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*Stories of servant leader alumni
living out SBU's mission from Missouri to Nairobi*



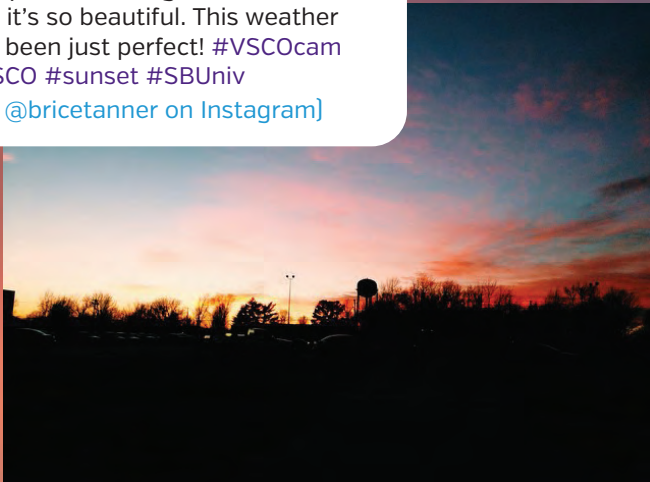
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Read what students are sharing about SBU.



Everyone's starting to come back and it's so beautiful. This weather has been just perfect! #VSCOcam #VSCO #sunset #SBUUniv [via @bricetanner on Instagram]



I completely fell in love with SBU. I can't wait to move down there in the fall! #SBUUniv @SBUUniv @TheNameIsMissyy

So excited for those leaving for missions trips! Africa, Peru, Middle East, Texas, Philippines, Guatemala, and more! #sbuniv @ae_phil

The professors are serving us free breakfast in the cafeteria. This is why I love this school. #SBUUniv @edenlily95

Loved being able to approach the throne with my fellow classmates and cover each other in prayer as we ready ourselves for missions! #sbuniv @G2THEMAX13



#FlatBearcat

Thanks for the culturally appropriate Flat Bearcat @juliemcgloughlin. Reppin @sbuniv all the way in West Africa! #flatbearcat #sbu [via @kim_hultgren on Instagram]

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And be sure to use **#SBUUniv** when you post about SBU on social media and you may see your post featured on "The Hub" as well!



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Business College named for Robert W. Plaster

Plaster Foundation donates toward business building renovation and expansion

Southwest Baptist University honors the legacy of businessman Robert W. Plaster with the naming of the Robert W. Plaster College of Business and Computer Science.

A seven-figure gift from the Robert W. Plaster Foundation in Lebanon, Mo., will help fund renovation and expansion of the Gene Taylor National Free Enterprise Center, which houses offices and classrooms primarily for the College of Business and Computer Science.

“It is a great honor to name our outstanding College of Business and Computer Science after an outstanding businessman who was passionate about free enterprise,” said C. Pat Taylor, Ed.D., SBU president. “The building renovation and expansion will enhance the college experience for our accounting, business administration and computer science students. We are so grateful for the generosity of the Plaster Foundation to SBU throughout the past few decades.”

ABOUT ROBERT W. PLASTER

Plaster was a successful businessman who also was a co-founder and active supporter of Enactus (formerly Students in Free Enterprise), which started on the SBU campus before moving to headquarters in Springfield. SBU awarded

him an honorary doctorate of business administration in November 1982.

The Plaster Foundation was formed in 1983 to help students by funding projects for colleges and universities. At SBU, the foundation has made significant contributions toward the construction of:

- Robert W. Plaster Stadium, original construction as well as the recent installation of artificial turf on the football field;
- Robert W. Plaster Athletic Center;
- Plaster Lodge, a women’s dormitory; and
- Jean Plaster (wife of Robert W. Plaster) Conference Room in the University Success Center.

“Southwest Baptist University is a wonderful institution that Dad supported for many years,” said Dr. Dolly Plaster Clement, daughter of Robert W. Plaster. “I know he would be very proud to help the students at SBU in their efforts to learn about our free enterprise system and how to achieve their goals within that system. We are excited to see the renovation and expansion of the Gene Taylor National Free Enterprise Center and the benefits it will bring to the students at SBU.”

ABOUT THE COLLEGE OF BUSINESS AND COMPUTER SCIENCE

SBU’s College of Business and Computer Science is accredited by the Association of Collegiate Business Schools and Programs and offers 12 undergraduate degrees in accounting, business administration and computer science. The computer science program is accredited through ABET’s Computer Accrediting Commission, making it the only accredited program at an evangelical institution within a 500-mile radius and one of just six accredited Christian programs nationally.

The Taylor Center was completed in 1981 and named in honor of former Missouri Congressman Gene Taylor, a good friend of Plaster. The renovation and expansion project is part of a more comprehensive campaign to be announced later that will include fundraising for endowment and capital projects.

For information regarding SBU giving opportunities, information about endowment, estate planning or capital projects, contact Dr. Brad Johnson, vice president of university relations, at (417) 328-1805 or bjohnson@SBUUniv.edu.

Brewer retires

Richard Brewer, Psy.D., was recognized for his retirement after 32 ½ years of teaching at SBU. He joined the faculty in 1982 as an instructor and was promoted to assistant professor in 1987, associate professor in 1992 and professor in 1998. He also served as the chair for the

Department of Behavioral Sciences from 1994 to 1998.

To read a feature story about Brewer that was published in the Bolivar Herald-Free Press, go to <http://bit.ly/1KdwBXx>.



President C. Pat Taylor, left, and Richard Brewer

SBU wins the inaugural CatFight Giving Challenge

Alumni and supporters of Drury and Southwest Baptist universities raised a combined total of \$21,536 during the inaugural Highway 13 CatFight Giving Challenge. SBU came out on top in the friendly competition, raising \$13,161 to Drury's \$8,375.

The fundraising event was a new addition in 2014 to the longstanding on-court rivalry between the Panther and Bearcat basketball teams. The schools sought to raise \$13,000 each over the course of six days. The final push for donations took place during the Nov. 18 CatFight doubleheader at Drury's O'Reilly Family Event Center.

"It was refreshing to see students, alumni and friends of Southwest

Baptist University get excited about giving generously," said Megan Hibma, assistant director of annual fund at SBU. "Our Bearcats joined together to give back and collectively make a huge impact in the lives of our students. Together we reached and surpassed our goal of \$13,000. On behalf of SBU and our students, we're thankful that Bearcats give back."

Money raised by SBU benefits the university's annual scholarship fund. For more information about SBU's annual scholarship fund, contact Hibma at (417) 328-1801 or mhibma@SBUuniv.edu.



CAT FIGHT GIVING CHALLENGE

Faculty and Staff Life Beautiful Awards

Juanita Boro, housekeeper in the Wellness Center, and Ronda Credille, professor of business administration and chair of the Department of Business Administration, received the Staff and Faculty Life Beautiful Awards during the annual Employee Christmas Banquet in December.

