The late Stephen Covey reminded us to “...begin with the end in mind.” The Transformation 2020 Campaign will culminate at the end of the second decade of the 21st Century.

In 2020, we envision a transformed campus with several new and renovated facilities, an endowment of $200 million and an expanded curriculum that will include a Physician Assistant master’s degree program and other enhancements to the educational and student life programs. The Transformation 2020 Campaign represents a wonderful opportunity for all of us who love HSU to support the university in a tangible way.

The goal for the first phase of the campaign is $60 million and I am very pleased to report that we recently passed the $40 million mark in gifts and pledges. Thus, we are 66% of the way to meeting the first-phase goal. We hope to celebrate achieving that goal during our 125th anniversary year in 2016. We are planning a year-long celebration of HSU’s quasquicentennial. Completing this first phase will be HSU’s most successful fund-raising achievement in its history.

We are ahead of schedule in some areas. For instance, our goal for 2016 was to have raised $150 million in endowment. Already – in 2014 – we have reached the $160 million level in endowment. This important milestone means that we have new resources for scholarships and other special needs. New endowments are being established for the good of Hardin-Simmons University and plans are in store for even more good news in the future.

The university is now enjoying the beautiful new artificial turf on Parramore Field, as well as on the attractive practice field north of Shelton Stadium. Construction has begun on the new Streich Tennis Complex. In this issue of the Range Rider you may read more about the details for the tennis complex and the other projects included in the Transformation 2020 Campaign.

For the benefit of the HSU School of Music in the College of Fine Arts, HSU has received a challenge commitment of $130,000 which will match – dollar-for-dollar – all gifts up to the amount of the grant for the renovation of Woodward Dellis Recital Hall. New seats are offered at $250 each and each gift of $250 will be matched! This is a great way to honor fellow alumni and/or family members.

During this first phase of the campaign, funds are also being raised for a new health sciences facility. This new building will relieve the overcrowding we are experiencing in current facilities and provide new space for new health sciences programs in the future.

Read much more on the Transformation 2020 in this issue of the Range Rider and learn about campus happenings and events in the lives of HSU alumni. As we look to the future, we do so with optimism and a strong sense of gratitude for God’s manifold blessings on Hardin-Simmons University!

Dr. Lanny Hall
Hardin-Simmons University’s mission is to be a community dedicated to providing excellence in education enlightened by Christian faith and values.

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  As it has for more than a century, Hardin-Simmons University today prepares students for successful careers in business, ministry, education, the arts, and numerous other professional careers. HSU remains distinctive and committed to providing each of its students a values-based, Christian education. In 2016 the University will celebrate its 125th anniversary. Four years later, the University will celebrate the culmination of its path to Transformation 2020 through a campaign designed to affect literally every facet of the University impacting the campus, the student experience, and the lives of all who are connected with the noble cause of HSU through “an education enlightened by faith.” Read more in this issue’s feature stories about current and future changes planned for HSU.

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HEADLINES

Convocation Speaker Challenges HSU Students

After delivering the keynote speech for HSU’s Convocation earlier in the day, nationally acclaimed entrepreneur and motivational speaker Carrie Wilkerson joined students from the Kelly College of Business and Hardin Simmons University’s Leadership and Honors programs for a entrepreneurs luncheon on Thursday, September 4, 2014.

“It seems that students are waiting for permission to think differently,” said Wilkerson. “I want to send the message that there is no magic idea, or moment and that they should seize the opportunities before them.”

Wilkerson offered young business professionals ideas about how to enhance and grow their own starter companies.

“I was excited to gain ideas and motivation from someone who has gone before me,” said Jason Ligon, sophomore finance major from Abilene, who attended the luncheon because he wanted to ask Wilkerson questions that might help him with his own business.

During the luncheon, Wilkerson further challenged students to stop waiting for their opportunity to see where their idea can make a difference. This especially spoke to Emily Fitzhugh, sophomore social work major from Abilene.

“She [Wilkerson] inspired me not to be afraid and to step out and be productive,” said Fitzhugh.

Coleman Patterson, professor of management and leadership, and director of the leadership studies program, was excited to see the students come alive in the room when they were asked about their individual company ideas.

“It is wonderful to have a speaker come in and really confirm and reinforce what we are teaching about in our Leadership Program,” said Patterson.

Dr. Arun Gandhi Affirms Peace in Visit to HSU

The fifth grandson of Mahatma Gandhi, Dr. Arun Gandhi, visited HSU to deliver his message of peace and non-violence to students, faculty, and staff.

HSU and HSU’s Logsdon Seminary served as lead sponsors, along with the Abilene Interfaith Council, in bringing Gandhi to Abilene for two lectures; first at Abilene’s at First Baptist Church, and then at Hardin-Simmons the following day. As a part of Gandhi’s visit, HSU faculty and staff were invited to a more intimate lunch with the internationally known speaker during the second day of his visit.

