adams Barba '03** is a technical writer for OYO Geospace in Houston. She has two sons, Jared and Seth.

**Justin Kelly '04** received his Doctor of Jurisprudence from Oak Brook College of Law and Government Policy and works as a senior paralegal for DeLadurantey Law Office in Milwaukee, Wis.

**Tomie Lunsford Parks '04** married Rusty Parks on March 14, 2010. The couple resides in Austin, where Tomie is a freelance feature writer and editor.

**Stephanie Torregrossa Robeson '04** is a registered nurse at St. Joseph Hospital.

**Ariana Romero '04** is a writer/substitute producer for KHOU's 11 News This Morning, which won a Lone Star Emmy for outstanding larger market morning/daytime newscast in 2010.

**Jose Velarde MBA '05** has been promoted to business development manager for CEMEX's Fly Ash Division, where he has full responsibility for nine facilities in the U.S.

## In Memoriam

### Former Trustees

**Dr. B. J. Martin** passed away on Sept. 12, 2010. He served on the HBU Board of Trustees from 1978-1981 and was vice president for Church Relations at HBU for eight years. In addition, he was chairman of the trustees of the Baptist General Convention of Texas Executive Board and served as pastor of South Main Baptist Church in Pasadena, Texas, for 26 years.

*"Dr. Martin encouraged me immensely. I looked to my friend for counsel and advice on many occasions. He was a man of much experience and insight. He brought Christ-like grace and presence to every setting and context."* – Dr. Ron Lyles, former HBU trustee

**Walter B. Morgan** passed away on Sept. 22, 2010. He served as chairman of the HBU Board of Trustees in 1990-1991 and was a member of the President's Development Council. He donated the Ann Morgan Prayer Garden, which is adjacent to the Hinton Center and features James Busby's "Descending Dove" sculpture, in memory of his wife, who passed away in 1984.

*"As chairman of the Board and its Legal Committee, Walter Morgan was a gentleman of the first order. He led by example, and I can't remember any decisions that were not consensual. On a personal level, he was deeply interested in the University and its success."* – Dr. Don R. Byrnes, former legal counsel to the president

**Gilbert M. Turner** passed away on Feb. 14, 2011. He served on the HBU Board of Trustees for 19 years, including as chairman from 1970-1972. He also served as a chairman of the President's Development Council and as an advisory trustee. In addition, he chaired the \$32 million "On Our Way" capital campaign launched in 1973. In 1969, he founded the University's Endowed Academic Scholarship program – three of which were funded by he and his wife Claydene – to attract outstanding students. In 1972, he secured the University's first endowed chair, the Hermann Brown Chair in Business and Economics, to underwrite the academic activity of outstanding faculty members. In 1977, the University granted him the honorary Doctor of Laws degree in recognition of his extraordinary contribution. In 1981, he equipped the first student computer laboratory with a mainframe computer. In 1992, the Turners were honored with the Spirit of Excellence Award.

*"Gilbert Turner was a man of action dedicated to helping Houston Baptist University. His steadfast guidance in the sale of land to Memorial Hermann Hospital created a fabulous healthcare facility in southwest Houston."* – Stewart Morris, HBU founding father and advisory trustee

### Faculty/Staff

**Dr. Frank Josserand** passed away on Oct. 1, 2010. He taught history and was a member of the founding faculty of Houston Baptist College.

### Former Students

**Kenneth Wayne Barefield '74** passed away on July 13, 2010. He served honorably in the U.S. Army. Carolyn, his wife of 51 years, now lives in Fort Worth with her daughter Rebekah Barefield Page '97 and son-in-law Jeff Page '97.

**Virginia Anne Tumath Hair '68** passed away on Oct. 13, 2010. During her career, she taught at all levels of primary and secondary schools, primarily as a music teacher but also teaching English and mathematics. She was also one of the founding members of the New Braunfels Theatre Company.

*"Anne was one of my first HBC music students. She had the undaunted spirit of a sprite with the energy of the sun; it never waned. To know her was to be charmed and delighted."* – Dr. Don Looser, vice president emeritus

**Nancee Knutson '84** passed away on May 16, 2010.

**Aubrey "Dick" Martin Jr. '68** passed away on Nov. 8, 2010. After playing trumpet with Roy Head and The Traits, whose "Treat Her Right" reached number two on the Billboard Charts in October 1965, he pursued a career in law. His wife Mary is the daughter of the late HBU benefactors Harry and Hazel Chavanne, and his sister-in-law Claire Turner is a member of The Guild and a former member of the HBU Board of Trustees and the President's Development Council.



**Kathleen LaBounty '06** is a research counselor at Baylor College of Medicine.

**Mina Madani '06** is an attorney at Neel, Hooper & Baner in Houston.

**Christopher Chesney MBA '07** is assistant vice president with BBVA Compass' Wealth Management Group.

**Andrew Hollan MLA '07** has produced *Hot Hands, Hot Nights: Racquetball and Handball Audio Documentary*, an audio CD on the life of the late handball legend Paul Haber.