Juanita Boro

"Her co-workers shared that she is always kind, helpful and consistently has a great attitude," said Dr. Bill Brown, provost, when presenting the award. "She genuinely cares for people and is a good friend. She never complains and constantly shows Christ-like behavior in the way she performs her job as housekeeper in the Wellness Center." Read more about Juanita in the "5 Questions" feature on Page 4.

Ronda Credille

"In and out of the classroom she exemplifies Christ and the fruit of the spirit," Brown said. "She is intentional in integrating faith in the courses she teaches and serves as a Christian role model for many women aspiring to serve Christ through business."

Ronda is recovering from an Oct. 6 bicycle accident in which she sustained multiple neck fractures, broken teeth and face lacerations. One of her vertebrae also pinched her spinal cord, and she was diagnosed with Central Cord Syndrome. She continues to make tremendous progress with rehabilitation at Craig Hospital near Denver, Colo. Please join the "Pray for Ronda Credille" Facebook group, where updates about her progress are posted regularly.



Juanita Boro presented with the Staff Life Beautiful Award



John Credille accepting the Faculty Life Beautiful Award on behalf of his wife, Dr. Ronda Credille

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Questions *with* **Juanita Boro**



In each issue of SBULife magazine, we interview one of our staff members so you can meet the people who help make SBU a Christ-centered, caring academic community.

Housekeeper Juanita Boro helps maintain the cleanliness and functionality of SBU's Jane and Ken Meyer Wellness and Sports Center. Last December, Boro received the SBU Life Beautiful Award, an honor given annually to employees – one faculty member and one staff member – who exemplify a “life beautiful.” Boro and Randall, her husband of 28 years, live in Buffalo and are the parents of three children: SBU alumni Kayla and Caleb and future Bearcat Krista, a high school senior.

When did you first start working at SBU?

2004.

What is a typical day for you at SBU?

The [days] are busy, but it's a good busy. We start at 3 a.m. The building opens at 6 a.m., so we hurry and get everything done in the locker rooms — we go through and pick up what we can, and by 6 a.m., a lot of people start coming in. Then, we hit the classrooms. Then I go upstairs — I have the coaches' and teachers' [offices], so I go through there and clean.

What motivates you during your workday?

It's the people. You can call on anybody at anytime. I've been here 10 years, and you laugh with them, you cry with them, you work hard with them. And the students, not just the faculty and the staff, are the same way. We have some great students—they are fun, loving, honoring and polite.

How did you feel when you found out that you won the staff Life Beautiful Award?

It was awesome! I had no idea until that night at the ceremony when they started talking about it. All I could really do was sit there and cry. I was speechless! It was an honor.

What would you say to someone interested in joining the SBU family as a student, employee or supporter?

[SBU] is one of the best places to be. There are not very many places where you can go and pray, or have somebody pray for you. It's so nice to be here and know that you are accepted when you talk about God. It's an awesome place to be, whether you are a student or a worker.



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Featuring:

A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT

SBU FACTS AND FIGURES

HONOR ROLL OF DONORS

STORIES OF ALUMNI WHO ARE LIVING OUT THE UNIVERSITY'S MISSION
OF PREPARING STUDENTS TO BE SERVANT LEADERS IN A GLOBAL SOCIETY



DEAR ALUMNI, FRIENDS AND DONORS,



Looking back at 2014, I am thankful for the Lord's great provisions for Southwest Baptist University, and I am thankful for each of you who have supported SBU through prayer and the giving of your time, talents and financial resources.

Here are some highlights from 2014:

- More than 300 students participated in 26 mission projects organized by SBU's Center for Global Connections. The number of participants has more than doubled during the past 10 years, as we promote spiritual growth, ministry skills, and character development.
- Multiple programs within the University received new or continued accreditation by accrediting bodies within their academic disciplines, including initial accreditation from the Council in Social Work Education for the baccalaureate social work program and accreditation from ABET's Computer Accrediting Commission for the Department of Computer and Information Sciences.
- Our graduate education program started offering our first fully online degree program in the spring, after the Higher Learning Commission granted permission for SBU to offer any degree program online.
- Our Springfield campus, the Mercy College of Nursing and Health Sciences of SBU, experienced record enrollment this fall with 730 students enrolled. Health care is a growing profession, and we are looking at ways to expand our nursing and health sciences programs to serve more students, both in traditional and non-traditional settings.
- Our freshman class on the Bolivar campus grew by 27 students this fall. On our campuses in Salem and Mountain View, we continue to provide programs that primarily serve non-traditional students.

SBU also had a good year for fundraising. Construction was completed during the fall on the expanded fence at the campus perimeter along Springfield Avenue and a small portion of Aldrich Road.

Also, during the fall semester, we announced the naming of the Robert W. Plaster College of Business and Computer Science. A very generous seven-figure donation from the Plaster Foundation will kick-off a campaign to raise funds to rebuild and expand the Gene Taylor Free Enterprise Center that houses the Robert W. Plaster College of Business and Computer Science.

I thank each of you for your continued support for SBU as we prepare students to be servant leaders in a global society.

C. Pat Taylor

C. Pat Taylor
SBU President



3,696

Total Students

744

Graduate Students



3.51

Average GPA
for Incoming Freshmen



23.4

Average ACT for Incoming Freshmen



2,363

Female Students



1,333

Male Students

193

Total Staff (Full Time)

145

Total Faculty (Full Time)



15:1

Student-to-Faculty Ratio



67%

Percentage of Full-Time Bolivar Campus
Teaching Faculty with a Doctorate or other
Terminal Degree



\$20,000

Tuition (Undergraduate)

BUDGET FIGURES

Revenue Budget

	2014-15 Final Budget	
Tuition & Fees	\$44,004,092	81%
Missouri Baptist Convention	\$1,200,000	2.21%
Other Undesignated Gifting	\$600,000	1.10%
Investment Earnings	\$268,800	0.49%
Financial Aid Revenue	\$1,054,811	1.94%
Miscellaneous Revenue	\$448,720	0.83%
Auxiliary Enterprise Revenue	\$6,753,577	12.43%
TOTAL	\$54,330,000	100.00%

Expense Summary

Educational and General		
Total Instructional and Departmental	\$14,595,151	26.86%
Organized Activities	\$3,132,582	5.77%
Total Library	\$1,264,808	2.33%
Total Student Services	\$2,936,574	5.41%
Total Operation/Maintenance of Plant	\$3,485,822	6.42%
Total Administration	\$1,832,804	3.37%
Staff Benefits	\$1,397,811	2.57%
Total General Institutional	\$2,825,222	5.20%
Total Student Aid	\$17,227,969	31.71%
Debt Retirement	\$1,863,394	3.43%
Total Educational and General	\$50,562,137	93.06%
Total Auxiliary Enterprises	\$3,767,863	6.94%
TOTAL EXPENSE BUDGET	\$54,330,000	100.00%



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\$50,000 and Above

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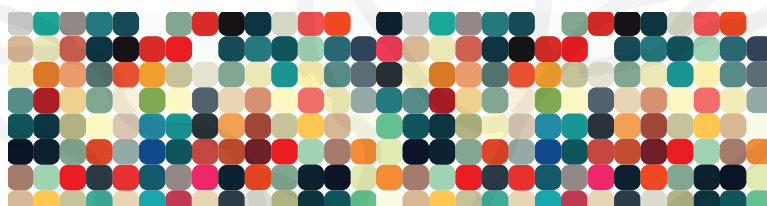
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A Heart for Missions in Africa

Jason '95, '97
 and Dorothea '97
 [McGlaughlin] Lee

Jason: B.S. in History and Political Science, M.S. in Education

Dorothea: B.M. in Church Music

By Charlotte Highsmith Marsch '97

With hearts for ministry and a call to international missions, Jason and Dorothea Lee's ministry has taken hold in Africa. Currently in Kenya, where they have been since 2012, the Lees previously served in Senegal, West Africa.