Each time Gandhi spoke, he invited those present to ask questions. During the luncheon, one attendee asked Dr. Gandhi how educators could help guide students their path in life.

“It is your job to make sure that each child gets a proper and complete education,” said Gandhi. “Too many of our students come out of school but do not have the skills to build interpersonal relationships.” Gandhi further suggested that educators might help students early by giving them a well-rounded education designed to open their eyes to the many opportunities they have to serve others.

It was during this exchange that Gandhi explained that, although he was a high-school dropout, his parents taught him from a very young age to acknowledge the prejudices of the world and make every effort to seek understanding and reach out to people.

“We have to become the change we wish to see in the world,” said Gandhi, echoing the words of his grandfather.
HSU Climbs in U.S. News & World Report Rankings

HSU has once again earned a top tier ranking among regional universities in the West by U.S. News and World Report’s 2015 Best Colleges and Universities guide.

The nationally-recognized rankings, made available Tuesday, placed HSU as #35 among the more than 120 best regional universities in the West. HSU ranked #37 last year in the same category.

“We are humbled and gratified to again be considered as one of the best regional universities in the West by U.S. News and World Report,” said HSU President Dr. Lanny Hall.

“I believe this ranking reflects our continued commitment to quality, affordable Christian education which strives to prepare students for both their career and life.”

According to the guide, the rankings evaluate colleges and universities based on up to 16 indicators of academic excellence including: peer assessment scores, freshmen retention, graduation rates, class size, student-to-faculty ratio, SAT and ACT entrance scores, acceptance rates, and percentage of freshman from the top 25% of their high school class.

In addition to the designation as a Best Regional University, HSU was also ranked #13 among the Best Colleges for Veterans among the West’s regional universities.

As a part of their rankings, U.S. News and World Reports considered more than 1,600 accredited four-year schools nationwide. HSU’s ranking was considered alongside many other larger schools in the Regional Universities category which includes institutions that offer a full range of undergraduate and master’s programs with a few doctoral programs.

For more information and a full list of rankings, please visit www.usnews.com.

Irish Singer/Songwriters Lead Worship Conference and Abilene Community Concert

Accompanied by the sounds of an Irish whistle, fiddle, and bagpipes, Hardin-Simmons University’s Concert Choir and Chorale joined singer/songwriters Keith and Kristyn Getty in performing for an audience of over 1000 during the Hymns for Christian Life concert in Behrens Auditorium on Tuesday, September 16.

As the internationally-known duo offered songs from their deep reservoir of original hymns, HSU choirs provided a backdrop of rich harmonies designed to make the worship-oriented concert even more enjoyable.

“It was a real treat for our students to have the opportunity to work with the Gettys and to be a part of such a profound musical experience,” said Robert Tucker, dean of the College of Fine Arts and emcee of the evening’s events.

While the Gettys offered a unique perspective for students and others on the theological and aesthetic underpinnings of hymnody during educational events earlier in the day, it was the ability to participate in the concert that was memorable for many HSU choir members.

“Working with Keith and Kristyn was such a great experience,” said Sarah Baker, sophomore Elementary Education major and HSU Concert Choir member from Amarillo.

For Crystal McKinnie, sophomore English major and Concert Choir member from Mesquite, the experience it was an opportunity to see how major productions come together.

“It was fascinating to see the behind-the-scenes moments,” said McKinnie. “It was grueling work, but once we met Keith and Kristyn, it was an outright thrill to sing with them.”

According to Tucker, the opportunity to host the Gettys at HSU was possible in large part because of a special gift from the Estate of Jane Brown. The Getty concert was one of many major campus events and concerts held during the past few years in which HSU students have had the opportunity to perform with notable musicians and bands.
Melinda (Ofner) Stricklin ’83, a member of the University’s Board of Trustees, describes HSU as a place where memories are made and where dreams become reality.

As HSU approaches its quasquicentennial (125th Anniversary) in 2016, the goals and dreams of many in the HSU family have been synthesized into a new Strategic Plan, and Campus Master Plan, which together provide a clear vision for the university as it launches Transformation 2020, a major campaign that will result in the transformation of Hardin-Simmons University.

The Transformation 2020 campaign consists of three goals: transforming lives, transforming the HSU experience, and transforming the campus. The plans challenge the University to increase enrollment, expand facilities and endowment funds, and enhance the academic experience for students.

“In 2016, the university will celebrate its 125th anniversary,” said HSU president Dr. Lanny Hall. “Four years later the HSU will celebrate the culmination of its path to Transformation 2020. This transformation will be pervasive, affecting literally every facet of the university. The theme of transformation is laced throughout our strategic plans, making these years leading to 2020 critical to the future of Hardin-Simmons.”

Though still early in this capital campaign, more than $40 million has already been donated and pledged toward the first-phase goal of $60 million.

