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NO MESSING AROUND

HBU FOOTBALL KICKS OFF
IN HOUSTON SEPT. 21





HOME TURF

GRIDIRON INVASION PLANNED FOR CORNER OF BEECHNUT, FONDREN

*Next time you find yourself at the corner of
Beechnut and Fondren, imagine the roar from a
crowd of 10,000 excited football fans celebrating a
Husky victory...at home.*

HBU's coaching staff and student-athletes are busy preparing for their developmental fall 2013 season, during which "home" games will be played at selected venues around Houston. Looking ahead, though, the University is committed to providing a permanent on-campus home for the new football program. This artist's rendering shows how an artificial turf field and 5,000-seat stadium might look adjacent to Sorrels Field and the baseball field in the athletic zone at the southeast corner of campus. Future phases of the project call for a football training facility and field house, as well as additional grandstands to double the seating capacity.

This isn't just a field of dreams.

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Another new program – one that is energizing the campus and transforming HBU athletics – is football. We all look forward to cheering for the Huskies next fall, and we are so thankful for the Christian commitment of Coach Vic Shealy and his staff, who are working hard to build the program and prepare our first football athletes for their inaugural season.

As we give thanks for many blessings this spring, including our successful reaffirmation effort and the programs that make HBU so distinctive as a Christian institution, we must also express our deepest gratitude for the generosity and commitment of the many University friends, trustees, alumni, parents, faculty and staff who faithfully support our work, year after year, with both their financial gifts and their gifts of time, prayer, leadership and service. It was because of the generosity and dedicated efforts of many of these individuals, including event chairs Sherry and Jim Smith, that our 2012 Spirit of Excellence Gala was a great success, raising much-needed funds for HBU's stellar nursing program. And how thankful we are for the highly successful conclusion to the challenge campaign initiated and led by Dr. Stewart Morris last year. I know that the unrivaled legacy of generosity, service and leadership of this beloved founding father moved trustees, faculty, staff and other eligible donors to participate in the campaign, which resulted in gifts totaling more than \$3 million and inspired Trustee John Gibson and his wife, Elizabeth, to generously establish the Elizabeth and John Gibson Endowed Chair in Apologetics at HBU.

I know you will enjoy reading about the Morris Challenge, the Spirit of Excellence Gala, our exciting new programs, and other recent developments in the pages that follow. You will see that we have included an Honor Roll of Donors to show our heartfelt gratitude for the ongoing commitment and support of so many members of the HBU family.

Blessings,

Robert B. Sloan Jr.

Dear Friends,

I am pleased to share with you some good news! At the annual meeting of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) last December, HBU's ten-year accreditation status was reaffirmed. All of us in the University family are grateful for the hard work of the many dedicated faculty and staff who served on committees and otherwise participated in the reaffirmation process. We especially applaud the leadership of Rita Tauer, our SACSCOC liaison, and the special contributions made by Dr. Mike Bourke, Dr. Rachel Hopp, Dr. Phil Rhodes and Dr. Brenda Whaley, all of whom worked tirelessly to help achieve this important goal.

And there is more good news. We also learned at the SACSCOC meeting that proposals for three new degree programs – our Master of Arts in Apologetics, Master of Arts in Philosophy and Bachelor of Arts in Cinema and New Media Arts – had been approved. These exciting programs, two of which we launched this spring, will contribute significantly to the distinctive nature of the HBU academic experience.

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ON THE COVER

Junior Safety Fritz Markos #32 and his fellow Huskies suit up for spring practice this March to begin preparing for HBU's inaugural developmental football season in the fall of 2013.



Thanks a Million

SPIRIT OF EXCELLENCE GALA GENERATES
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Dr. Charles Krauthammer is a Pulitzer Prize-winning syndicated columnist and political commentator for Fox News.

MORE THAN 600 FRIENDS AND SUPPORTERS OF HBU RISE TO their feet for an enthusiastic standing ovation as the evening's keynote speaker takes the stage. Dr. Charles Krauthammer, Pulitzer Prize-winning syndicated columnist and political commentator for Fox News, did not disappoint, delivering a thought-provoking address on the essence of the American experiment.

Krauthammer's appearance was just one of many reasons the HBU family had to applaud during the 2012 Spirit of Excellence Gala, held at the Hilton Americas in downtown Houston in November.

The response was equally enthusiastic when Gala chairs Sherry and Jim Smith later announced that the event raised more than \$1.4 million to benefit the HBU School of Nursing and Allied Health, which received praise throughout the evening for its long-standing reputation for excellence. In addition to Krauthammer, a former chief resident in psychiatry at Massachusetts General Hospital, who explained the need for well-trained nurses from the perspective of both a doctor and a patient, Dan Wolterman, CEO of

Memorial Hermann, spoke about his organization's great relationship with HBU and the importance of nursing given the current nursing shortage in the U.S. Recent nursing alumna Christin Handy, who works as a registered nurse in the adult ICU at Memorial Hermann Southwest Hospital, thanked donors for their investment in her success, and in the lives of the next generation of nurses who will follow in her steps.

Guests also showed their appreciation to some of HBU's most loyal friends, as Dr. Sloan presented the Spirit of Excellence Award, the University's highest tribute, to Dr. Diane and Stanley Williams for their work on the Morris Cultural Arts Center and their generous support of the University's live mascot program, among other projects, and to AT&T for its commitment to supporting programs and projects that promote academic and economic achievement while addressing community needs. Dr. Allene Lucas, who has served HBU in a variety of roles since being introduced to the University by its first president, received the President's Lifetime Volunteer Award.



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**For more photos from
the 2012 Spirit of
Excellence Gala**



Dr. Stewart Morris Sr. is the sole living founding father of HBU and has remained a key player in the success of the University.



Match Maker

FOUNDING FATHER'S CHALLENGE
STRENGTHENS CULTURE OF PHILANTHROPY

In May 2012, Stewart Morris, a founding father of HBU and an advisory trustee, issued a challenge to more than 700 University constituents, including current and former trustees, members of the President's Leadership and Dean's Development councils, and faculty and staff. He pledged to match dollar-for-dollar, up to \$1 million, their collective donations through the end of 2012.

**“ MORE THAN \$3 MILLION IN
TOTAL GIFTS RESULTED FROM
THE MORRIS CHALLENGE**

Encouraged by his leadership, these groups enthusiastically rose to the challenge. As the campaign began, a fellow trustee, John Gibson, was moved by Morris' example and pledged to make his own \$1 million matching gift, giving participants an opportunity to see the value of their initial gift effectively tripled. In addition, faculty and staff were particularly receptive to the invitation to step up their support of the University, giving in numbers that exceeded past efforts by a significant degree. As the year

came to a close, more than \$2.3 million had been contributed by eligible donors – including the generous contribution from Gibson, which will be used to establish the Elizabeth and John Gibson Endowed Chair in Apologetics – to support the work of HBU in a variety of key areas.

While the more than \$3 million in total gifts resulting from the Morris Challenge will have a significant impact on the future of HBU, the willingness of the University's closest friends and advocates to give so generously above and beyond the time and effort they already expend on its behalf has special meaning as well.

“The Morris Challenge was about so much more than just raising funds for HBU,” said Charles Bacarisse, vice president for advancement. “Through their generosity, participants have demonstrated to our students, their colleagues and the community at large a desire to strengthen and extend for future generations the culture of Christian philanthropy that has long defined the HBU family.”

Not Your Typical Blah, Blah, Blog

PRESIDENT SLOAN LAUNCHES BLOG, SOCIAL MEDIA PAGES TO LEAD HBU'S EFFORTS TO INFLUENCE CULTURE ONLINE

A quote from the movie *Napoleon Dynamite*.

An allusion to the famous "I pity the fool" catchphrase of Mr. T's character Clubber Lang in *Rocky III*.

An examination of the apostle Paul's thoughts on the nature of servant leadership.

Blog posts can, and do, draw inspiration from a variety of sources, depending on the author's interests and areas of expertise.

And the posts on HBU President Robert Sloan's new blog – www.robertbsloan.com – are no different.

In addition to the three seemingly unrelated – and perhaps unexpected, at least in the first two cases – conversation-starters listed above, his blog, which launched in January 2013, has also addressed the power of Jesus' name and a Baptist view of self-sacrifice and the Lenten season, among other primarily religious topics.

The blog, managed by Rachel Motte, features adaptations from talks Sloan has given, sermons he has preached or classes he has taught.

To draw attention to the blog and make himself more visible to the University's current and prospective students, as well as alumni, parents, friends and scholars from throughout Christianity and academia, Sloan has also, with Motte's assistance, established a presence on Twitter (twitter.com/DrRobertBSloan) and Facebook (facebook.com/DrRobertBSloanjr).

“ FACEBOOK USERS CAN CLICK THE "LIKE" BUTTON ON ALMOST 50 UNIQUE PAGES REPRESENTING DIFFERENT DISCIPLINES

Sloan joins a number of faculty and academic departments at HBU who are using blogging and social media to expand their, and ultimately the University's, influence in the ongoing culture war.

Facebook users can click the "Like" button on almost 50 unique pages representing different disciplines at the University, including

apologetics, art, biology, business, chemistry, creative writing, education, history, mathematics, music, nursing, philosophy and theology. In addition, Twitter followers can find many of their favorite professors sharing their thoughts and insights in fewer than 140 characters at a time.

HBU's growing presence online is about more than giving its administration, faculty and programs a virtual "face." It also represents an important next step in expanding the benefits of "A Higher Education" to students the University may not have been able to reach before. This spring, HBU has begun offering selected online courses in the Master of Education program, with plans to add selected online undergraduate and graduate-level courses in the School of Christian Thought in the fall of 2013.

For a list of selected HBU blogs and social media pages go to WWW.HBU.EDU/SOCIALMEDIA



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Heart of Inspiration

HBU PRE-MED STUDENT SHARES UNIQUE CONNECTION TO DR. MICHAEL DEBAKEY'S LEGACY

For Jean Ghosn, an HBU senior majoring in biochemistry/molecular biology, Dr. Michael DeBakey is more than just a world-renowned name in medical history.

He is the pioneering heart surgeon who made it possible for Ghosn to enjoy many good years with a grandfather he would not otherwise have known.

Ghosn's grandfather, who was working as a professor in Lebanon in the early 1970s, suffered from

“ DEBAKEY OPERATED ON GHOSN'S GRANDFATHER IN 1973, AND THE PROCEDURE SAVED HIS LIFE.

aortic valve failure and needed a prosthetic replacement. He heard that a new procedure had been developed by DeBakey, a Lebanese-American surgeon, at the Texas Medical Center, so he borrowed money and made the trip to Houston for a chance to try it.

DeBakey operated on Ghosn's grandfather in 1973, and the procedure saved his life. Years later, his grandfather's story and its dramatic example of the difference medicine



can make in the world would inspire Ghosn to pursue a career in cardiothoracic surgery.

In the summer of 2012, Ghosn was given the unique opportunity to participate in the legacy of the surgeon whose work had made a lasting impact on his life. He was one of 10 pre-med

students selected from more than 350 applicants for the annual Michael E. DeBakey Summer Surgery Program at the Baylor College of Medicine, and he shared the following thoughts on the experience in the newsletter of the Michael E. DeBakey Department of Surgery at Baylor College of Medicine.