Jason and Dorothea met at SBU, and after they both graduated in 1997, they headed to Fort Worth, Texas, where Jason taught and coached in area school districts while Dorothea completed a master of music degree at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. They served in ministry positions — Jason as youth minister and Dorothea as minister of music — at First Baptist Church, Highlands, Texas, before moving overseas, where they are fulfilling God's call on their lives and raising their three children: Janet, 16; Jacqueline, 15; and Jacob, 10.

As an ethnomusicologist, Dorothea studies the music of African culture.

"Using music as a strategy for church planting, I help Africans determine what music can be redeemed from the culture and used in the church for worship, discipleship and evangelism," Dorothea said. "I do this by hosting songwriting workshops. National musicians study certain scripture passages and then create new songs based on their own rhythms, melodies, dances that are based on that scripture."

Jason is teaching in Nairobi at Rosslyn Academy, a Christian international school with students from more than 60 countries. Though

it was originally started as a school for missionary kids, it now hosts students from all over the world from nearly every religious background.

"It is an exciting ministry opportunity for teachers who wish to freely incorporate their faith in Christ with students who may very well only hear the Gospel while living in Kenya," Dorothea said.

International mission trips and revival teams had the greatest impact on her life, Dorothea said, teaching her about the sacrifice of time and finances for serving the Lord. God began opening her heart to missions after a trip to China with the SBU Chorale in 1994.

"It was during a Chorale tour that God called me to international missions," she said. "Surrounded by students who were following Christ and professors who both taught and lived out the lordship of Christ, SBU was the ideal place for me to begin to take hold of my own faith. I look at what many of my college mates are doing now and see that SBU was foundational — even essential — in laying the groundwork for those basic habits of discipline and service to Christ."

Jason said he learned servant leadership through service and leadership opportunities such as serving in Student Government Association, leading a Bible study and being a resident assistant in a residence hall.

"All of those opportunities helped me develop a servant heart and a desire to live out a lifestyle that honors God," he said. "SBU is full of people who live a servant lifestyle as an example for students to follow."

The opportunity that changed his life forever, though, was international trips.

"Growing up in a small Texas town, my worldview was limited and definitely didn't include a heart for the nations," he said. "SBU University Missions was the catalyst that allowed me to dream what God could do if I allow him to lead me."



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Ina York '82

B.S. Elementary Education

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By Stephanie Benoit

When Ina York, 55, describes her role at The Cercadillo Project, the ministry she founded in the Dominican Republic in 2007, she hesitates to call herself its director or administrator.

"I guess I do a little bit of everything," Ina said. "I'm here to serve these people, whether that means planning or picking up trash. I think leading just happens to be how God's using me now."

The path that brought Ina to the Dominican Republic included two years at Hannibal-LaGrange University, followed by two at Southwest Baptist University, where she studied education. Afterward, she taught in a variety of settings, including at a South Korean school for missionaries' children, and shortly thereafter earned a master's in education at University of Iowa.

Ina taught for several more years, and at the close of each one felt a tug on her heart to embrace full-time missions. "I would think, 'Should I renew my contract, or is this the year that I go somewhere and do missions,'" Ina said.

"I felt very torn between the two worlds."

It was around this time that a mission trip led by a friend first brought Ina to the Dominican Republic. "I was overwhelmed by the poverty, [but] also the opportunities to do ministry," Ina explained. "There seemed to be a real hunger."

Not long after, Ina was called to the town of Cercadillo, where she began a ministry offering everything from Bible studies to health programs to educational activities emphasizing literacy and assisting nearby schools. "[We] help people learn to read so they can read the Bible as much as possible," Ina said. "We do a lot to encourage education and support the local public school."

Ina was equipped well for the work by SBU's education department and its instructors like Dr. Twila Smith. "I remember her saying, 'We're not teachers who happen to be Christians; we're Christians who happen to be teachers,'" Ina said. "So wherever we are, whatever we're doing, we have opportunities to influence those around us."

In the coming years, Ina hopes to continue caring for Cercadillo, a community that God prepared her long in advance to serve. "God gave me the vision for this ministry," she said. "I believe I was born for this time, this place and this village."



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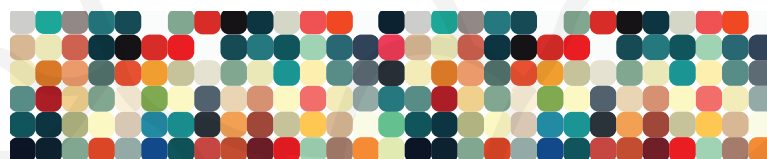
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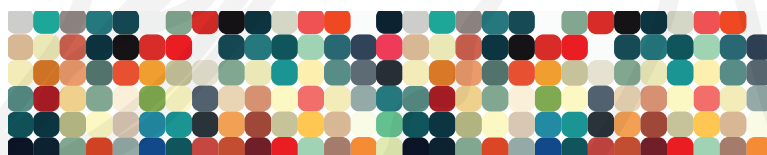
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A 'God-Sized' Story

Paul May '96

B.A. Religious Education

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By Charlotte Highsmith Marsch '97

Paul May had no plans to attend college, especially not at SBU. He calls his journey to SBU a "God-sized story."

"It was a divine appointment," Paul said. "I didn't orchestrate or plan any of it."

Paul grew up in the small town of Weaubleau, Mo., about 30 minutes north of Bolivar, where he attended church and had become a Christian, but did not grow up in a Christian home.

One week before classes were to start for the fall semester, he was at SBU with a friend who was completing some paperwork when Rob Harris, the current vice president of student development, who worked in admissions at that time, shared with him how he could attend college at SBU. A week later, Paul began classes.

A skit performed during Welcome Week by a student-led group called TEAM (Theatrical Evangelism and Missions) made him want to be a part of the traveling drama troupe.

"I knew nothing about drama and didn't make the team," he said of his first audition during his freshman year. "But the next semester, I auditioned again and made it. I was the only guy who tried out, and they needed a guy."

The group's leader graduated and Paul took over leadership during his sophomore year.

Through that group, Paul witnessed Christian conversions within his family when the group performed at his home church. His sister, who was in middle school, and his mother both attended the service.

"I got to lead out in the invitation. My sister raised her hand, and I got to lead her to

the Lord," Paul said. "I also got to lead my mom to the Lord. That was the stamp that what I was doing with drama ministry is what God was leading me to do with my life."