A significant initiative of Transformation 2020 is improving the financial strength of the University by growing endowment. Mike Hammack, vice president for institutional advancement, said HSU’s endowment has increased by more than 50 percent in the last four years. While campaign leaders initially only hoped to increase endowment to $150 million by the end of 2016, Hammack said by October 2014, the HSU endowment had already topped $160 million.

Endowments for scholarships, professorships, department chairs and programs ensure the future success of Hardin-Simmons. Endowments are often established in honor of a family member, friend, classmate or faculty member. Endowments provide a reliable annual source of income in perpetuity where the principal is invested and only the earnings are used to fund the designated purpose.

As a result of the positive progress in endowments, HSU has set a Transformation 2020 endowment goal of $200 million.

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Among the early projects of the Transformation 2020 campaign are the Wilkins Wellness Center, the Christopher Education Building, and improvements to Woodward-Dellis Recital Hall and facilities for intercollegiate athletics.

The campaign for the recital hall will provide new seats and other improvements, including lighting upgrades, installation of projector and screen, new carpet, upgrades to...
the aesthetics of the organ pipes, and renovated restrooms. Hammack said an anonymous donor has made a challenge grant for the Woodward-Dellis campaign that matches gifts. For example, a gift of $250 will result in a $500 donation to the recital hall campaign.

New artificial turf had already been installed on Parramore Field at Shelton Stadium before the Cowboys’ 2014 season, and construction is starting this fall on a new complex for the HSU men’s and women’s tennis teams.

The state-of-the-art Wilkins Wellness Center is planned for construction at the current location of the Streich Tennis Center and Marston Gymnasium, with the Christopher building planned for construction between Abilene Hall and the Mabee Building.

Hall said the vision provided by the Strategic Plan and Campus Master Plan helps focus campus energy and resources to achieve these ambitious goals while providing a vision which inspires and motivates all in the HSU family.

“Success,” Hall added, “means our students will continue to learn in a transforming place that values their aspirations, their intellectual and spiritual growth, their wellness, and their meaningful role in today’s society.”

More information on Transformation 2020 is available online at transformation.hsutx.edu.
Members of the Alumni Association Board of Directors (AAB) live throughout Texas. Together and independently, we work hard to build relationships with our 25,000+ alumni around the world. Six times a year, we meet on campus to help facilitate Homecoming events, cultivate relationships with other alumni and give feedback on initiatives and ideas. Beyond serving on the Board, we are also dedicated prayer partners and investors – continually advancing the mission, vision, and values of our university.
Board of Young Associates
Summer 2013 and Winter 2014 Retreats

The Board of Young Associates 2013-14. This group of Alumni leaders under the age of 40 labor together to further Hardin-Simmons University and Christian education. Contact BYA@hsutx.edu if interested in possibly serving on this working board.

Patty Hanks Shelton School of Nursing Instructor Phil Howell visits with BYA members.

BYA Networking/Communications committee members Jordan Maxwell ’07, Lex Robertson ’01,’06, Ashley (Bahrig) Gordon ’05, and Julie (Cameron) Hay brainstorm with James Stone (MDiv ’07)Executive Director of University Relations.

Patti Hanks Shelton School of Nursing Instructor Phil Howell visits with BYA members.

Faith (Crawford) Stover ’05 and Russell Bowlin ’03,’05 visit during a break.

Kimberly Garcia ’07 shares news updates with her BYA committee.

BYA Scholarship committee and winners.

Making plans for the Posse Kids Club.

Lisa (Law) Stegner ’05 and Mykah
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Recipient of the Outstanding Young Alumni Award have achieved a significant level of distinction within their chosen field or have brought extraordinary benefit to the world. They reflect the quality and caliber of today’s HSU students and alumni. At the time of their selection, recipients have graduated from Hardin-Simmons not more than 20 years prior and are not over the age of 45. Nominations for this award are accepted year-round by the Office of Alumni Relations and must include, at minimum, several paragraphs summarizing why the nominee should be considered for the award. Members of the selection committee are established based on their campus leadership role.
Alumni Happenings April 2013 – April 2014

Abilene-Area Homemade Ice Cream Social 2013 for Incoming Students

Debbie (Herrington) Young ‘64 and Jennifer (Mitchell) Dunn ‘99/’01

Grant Greenwood ‘10/’12, Sierra (Glaspie) Greenwood ‘10/’12, Tabitha

Bethany Williams ‘13 and Kaitlin Brockman ‘10/’14

Fall 2013 Official Ring Ceremony

John Whitten ‘07/’11, Elya (Steed) Whitten ‘07/’10, and baby Samuel, with Chuck Sarter

Spring 2014 Official Ring Ceremony

Ex-Cowgirls Summer Brunch 2013

Billy Bob & Pat (Butman) Neff, ‘62/’67 & ’77

Carlene (Parker) Arrant ‘44, Elsie (Murphree) Tippen ‘44, Dorothy (Murphree) Rosson ’45