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For eight weeks, I had the exceptional opportunity to be part of the Michael E. DeBakey Summer Surgery Program through the Department of Surgery at BCM. This year, ten students were chosen and assigned different mentors in various disciplines spanning six affiliated teaching hospitals within the Texas Medical Center. It began with an orientation to the operating room and sterile technique. Afterward, we each left for our respective hospitals, spending our weeks participating and building rapport with our mentors and surgical teams. Eleven exclusive brown bag lectures from physicians such as Melvyn Harrington, M.D., and Mimi Leong, M.D., helped join us together every week to share our experiences and also learn about various subjects from surgery specialties to skills needed to succeed in medical school.

Shadowing William E. Fisher, M.D., closely, I saw him kindly attending patients, clearly explaining difficult matters, comforting them throughout their stay, and closely following their journey from admittance to successful recovery. Throughout many cases, I watched him share lovely humor with the whole staff and distinctly remember standing beside him during that long day he performed the Whipple procedure, speaking little, intensely focused, and working with remarkable speed and dexterity.

In this program, I learned technical procedures, built a strong operating room discipline and skilled teamwork with the staff. This experience reinforced my conviction that this is the career that I want to build.

- Jean Ghosn

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Ghosn has been accepted to seven Texas medical schools and is currently completing an undergraduate research fellowship at The Methodist Hospital Research Institute in the Texas Medical Center.

Noteworthy

Campus-wide effort secures reaffirmation of HBU's accreditation » The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges has reaffirmed HBU's accreditation. The process, which includes completion of an institutional self-study every 10 years, required input and collaboration from faculty and staff in academic and administrative offices across campus, under the direction of Associate Provost Rita Tauer.

HBU Web site voted Best Education Site of 2012 »

The HBU Web site, which underwent a complete redesign last spring to resonate with younger audiences, was voted the Best Education Site in the

Site of the Year 2012 competition hosted by Kentico International, which provides enterprise Web Content Management Systems to more than 1,200 partners in 80 countries. The other finalists in the competition were Dutch and South African institutions.

**BEST
of the
YEAR**

thebestschools.org names HBU among top five Best Colleges for Studying Bible » In January, the editors of thebestschools.org ranked HBU fourth on a list of Top 15 Colleges for Studying the Bible. They highlighted the recent hiring of several acclaimed Christian scholars, including Provost John Mark Reynolds, and the addition of the new Department of Apologetics as key reasons for the recognition. They also noted the University's holistically Christian approach and identified its many ministry clubs as "a wishbook of options for incoming Christian students." In June of 2012, the same editors ranked HBU seventh on their list of the 25 Best Colleges for Homeschool Graduates.

HBU selected to anchor local management district's University Zone »

The Greater Sharpstown Management District has designated the area surrounding the HBU campus as the University Zone, one of six culturally distinct zones within the more than 10 square miles of southwest Houston the district encompasses. The designation includes special landscaping, signage and other visual elements to give the University Zone an easily distinguishable and inviting identity.





"We're asking our students to aim higher and go deeper; to be the kind of Christians who think thoroughly, who love well, and who understand the rich intellectual tradition we have inherited from our fathers in the faith."

Curious Kids

THE ACADEMY AT HBU HELPS HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS ON QUEST FOR WISDOM, UNDERSTANDING

A group of students gather around a table for a lively debate. They are interested in more than just completing a homework assignment or doing well on their next test. They are seeking wisdom and understanding.

Small group meetings like this happen on the HBU campus every day, but this one is different. These students aren't in college, yet. They are still in high school.

With the launch of The Academy at HBU this spring, the University is prepared to provide dual-credit opportunities to students of Christian schools and homeschooling communities nationwide. Its curriculum is designed to provide rich, challenging classes that will not only earn a student transferable college credit, but also enrich their high school education and better prepare them for acceptance

into, and success in, their chosen university—which Cate MacDonald, director of The Academy, hopes will be HBU.

But The Academy is more than just a way to reach a new demographic of students; as a classical, Christian program specializing in a Socratic, great books education, it is a vital part of fulfilling the University's *Ten Pillars* vision.

Students who graduate from The Academy will have been taught to learn from the best books the world has to offer, to think for themselves, to integrate their life into their education, and to reach for a level of academic excellence they previously thought impossible.

"We're asking our students to aim higher and go deeper; to be the kind of Christians who think thoroughly, who love



FALL FEATURES

well, and who understand the rich intellectual tradition we have inherited from our fathers in the faith,” MacDonald said. “And we believe that they can do it. Whether they are 14, 16 or 18, they can, if asked, begin to understand the importance of truth and goodness and pursue it with their whole hearts.”

In just its first semester, the inaugural class of 37 students is making tremendous progress. For example, a 15 year old read Plato’s *Theatetus* and spent a month reasoning through it until she found an answer to the question, “But, what is knowledge?” The group of teenagers also devoted themselves so deeply to a discussion of the nature of godly love that they were willing to spend not just two hours of class time on an impassioned discussion of the subject, but they continued the conversation in the halls after class, over lunch, and even on their Facebook pages.

“Teenagers are thirsty for the things that matter and hungry to understand God and the world around them,” MacDonald said. “At its heart, The Academy is trying to introduce these thirsty students to living water.”

Refreshed Contemporary Art Gallery opens with 9/11 tribute exhibition » The relocated and expanded Contemporary Art Gallery in the University Academic Center opened its inaugural exhibit, *Spontaneous Memorial: A Commemorative Installation*, in August. Houston native Frank McEntire’s tribute to the tragic events of 9/11 incorporated photographs of victims, snippets of news reports, and found objects, as well as a ledger and 3,000 tags – one tag for each victim at ground zero and the Pentagon – containing previous viewers’ thoughts about the tragedy.



Department of History commemorates 150th anniversary of Emancipation Proclamation » The Department of History at HBU, Phi Alpha Theta and the African Student Association hosted a commemoration of the 150th anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation in September. The event opened with a keynote address by Rev. William Lawson, pastor emeritus of Wheeler Avenue Baptist Church, and featured a plenary address by Dr. Caleb McDaniel of Rice University on the importance of the Emancipation Proclamation as a turning point in American history. In addition, Barbara Johnson Tucker, a

classically trained artist, sang historical slave songs in operatic style to reflect the period of the Proclamation.



Preeminent homebuilder Weekley engages in “conversation” with School of Business » In connection with the Brown Distinguished Lecture Series, Doug Gehrman, adjunct professor in management, hosted “The Leader’s Voice: A Conversation with David Weekley” in Belin Chapel in October. Weekley, who was named National Association of Homebuilders’ Builder of the Year in 1986 and *Inc. Magazine* Houston Entrepreneur of the Year in 1989, shared some of the people-focused management methodologies that have landed David Weekley Homes on *FORTUNE* magazine’s list of the “100 Best Companies to Work For” seven times.

Department of Music “Messiah” performance headlines Christmas celebrations on campus » Thirteen alumni from the Department of Music joined Schola Cantorum, HBU’s auditioned choir, and a professional orchestra for “Prepare the Way, Handel’s *Messiah*” in Dunham Theater in November. The performance was generously underwritten by University friends Judge Paul Pressler and his wife Nancy.

HE'S A FAN

BOARD CHAIR **MARK DENISON** READY FOR SOME FOOTBALL, MUCH MORE

It started about 12 years ago with a pair of boxing gloves autographed by Evander Holyfield.

From there, Dr. Mark Denison, pastor of First Baptist Church in Conroe, has assembled – with the help of his good friend Terry Bradshaw, a member of the Gainesville church where he previously served as pastor – an extensive collection of memorabilia signed by some of the biggest names in the history of college and professional sports, including Babe Ruth, Jackie Robinson and Mickey Mantle.

But the item that has Denison, a 1982 graduate of HBU and current chair of the Board of Trustees, most excited today is the white HBU helmet with orange and blue stripes he holds in his hands.

Denison, who served on the board committee that studied and approved the start of football at HBU, thinks the program will have a wide range of benefits for current students and his fellow alumni.

“Football will put us on the map and generate a buzz and excitement level on campus that will be great for student life,” Denison said. “It will also be a rallying point to reconnect alumni who may not have followed their alma mater as closely in recent years.”

The board study, which took almost a year and included interviews with coaches, athletic directors and NCAA officials familiar with the unique characteristics of urban schools like HBU who thought the move was a good fit for the University, also identified recruitment of male students and retention as key reasons for adding the sport.

**“ SHARED VISION IS DESIGNED TO
MOVE HBU TO THE NEXT LEVEL
IN ALL AREAS**

For Denison, who has been a member of the board for more than 15 years and previously served as its chair in 2003, the start of football is just the latest sign of the great vision HBU

and its leadership have for what the University can become.

“One of the best things HBU has ever done is hire Dr. Sloan as president,” Denison said. “He’s a visionary, and, like our board of visionary individuals who have excelled in their areas of expertise, he sees the bigger picture.”

That shared vision is designed to move HBU to the next level in all areas – academics, campus life, athletics and more – by operating with excellence in everything.

Just as the inaugural class of football student-athletes will focus on finding their way and





SIGHTS & SOUNDS

Dunham Bible Museum exhibits feature biblical art, hymnals

Celebrating the Life of Jesus, the Christ: Three Centuries of Bible Art

An exhibit of 25 rare Bibles, dating from the 16th through 20th centuries, drawn from the Dunham Bible Museum's John Hellstern collection to illustrate Jesus' life in four categories: From Birth to Baptism, Miracles and Healing, Parables and Teaching, Passion and Resurrection. On display through May 2013.

Singing Psalms, Hymns and Spiritual Songs

A new exhibit in the Dunham Bible Museum's Severance Lyceum featuring a large leaf from a 15th century choir hymnal, numerous early English psalters and hymnals, including a first edition of Isaac Watts' metric version of the psalms, and gospel song books.

COMMITTED TO MEMORY

Youth pastor to present dynamic recitation of Romans

Paul to the Romans

Abe Stratton, pastor of youth and young adults at Heritage Bible Church in Greer, S.C., will deliver a powerful presentation of the book of Romans on April 17 at 7 p.m. in Belin Chapel. He spent three years memorizing Paul's letter, which is credited with converting Augustine, Martin Luther and John Wesley, among countless others.

"If our minds are to be made new, if our bodies are to be holy and ready to meet our Savior, if we are to be a people zealous for good works, if the Gospel is going to be precious to us, if our Savior is going to be more attractive than anything else, then His Word must be dwelling richly in our minds. And I know of no better way for it to dwell richly in your mind than for you to memorize it." – Abe Stratton

Mark Denison '82 was appointed Board Chair for the 2012-2013 academic year.

developing an identity when they suit up and put on their helmets for their developmental season this fall, Denison believes all students enjoy a similar opportunity at HBU, regardless of their major or extracurricular activities.

"In the classrooms, the athletic venues and the residential colleges, HBU's diverse student body doesn't just learn about Christ, they experience Him and the Christian life with the freedom to grow and explore their faith in dynamic ways."

NOTED AUTHOR DONATES PERSONAL PAPERS TO MOODY LIBRARY

The man best known as the "father of the modern intelligent design movement" has given HBU's Moody Library its first significant collection of personal papers.

Phillip E. Johnson, a retired law professor from the University of California, Berkeley, donated 11 boxes of documents, including early drafts and revisions from his published works, research for an unwritten book, lectures and notes on law, articles on intelligent design and evolution, and even correspondence from fans.