Paul also went on three mission trips while at SBU to Jamaica, India and Haiti. It was during the Haiti trip that he met his wife, Christy Ward '96. They now have two sons, ages 12 and 8.

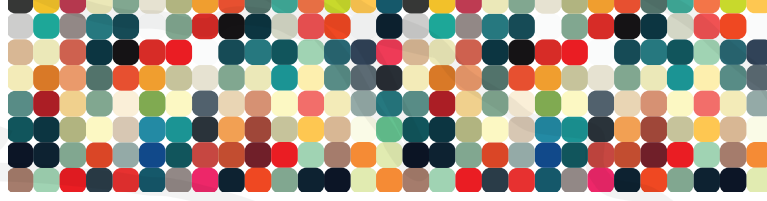
After they graduated from SBU, Paul wanted to continue drama ministry, but the Lord directed him first to attend Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas, and complete a master's degree in communications to lay the groundwork for what would become a full-time drama ministry called Clear Vision Drama Co.

Formed in 1999 and based out of Springfield, Mo., to be in a central U.S. location near family, the original Clear Vision Drama team was all SBU graduates who had been part of TEAM at SBU. Paul and Christy began substitute teaching to help subsidize the ministry and give them the flexibility to travel the country using drama as a tool for evangelism and discipleship. By the third year, the Mays were in full-time drama ministry.

As children came along, they continued their ministry, traveling more than 200 days a year as a family in a conversion van, eventually upgrading to a tour bus. The team ministers at events such as conventions, conferences and camps.

Once their children started school, they started to scale back the ministry, but it still continues on a part-time basis. Paul's job as Student Life Director at Baptist Bible College in Springfield is flexible enough to allow him to continue occasional travel for events. The majority of the drama ministry now is at summer youth camps, with the kids traveling, too, thanks to God's calling for him to attend SBU and join a drama ministry.

"The number of opportunities available at SBU was key for me," he said. "SBU was pivotal for my spiritual pilgrimage."



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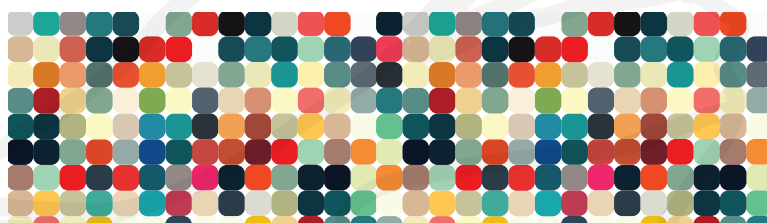
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 Cocopah Indian Tribe, Somerton, Ariz.
 College of the Ozarks, Point Lookout, Mo.
 Combat Hunger, Willow Springs, Mo.
 Commerce Bank, Bolivar, Mo.
 Commerce Trust Company, Saint Louis, Mo.
 Community Blood Center of the Ozarks, Springfield, Mo.
 Compton Heights Band, Saint Louis, Mo.
 ConocoPhillips Company, Houston, Texas
 Cox Medical Center, Branson, Mo.
 Culver's VIP Foundation, Inc., Prairie du Sac, Wis.
 CVR Energy, Kansas City, Kan.
 Dadeville R-II School District, Dadeville, Mo.
 Donald E. Thompson Charitable Foundation, Troy, Mo.
 El Dorado Springs Ministerial Association, El Dorado Springs, Mo.
 Elbeco Incorporated, Reading, Pa.
 Ellis Foundation, Fort Scott, Kan.
 Estes Park Baptist Church, Estes Park, Colo.
 Fair Play R-II Schools, Fair Play, Mo.
 Fairfield High School Alumni Association, Goshen, Ind.
 Faith Baptist Church, O'Fallon, Mo.
 Farmers State Bank, Bolivar, Mo.
 FCS Financial, Jefferson City, Mo.
 Fee Fee Baptist Church, Bridgeton, Mo.
 Finley Charitable Foundation, Lamar, Mo.
 First Baptist Church, Blue Springs, Mo.
 First Baptist Church, Camdenton, Mo.
 First Baptist Church, Centralia, Mo.
 First Baptist Church, Clinton, Mo.
 First Baptist Church, Dexter, Mo.
 First Baptist Church, Eldon, Mo.



Faithful to God's Calling

Amy-Jo (Morgan) Girardier '00

B.A. Religious Education

Girls Minister and Student Missions Coordinator at Brentwood Baptist Church near Nashville, Tenn.

By Charlotte Highsmith Marsch '97

Being faithful to God's calling to work in girls' ministry and missions, Amy-Jo Girardier has served in these fields in full-time church ministry for 13 years and recently authored a Bible study series written for teen girls that was published by Lifeway Christian Resources, one of the world's largest providers of Christian products and services.

The "Faithful One: A Study on 1st and 2nd Thessalonians" Bible study was released in May 2014 alongside Beth Moore's study of those New Testament books, "Children of the Day." She said the study is a deep study of the Bible and includes social media components, through which she has connected with girls who have completed the study.

"It has been amazing connecting with girls and leaders across the country," she said. "It's fun to see how they are learning from the study."

During summers while in college, Amy-Jo worked for LifeWay's Centrifuge camps, which is where she met her husband, Darrel, when he was leading the "For Guys Only" class and she was leading the "For Girls Only" class. Their summer experiences eventually led them to Nashville for Darrel to work for Centrifuge camps, while Amy spent two years organizing the national Acteens convention in Nashville before beginning her current position at Brentwood Baptist Church in Brentwood, Tenn. Darrel and Amy-Jo have a son, Scout, who is 3.

God used Amy-Jo's time at SBU not only for her to receive an education but to further solidify a calling for which he started preparing her when she was in high school and involved in Acteens, a girls' missions group.

"I knew I loved missions and specifically ministering to girls," Amy-Jo said. "First Baptist Church in Bolivar asked me to work with Acteens at the church, and that solidified girls' ministry and missions for me."

Amy-Jo also was on the women's soccer team at SBU and found herself in a position to minister to her teammates.

"God led me to pray for them, pray for relationships," she said. "Some Friday nights I walked the soccer field. I was praying for our teammates. It shaped me for understanding God's calling. I consider my time with Fellowship of Christian Athletes and my time with the women's soccer team to have honed and shaped my calling to girls' ministry."

After a mission trip to southeast Asia during a sabbatical in 2008, God renewed Amy-Jo's calling to girls' ministry by calling her to equip other church ministers and moms. She started a blog at girlsminister.com, where she shares ideas and insights for girls' ministers, and started a girls' minister network. To her surprise, she quickly connected with at least 100 other women who were wanting to have conversations about girls' ministry.

"It just started growing," Amy-Jo said, "and I kind of became seen as an expert in girls' ministry."

Looking back, Amy-Jo said God definitely used her time at SBU to prepare her for the Lord's ministry of encouraging and teaching people around the world.

"I've seen a lot of Christian and secular universities," she said, "but I really know beyond a shadow of a doubt that SBU was the right place for me."





Fulfilling a Long-Held Dream

Angela (Parker) Collins, M.D. '99

B.S. Biology and Chemistry

Pediatrician at Butterfield Park Pediatrics, Bolivar, Mo.