Ann (Hewitt) Scargall ’61, Frances (Kesner) Renfroe ’60, Charlene (Smith) Yoss ’60, Patricia (Iden) Gillespie ’60, and Betty (Bailey) Jones ’60

COWBOY BAND CELEBRATES

90 YEARS!

APRIL 2013

Jenni Wheeler ’14, Stephen Lester ’13, and Jessica Pope ’13, following the Cowboy Band 90th Anniversary Concert.
Parade of the Purple & Gold

Parade of the Purple & Gold
2013 Homecoming
An almost record number of alumni and students participated in Homecoming 2013. Class reunions, SING, football and volleyball games, award presentations, the annual cookout, and more, made for an exciting and memorable Homecoming festivity.

Be sure to check [http://connect.hsutx.edu](http://connect.hsutx.edu) for images from alumni events.
Whether we attended or were influenced by a family member or friend who attended HSU, our life journey has been enriched through our University. Transformation 2020 will position Hardin-Simmons in a place of leadership to impact lives for the next hundred years. To provide educational excellence that is truly enlightened by faith, we must remain diligent. If you believe in our mission, here are four ways you can support the University.

1. Pray for our students, faculty, staff, and Transformation 2020
2. Consider a gift to the campaign that matches your passions
3. Consider a planned gift such as a will to endow a scholarship in your name or the name of a loved one.
4. Help spread the word with other HSU friends about the transformation taking place on campus.

OPTIONS

Some gift options provide income back to you, some offer significant tax advantages, and some offer maximum flexibility. Below are some options for your consideration. We would be happy to visit with you by phone or in person. You can reach our office at 670-1260. More information is also available on the HSU website.

Gifts of stock or appreciated assets
A gift of stock or appreciated assets offers a tax deduction, and avoids capital gains taxes. This allows your gift to have a much greater impact than a cash gift.

Bequest
Naming HSU in your will is a simple way to establish a scholarship or support a school or college. You retain flexibility and can make later adjustments.

Life Insurance
You can add HSU as one of your beneficiaries on a policy or gift a paid up policy. Insurance can also be used as a wealth replacement tool in conjunction with a trust.

Charitable Gift Annuity
A contract between you and HSU that provides a steady income to you, offers a tax deduction, and supports the university.

Charitable Remainder Annuity Trust
A trust that provides a steady income stream to you, offers a tax deduction, and supports the university.

Charitable Remainder Unitrust
A trust that provides a variable income stream based on returns, offers a tax deduction, and supports the university. It can be set with “make up” provisions that may help offset years with lower returns.

Charitable Lead Trust
A trust that provides a steady income stream to HSU for a period of time with the remainder going back to the donor or a beneficiary. CLT’s can be helpful with those concerned about estate taxes.

Retained Life Estate
Gift of real estate that provides an income tax deduction and allows the donor to remain in their home.
Turf & Tennis Projects First of Transformation 2020

Among the first projects to benefit from the Transformation 2020 campaign goal of transforming the campus are a completed turf replacement project at Shelton Stadium and the construction of a new tennis center.

When the Cowboys played their first home game of the 2014 football season Sept. 13 against Texas Lutheran University, it marked the first game on Parramore Field’s new artificial turf. Installation of nearly 137,000 square feet of turf, covering both Parramore Field and the adjacent practice field to the north, was completed in June 2014. The $1 million project is the first of many future enhancements planned for the stadium.

“This is an exciting time for our department,” said John Neese, HSU’s director of athletics, “with the Shelton Stadium renovations being included in the initial stages of Transformation 2020. We are grateful to the donors who are making this a reality. It’s a great situation for our football team.”

Weather conditions in West Texas, including the drought of recent years, made it increasingly difficult to maintain Parramore’s natural grass surface.

“Improvements to Shelton Stadium will enhance the care that we take of our players,” said Jesse Burleson, HSU football coach. “We always strive to do the best we can by them on and off the field.”

Future Transformation 2020 plans for Shelton Stadium include a new, 2,400 sq. ft. pressbox and elevator, covered VIP seats at the top of the stadium, and additional covered seating in a reserved section. A grass berm adjacent to the new Wilkins Wellness Center will decorate the south end of the stadium, and a new locker room, restrooms and concession area are planned for the stadium’s east side (visitors).

In addition to the completed turf project, groundbreaking has begun on a new HSU tennis center.

Construction of the $1.8 million project began in September, and will be located west of Shelton Stadium in the northwest corner of Vogel and Simmons streets. Neese said the schedule calls for completion of
eight courts (four with lights), office space, and equipment storage in time for the facility to be used during a major part of the 2015 HSU tennis spring schedule.

The tennis facility will include several new and cost-saving amenities, including post-tension concrete and the award-winning Musco Sports Lighting System. Additionally, the facility will include a scoreboard, funded by a donation by Gene Adams, that will display the scores of each court’s singles and doubles matches.