The collection, which will be included in the Moody Library's LibGuides online research tool, should be of interest to researchers and stu-

dents of the intelligent design movement from across the country, drawing new attention to and raising the profile of HBU and, particularly, its strengthened focus on cultural apologetics.



"Johnson's papers span his legal, social and cultural interests, representing a wonderful opportunity to view legal, political and cultural movements from the perspective of a leader," said Provost John Mark Reynolds, who co-wrote a book, *Against All Gods: What's Right and Wrong About the New Atheism*, with Johnson in 2010. "He chose to donate his papers to HBU because of our commitment to the Christian faith, a liberal arts education and innovation."





HARTENBURG

Recruited

Dr. Gary Hartenburg was hired as the new director of the Honors College at HBU in January 2013. He holds a Ph.D. in philosophy from the University of California, Irvine, and will serve as an assistant professor in philosophy, in addition to teaching an Honors College course beginning in the fall. Hartenburg will work closely with Dr. Robert Stacey, former dean of the Honors College, who is now dean of the Smith College of Liberal Arts.



MARTIN

Recognized

Anthony Martin, director of the HBU Bookstore, received the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Southwest College Bookstore Association at its annual meeting in October 2012. He has been a member of the association – which he has served on numerous committees and as president from 1997-1998 – since 1978.

Numero Uno

HBU SPANISH PROFESSOR NAMED TOP IN STATE

While attending graduate school at the University of New Mexico, Dr. Miguel Estrada, associate professor in Spanish and chair of the Department of English and Modern Languages, had leading roles in two Hispanic plays.

His latest role, as the Texas Foreign Language Association's 2012 University Spanish Teacher of the Year, requires no acting.

Estrada, the 2008 recipient of the University's Opal Goolsby Outstanding Teaching Award, understands the challenges his students face as they struggle to learn a new language.

He faced the same challenges when he came to the United States from his

native Mexico at the age of 16 and faced difficulties learning English.

Once he mastered the new language, he decided to devote his life to teaching Spanish, beginning as a high school teacher and soccer coach in El Paso. After earning a master's in Hispanic literature and a doctorate in Spanish-American literature, he joined the faculty at HBU, where he has since earned a master's in school administration, in 2005.

The University Spanish Teacher of the Year Award, which required a lengthy application process and portfolio review by a nominating committee composed of faculty and chairs from much larger schools across the state, highlights the quality of instruction being provided to HBU students by Estrada and his colleagues in the Department of English and Modern Languages.

"I am honored to be recognized with this award from the Texas Foreign Language Association and grateful to my students at HBU for their willingness to learn Spanish and Hispanic culture in my classes," Estrada said.



MORE THAN FUN & GAMES

M.ED. STUDENTS GIVEN IPADS TO USE AS TEACHING TOOLS

Kids love toys. Their teachers do too.

But for students in the Master of Education program at HBU, the iPad they receive at admission is more than just another gadget to add to their tech toy box.

It is a valuable resource with benefits for both the teaching and learning environments.

Having noticed that school districts across the United States were increasingly implementing use of the iPad in educational settings, the HBU School of Education and Behavioral Sciences began including the devices with admission into the M.Ed. program in the summer of 2012 to give its faculty and students an opportunity to explore its many potential uses as an instructional tool.

"Many of our graduate students do not possess the same technology their own students utilize in their everyday lives," said Dr. Cynthia Simpson, dean of the School of Education and Behavioral Sciences. "By providing them with an iPad and allowing them

to familiarize themselves with its benefits through firsthand experiences as both student and teacher, we hope to arm our students with the skills and technology they need to help their students excel in today's technology-savvy society."

As the students become more comfortable with their iPads and better understand their capabilities, they begin to see their classrooms in a new light and meet the needs of their students in beneficial new ways.

"As a teacher, I can't beat the mobility the iPad allows," said Nathan Wagner, head of the English Department at Westbury Christian School, who is pursuing an M.Ed. with specialization in curriculum and instruction with instructional technology. "I can walk around the classroom, monitoring and helping students, and still have the information I need quickly accessible. Desktops and laptops tether teachers to the back of the classroom if they want to be connected, but the iPad has freed me to work more closely and interactively with my students."

Current teachers and others interested in a master's degree in education can learn more about graduate programs in the School of Education and Behavioral Sciences – and how to receive an iPad – by contacting the HBU Graduate School at 281-649-3269 or gradadmissions@hbu.edu.



AS THEY DO EACH YEAR, SEVERAL OF HBU'S SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES HAVE NOMINATED A TOP PROFESSOR FOR THE **PIPER PROFESSOR AWARD**, GIVEN BY THE MINNIE STEVENS PIPER FOUNDATION TO RECOGNIZE SUPERIOR TEACHING AT THE COLLEGE LEVEL IN THE STATE OF TEXAS.

Woods, who was selected to represent HBU in the annual statewide competition, will also receive the University's Dr. Larry D. Smith Award for Teaching Excellence.



"Dr. Dawn Wilson, associate professor in education technology, is a wonderful example of the kind of accomplished, student-centered faculty member that guarantees a bright future for HBU. She directs one of the University's fastest growing graduate programs and teaches classes in the most dynamic field of education while continuing to write and present at professional conferences each year."

— Dr. Cynthia Simpson, dean, School of Education and Behavioral Sciences

"Dr. John Yarrington, professor in music, is a legend to his students and HBU's link to the masters of the American choral tradition, such as Robert Shaw. His deeply musical intelligence is matched only by his good humor and wit. He was my choir director, and I will be forever grateful for the role he has played in my own life and career."

— Dr. Matthew Boyleston, dean, School of Fine Arts

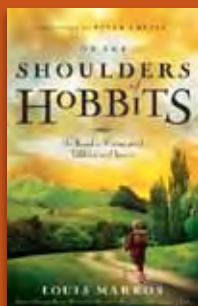
"Dr. Anthony Joseph, associate professor in history, makes the study of American history an intellectual exercise, rather than just the memorization of dates and facts. Students leave his courses not only better informed, but also better able to draw conclusions and synthesize lessons of the past that are applicable to the things we now face as a nation."

— Dr. Chris Hammons, dean, School of Humanities

"Dr. Treacy Woods, professor in chemistry, spends so much of her time giving every one of her students her personal attention to assure they receive a quality education. She commands respect from all of us and asks for the same high standards that she sets for herself. Her courses are inspirational, even to students who dread having to take them."

— Dr. Doris Warren, dean, College of Science and Mathematics

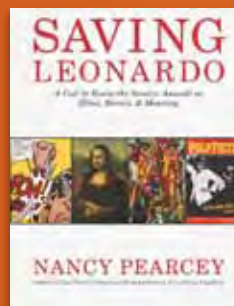
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DR. MATTHEW BOYLESTON, dean, School of Fine Arts, and assistant professor in English and writing, had his manuscript of poems, *Viewed from the Keel of a Canoe*, named a quarter finalist for the prestigious Able Muse Book Award and a semi-finalist in the Miller Williams Arkansas Poetry Prize. The same manuscript was a finalist for the Tampa Review Prize for Poetry, first runner-up for the Melissa Lantis Gregory Poetry Prize, and a semi-finalist for the St. Lawrence Book Award.

DR. MICAH MATTIX, assistant professor in literature, published the following essays and reviews during the summer and fall of 2012: "Red Clay Weather," *Books & Culture* (July 19); "François Hollande and the Arts," *The American Spectator* (July 26); "The Prayers of a Poet," *The Wall Street Journal* (Aug. 6); "Address Formal," *The Weekly Standard* (Aug. 20); "How to Read Robert Frost," *The American Conservative* (August 2012); "Reading for Worldviews: The Alchemist," *The Gospel Coalition* (Sept. 20); "Back to Blood," *The Washington Times* (Oct. 26); "Everyman's Poet," *First Things* (October 2012); "The Art of Trains," *The American Conservative* (October 2012); and "The Point of Criticism," *The American Spectator* (October 2012).

DR. HOLLY ORDWAY, chair, Department of Apologetics, and professor in English, made the following presentations in the fall of 2012: "Poetry as Prayer, Poet as Scriptwriter: Gerard Manley Hopkins' Terrible Sonnets" at the 2012 Southwest Region Conference on Christianity and Literature in October; "The Influence of Charles Williams' *Descent into Hell* on C.S. Lewis" at "The Ten Books that Most Influenced C.S. Lewis," a conference sponsored by the C.S. Lewis Society of Madison, Wis., and the Bradshaw-Knight Foundation, in October; and "Literature as an Incarnational Mode of Apologetics" at the 11th annual Evangelical Philosophical Society Apologetics Conference in November.

NANCY PEARCEY, professor and scholar-in-residence in the Department of Apologetics, made the following guest appearances on radio and television programs in the fall of 2012: "The Intersection of Faith & Reason," on "The Frank Pastore Show," on KKLA in Los Angeles; conversations about her books *Saving Leonardo* (B&H Books)

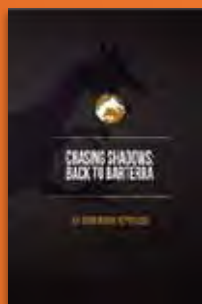
and *Total Truth* (Crossway) on Rodney Zwonitzer's "Book Talk" on KFYO in St. Louis; and "What Jesus Said About Life" by Day of Discovery, a weekly TV broadcast on contemporary and historical issues touching the Christian faith. In addition, she delivered two lectures based on her book *Saving Leonardo* at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary in December, at the invitation of its Center for Faith & Culture, which houses the Francis Schaeffer Collection.

DR. JOHN MARK REYNOLDS, provost and professor in philosophy, was a guest expert in a podcast titled "Lesson 10: What is Harry Potter Canon?" produced by MuggleNet in September 2012.

DR. ROBERT B. SLOAN JR., HBU president, delivered the third-annual Drumwright Family Lecture, titled "Read, Watch, and Pray: A Charge to the Custodians and Prophets of the Great Texts," at Baylor University in October 2012, to mark the 10th anniversary of the founding of its Honors College.

DR. JERRY WALLS, professor in philosophy, discussed hell with fellow guest Frank Schaeffer on "The Drew Marshall Show," Canada's most popular spiritual talk show, in October 2012. He also published the following essays: "Arguments from Evil," with co-author Trent Dougherty, in *The Routledge Companion to Theism* and "The Wisdom of Hope in a Despairing World" in *The Wisdom of the Christian Faith* (Cambridge University Press).

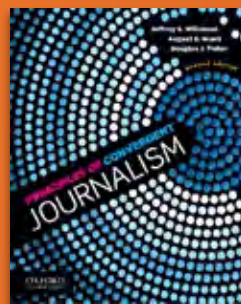
DR. JEFF WILKINSON, professor in journalism and mass communication, published the second edition of his book, *Principles of Convergent Journalism* (Oxford University Press), in June 2012, with co-authors August Grant and Doug Fisher of the University of South Carolina. He also contributed two chapters in the 13th edition of *Communication Technology Update and Fundamentals* (Focal Press): "IPTV: Streaming Media" and "Digital Signage," with co-author Janet Kolodzy of Emerson University. In addition, he was a panel presenter on International Journalism in China at the annual conference of the Association for Educators in Journalism and Mass Communication in August 2012.