By Charlotte Highsmith Marsch '97

Having grown up in the small town of Raymondville, Mo., (population 362), Angela (Parker) Collins had big aspirations — to become a pediatrician — but also a desire to work in a smaller community.

“I’ve always loved science and always loved learning,” Angela said. “When I took the ASVAB test, it suggested physician as a possible field. My dad suggested I would make a good pediatrician.” The idea stuck, and Angela started down that career path.

Nearly 20 years later, Angela Collins, M.D., is a pediatrician in Bolivar, just minutes from the SBU campus where she completed a double major in biology and chemistry in 1999 before attending medical school at the University of Missouri.

After completing her medical degree in 2003 and residency in 2006, Angela returned close to home, working at the Family Walk-In Clinic in Mountain Grove, Mo., where she was the only pediatrician in the county.

When Angela saw a job posting last year for a pediatrician in Bolivar, she and her husband, Ken, already knew the community and knew it would be a good fit for them and their three children: Aubrey, 10; Ashlyn, 7; and Zachariah, 2.

“I love my job,” she said. “I love seeing those cute kids and being able to keep them healthy and help them get healthy again.”

In addition to working as a physician, Angela also is involved with a local church and likes to travel.

When selecting a college, Angela said she wanted a Christian environment and wanted to stay fairly close to home. Her mom had graduated from SBU’s Mountain View campus, and SBU offered good scholarships.

“I felt that was where the Lord wanted me to go,” she said. “The academics certainly prepared me well. Spiritually, coming to SBU firmed up my faith, and my teachers were good inspirations.”

Provost’s Club cont.

- First Baptist Church, Hermitage, Mo.
- First Baptist Church, Houston, Texas
- First Baptist Church, Marshfield, Mo.
- First Baptist Church, N. Kansas City, Mo.
- First Baptist Church, Richland, Mo.
- First Baptist Church, Saint Louis, Mo.
- First Baptist Church, Peculiar, Mo.
- First Baptist Church, St. Charles, Mo.
- First Baptist Church, Steelville, Mo.

- First Baptist Church, West Plains, Mo.
- First Baptist Church of Harvester, Saint Charles, Mo.
- First Christian Church, Rolla, Mo.
- First National Bank, Vandalia, Ill.
- First Serve, LLC, Bolivar, Mo.
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- Forest Park Baptist Church, Joplin, Mo.
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- Forty and Eight Voiture 1395, Mansfield, Mo.
- Foundation for Springfield Public Schools, Springfield, Mo.
- Freshwater Church, Bolivar, Mo.
- Future Builders Foundation, Columbia, Mo.
- Goshen City Bar Association, Goshen, Ind.
- Grace Tabernacle Baptist Church, Centerville, Iowa
- Grain Valley R-V School District, Grain Valley, Mo.
- Harry E. Bovay Jr. Foundation, Houston, Texas
- Hartville R-II School District, Hartville, Mo.
- Hazelwood Baptist Church, Hazelwood, Mo.
- Hopewell Baptist Church, Wellsville, Mo.
- Hopewell Baptist Church, Quincy, Mo.
- Horatio Alger Scholarship Program, Alexandria, Va.
- Hubbert Realty, Bolivar, Mo.
- Humansville R-IV School, Humansville, Mo.
- Hurley Community Baptist Church, Hurley, Mo.
- Hutchins Advertising, LLC, Springfield, Mo.
- Hy-Vee Foundation, Inc., West Des Moines, Iowa
- Iantha Baptist Church, Iantha, Mo.
- ID-RA-HA-JE Scholarship Foundation, Bailey, Colo.
- International Scholarship and Tuition Services, Inc., Nashville, Tenn.
- IOKDS, Midland, Mich.
- Iron County C-IV Schools, Viburnum, Mo.
- Jack J. Isgur Foundation, Kansas City, Mo.
- Jefferson City Public School District, Jefferson City, Mo.
- Jera Foundation, Rosebud, Mo.
- King Hill Baptist Church, St. Joseph, Mo.
- Kirkwood School District Foundation, Saint Louis, Mo.
- Kraft Foods Matching Gifts Program, Princeton, N.J.
- Laclede County R-I High School, Conway, Mo.
- Laclede Electric Trust, Lebanon, Mo.
- Lake Regional Medical Group, Osage Beach, Mo.
- Lakeside Bible Chapel, Sterling Heights, Mich.
- Lexington School District R-V, Lexington, Mo.
- Lindale Football Booster Club, Lindale, Texas
- Local Union 1290 AFL-CIO, Kansas City, Kan.
- Lone Star Baptist Church, Willard, Mo.
- Lyons Scholarship, Washington, D.C.
- Many Springs Baptist Church, Alton, Mo.
- Marion C. Early R-V School District, Morrisville, Mo.
- Martin Marietta Materials, Raleigh, N.C.
- Mary Robinson Charitable Trust, Providence, R.I.
- Meek Charitable Trust, Springfield, Mo.
- Missouri Society of CPAs, Saint Louis, Mo.
- Missouri United Methodist Foundation, Columbia, Mo.
- Missouri Water Well Association, Dixon, Mo.
- Montgomery Family Foundation, Inc., Jacksonville, Fla.
- Mount Vernon R-V School District, Mount Vernon, Mo.

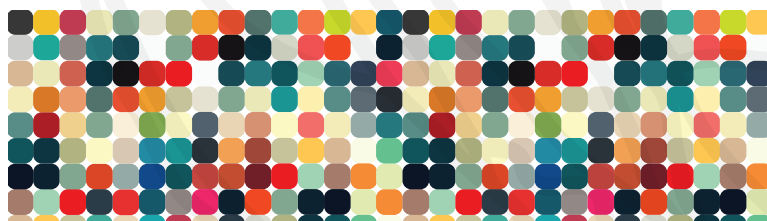
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 Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society, Arlington, Va.
 Nebraska Book Company, Lincoln, Neb.
 Nevada High School Scholarship Foundation, Nevada, Mo.
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 Nichols Foundation, Canton, Mo.
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 Ozark Womens Association, Branson, Mo.
 Park Hill School District Foundation, Kansas City, Mo.
 Partnership Missions International, Bolivar, Mo.
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 Pleasant Valley Baptist Church, Salem, Mo.
 Presbyterian Church, Louisville, Ky.
 Presser Foundation, Haverford, Pa.
 Ridgecrest Baptist Church, Springfield, Mo.
 Robert Half International, Inc., San Ramon, Calif.
 Rotary Club of China Lake, Ridgecrest, Calif.
 Royal Neighbors America Scholarship, Rock Island, Ill.
 Sainte Genevieve School District, Sainte Genevieve, Mo.
 Samson Energy, LLC, Tulsa, Okla.
 Saverton Community Church, Saverton, Mo.
 Sayexco, LLC, Tulsa, Okla.
 Shadow Hills Baptist Church, Las Vegas, Nev.
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 Silver Dollar City, Branson, Mo.
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 South County Baptist Church Foundation, Saint Louis, Mo.
 Southern Heights Baptist Church, Berryville, Ark.
 Southern Sun Electric Corporation, Springfield, Mo.
 Southridge Baptist Church, Jefferson City, Mo.
 Southside Baptist Church, Aurora, Mo.
 Southview Baptist Church, Raytown, Mo.
 Southwest Electric Cooperative, Bolivar, Mo.
 Speedwell Southern Baptist Church, El Dorado Springs, Mo.