“Our athletes are excited about getting out there and enjoying the new courts,” said Neese. The current courts at Streich Tennis Center are being relocated to the new location to make way for the new state-of-the-art Wilkins Wellness Center of 50,000 square feet.

“We had a lot of success on those courts,” Neese said, “but we are excited about the new courts.”

After additional fund-raising in Transformation 2020, HSU plans to construct four additional tennis courts, a covered pavilion and a fieldhouse with locker rooms for the men’s and women’s tennis team at the new location. HSU tennis coach Shane Williford said the new tennis facility will be “one of the nicest tennis facilities in the nation. Not only will our current players and coaches enjoy the new facility, but I also believe it will give us a competitive advantage in recruiting players to uphold our strong tradition.”

Christopher Education Building to Enhance Preparation of Future Teachers

For Will and Janice Wilkins of Dallas, the mission of Hardin-Simmons University is more than just words – it is a lived commitment to excellence that motivated them to pledge the single largest commitment in the history of the university.

The Wilkins’ $16 million commitment, announced last fall, allows HSU to move forward with architectural plans for the first two new buildings in the university’s Transformation 2020 capital campaign.

The Christopher Education Building is one of these buildings. It honors Janice’s grandmother, Maudie Christopher, her daughters, and other family members for their service in public education.

The Christopher Building will be located between Abilene Hall, current home to the Irvin School of Education, and the Mabee Building, which houses the physical education program as well as the doctoral program of the physical therapy department.

Pam Williford, dean of the Irvin School of Education, and Renee Collins, Educational Studies department head and associate professor of education, along with other faculty members, have met with university officials and architects to collaborate in planning the building and its facilities.

“This facility will provide students with up-to-date equipment that will enhance programs and classrooms,” said Williford. “Both undergraduate and graduate students will be equipped with technology that supports learning in their fields of study.”

Featured in the new building will be a science, math, and art lab,
a children’s center, a resource and tutoring library, file rooms, and a work area for student employees and graduate assistants. Lobbies, outdoor courtyards, and visitors’ reception areas will add to the facility’s welcoming atmosphere.

The addition of a children’s center will allow for expansion of HSU’s early childhood teacher preparation program, a program where preschoolers can attend weekly classes taught by students enrolled in Theories and Foundations of Early Childhood Education courses. The center also will be utilized during Threshold, an annual summer program for gifted kindergarten through tenth grade students, and Dream Catchers, a summer camp aimed at enhancing literacy and enriched learning opportunities for students in Abilene’s school district.

With more than 30,000 square feet planned, the Christopher Education Building will also will feature student-friendly space, including nine instructional classrooms, eight faculty offices, an office for the certification officer, and the dean’s suite.

The science, math, and art center is being designed for use by all teacher preparation certification levels – allowing HSU students to generate teaching materials for use during their field teaching experiences. Additionally, a technology center will include a state-of-the-art room equipped with interactive boards, computers, and electronic tablets all designed to aid future teachers in effectively utilizing technology for education.

The Christopher Education Building also will be the new home of the Houston-Lantrip Center for Literacy and Learning. The center promotes awareness and understanding of dyslexia and other issues faced by those who struggle with reading.

“This new facility is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for our programs and for students and faculty,” said Mary Christopher, associate dean and professor of education in the Irvin School of Education. “We feel honored and blessed by this generous gift and plan to honor it by using these new facilities to enhance and provide excellent educational programs for current and future students.”

**Wilkins Wellness Center to Transform Student Experience**

HSU’s continued commitment to the health and preparation of students, faculty, and staff will soon be enhanced with the planned construction of the Wilkins Wellness Center, a project made possible in part by a portion of the generous $16 million commitment from Will and Janice Wilkins of Dallas.

The new, state-of-the-art Wilkins Wellness Center, is scheduled for construction on a location currently occupied by the Streich Tennis Center and Marston Gym. The new center will include more than 50,000 square feet of academic, recreational, fitness and wellness facilities.

The Wilkins Wellness Center will transform the way students at HSU prepare to enter the workforce according to Chuck Ruot, professor of fitness and sport sciences and director of the human performance lab.

Classroom space will include a high-tech human performance lab that will provide essential equipment to enhance undergraduate and graduate degree requirements for medical, wellness and fitness professionals.

“I am excited about the possibilities that exist to enhance the learning experiences for students majoring in fitness and sports sciences,” said Ruot. “The laboratory will be utilized in ways that mimic professional facilities where our graduates will be employed.”

Regardless of major, all HSU students will have the opportunity benefit or from the center’s numerous indoor and outdoor features, which include: two basketball courts for academic and intramural use, a walking track, new aerobic and cardio exercise equipment and weight-lifting machines, a lap pool of 5,000 square feet, and an adjoining deck of 10,000 square feet. Further, plans also include locker rooms, faculty and staff offices, a juice bar, a rock-climbing wall, and meeting space, overlooking the football field to the north, aimed at providing additional space for university receptions and other special events.