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HUSKIES SPRINT TO TOP

MEN, WOMEN WIN INDOOR TRACK & FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS

The HBU men's and women's track and field teams crossed the finish line with 14 gold medals to win the University's first-ever Great West Conference team titles at the indoor track and field championships held in Houston in February.

The Huskies' spree of individual event victories also resulted in a sweep of the tournament awards. HBU Head Coach Theresa Fuqua was voted Coach of the Year for both men and women, and senior Morgan Pressley, who broke a school record in the long jump, and junior Matt Perri, who helped HBU win the distance medley relay for the first time in the five-year history of the meet, were selected as

the female and male outstanding performers. Lakesha Cameron and Garrison Fick earned Newcomer of the Year accolades.

A group of HBU student-athletes also got word in February that their accomplishments in the classroom lifted them above the competition. For the second year in a row, HBU's women's cross country team earned recognition from the U.S. Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association as a 2012 NCAA Division I All-Academic squad, based on the team's cumulative 3.62 GPA – the best in the state of Texas – in the fall 2012 semester.



Clockwise from top:
Morgan Pressley, Garrison Fick,
Matt Perri and Lakesha Cameron

A photograph of Coach Mary-Ellen Hall and Roger Willhite standing in front of a softball field. They are both wearing blue and grey athletic jackets. The field has blue seating in the foreground and a green field with a red infield. A chain-link fence is visible behind them.

NUMBERS GAME

COACH HALL SEEKS 700TH WIN AS SOFTBALL FIRST TO BEGIN SOUTHLAND CONFERENCE PLAY

Coach Mary-Ellen Hall '88 has been calling the shots for the last 21 of the HBU softball team's 25 seasons.

In that time, she has amassed a career record 691 wins and earned several Coach of the Year honors while leading the team to numerous post-season tournament appearances, including nine straight Red River Athletic Conference titles and the team's highest national ranking of second in 2005, when they had their best record in school history with 51 wins. Following

HBU's return to Division I competition in 2008, the softball team won the Great West Conference championship – and Hall earned her most recent Coach of the Year award – in 2011.

As softball becomes the first of HBU's athletics teams to begin competing as a member of the Southland Conference this spring, Hall appears poised to mark her 700th career victory during her 22nd season as head coach.

"We are very excited to be the first team to compete for HBU in the Southland Conference," Hall said. "We have a very challenging first part of our schedule – probably our toughest to date – but we feel it is important to get us prepared for conference play."

The softball team and coaching staff – including Roger Willhite, who is in his 18th season as Hall's assistant – are not the only ones preparing to step up to a new level of competition. To enhance the fan experience, Husky Field, the softball team's home on the HBU campus, was upgraded recently with stadium-style seating in time for the start of the 2013 season.



INCLEMENT WEATHER FAILS TO DAMPEN SPIRITS AT INAUGURAL HOMECOMING TAILGATE

Establishing new traditions doesn't necessarily come easily.

Enthusiasm filled the air in November as students and alumni prepared for the first Homecoming tailgate.

Unfortunately, so did rain clouds.

Dodging the torrential downpours, however, simply increased the excitement of the festivities.

More than 20 teams – including most of the University's fraternities and sororities, the HBU Police, the Honors College and KSBJ's NGEN radio team, among others – set up shop and enjoyed good food and fellowship in the parking lot near Sharp Gym on Saturday, Nov. 3. The Alumni Board of Directors also welcomed Huskies of all ages to the Alumni Association tent, where a flat-screen TV, provided by Alumni Board Chair Chris Chesney '07, allowed them to watch foot-

ball and prepare themselves to cheer the men's basketball team on to victory over Hillsdale Baptist later that evening.

"The rain may have dampened everyone and everything, but it could not extinguish the spirit of the tailgate," said Jennifer Davis, associate director of alumni relations. "The stormy weather actually brought the participants closer



together, as they rushed to set up extra tents to shelter those who weren't as prepared to battle the elements."

The lessons learned – from how to grill the best burgers and dogs to what type of covering makes the best protection from the rain – should serve participants well as they look ahead to another tailgating first this year: the inaugural HBU football tailgate in November.





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SCHOOLS OF THOUGHT

In an age marked by secularization and increasing doubts about the value of a college degree, HBU has reorganized its largest college, the College of Arts and Humanities, into three more focused schools to better serve students seeking "A Higher Education." The deans of the schools share what they are doing to help the next generation discover and define

THE GOOD,
TRUE AND
BEAUTIFUL.



to tempt each other with ethical and moral dilemmas and learn the skills necessary to resolve them.

In short, all of humanity becomes one giant case study for our students. We can ask all sorts of wonderful questions about what happens when people make bad decisions or when nations lose their moral compass. What is the purpose of life, and how do we live a good one? What does it mean to be a good person and do right? It is because these classes teach us so much about the human condition and mankind that they are referred to as the “humanities.”

The emphasis on the “human” is one of the great attractions of the humanities. The current generation of students, referred to as the “Millennials,” is more interested than previous generations in quality of life, family, faith, and making a positive contribution to the world. They want to live a “happy and balanced life” in addition to scoring a great job. The humanities help to ground our graduates by focusing on what’s really important in life. The ancient Greeks referred to these things as all that is “true, good and beautiful.” As Christians, we know these things to be faith in God, love of family, civic virtue, and balance in one’s life.

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Exposure to the humanities gives students both a great education and a transforming experience. Critical thinking skills are sharpened. Writing and speaking skills are enhanced. Students learn to articulate complex theories and ideas, debate them in class, and discuss them with classmates. Students learn how to confront, discuss and resolve difficult ethical, moral and social dilemmas. Many studies find that students majoring in the humanities make great employees because they are thinkers, communicators and decision-makers. Related studies also note that humanities majors who enter the business world command as much in compensation as do their counterparts with business degrees.

The most important aspect of the humanities is the profound impact it has on the way our students view the world. A college education shouldn’t be just about getting a great job. It should mold the character of students, helping them grow into good people and good citizens. The news is full of stories of men and women who have become wealthy through their careers but have failed in other important aspects in life – integrity, decency, responsibility. These are men and women with great “know-how” but little wisdom, moderation, courage or virtue.

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In the School of Humanities, our mission is to develop the “whole person” of our students. Our humanities faculty, all experts in their fields and dedicated to teaching excellence, want our students to succeed not just academically and in their careers, but also in life. We serve not only as professors, advisors and mentors, but as guardians as well. We understand that academic achievement and a successful career are important to our students. But we also know that there are more important things in life and consider our most successful students the ones who understand that real achievement is measured not by the size of your office or bank account, but by the content of your character, your faith in God, and the lasting impression you make on those around you.

THE GOOD

Dr. Chris Hammons
Dean, School of Humanities

Humanities classes – which cover subjects like history, government, classics, literature, rhetoric and languages – are not merely requirements for graduation. These subjects teach more than just dates, terminology and theory. They are designed to get students thinking about how we live our lives, the ethical and moral dilemmas we face, and the importance of good decision-making.

This approach is not unique to the humanities. Business students compare and contrast successful business practices with those of failed companies. Science students collect data in order to accept or reject various assumptions about the world around us. Law students study law to learn what is legally permitted and what is not. The Humanities are similarly concerned with leadership, truth and ethics.

For instance, the study of history allows us to examine why some leaders succeed while others fail. The study of government confronts us with fundamental questions about freedom, equality and order. Literature invites us to consider the human experience through stories and poetry, tragedies and comedies. The study of communications and sociology allows us, in a safe environment,

THE TRUE

Dr. Jeff Green
Dean, [School of Christian Thought](#)

In his article “The Christian University: Eleven Theses,” Richard John Neuhaus wrote that “While a Christian university is not a church, it is from the church and serves the church by enabling the church to serve the world more fully...A university that is not integral to the Christian mission will in time become alien to the Christian mission.” I’m thankful to be working at a university that takes seriously the Christian mission, and it is a privilege to serve my colleagues as they help students worship God with their minds and minister to our culture. As the dean of the School of Christian Thought, I’ve been inspired by the legacy of HBU’s School of Theology and its history of faithful service to the church. I’m excited about the addition of the apologetics and philosophy programs to our University and the strength they add to our study of theology. All three of our departments – the Department of Theology, the Department of Philosophy and the Department of Apologetics – are prepared to lead HBU in bringing Athens and Jerusalem together to train the next generation of Christian leaders.

[In a few short years, the Department of Philosophy has grown to become a center of academic work in these fields.](#)

In the Department of Theology, we continue to build on the foundation laid before us. Theology education is central to the curriculum at HBU, and every student completes courses covering the Old Testament, the New Testament, and Christian theology and traditions. These classes have been enriched by the addition of two new faculty members in theology, Dr. Mike Licona, who is nationally known for his defense



of the historicity of the resurrection of Christ, and Dr. Charles Halton, an ancient Near East and Old Testament scholar. In addition, we train future pastors and Bible scholars in our graduate programs in theology and biblical languages. In honor of one of HBU's founding faculty members, the department also serves HBU and the church by sponsoring the A.O. Collins lectures, which bring to campus internationally known scholars such as Dr. Larry Hurtado, who will visit HBU from the University of Edinburgh in April.

The study of theology at HBU is enriched by the growth of the philosophy program. The renaissance in Christian philosophy has provided an opportunity for HBU to hire top-notch philosophers in ancient philosophy, intelligent design and the philosophy of religion. In a few short years, the Department of Philosophy has grown to become a center of academic work in these fields. The department hosts an annual philosophy conference that brings in scholars from around America and the world. This spring we've announced the start of our Master of Arts in Philosophy program and have begun the process of planning and creating a Ph.D. in philosophy. This is an important development for HBU as it will be our first doctoral program, a key step to reaching the *Ten Pillars* goal of moving to the next level as an institution.

Christian universities must not leave graduate education and higher level scholarship to our secular counterparts. Rather, we must participate in the fullness of scholarly life by training Christian academics to go and minister in the world of ideas. With this in mind, philosophy is not the only program in the School of Christian Thought adding new degree programs. This spring also brought our first class of students to the Master of Arts in Apologetics. HBU is in a unique position with its program in cultural apologetics, which will have an interdisciplinary focus, combining the study of literature, art, philosophy and theology into one program.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- Master of Arts in Philosophy
- Master of Arts in Apologetics
- Ph.D. in Philosophy (coming soon)
- Francis Schaeffer Center for Worldview and Culture
- Annual philosophy conference

Our departments have been blessed by not only additional programs and faculty, but also by a number of partnerships. HBU trustee John Gibson and his wife Elizabeth have generously endowed a chair in apologetics. This will enable HBU to not only enhance our apologetics program in Houston, but also to begin setting up an apologetics center in Oxford, England. As part of our effort to celebrate our Texas Baptist ties, we partnered with the Baptist General Convention of Texas this year to host the unApologetic conference on HBU's campus in February. The conference attracted high school and college students from around

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Texas to hear Lee Strobel a former atheist who authored *The Case for Christ*, and several HBU faculty, including Mike Licon and Provost John Mark Reynolds. Finally, School of Christian Thought faculty member Nancy Pearcey will be teaming up with writer-editor J. Richard Pearcey to create the Francis Schaeffer Center for Worldview and Culture to promote foundational research and out-of-the-box creative thinking based on historic Christianity as a total way of life informed by verifiable truth concerning God, humanity and the cosmos.