Springfield Boys and Girls Club, Springfield, Mo.
 State Farm Companies Foundation, Princeton, N.J.
 State of Missouri, Jefferson City, Mo.
 Sterling Investment Advisors, LLC, Bolivar, Mo.
 Taylor-Howald Scholarship, Steelville, Mo.
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 United Methodist Church, Nashville, Tenn.
 United-Bilt Homes, LLC, Shreveport, La.
 US Bank, Bolivar, Mo.
 VFW Galmey Post 9638, Wheatland, Mo.
 VFW Lexington Memorial Post 4052, Lexington, Mo.
 Victor Baptist Church, Branson, Mo.
 Wal-Mart Stores, Inc., Bentonville, Ark.
 Warsaw Area Chamber of Commerce, Warsaw, Mo.
 Wayne Wood Memorial Scholarship, Dexter, Mo.
 West Central Electric Coop, Inc., Higginsville, Mo.
 West Plains Bank, West Plains, Mo.
 West Side Baptist Church, El Dorado, Ark.
 White River Valley Electric Trust, Branson, Mo.
 William Edgar Scholarship Fund, Saint Louis, Mo.
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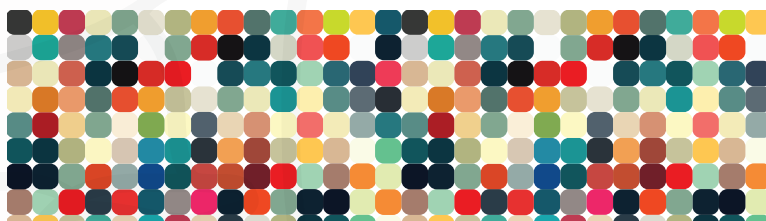
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 Berryville Chamber of Commerce, Berryville, Ark.
 Berryville Lions Club, Berryville, Ark.
 Best Southwest Partnership, Duncanville, Texas
 BKD LLP, Springfield, Mo.
 Blue Springs R-IV School District, Blue Springs, Mo.
 Bolivar Rotary Club, Bolivar, Mo.
 Branson R-IV Education Foundation, Branson, Mo.
 Branson Veterinary Hospital, Branson, Mo.
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 Bruner Baptist Church, Bruner, Mo.
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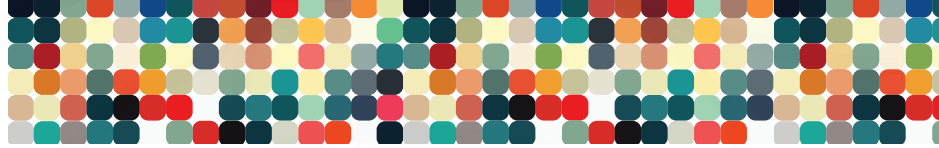
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Canaan Baptist Church, Saint Louis, Mo.
 Cass County Elks Lodge #2791, Harrisonville, Mo.
 Cedar Grove Baptist Church, Warsaw, Mo.
 Celebration Church, Atchison, Kan.
 Central Park Christian Church, Topeka, Kan.
 Chatham Baptist Church, Chatham, Ill.
 Christ's Church of Oronogo, Oronogo, Mo.
 Clearwater R-1 Montgomery Scholarship Fund, Piedmont, Mo.
 Clinton Sunrise Optimist Club, Clinton, Mo.
 Community Baptist Church, Lebanon, Mo.
 Community Church of Columbus, Columbus, Ind.
 Community Educators Association, Independence, Mo.
 Community Foundation of Northwest Missouri, Saint Joseph, Mo.
 Community Trust, Troy, Mo.
 Co-Mo Cares Trust, Inc., Tipton, Mo.
 Concordia Baptist Church, Concordia, Mo.
 Crane R-III School District, Crane, Mo.
 Creator Designs, LLC, Bolivar, Mo.
 Crossbridge Church, Marshfield, Mo.
 Darrell Nash Memorial Scholarship, Nixa, Mo.
 Deerfield Baptist Church, Nevada, Mo.
 Demdaco, Leawood, Kan.
 East Sedalia Baptist Church, Sedalia, Mo.
 Edmonson Baptist Church, Lincoln, Mo.
 Elliott, Robinson and Company, LLP, Springfield, Mo.
 Emmanuel Free Methodist Church, Alton, Ill.
 Ethne Church Network, Larkspur, Colo.
 Eudora Baptist Church, Walnut Grove, Mo.
 Everton Baptist Church, Everton, Mo.
 Everton R-III School District, Everton, Mo.
 Faith Baptist Church, Lee's Summit, Mo.
 Farmers Mutual Insurance Company, Hermitage, Mo.
 Fellowship Baptist Church, Nevis, Minn.
 Fellowship Bible Church, San Antonio, Texas
 Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Kansas City, Mo.
 Finley River Cowboy Church, Nixa, Mo.
 First Assembly of God Church, Bolivar, Mo.
 First Baptist Church, Adair, Okla.
 First Baptist Church, Baxter Springs, Kan.
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 First Missionary Baptist Church, Leavenworth, Kan.
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 First United Methodist Church, Canon City, Colo.
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 Hillcrest Baptist Church, Lebanon, Mo.
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 Lebanon Band Parents, Lebanon, Mo.
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 Lighthouse Baptist Church, Saint Ann, Mo.
 Lindale Independent School District, Lindale, Texas
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 Maplewood Baptist Church, Maplewood, Mo.
 Marshfield's McDonalds, Springfield, Mo.
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 Maywood Baptist Church, Independence, Mo.
 Mercy Hospital Auxiliary, Berryville, Ark.
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 Missouri Cheerleading Coaches Association, Macon, Mo.
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 Oak Hill Missionary Baptist Church, Alton, Mo.
 Odd Fellows Home Association, Excelsior Springs, Mo.
 Ozark Mountain Players, Mansfield, Mo.
 Park Baptist Church, Brookfield, Mo.
 Parkview Baptist Church, Marseilles, Ill.
 Parkway Baptist Church, St. Louis, Mo.
 PEO Chapter BT, Riverton, Kan.
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 Professional Insurance Agents of Arkansas, Little Rock, Ark.
 PTC, LLC, Mount Vernon, Mo.
 Pulaski County R-IV, Richland, Mo.
 Purdy R-II School District, Purdy, Mo.
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 River of Life Church, Jacksonville, N.C.
 Riverview Baptist Church, Osage Beach, Mo.
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 SEMO Electric Foundation, Inc., Sikeston, Mo.
 Sharon Baptist Church, Wichita, Kan.
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 Siloam Springs School District, Siloam Springs, Ark.
 Sleeper United Methodist Church, Lebanon, Mo.
 South Haven Baptist Church, Springfield, Mo.
 South Side Church of God, Saint Louis, Mo.
 Southside Baptist Church, Charleston, Mo.
 Springfield Area Retired Teachers Assoc., Ozark, Mo.
 Springfield Bible Church, Springfield, Mo.
 Sterling Chapter ABWA, Jefferson City, Mo.
 The Catalyst Church, Springfield, Mo.
 The Church At Osage Hills, Osage Beach, Mo.
 The Great Rivers Region, Springfield, Ill.
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 Trinity Heights Methodist Church, Newton, Kan.
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 Valley Fellowship, Center, Colo.
 Verona Baptist Church, Verona, Mo.
 Vestal Equipment, Inc., Bolivar, Mo.
 Victor Valley Chamber Foundation, Victorville, Calif.
 Victory Baptist Academy, Beaver, W.Va.
 Vietnam Veterans Chapter 913, Branson, Mo.
 Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter, Nevada, Mo.
 Washington County Farm Bureau, Fayetteville, Ark.
 Waynesville R-VI School District, Waynesville, Mo.