The Wilkins center also will allow HSU to expand some of its outreach programs, such as the Learn to Swim program designed for children in the Abilene community, and allow HSU to increase its involvement with tournaments and other community events.
EXISTING STRUCTURE

EXPANSIONS & REMODELS

ADDITIONS & FUTURE CONSTRUCTION
FUTURE PLANS

Health Science Center

Over the last two decades, HSU has increased its emphasis on health-related academic programs. The additions of a master’s degree in physical therapy in 1996 and the Doctor of Physical Therapy degree in 2002 with expansions of graduate programs in nursing, sports and fitness have served our students well. The University has experienced a dramatic increase in undergraduate biology majors as well as in sports and fitness majors.

One of the major goals of the University is to develop new cost-effective academic programs. In the health sciences, this goal will require the construction of a new facility. We envision moving Physical Therapy to this new facility and housing other new programs here. Two of this building’s multiple floors - each slated for 18,500 square feet - will house Physical Therapy. This will allow HSU to increase the entering PT class to 32 students (from the current 28). Included on these floors will be:

- Two classrooms of 2,500 square feet each (with instruction and lab space)
- Large, tiered lecture hall seating 125
- Conference room
- Director’s office
- Applied physiology laboratory of 2,500 square feet
- Musculo-skeletal laboratory of 1,500 square feet
- Anatomy laboratory of 1,700 square feet
- Learning resource lab of 850 square feet

The third floor of this new facility will provide adequate space for a future Physician’s Assistant program.

Design and construction of this building will allow for a future expansion of up to three additional floors.
Logsdon School of Theology & Seminary

A south wing will be constructed to add 12,500 square feet to the Logsdon Building. The wing will include two new classrooms and a student computer room. A large banquet/reception room will be added to provide a beautiful gathering place for luncheons, dinners, lectures, wedding receptions and other events.

Also, more than 19,000 square feet of Logsdon office space will be renovated to provide improved space utilization and additional faculty offices.

Family Psychology Center

A new home of 20,000 square feet for the Department of Psychology is also planned. This two-story structure will include eight faculty offices, four classrooms and a state-of-the-art counseling facility. Also included will be comfortable lobby space, restrooms, workrooms and a faculty lounge.

The counseling center will include eight general therapy rooms, one child therapy room, an adolescent therapy room and two testing rooms. Additional space is provided for graduate and undergraduate student interns. This much-needed building will allow the University to expand its counseling services in a more comfortable environment that will be welcoming to both adults and children.
**Library Expansion / Learning Commons**

A new, contemporary Learning Commons will be added east and north of Richardson Library. This addition of 20,000 square feet will be designed to encourage and invite more collaborative learning, including spaces for multiple study groups, media centers, faculty teaching and learning center, and a coffee shop. Most important, relevant academic support programs will be located here to encourage faculty, staff and student engagement in learning.

The design of this two-story addition will incorporate areas for study with mobile devices and leisure seating. The new addition will be highly visible from the pedestrian walkway connecting Moody Center and Abilene Hall. Throughout the existing and new spaces of the library, individual and group study areas will be available to students and faculty.

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**Special Events Center**

A Special Events Center planned for the east side of campus will serve as a venue for Convocation, Commencement, concerts, large-audience lectures, and NCAA Division III basketball and volleyball games. Located north and west of a rerouted Pine Street, this major facility will accommodate 2,250 spectators in permanent stadium seating with an additional 1,000 seats on the court floor for non-athletics events.

The center will include a large multi-purpose room with banquet seating for 450. Dressing room facilities for basketball and volleyball, athletics training rooms, and 10 offices will also be housed in the complex.

Adequate parking to accommodate event guests will be located adjacent to the Special Events Center.
In late June, Hardin-Simmons University’s Irvin School of Education hosted the second year of the Dream-Catchers Summer Camp, a program designed to enhance literacy among elementary school students in the Abilene Independent School District. The camp, conducted in partnership with the AISD, and funded in part by a grant from the Community Foundation of Abilene, was held June 16th through 19th and June 23rd through 26th.

Dr. Renee Collins, chair of the department of educational studies and associate professor of education at HSU, developed the literacy camp as a result of her research regarding the connections between motivation and achievement among students.

The camp provides formative learning experiences for AISD students while promoting deep collaboration between HSU education majors and AISD teachers during the funding, planning, and implementation stages of development. According to Collins, the cooperative effort of the Dream-Catchers Camp allowed for a successful implementation of easily achieved goals, which had a significant impact upon both students and teachers.

“Dream-Catchers’ was a win-win for everyone involved,” said Collins. During the two week Dream-Catchers Camp, HSU undergraduate education majors, teachers from a local AISD elementary school, and nearly 60 students ranging from kindergarten to fourth grade collaborated in learning activities designed to help campers make friends, create memories, and ponder big ideas - all through the vehicle of active participation and learning.