It is an exciting time to be a part of HBU's School of Christian Thought. I invite you to take classes with us in one of our many outstanding degree programs, attend our conferences, and contact our faculty about ways they can work with you in service to God's kingdom. To learn more about how our students and faculty alike are growing intellectually and spiritually while seeking to glorify God in all things, visit our blog: christianthought.hbu.edu.



THE BEAUTIFUL

Dr. Matthew Boyleston
Dean, [School of Fine Arts](#)

In the *Kyrie* of Mozart's unfinished *Great Mass in C Minor*, the low voices in the dark tones plead "Kyrie Eleison" (Lord, have mercy), while a single angelic soprano floats down from above with the uplifting major chord, singing the words "Christe Eleison" (Christ, have mercy). In this moment, Mozart paints in music, more immediately and comprehensively than I have ever heard in words, the transcendent beauty of Christ's redeeming love for us. His love is given voice in the solo soprano who turns the minor keys of our sinful lives into the major key of God's grace. This is one of the powers of art: to embody spiritual truths and make them immediate in our lives.

The new School of Fine Arts is founded on the belief that our God is a creator, a great artist whose canvas is the entire universe. We who are made in His image worship God when we too become artists, creating our art from the substance of His master work, the world, and imitating its beauty. J. R. R. Tolkien defined the human act of creation as sub-creation, in which we create from that which God has already made in homage to it. God created *ex nihilo*, out of nothing. We create from what He first created. Art, when it is in harmony with the patterns of creation our God devised, allows us to see a real, if limited, vision of how the world could have looked unfallen and uncorrupted. Art raises us up to see our higher selves and the transcendent implications of being made in the image of God.

At HBU, we believe the arts are critical for a full experience of life, both in this world and the next. If properly following the guidance of sub-creation, the arts affirm the reality of the incarnation. When God entered His own creation and became man, He allowed for the material world, the world of the arts, to be sanctified. The material world could now serve as a vessel to host the spiritual and the holy. The arts became part of God's total plan of redemption.

This transcendent understanding of the role of the arts is a high calling. To honor the redemptive possibilities of art, the School of Fine Arts is creating avenues to enter the lives of our students, our faculty and our community. In the past year, our creative writing faculty has hosted our inaugural writer's conference and has published articles and poems in such places as *The Wall Street Journal*, *First Things*, *Permafrost* and *Blackwell's Companion to Creative Writing*. We continue to host the prestigious Danny Lee Lawrence Award in Creative Writing. In the spring, the Rex Fleming Players, our resident student theater troupe, will perform *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe* as a children's show for young students who will visit our campus.

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This winter, our Department of Music performed a stellar production of Handel's *Messiah*, with alumni returning to sing with Schola Canto-



PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- Cinema and New Media Arts major
- Master of Fine Arts
- Fine Arts Museum
- Contemporary Arts Gallery

rum, our elite campus choir. We have also relaunched our University Pep Band, which adds enthusiasm to men's basketball games.

This fall, we opened two state-of-the-art exhibition spaces in the University Academic Center. Our Fine Arts Museum presently displays six masterworks, such as *Saint John the Baptist in the Wilderness* by Anthony Van Dyck. Our Contemporary Art Gallery rotates exhibits of local, national and international artists. In addition, Master of Fine Arts students continue to win major awards and show their art in galleries throughout Texas. The paintings and sculptures of our art faculty may be seen all over the world, and we look forward to the works of Professor Michael Collins, our chair of the Department of Visual Arts, and Professor Hans Molzberger touring the major Holocaust museums in the U.S. and Europe.

Lastly, *The Collegian*, our campus newspaper, is enjoying revitalization, and we continue to embrace the possibilities provided by the world of new media. Toward this end, we anticipate the launch of our Cinema and New Media Arts program in the upcoming fall semester. This

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groundbreaking program will teach students how to use the resources of new media to make movies and television shows outside of the major Hollywood systems. The independent spirit of this program and the creative freedom it provides give HBU the opportunity to change the culture for Christ. Our faculty and students will create Christ-centered films that can be delivered to the world unencumbered by the secular industries that often dilute redemptive messages.

God has blessed the School of Fine Arts, and we strive to be a blessing to HBU, the larger community of Houston, the church and the world. The arts are our voice through which we give this blessing.



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Because my mom had such a great experience when she was a student here, I always knew that HBU was my first choice for college. I just wasn't sure how I was going to be able to afford it. Receiving the Alumni Endowed Scholarship was confirmation that the Lord's plans for me included HBU and He would continually provide. I am so grateful to the donors who support HBU with their generous financial gifts and help make it possible for students like me to receive an excellent education with a Christian foundation.



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When I began to survey my options for a college education, the primary goal was to avoid going into significant debt. I wanted to pursue Christ, but the cost of many private schools was financially intimidating. I thought I would have to settle for something less. But with God's blessing and divine providence, I have been able to pursue Christ with my mind and soul at HBU. I believe everyone who has given to support the scholarship programs that helped me get here will be divinely rewarded, because, thanks to your generosity, I am being trained to make a difference for the cause of Christ.

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Birds of Beauty

FAMOUS WILDLIFE PRINTS ADDED TO
UNIVERSITY'S GROWING ART COLLECTION

"For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made..." – Romans 1:20

The majesty of God's power and divine nature as expressed through creation are also clearly seen in a recent contribution to the growing art collection at HBU.

In December 2012, Gene and Joyce O'Neal, parents of Dr. Dawn Wilson, an associate professor in the School of Education and Behavioral Sciences, gave HBU more than 400 prints from John James Audubon's *Birds of America* watercolor series. The illustrations by one of the nation's most acclaimed naturalists display in vivid detail the beauty of more than 400 different species.

The O'Neals gifted their collection, one of just 750 copies printed by the New York Historical Society in 1966, for general aesthetic appreciation by HBU students and members of the local art community, as well as for education and research by scholars in the arts and sciences.

The Guild



John and Trudy Cathy White, speaker for The Guild Institute's fall lecture, with President Sloan and Guild President Debra Perich '99

DURING THE ANNUAL GUILD CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON featuring the Honorable Jennifer Walker Elrod on Dec. 7, 2012, Guild President Debra Perich presented President Sloan with a \$10,000 check for The Guild Institute in Christian Family Studies. The Guild also funds graduate scholarships in education and theology, and Mike Skinner '10, a Master of Arts in Theology student and current recipient of the Sharon Elaine Saunders Endowed Scholarship in Graduate Education, spoke at the Christmas Luncheon on the value of Christian higher education.

“ THE GUILD HAS MADE GIFTS TO HBU TOTALING MORE THAN \$1.4 MILLION TO HELP FUND PROJECTS—SUCH AS THE GUILD INSTITUTE—THAT ARE CENTRAL TO THE UNIVERSITY'S MISSION

The Guild has made gifts to HBU totaling more than \$1.4 million to help fund projects – such as the Guild Institute – that are central to the University's mission. In its continued ef-

forts to strengthen the Christian family by sponsoring projects involving teaching, research, publications and outreach, The Guild Institute hosted Trudy Cathy White, daughter of Jeanette and Truett Cathy, founder and CEO of Chick-fil-A, on the HBU campus in October 2012 for an evening lecture and a Convocation presentation in which she shared with students and friends of the University real life stories and lessons learned “Along the Way.”





Friendly Faces

PRESIDENT'S LEADERSHIP COUNCIL
GREETES NEW PROVOST, FOOTBALL COACH

Provost John Mark Reynolds shared a stirring vision for the future of Christian higher education at HBU with members of the President's Leadership Council at its bi-annual dinner in February. The President's Leadership Council, which was first convened as the President's Development Council in 1964, is composed of more than 150 friends of the University, including chairs Linda and Archie Dunham, who have agreed to help HBU reach its long-term goals by serving as spokespeople in their workplaces, churches and communities. At a previous event last spring, the President's Leadership Council also heard from Head Football Coach Vic Shealy and toured the then newly acquired Bradshaw Fitness Center.



AMERICAN MUSEUM SOCIETY

Michael Collins, artist-in-residence and chair of the Department of Visual Arts, drew back a black veil to give more than 140 members of the American Museum Society a sneak peek at a painting in progress at the conclusion of his presentation, "Addressing God's Light in Nature through the Creative Adventure," at the organization's annual Museum Day Luncheon, chaired by Pat Goettsche and held at the Junior League of Houston in February. Sixteen original works by students in the Master of Fine Arts program at HBU, many of whom were in attendance as guests, served as centerpieces on the



tables and were sold via silent auction organized by Laura Kreft, director of HBU's Fine Arts Museum, raising almost \$1,200.

Through funds raised at the Museum Day Luncheon and other special events, the AMS supports the Museum of American Architecture and Decorative Arts at HBU. In the fall, the AMS – through a collaborative effort of Sondra Ives, its first vice president, and Museum Arts of Dallas – gave the museum a new life form of a little girl to add to its display of a typical mid-to-late 18th century Texas bedroom.

Alumagrams

What's news with you?

60s

MARVIN JONES '67 retired from the Dallas County District Attorney's office and relocated to Winters, Texas, where he is a founder and president of the Winters Area Foundation; director of the North Runnels County Hospital District; a founder and director of the Z. I. Hale Museum; and a member of the board of directors and executive committee of the West Central Texas Council of Governments.

SANDRA EDWARDS GRAY '68 has been admitted to the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers, a national organization with approximately 1,600 members. She is an attorney with the Pyfer Partners law firm in Lancaster, Pa.

MONITA KAYE COOKE '69 retired in September 2012 as office manager for Dr. Gerard J. Ventura, medical oncologist, in Nacogdoches, Texas after 16 years.

70s

MIKE LAVERDE '70 is a lay pastor at St. Francis Anglican Church in El Paso, Texas.

MARK BUSBEE '72 owns Fiora Italy, which offers charm bracelets and accessories through its Web site, fioraitaly.com, and mall stores in Florida, Tennessee and Texas.

EDWARD FLORES '72 is a teacher with Pasadena ISD.

DONNAH MAU JONES '72 retired on Jan. 31, 2012, after 40 years of nursing, including 31 years at M. D. Anderson Cancer Center, where she was a senior research nurse.

VIVIAN SANDS '72 is a dyslexia therapist for Plano ISD.

DR. ELIZABETH BEESON '75 celebrated an opening reception for her latest book, *Highlights of our Historical Heritage*, in January. She plans to offer an educational program based on the book – which covers history, literature, theology, culture and the Bible from Biblical times to today – in the Spring Branch area of Houston this summer.

DR. RHONDA GOODMAN '75 was named an American Nurses Foundation Scholar. She is an assistant professor at Florida Atlantic University in Boca Raton, Fla.

DAVID BRUMBELOW '76 has authored his second book, *Ancient Wine and the Bible: The Case for Abstinence*. He also blogs at gulfcostpastor.blogspot.com.

EMORY GADD '77 was inducted into the Hall of Honor at Dobie High School in March for his service as a community volunteer. He is an associate pastor at Sagemont Church.

80s

LAURA CASTER WEISER '80 retired as judge for the Victoria County Court-at-Law No. 1 in February to become the judicial resource liaison for the Texas Center for the Judiciary, a continuing education organization that helps judges stay informed on the latest changes in the law and fulfill their mandated annual training.