Changing Gears and Finding Purpose

Sara (Drake) Salguero '04

B.S. Elementary Education

International Relations Coordinator of Casa Bernabé, Guatemala (www.foce.org)

By Stephanie Benoit

Although Sara (Drake) Salguero was always passionate about working with children, she acknowledges that when she started at SBU, she did not envision herself living out that passion as a missionary.

“I wanted to be a teacher since I was 5, so when I went to SBU, that was a no-brainer,” Sara said. That fall, however, her focus shifted after hearing a missionary speak at chapel. “I started shaking when I listened to her [because she] was so moving. I went back to my dorm room and asked God, ‘What are you trying to show me?’” Although Sara struggled to let go of becoming an educator, she realized that God’s desire was for her to be a missionary.

That calling eventually led Sara to Casa Bernabé, a Guatemalan orphanage nurturing dozens of abandoned and abused children. Today, she serves as an administrator of the organization and its international relations coordinator, helping direct visiting mission-

ary groups, much like the one through SBU that first brought her to Guatemala in 2002.

“It really wasn’t until I went on that trip that I said, ‘I get it—I see it now,’ because I fell so deeply in love with these kids,” Sara said. “I saw real hurt, real pain, and yet so much joy. I knew I wanted to be a part of this.”

Sara often looks back on the instruction she received in SBU’s education department, such as the educational psychology course taught by Dr. John Wheeler, as instrumental in helping prepare her for a life of ministry and servant leadership.

“That class shaped so much of how I make decisions,” Sara said. “While Dr. Wheeler was teaching, everything went back to real life [and] being a light in darkness. All of that has come in handy, because my life is [about] kids every day.”

Although caring for youth at Casa Bernabé dominates Sara’s time, as well as that of her husband of 7 years, Edgar, much of it is also spent looking after their children—Andy, 9, whom they adopted from the orphanage; Bella, 5; and Santiago, 2.

“If I had ignored God’s calling, life would still be good,” Sara said. “But would it be what it is? I don’t think so. I am experiencing so much more than what I had dreamt for myself. I’d encourage SBU students to say, ‘God, whatever it is that you have for me, I want to be part of it.’”



Wellborn Baptist Church, Wellborn, Fla.
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American Premier Baseball Association, Burnett, Texas
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Assembly of God of Windsor, Windsor, Mo.
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Bolivar Ready Mix and Materials, Inc., Bolivar, Mo.
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Calvary Baptist Church, Hannibal, Mo.
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Happy Hill Church, Lebanon, Mo.
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Hickory Hills Baptist Church, Waynesville, Mo.
Immanuel Baptist Church, Bethany, Mo.
Jefferson Avenue Baptist Church, Springfield, Mo.
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Lucas Trading Company, LLC, Saint Charles, Mo.
Lutie R-VI Schools and CTA, Theodosia, Mo.
Living Stones Community Church, Blue Springs, Mo.
McQueary Dental, LLC, Springfield, Mo.
Midlothian Baptist Church, Midlothian, Va.
Mount Valley Missionary Baptist Church, Odd, W.Va.
Mount Vernon High School Foundation, Mount Vernon, Mo.
Michal Flottman Scholarship, Jefferson City, Mo.
National Wild Turkey Federation, Arkadelphia, Ark.
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Printers Ink, LLC, Springfield, Mo.
The River Church, Panhandle, Texas
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SBU Women's Club, Bolivar, Mo.
Second Baptist Church, Bonne Terre, Mo.
Shippy Services, LLC, Holden, Mo.
Skyline Baptist Church, Branson, Mo.
Sterling Acres Baptist Church, Kansas City, Mo.
Stockton R-I School District, Stockton, Mo.
Success Baptist Church, Success, Mo.
Tower View Baptist Church, Kansas City, Mo.
Tufts Electric, LLC, Windsor, Colo.
Twin Oaks Presbyterian Church, Ballwin, Mo.
Upper Parker Sunday School, Salem, Mo.
Utica Baptist Church, Utica, Mo.
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Guess Who?

Mr. and Miss Southwest candidates are nominated from the junior class by SBU faculty and staff. The student body then votes to select one male and one female to represent the entire student body for the upcoming year. The tradition of "Miss Southwest" dates back to the 1930s and "Mr. Southwest" was added in 1963.

The 2015 candidates will participate in the Mr. and Miss Southwest Pageant at 7 p.m. on Friday, March 13. All SBU alumni, students, faculty, staff and friends of the University are invited to attend!

Can you name any of the previous Mr. and Miss Southwest winners pictured below?

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Everyone who correctly identifies at least one of these previous Mr. and Miss Southwest winners will be entered into a prize drawing. Submit your guesses by email to SBUcommunications@gmail.com or by mail to: Office of Marketing and Communications, 1600 University Ave., Bolivar MO 65613. Entries must be received by Friday, March 27.

Thanks to all who participated in the previous Guess Who contest. The pictured Life Beautiful winners were Sharon Neiger and Keith Williams, Lori Collins and Stan Welch, and Amy Housewright and David Bailey.

The following all submitted correct responses: Cheri Adcock, Caroline Bradford, John Bryant, David and Teresa Etter, Melissa Fockler, Marsha Gilbert, Judy Griffin, Teresa Huff, Shelba Knight, La Ree La Mar, Greg Lober, Sharon Neiger McCarthy, Lori Myers, Miriam Perry, Patti Statton, Donna Stewart, Glenda Terrill, Sharon Wildermuth, George Williams, Tom Willoughby, Lynne Wilson, Michelle Wirth.

Congratulations to Marsha Gilbert, who won the prize package.



SBU Women's Soccer shatters records during another outstanding season

BY RACHEL FASELER '13

It was a record-breaking year for the Southwest Baptist University women's soccer team, with Coach Robert Podeyn and several players breaking school records. Podeyn became the winningest coach in SBU Women's Soccer history when the Bearcats took down Northwest Missouri, clinching his 46th win in his SBU coaching career and his 100th career win across three different institutions.