**Michael McBride '07** is a senior compensation analyst with KBR.

**Xavier "Tico" Montoya '07** is minister of family life at South Main Baptist Church in Pasadena. He and wife Nicole have four children: Elijah, Lydia, Benjamin and Jasiel.

**Jennifer Davis '08** is a print coordinator for the *Houston Chronicle*.

**Angelo Gonzalez '08** is a marketing assistant for The Texas Financial Group. He is also associate pastor at Creekside Community Church in Katy. He and wife Sarah have two children, Hayden and Morgan.

**David Ullrich '08** is executive director of sales and development for ROAM Fluid Solutions.

**Lindsay Whittington '08** is a staff RN at Texas Children's Hospital.

**Liz Roque Hoke '09** married **John Hoke '09** in Belin Chapel on Nov. 13, 2010.

**Joseph Ernest '10** is a digital media photojournalist for KHOU Channel 11. He was nominated for a 2010 Lone Star Emmy for his "Texans In Their Own Words" coverage of the NFL season.

**Andrew Lo '10** is a product analyst for Industrial Info Resources in Sugar Land.

**Jane Groth Stewart** passed away on Nov. 11, 2010. In 1981, she founded the Westview School, a private not-for-profit school for children with autism spectrum disorders.

**Rev. Dr. Nila M. Tolliver '71** passed away on Nov. 7, 2010. She held several faculty positions at Christian institutions of higher education, including as an adjunct professor at HBU. In addition, she held various ministry positions at churches and children's homes in seven states. She also served several years as hospital chaplain to the Texas Medical Center and was the director of the Houston Christian Mission for Women.

## University Friends

**Alta Penn Bennatte** passed away on Dec. 22, 2010. She was the mother of Judy Bennatte Ferguson '67, who serves as administrative assistant to President Robert Sloan.

**Lois Corpier** passed away on Jan. 4, 2011. She was the mother of Dr. Doris Warren, dean of the HBU College of Science and Mathematics.

**Nathalee Cross** passed away on March 3, 2011. She was the mother of Colette Cross, university chaplain and director of Spiritual Life.

**Lew W. Harpold** passed away on Sept. 25, 2010. Dolores, his wife of 52 years, is a member of the American Museum Society and a long-time member of The Guild. The Harpolds were also members of the President's Development Council.

**Walter E. Heffler** passed away on Feb. 13, 2011. He was the father-in-law of HBU Advancement Officer Tommy Bambrick.

**Mary Grace Horlock** passed away on Nov. 17, 2010. She was a member of the President's Development Council and a hostess for The Guild's Silver Tea.

**Norma Lowder** passed away on Oct. 5, 2010. A long-time neighbor of HBU living at University Place, she donated a large collection of Gilbert and Sullivan memorabilia to the Moody Library in November 2000 in honor of Dr. Robert Linder, retired dean of Fine Arts and conductor of the Houston Gilbert and Sullivan Society. Her support of the School of Music and its students earned her the title distinguished mentor emeritus, and the alumni choir was named in her honor. In 2007, HBU awarded her an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters.

*"Although Norma Lowder had no children of her own, this remarkable woman impacted the lives of thousands of students from elementary school through college. Her attendance at student recitals, convocation, lectures and classes endeared her to the HBU family. Her personal philosophy linked service with lifelong learning and teaching, a legacy that has inspired all touched by her life."* – Dr. Rhonda Furr, professor in music

**Clemmie Milstead** passed away on Jan. 14, 2011. She was a graduate of Memorial Hospital's Lillie Jolly School of Nursing, which Houston Baptist College acquired in 1968 to start its Bachelor of Science in nursing program.

**Rev. Ed Pounders** passed away on Feb. 8, 2011. For nearly 20 years, he served as pastor of Eastwood Baptist Church, which contributed five endowed scholarships to HBU.

**John "Milton" Powell** passed away on March 4, 2011. He was the father of Bob Powell '76, former chair of the HBU Board of Trustees; the father-in-law of Linda Foster Powell '77; and the grandfather of Christi Powell Vaughn '02 and Jonathan Powell '08.

**Dr. Richard Strahan** passed away on Nov. 22, 2010. His distinguished career in higher education included many years of service to Lee College in Baytown, Texas, and the University of Houston. He and his wife Gigi helped fund the purchase and installation of two Schlicker pipe organs on the HBU campus in 1981.

*"Dr. Strahan's influence on thousands of students, colleagues and friends is alive and well because of the kind of man he was. He lived his faith, not so much in words as in the way he interacted with people. Dr. Strahan led by example. He was firm and fair, challenging and guiding, painstakingly thorough, and patient beyond normal measure. If I have enjoyed any measure of success as a former teacher, professor and administrator, it is largely due to his impact on my life. He was my hero."* – Dr. Lou Shields, former vice president for Student Affairs

**Alliene Vale** passed away on Nov. 21, 2010. Her husband Wylie of Rustay, Martin & Vale was one of the original architects for the Houston Baptist College campus.







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