Collins noted the exemplary reflection of HSU's strategic values found in the Dream-Catchers Summer Camp. She added that by demonstrating service to, and in partnership with the AISD, while also seeking to expand the learning experiences and preparation of future educators, this camp reinforced the communal ideal of the educational enterprise modeled at HSU.

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Student surveys and a strategic approach to creating engaging community have resulted in big changes for the HSU residence life experience.

This summer, HSU Resident Life staff began implementation of an effort to refresh facilities and relocate students based on a comprehensive plan aimed at enhancing the educational experience of those living on campus.

For those familiar with HSU residence halls, this meant the long-standing gender assignments of certain halls would need to be reassessed as all first-year men and women, as well as upperclassmen, would be moved to different residence halls.

To this end, first-year women were relocated to Anderson Hall, which previously served as a men's hall, with upperclass women consolidated in Lang Hall. First-year men were relocated to Ferguson and Nix Halls, with upperclass men moved to Behrens Hall.

In addition to the changes in location of men and women students, many other renovations were made to improve the quality of life within the halls. All residence halls received new paint. Some received new furniture and uniquely designed study spaces. In Anderson Hall, new flooring and a kitchen was added, and each residence hall received a newly renovated laundry facility complete with brand new washers and dryers. Wheelchair ramps have all had a facelift as well; they received new siding, tops and a fresh coat of paint.

The improvements impacted residence directors as well, with many benefiting from new and renovated offices designed to help them separate their living space from their workspace.

But perhaps the best news of all is that all of these changes happened without the use of additional funding to the residence life budget.

Caleb Steed, Director of Residence Life, praises the many people who helped to make it all possible.

“Overall the changes have been positive for the students, faculty and staff because the spaces have become more than just a place to sleep or hang out,” said Steed. “They have actually become a place to learn, and enhance the educational experience.”
AROUND CAMPUS

STARS OF THE PURPLE AND GOLD RECOGNIZED FOR OUTSTANDING SERVICE

During this year’s Stars of the Purple and Gold event held in May, Dr. Travis Frampton, professor of biblical studies and associate provost, was named Faculty Member of the Year, and Mrs. Tracy Parker, administrative assistant in the Family Psychology Center, was named HSU’s Staff Member of the Year.

The event, sponsored and hosted by the HSU Alumni Association to honor all faculty and staff for their service to the university, recognizes two notable members of the HSU faculty and staff for outstanding service to the HSU community. Nominations for the annual award are received from colleagues with plaques and monetary awards provided by the university.

In addition to recognition of current faculty and staff members, recognition is also given to two people selected as the Former Faculty Member of the Year and the Former Staff Member of the Year. They are selected by the HSU Fellowship, an active group of retired faculty and staff members who meet on campus several times per year.

This year, Dr. Collene Simmons ’71/’76, retired associate professor of education and director of the Center for Literacy and Learning, was named Former Faculty Member of the Year, and the Former Staff Member of the Year was Mrs. Dorothy Kiser ’65/’92, retired associate vice president for student records and registration and registrar.

Service pins for longevity were also awarded in five-year increments beginning with the employee’s first five years of service. Receiving the pin for the most years of service, 40 years, was associate dean of the College of Fine Arts, professor of voice, Dr. Jaynne Middleton.

CFO Preston Retires After 22 Years at HSU

Mr. Harold Preston was honored by Hardin-Simmons University for nearly 23 years of service to HSU during a retirement luncheon in May. Preston served as HSU’s senior vice president of finance and operations until May 31, 2014.

In attendance at the luncheon were many members of HSU’s Board of Trustees, financial officers from universities across Texas, representatives of financial institutions with whom Preston has worked, HSU faculty and staff, and members of Preston’s family – with many of them sharing remembrances of his generosity tempered with good-humored jabs at his renowned tightfistedness.

“As you can see, we have too much time on our hands,” remarked Preston as he examined the high attendance from the podium. Referring to comment cards laid on the tables for well-wishers, he asked everyone to fill them out. “That’s a pledge card for our new campaign,” he jested and then quickly threatened to pass out financial statements for review.

Preston came to HSU as a student, earning a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in 1969 and a Master of Business Administration degree in 1972 after his military service. While a student, he served in the ROTC and was on the HSU golf team.

HSU President Dr. Lanny Hall worked as a fellow vice president with Preston at Howard Payne University. When Hall was named 13th president of Hardin-Simmons University, he convinced Preston to use his talents for his alma mater.

“I knew he had the tenacity, the temperament, and the ability to do this job. I also knew that he had two degrees from HSU and that he loved this institution. When I presented the opportunity to return to The Forty Acres, he answered affirmatively and I knew he would do an excellent job,” said Hall.