SBU tied the record for the most victories in a season with 16 after a shutout victory against Fort Hays, and for the second year in a row, Southwest Baptist earned a trip to the MIAA Tournament Championships Final. In the opening round, SBU junior forward Karla Jamison broke the SBU career goals record in a victory over Emporia State. SBU also went on to earn the No. 4 seed in the NCAA National Championships, making it the team's second year to advance to the national tournament.

The Bearcats broke into the top 25 in the final NSCAA/Continental Tire National Poll, which was the first time the ladies have been ranked since 2004. The season came to a close in the first round of the NCAA Tournament against Winona State in a tie through two overtimes, but fell 4-2 on penalty kicks. SBU finished the season with a 16-5-1 record, tying the most wins in school history.

Several players won honors and awards from the momentous season. Karla Jamison earned 2nd Team All-American honors after being named Daktronics Central Region Player of the Year, 1st Team All-Region, MIAA Player of the Year and 1st Team All-MIAA. Jamison finished the season with 15 goals and 8 assists, breaking the all-time goals record at Southwest Baptist and ranking in the top 20 in the NCAA in several statistical categories.

Karla Jamison, Kate Jamison and

Whitney Snow were all named 1st Team All-Region, while Amy Bolton was named 2nd Team All-Region. Kate Jamison finished the season with 7 goals and 19 points, both ranking in the top 5 in the MIAA. Snow was named MIAA Freshman of the Year and 2nd Team All-MIAA this season, scoring 8 goals and 4 game-winning goals which both ranked in the top five in the MIAA. Bolton ranked third in the MIAA in assists with 8 and is considered one of the top corner kickers in the game.

Karla Jamison, Kate Jamison and Taylor Schmidt were given the MIAA Scholar Athlete Award (3.5 GPA plus All-MIAA Honors), while 12 other Bearcats were awarded the MIAA Academic Honor Roll (3.0 GPA or higher).

1960s



Duane '68 and Linda (Conrad) Hileman '70 received the 2013 Illinois State Historical Society Award for Lifetime Achievement. The couple was cited as being citizen activists and preservationists for their work promoting, preserving and celebrating the history of Anna-Jonesboro, Union County and Southern Illinois. They were leaders in planning and organizing the sesquicentennial celebration of Abraham Lincoln's visit to Union County in 1858 for the Lincoln-Douglas Debate in Jonesboro. Linda also serves as president of P.A.S.T. (Promoting Appreciation of Structural Treasures). Duane is president of the Historic Kornthal Church Committee. The Hilemans are both retired educators and have two daughters who are also teachers, Melissa (Hileman) Ellis '94 of Jonesboro, Ill., and Emily Hileman of St. Louis, Mo. The Hilemans have two grandchildren, Jacob and Julia.

Jeanne (Harris) Chatman '66 retired after 43 years of public school teaching. Her first book, "Soul Sucking Evolution," has been published. She lectures and gives presentations about Biblical creation science. She also assists her husband, Lawrence '68, in his ministry at Gasconade Baptist Church. They have been married for 47 years and have three grown, married children and 14 grandchildren. 13604 Hwy. 17, Plato, MO 65552. lawrence245@centurytel.net

1970s

Jim Klousia '75 was inducted into the USTA Missouri Valley Hall of Fame December 6, 2014. Through the 1970s, '80s and '90s and early 2000s, Klousia held a top-10 rating in the USTA Missouri Valley. In 2007, he won the USTA Category II national championship in the 45 & Over doubles division. He also earned second place in the tournament in singles. Klousia served as men's tennis coach at Missouri State University from

1975 to 2005, guiding his team to 10 conference titles and was named Coach of the Year six times. He finished with a career record of 324-271 in dual meets. In 1988, he became tennis director at Hickory Hills Country Club in Springfield, where he continues to work today. In 2006, Klousia received the Springfield Missouri Parks Board lifetime achievement award. He was also inducted into the Missouri State University Athletics Hall of Fame in 2008 and the Southwest Baptist University Athletics Hall of Fame in 2013.



Bruce Matter '78 has joined AMC Health, a leading provider of real-time patient management solutions, as Senior Vice President of Sales and Client Development. Matter will work to expand AMC Health's engagement and partnerships with hospitals,

health systems, accountable care organizations and health insurers to improve patient care and reduce costs.

Terri (Carter) Cotter '79 married Doug Cotter on October 13, 2012.

1980s



Kevin L. Baker '83 is the director of the Southern Utah University Concert Chamber Choir and was selected as the 2014 winner of The American Prize in Conducting in the college and university division.

1990s

Teresa (Davis) Ayers '90 is currently serving as the Coordinator of Career Services and Adjunct Instructor at State Fair Community College in Sedalia, Mo.

2000s



Rachel Custer '09 married Greg Regier in August 2014.

2010s

Emily Evans '13 married E. Matt Howerton on June 15, 2013.

Future Bearcats



Rachel (Ersy) Mitchell '08 and her husband, Edward, announce the birth of their daughter, Brooke Mallory, born on July 9, 2014. The Mitchells reside in San Antonio, Texas, and own a foundation repair company.



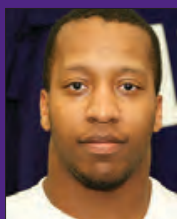
Emily (Evans) Howerton '13 and her husband, E. Matt, announce the birth of their first child, daughter Emma Lee, born on September 13, 2014.

In Memory

Bill Fisher '43 passed away September 25, 2015.

Faye Waters '68 passed away November 20, 2014.

Ramond Ellerd '86 passed away December 20, 2014



Southwest Baptist University mourns the loss of former SBU Football player Jarred Schumpert, and his son, who tragically lost their lives last December.

"This is devastating news," SBU Director of

Athletics Mike Pitts stated. "I still remember shaking Jarred's hand in the middle of the football field on senior day like it was yesterday. My heart goes out to them at this time."

Schumpert was arguably the best defensive player to ever play at SBU. He started a remarkable 38 games over his four year career from 2006 to 2009.

"Schump was the hardest worker we've had in this program," SBU Coach Robert Clardy stated. "He was a true man of character and integrity and was looked up to by every member of this program. He was a warrior on the field and led this team in his time here at SBU. He will be truly missed."

Schumpert currently holds school records in tackles, solo tackles, and fumbles forced while

also ranking in the top three in assisted tackles, tackles for a loss, and yards from tackles for a loss.

"I was saddened and shocked to hear this morning about the death of Jarred Schumpert and his son," SBU President Dr. Pat Taylor stated. "Jarred is one of the finest young men I have met at SBU. He was a great football player for the Bearcats, an outstanding student, and a role model citizen. I also got to know his parents well, and they are fine people. The thoughts and prayers of the Bearcat family will be going out to the Schumpert family."

Let's Keep in Touch!

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Nominations are open for the Edwin Lightfoot Distinguished Alumni Award and Life Service Award to be given during Homecoming 2015! **Deadline to submit nominations is March 6, 2015.**

For details, go to www.SBUuniv.edu/alumni/nominations.html or contact Holly Stockard, director of alumni engagement, at (417) 328-1806 or hstockard@SBUuniv.edu.