DOUGLAS BLACKLOCK '83 is a security officer with Allied Barton Security working at Samsung Semiconductors in Austin.

STEVE PORTER MBA '83 was elected councilman for Sugar Land City Council District One in March. He retired as a global information technology project manager after working for ExxonMobil for 39 years.

JUANICE MELTON KOLBO '84 and husband Gerald are retired and own and manage multi-family apartment complexes in Houston and Katy.

RANDY SORRELS '84 helped fund the expansion of the Randall O. Sorrels Legal Clinics at South Texas College of Law, where he completed his law degree. He is a partner at Abraham, Watkins, Nichols, Sorrels, Agosto and Friend in Houston.

DAVID NORWOOD '85 is president of David Norwood Construction, LLC in Sugar Land.

GREG WISE '85 is the basketball coach at Yates High School, which beat Redemption High School in one of the first high school basketball games – part of a tripleheader planned to become an annual series – held at the Fonde Recreation Center in Houston's Third Ward since 2006.

KIMBERLY BAILEY DORSEY '86 is an RN at Memorial Hermann. Her son Jared is currently a sophomore at HBU.

SHINEE PHILIP BRAUER '87, MAP '90 is a licensed professional counselor and owner of Brauer Counseling in Sugar Land.

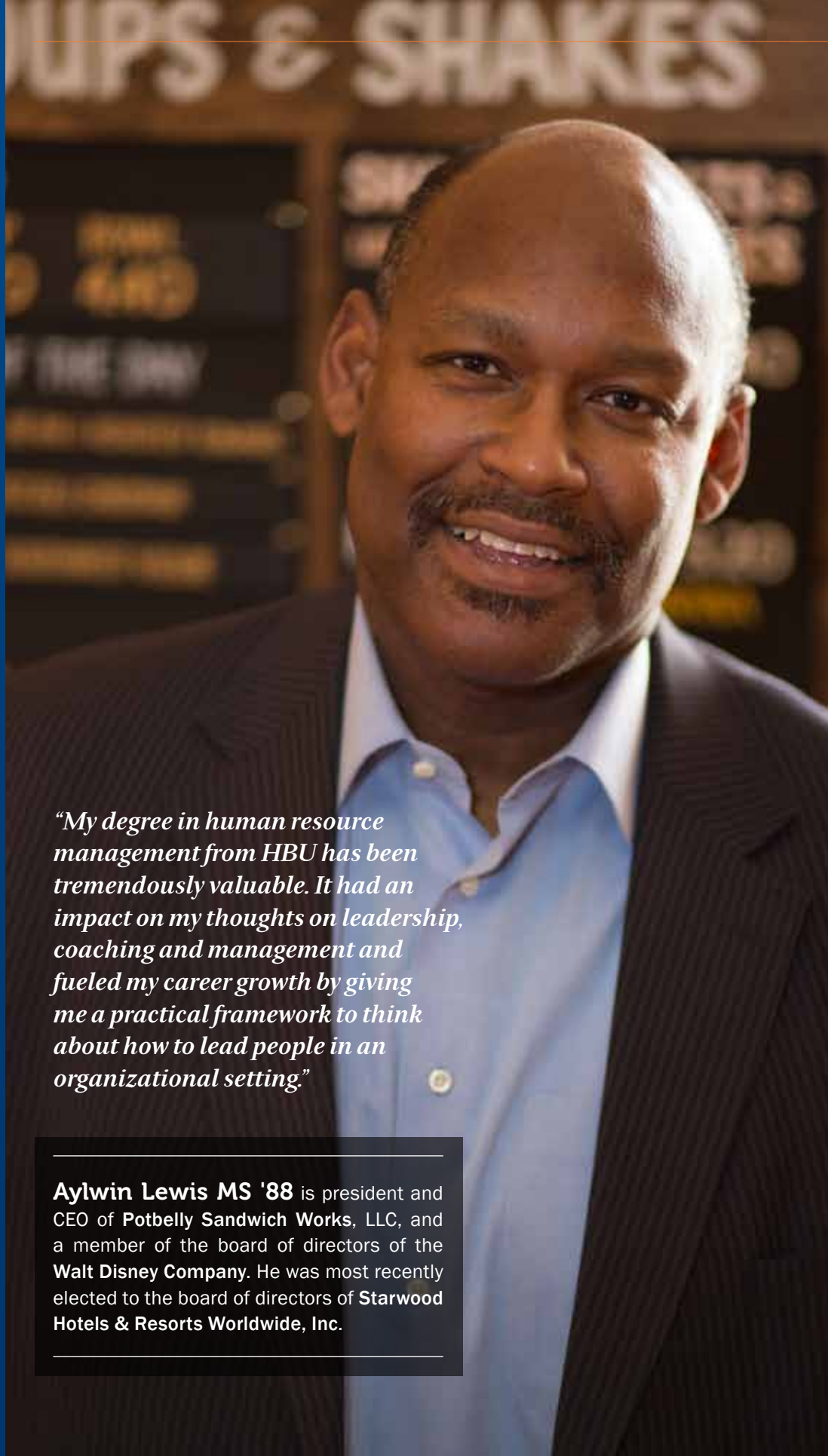
LISA DENTON DIXON '87 is director of industry relations and events for Cardon Outreach in The Woodlands.

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“My degree in human resource management from HBU has been tremendously valuable. It had an impact on my thoughts on leadership, coaching and management and fueled my career growth by giving me a practical framework to think about how to lead people in an organizational setting.”

Aylwin Lewis MS '88 is president and CEO of **Potbelly Sandwich Works, LLC**, and a member of the board of directors of the **Walt Disney Company**. He was most recently elected to the board of directors of **Starwood Hotels & Resorts Worldwide, Inc.**

STEPHEN MOORE '87 is a chief audit officer at Rockwater Energy Solutions.

KEVIN GRESHAM MBA '88 is president of the Wind Coalition, a non-profit association formed to encourage the development of wind energy resources in the south central U.S. He is vice president of external affairs for E.ON Climate & Renewables North America LLC, where he directs the company's governmental relations, federal and state regulatory activities, and public affairs across the U.S.

LAVENA HOYACK LINHART '89 is director of music and fine arts at Terrace United Methodist Church.

90s

MICHELLE ALEXANDER '90 is a program director for Star of Hope Mission.

JILL BULLARD ALMAGUER MBA '90 presented a session titled “Strategies for Successful Engineering Management” at the 2012 Society of Women Engineers Conference in Houston in November 2012. She is an adjunct faculty member at DeVry University and serves on the BioMedical Engineering Department industry advisory board at Texas A&M University.

JERRY PAGE '91 is the choir director at Robert E. Lee High School in Tyler, Texas.

BETH SLOT MARTINEZ '92 is chief human resources officer for Fort Bend ISD, where she has worked for 20 years.

TERRI MCPHERSON BURNS '93 is a corporate administrator with Taylor Interests in Houston.

LINDA FUQUA DONALD MAP '93 is the lower school learning coordinator and counselor for The John Cooper School in The Woodlands.

CHARLES REID '93 performed at The Carthage Music Club's 75th Anniversary Celebration at the Texas Country Music Hall of Fame in September 2012. He is in his first year as director of vocal studies at Andrews University, where he is also artist-in-residence and an associate professor.

CES GUERRA MBA '94 is a licensed Realtor® with MK Luxury Homes & Condos, where he specializes in sales and leases of properties in Tanglewood, Memorial and surrounding neighborhoods inside the Loop.

LAYLA PANJWANI '94, MAP '97 has been named a partner in the Houston office of FosterQuan, LLP, one of the nation's largest immigration law firms.

KADDIE MAHONEY PLATT '94, MED '01 is the head volleyball coach at the University of Houston, where she secured her 500th career victory in September 2012.

MARILYN JUNE SUGG '95 helped spearhead a tree-planting initiative that earned her company, Toshiba International Corp., a Mayor's Proud Partner Award for its beautification efforts in the Houston and Cy-Fair areas. She is an environmental and sustainability specialist.

TIMOTHY KELLY JR. '96 is a registered nurse for the Department of Veterans Affairs in Houston. His daughter, Jessica, is a sophomore at HBU.

SHAWN KRIGER MBA '96 is a local business unit manager at ABB, a multinational corporation operating in robotics and power and automation technology.

MAJ. WILLIAM JORDAN '97 commands the 274th Forward Surgical Team (Airborne) at Forward Operating Base Fenty in Jalalabad, Afghanistan, as part of his second deployment in two years. He graduated from UT-Houston Medical School in 2005 and completed his orthopedic surgical residency at William Beaumont Army Medical Center/Texas Tech Health Science Center in El Paso, Texas, in 2010.

KIRK PARRISH '97 is a partner in the San Jose, Calif., office of Ernst & Young LLP, where he provides audit services to global technology clients based in the Bay Area.

MARCUS MITCHELL '98 is a wholesale territory manager, for the New Jersey and Pennsylvania region, at Motiva.

SHAUNDRA WEBB '98 completed her Master of Science in Management/Leadership degree from Walden University in August 2012.

HIMESH GANDHI '99 delivered the keynote address at the University of Houston-Victoria fall

graduation ceremony in December 2012. He is a partner in the law firm Hrbacek & Gandhi, P.C. In May 2012, he became the youngest candidate in history to win an at-large seat on the Sugar Land City Council.

PAUL LYLE '99 is pastor of Summer Creek Baptist Church.

SUSAN SAURAGE-ALTENLOH '99 is president of the board of directors for the Qualitative Research Consultants Association, a global organization of qualitative researchers with more than 1,000 members.

2000s

MATHEW DOBSON '00 is a mobility applications consultant at AT&T.

CARL KRUSE MS '00 is director of the Center for Ports and Waterways at the Texas A&M Transportation Institute in Houston.

DONNA FERRAGUTO MORTON '00 is a project manager with Baylor College of Medicine.

SUSAN WILSON VORADAKIS MED '00 is the director of curriculum for Fort Bend ISD. She began her teaching career 25 years ago at Dulles High School and has been a member of the curriculum department for 13 years.

JENNIFER GREATHOUSE ZEBOLD MED '00 will be the inaugural principal at Lamar CISD's Judge James Aldolphus Elementary, scheduled to open in August 2013.

LESLIE ACKERMAN MED '01 is a center director for Huntington Learning Centers.

ROYCELYN BOLDON MBA '01 is a lawyer at the Boldon Law Firm, where her practice includes business, intellectual property, international law and estate planning.

JON LINEBERGER '01 authored a book, *What God Did with a Mess Like Me*, in which he shares his personal testimony.

TAMEKA ANDERSON '02, MED '07 is the coordinator of after school programs for Alief ISD. She is working on a doctorate in educational leadership.

VONNE-GRETCHIN JONES '02 is an obstetrician and gynecologist at Memorial Hermann Medical Group in Humble.

LEADERS OF THE PACK

Tim Thelen '84 won three European Senior titles and finished in the top four of the 2012 Senior Tour Order of Merit, earning a place in the 2013 U.S. Senior Open Championship to be held at the Omaha Country Club in July. He was the first American to claim three Senior Tour titles in one season since 2000.

Karen Schmitt Murphy '86 won her third Greater Houston Women's City Amateur Championship at the Memorial Park Golf Course in September 2012. She also clinched the title in 2008 and 2010.

David Lacey MED '98 received the Administrator of the Year award at the 2013 National Christian School Association conference in Oklahoma City in March.

Tara Wright Brown '02 was named Spotlight Teacher of the Year by Danish Elementary in Cy-Fair ISD at the 15th annual "Salute to the Stars" Gala, organized by the Cy-Fair Educational Foundation, in October 2012.

Beverly Newman MAP '04 owns Newman Clinical Associates/Sandlot Counseling Center, which earned runner-up honors as the nation's Top Playroom by the Association of Play Therapy. She has been treating children and adolescents for more than 20 years as a licensed professional counselor-supervisor, licensed specialist in school psychology and registered play therapist-supervisor.



CELEBRATIONS



Tony DiCamillo '95 and Alison Hammett DiCamillo '95, along with their daughter Shelby, have been gathering to celebrate Christmas with their fellow alumni and their families – Bobby Sanders '96, wife Nicole, and children Hank, Hadley and Jackson and Bridget Norsworthy Roth '97, husband Darrell, and children Caroline, Judd and Grace – for 17 years.

Lt. Col. Lourie Itliong Moore '87 and husband, Rick, celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary in June 2012. Rick marked the occasion by proposing to Lourie again during a family cruise to the Bahamas.

Dr. Nathan Rodgers '03, MSHA '05 and wife Melanie Stein Rodgers '04 celebrated their seventh wedding anniversary on June 25, 2012. Nathan accepted a fellowship position in pediatric cardiology at the University of Minnesota Amplatz Children's Hospital in Minneapolis.

Ariana Romero '04 married Luis Salazar in Galveston in April 2012. Several of her Alpha Chi Omega sisters were in the wedding party. She is a curriculum designer for Service Corporation International.

Jennifer Barton '07 married Michael Bird in January 2013. The couple lives in the U.K., where Jennifer is in her third year of the Ph.D. program in English at the University of York.

Lauren Joines '08 married Travis Hawes in Las Vegas on Aug. 4, 2012. She is coordinator of the Academy for Lifelong Learning at Victoria College and is working on a master's degree in rehabilitation counseling at Texas Tech University.

Katie Ferreri '10 married Travis See on Nov. 4, 2012. She is a broker/associate on the RE/MAX Top Realty "Sam Team," which is owned by her father Sam Ferreri '80, in Pearland.

Orianna Quijada Cuffaro '10 married Robert Reynolds in January 2013.

Jessica Williams '12 married Beau Harper on Nov. 17, 2012. She works in project controls at Mustang Engineering.

BILLY HARDEN MED '03 is the principal of Pflugerville ISD's Provan Opportunity Center, an alternative educational campus for at-risk students.

WAYNE MAYDWELL '03 is a senior paralegal in the downtown Houston office of the Intellectual Property Litigation Practice of Morgan Lewis & Bockius LLP.

JEREMY COVANES '04 works in sales at Infovine.

J.D. HUMBER II '04 is an art teacher at Liberty Middle School in Liberty ISD.

PAM ALLEN McLEAN MED '04 is the director of children's ministry at Faith United Methodist Church in Richmond, Texas.

KIMBERLY HATTON '05 recently graduated from New York University with a master's in global affairs and became the director of fundraising and partnerships at Global Forces.

KATHARINE ROSTEK PRESTRIDGE '05 is a teacher at Avoyelles Parish School Board in Louisiana.

SUSAN SIMPSON MED '05 is a principal with Miami-Dade schools. She is preparing to pursue

a Ph.D. in education leadership at Columbia University.

CRYSTAL STREETY '05 is a staff accountant at Rigaku Americas Corporation.

PRISCILLA OLIVEIRA BLOSSOM '06 is a senior credit analyst at Shell Energy North America (U.S.) L.P.

BYRON STEVENSON MATS '06 was elected first vice president of the Baptist General Convention of Texas at the annual meeting in Corpus Christi in October 2012.

10s

STEPHANIE TORRENO '06 received second place in the non-fiction category for her essay, "Too Young to Live at the Terrace," in the Pen 2 Paper creative writing competition sponsored by the Coalition of Texans with Disabilities.

RENITA WALKER '06 completed her coursework and is writing her dissertation for a Ph.D. in organizational psychology with a career counseling track. She is a supervisor and adult literacy class facilitator at a Houston non-profit.

AMANDA DAVIS '08 is the operations coordinator for Yes Prep Public Schools, where she manages logistics for teacher conferences and training and Talent Pipeline events. She is also a volunteer member of the 89.3 KSBJ/NGEN Radio Street Team.

RENEE MCGRUDER '08 is a Web site administrator for Lennar Corporation and manages the online content for the Houston division of Lennar.com and Villagebuilders.com.

CALEB BEAMES '09 is a sports reporter for KTRE Channel 9, the ABC affiliate for Lufkin and Nacogdoches.

THOMAS KINSEL '09 is an after school coordinator for Communities in Schools at Cedar Bayou Junior High School in Baytown.

LEAH DAVIS RANDALL '09 is a U.S. communications specialist for BP.

CATHARINA CHAPMAN MAP '10 is a licensed professional counselor with The Village High School.

GRACE COLLINS '10 is a teacher for Crosby ISD.

LISA LUND COVINGTON '10 is the associate director of admissions at Houston Christian High School. Her husband, **GRIFFIN COVINGTON '11**, is serving as youth minister at Memorial Drive Baptist Church.

FARA MOHAMMAD '10 is a marketing writer and producer in the Creative Services Department at CW39 KIAH-TV.

BEN SIEBEN '10 graduated with a master's degree in music from the University of Utah in 2012. He performed at the 2012 Spirit of Excellence Gala and is a staff choir accompanist at Texas A&M University.

CALISTA THOMPSON MBA '10 is an HR business partner at GulfMark Offshore, Inc.

DESMOND IKEGWUONU '11 premiered a new composition titled "N'ime Okwute," which means inside the stone, during "Set In Stone," a concert performed by the AURA Contemporary Ensemble at the University of Houston, where he is pursuing a master's degree, in February.

SARAH MYERS '11 is a scholarship student at the Longy School of Music in Cambridge, where she is pursuing a master's degree in piano performance.

DILLON SMITH '11 managed the Tim Garvey for Kansas 83rd House District Campaign.

ALBERTO CAREAGA '12 has been accepted to the MFA program at Texas Tech University, where he also will be a teaching assistant.

JEFFREY GUEDRY MED '12 is dean of students for the middle school at The Regis School of the Sacred Heart.

ANGELA NELSON '12 is a second grade teacher at Fairmont Elementary in Deer Park ISD.

LAUREN SCHOENEMANN '12 is a first year law student at College of William & Mary in Williamsburg, Va.

LISA RIVERA WHITING '12 is a youth ministry intern at Garden Oaks Baptist Church.



Bachelder



Vu



Bird



Grable



Cook



Getz

Kasi Williams Bachelder '04 and husband Chip are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Susanna Lisa, Feb. 15, 2012. She was welcomed by brother Sam and sister Sara. Kasi and Chip do high school ministry with Cru in northwest Houston.

Tram Truong '04 and husband **Quynh Vu MBA '04** are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Emily Tram Anh, April 26, 2012. She was welcomed by older sister Madelyn. Tram is an instructional designer for National Oilwell Varco.

Graham Bird MBA '12 and wife Shelly are proud to announce the birth of their son, Christopher Isaac, in May 2012. He was welcomed by brother Grant and grandmother **Donnah Mau Jones '72**.

Jessica Montgomery Grable MACct '08 and husband Micah are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Kinzey Renee, June 22, 2012. She was welcomed by older sister Dakota, with whom she shares a birthday.

Megan Sheler Cook '06 and husband **Chris Cook '02** are proud to announce the birth of their son, Ryder Ray, July 31, 2012.

Dr. Evan Getz, assistant professor in literature, and wife Bethany are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Catherine Louise, Aug. 15, 2012. She was welcomed by older sisters Clara and Jane.





RIPPLING OUTWARD:

The Good that You Do Goes
Farther than You Know

*In Memory of Dr. Wayne Young
by Doni Wilson*

I recently went with my son, Christopher, to a funeral to honor someone who had been friends with my father for almost 40 years. This was the kind of friendship we all hope to have: one that lasts.

I had heard the name “Wayne Young” on and off all of my life. This was a man who had met my dad through the Air Force, had degrees in engineering from Texas A&M and Ohio State, worked at NASA from 1962 to 1995, was selected to attend Stanford University’s Sloan Executive Development Program, and earned a doctorate in public administration from the University of Colorado. I know of few people who have excelled so much in so many areas. But when you met Wayne, he was so unassuming, so interested in what you were doing, that unless you knew him better, you might not realize all of these accomplishments. He was that modest. But that was just the tip of the iceberg, because he also served his community and church and was a member of the Board of Trustees of HBU for many years, all while remaining devoted to his wife, Pat, his three sons and their wives, and his seven grandchildren.

In an age of “The Busier Than Thou,” Wayne always had time to ask people what was going on in their lives. Whenever he met with my dad, he always asked how I was doing, always had time to talk to Christopher if he saw him on campus at HBU, speaking with him in a way that made my son feel like he was part of the conversation. Long after he had finished his term on the Board of Trustees at HBU, he was still interested in how people were doing. He cared.

This was the first funeral that Christopher, who is 11, has attended. I have been protecting him from death, leaving him at home for funerals, but he had met Dr. Young several times, and I wanted to be there. I am so glad that Christopher came, because even though he was sad during the service, he was so moved by the words said about Wayne, he kept saying, “I hope I can be that kind of person.” Even in his most tangential relationships, Wayne’s presence had a profound and positive impact. Christopher may have only had a few conversations with him, but he will remember the example Wayne set, and the funeral that celebrated his life, *forever*.

Wayne’s goodness, of which there was so much, like all goodness, always goes farther than we know. It may have no end. Just listening to all that Wayne had done for others made you want to be a better person. Even at his own funeral, Wayne was helping others just by the example of his entire life. Yes, we were sad, but we also felt happy for having known such a good person who had helped so many people, and had accomplished so much. It was inspiring. The good that he did goes farther than any of us know, and I think everyone at that funeral left thinking that they too would start again the next day striving to be better than they were before. We can thank Wayne for once again helping us to be better people; he will be missed.

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Adapted from a post by Dr. Doni Wilson, associate professor in English. To read the entire post, visit Reflection and Choice, a blog sponsored by the Texas Lambda Chapter of the Alpha Chi National Honor Society at HBU, at reflectionandchoice.org.

In Memoriam

Trustees

Whitson Etheridge passed away Dec. 26, 2012. He was a member of the Board of Trustees from 1984 to



ETHERIDGE

1993, including service as chairman of the real estate committee.

"Whitson was a man of great service and much joy. I never saw him downcast or defeated. His work for the Board was tireless, perhaps as a result of his daily climb up the steep steps to his office

on the courthouse square in Conroe." – Dr. Don Looser, vice president emeritus

Dr. Wayne Young passed away Jan. 25, 2013. He was a member of the Board of Trustees from 1993 to 2002, including service as chairman of the academic committee.

"Wayne was a gentleman. He had an understanding of the true workings of a university like few trustees in HBU history, and he engaged more deeply in serving the needs of the academic program like few I have ever known. He was informed, exacting and affirming. Our working relationship was a highlight of my career." – Dr. Don Looser, vice president emeritus

Faculty/Staff

Mary Jo Entwistle passed away Feb. 20, 2013. She was a member of the staff that created Smith College as a student advising, retention and academic management structure and later served in the Registrar's Office.

"Mary Jo was a lovely, sweet-spirited, radiant Christian woman who deeply loved students and the University family. It was my good fortune to serve with her in the office of the dean of Smith College. Her many contributions to the University are memorialized in the lives of the students she served so happily." – Dr. Don Looser, vice president emeritus

John Hendrickson passed away Sept. 23, 2012. He was a member of the music faculty from 1992 to 2006 and the father of **Celeste Hendrickson '10**.



HENDRICKSON

"I was proud and honored to have known this special artist-teacher. John was a dedicated professor greatly loved by his students. He loved the performing stage, where he played with a flourish and confidence as a pianist that many artists desire, but few achieve. HBU was so fortunate to

have had him for the time he spent with us. He was a gift to us all." – Dr. Robert Linder, retired dean, College of Fine Arts, 1969-1994

Barbara Smith passed away Sept. 3, 2012. She worked for Dr. Carter Franklin, founder of the University's Master of Business Administration program, prior to his retirement in 2001. All three of her daughters - **Julia Smith Janz '78**; **Janet Smith DeMerchant '79, MBA '84**; and **Marilyn Smith Mokracek '84** - attended HBU.

"Alumni of the MBA program will remember Barbara fondly. Her positive attitude and willingness to go that 'extra mile' smoothed the path through a tough curriculum for many a student. Faculty remember her as the person who took care of those myriad details that enable outstanding performance. She was an instrumental contributor to the success of the program." – Dr. Carter Franklin, retired founder, MBA program

Students & Alumni

Carolyn Beatty MEd '81 passed away July 2, 2012. Carolyn taught seventh grade English for 32 years at Johnston Middle School in Houston ISD, where she was named a Teacher of the Year.

Gayle Williams Chappell '79 passed away Jan. 5, 2013. She performed in numerous local theater productions and worked at the Museum of Fine Arts before moving to Michigan in the 1990s.

Taylor Collins passed away Sept. 7, 2012. He was a member of the Husky baseball team, and his family has established a writing scholarship in his memory.



COLLINS

"Taylor was very passionate about the game of baseball and established some great friendships while a part of our baseball family. Although he was only with us a short time, he will forever be etched in the history of HBU baseball." – Jared Moon '96, MEd '01, head coach, baseball

Dan Grieco MLA '06 passed away Oct. 20, 2012.

Jane Holloway '69 passed away Jan. 19, 2013. She earned a degree in physical education and worked as a teacher and coach for the Madera Unified School District in California for 20 years.

Jean Alden Nolan MAP '88 passed away Nov. 5, 2012. She worked as a nurse, including at Memorial Hermann Southwest Hospital adjacent to the HBU campus, until the age of 85.

Brett Noonan passed away Jan. 8, 2013. He was pursuing a business degree at HBU.

Mike Perricone '72 passed away Feb. 7, 2013. Music and the clarinet were his passion, and he returned to campus frequently to play in the pep and alumni bands.

Patti Riek '93 passed away Sept. 30, 2012. She served the Houston community as a nurse for 19 years.

Kathryn Pooser Ross '74 passed away Dec. 9, 2012. She twice campaigned for a seat on Houston City Council and later opened The Drawing Room, an art gallery where she was a benefactor for many new artists.

Tamra Hogg Schoen '84 passed away Sept. 14, 2012. She taught high school mathematics for 26 years. She was the wife of **David Schoen '86**.

Andre White '97 passed away Sept. 20, 2012. He was a member of the first two Husky basketball teams to return to the court under Head Coach Ron Cottrell from 1991-93.

“Dre was a man of high character who loved the Lord, and those of us who were blessed to be in his life. He was truly loved and will be missed by us all – family, friends, coaches and teammates. We know that he fought the good fight – in life, and in his long battle with cancer – and is now resting peacefully in the arms of our Lord.” – Ron Cottrell, head coach, men’s basketball

University Friends

Jack Barnes passed away Jan. 11, 2013. He was the father of Jody Wilding, who works in financial operations at HBU.

William Beard passed away Oct. 31, 2012. His wife Betty is a past president and lifetime member of The Guild.

“Christian behavior was routine for Bill. He loved and honored his family, faithfully served his church and demonstrated strong professional ethics. Bill’s friendships were many, and all relationships were fortified by strong wit, quiet demeanor and a gentle nature.” – Allene Lucas, former president of The Guild, 2005-2006

Linda Henniger Langham Cole passed away Dec. 18, 2012. She was the wife of Col. Newton Cole, who has attended the University’s Presidential Luncheon series and serves on the Dean’s Development Council for the School of Christian Thought.

Elsie Fariss passed away Feb. 5, 2013. She was formerly a member of The Guild and the American Museum Society at HBU.

Duane Geis passed away Feb. 14, 2013. He was a member of the President’s Leadership Council, and he and his wife Lois funded the Duane V. Geis and Lois Geis Endowed Scholarship at HBU in 2011.

Glenda Hewitt passed away Jan. 2, 2013. She was the mother of Anthony Martin, director of the HBU Bookstore.

Hurleigh Pence passed away Aug. 18, 2012. He was the father of **Valerie Pence Toney '81** and **Kevin Pence '85**; the father-in-law of **Amy Beaman Pence '85**; and the grandfather of **David Toney '11**.

Wesley Pickett passed away in September 2012. He was the father of **Steve Pickett '80** and husband of Carol, who worked in the Registrar’s Office from 1981 to 1996.



Artwork by Rubin Samelson, on display at HBU until end of March

Rubin Samelson passed away Jan. 15, 2013. The Polish-born concentration camp survivor was best known for his work with stained glass, including glass butterflies dedicated to the memory of the children who perished during the Holocaust. A traveling exhibition of his work – a collaboration with HBU art instructor Hans Molzberger – is on display on the HBU campus through the end of March 2013.

“Since my arrival in Houston in 2008, Rubin and his family became my very close friends. I admired his positive attitudes, especially after I discovered the terrible experiences he went through in the concentration camps. It was a great honor for me to collaborate with him on our many projects and to witness him sharing his enthusiasm with our

students. I will miss him as a friend, but he will not be forgotten.” – Hans Molzberger, instructor in art

Henry Speich Jr. passed away Feb. 16, 2013. He was the father of Dr. Rhonda Furr, professor in music.

Wilma Vickers passed away Feb. 26, 2013. She was formerly a member of The Guild and the American Museum Society at HBU.

Gilbert Wallis passed away Feb. 6, 2013. He and his wife Nell established the Gil and Nell Wallis Endowed Scholarship at HBU in memory of their daughter Laura Wallis Ferguson. Their daughter **Sharon Wallis Chapin '78** received a nursing degree from HBU.

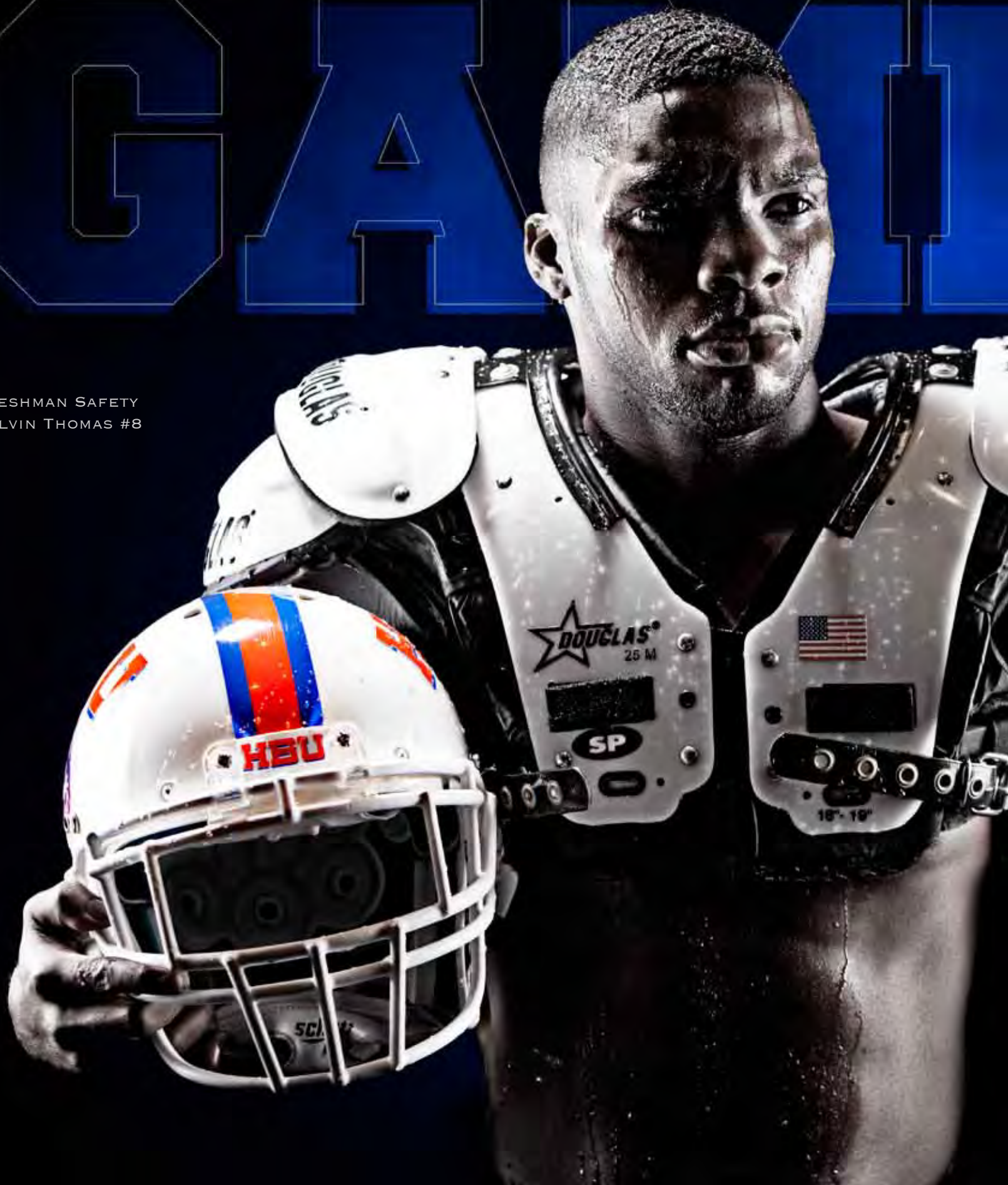
David Wilson Sr. passed away Sept. 6, 2012. He received the Distinguished Flying Cross for his service in World War II and retired as a lieutenant colonel with 24 years of military service. He was the father of **David Wilson Jr. '67**.

“Dave was a true southern gentleman. He never met a stranger. He was loved by all who knew him, especially those closest to him and Aurelia in the Disciples/Ticket to Heaven Bible study class I helped teach at Second Baptist.” – Diane Williams '93, former chair of the Board of Trustees, 2005

George Zapalac passed away Dec. 28, 2012. His wife Ellouise managed the bookstore at HBU for 27 years until her retirement in 1994.

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COLLEGE PREPARATORY

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