Preston’s influence can be seen in institutions across Texas as he mentored many institutional finance officers during the last 25 years. He served at two Texas Baptist universities and is a veteran of the Vietnam War, serving in the U.S. Army as a 1st Lieutenant in a field artillery unit.

Hall cited Preston’s most significant contribution to HSU as his hard-working and diligent effort to improve the financial condition of the university.
Leadership Students Ride Bikes Across Texas, Again

When Jace Langen, a sophomore bio-chemistry major and microbiology minor from Iowa Park, Texas, enrolled in Hardin-Simmons University’s Leadership Studies Program, he never dreamed that it would lead to the bike ride of his life. Over the spring semester, Langen and seven other riders began building endurance for a journey that would include the low, palm-tree-dotted flats of South Texas, the rolling terrain of the Texas Hill Country, the Texas and Oklahoma Panhandles, and a wrap-up 925 miles later in Liberal, Kansas.

“The purpose of the trip was to give leadership students firsthand experience with organization, problem-solving, teamwork, and learning to be aware of individual differences,” said Dr. Coleman Patterson, professor of management and leadership and director of the Leadership Studies Program at HSU.

When Patterson proposed the south-to-north trip across the entirety of Texas, students readily accepted the adventure, which included a vast amount of preparation outside of class time.

“We met every Thursday morning in a zero-credit hour class to plan the ride and spent many hours outside of class riding and training together. All of that planning paid off very well,” said Patterson as he reflected on the journey that ended up with one scratched knee and 13 flat tires over the seven-plus days on the road.

In preparation for the journey, the students raised $4,300 from various companies with a large sponsorship from Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Texas. Families and friends also helped to make the ride possible with donations.

Referred to as Bike Ride Across Texas 2 (BRAT 2), this year’s ride was the second time for Leadership Studies students to bike across Texas. Last May another group of leadership students rode from El Paso to Texarkana. The BRAT 2014 route included stops in Brownsville, Premont, Uvalde, Leakey, Abilene, Paducah, Wheeler, and Liberal, Kansas, with students being hosted by Baptist churches in most of the cities.

“Through the planning, preparation, and execution of the project, leadership students also learned goal setting, critical thinking, conflict resolution, supportive communication, and project management,” said Patterson. “The Bike Ride Across Texas gave students the opportunity to practice and develop leadership and organization skills in a real project.”

“During our overnight stops, we discussed what we have learned, and continue to learn, about obesity prevention, exercise, and healthy living,” said Langen. “Riding our bikes across the state was a good way to illustrate healthy living in practice.”

Presentations at Abilene’s Austin Elementary and Taylor Elementary at the ride’s mid-point layover put HSU students face-to-face with fifth-graders eager to make fitness and exercise regular parts of their lives said Patterson. Using a leap-frog technique to cover much of the vastness of Texas, three riders ended with more than 400 miles completed, three students chalked up more than 300, and two riders ended the trip with more than 200 miles. Three riders covered more than 100 miles a day on the second half of the trip through the Texas Panhandle and Patterson was just 15 miles away from reaching the 500-mile mark.

“The eight of us who made the ride were excellent ambassadors for HSU,” said Patterson who is already planning possibilities for future rides. “We had planned to wait two years to restock the Leadership Studies Program with enough crazy people to try a similar experience again,” he quipped, “but we are already thinking about a ride to Canada next summer.”
Athletic Life

Another Banner Year for HSU Athletics

Once again Hardin-Simmons had a banner year that resulted in three American Southwest Conference Championships and three teams that got a taste of the NCAA Tournament experience. Not only did they perform well on the field and court, HSU also had 49 fall student-athletes named to the American Southwest Conference Academic Honor Roll. HSU had the most selections of any school in the conference.

The Cowgirl soccer team is what some people call a dynasty. HSU won its 11th straight American Southwest Conference title with a 1-0 win over Texas-Dallas. Coach Marcus Wood’s team also pushed its NCAA-record conference unbeaten streak to 167 matches that spans almost 15 seasons of play. HSU finished the year 16-2-1.

The Cowboy soccer team also returned to the top of the American Southwest Conference with a memorable season. HSU started the year 0-3 and then went 11-1-5 the rest of the way. Dan Heger’s team allowed only one goal the entire conference season. The strong season earned the Cowboys the right to host the American Southwest Conference Tournament and HSU won a pair of overtime matches to win the school’s eighth conference titles and the first since 2009. Both soccer teams saw their season’s come to an end with overtime losses in the NCAA Tournament to Puget Sound.

The Cowgirl volleyball team overcame some midseason struggles and entered the conference tournament as the No. 4 team. However, Sabrina Bingham’s team showed their mettle with a win over Texas-Tyler and then top-seed Texas-Dallas on the first day and then beat Mary Hardin-Baylor in the semifinals setting up the final with East Texas Baptist. The Tigers won the first match 3-1, but because HSU had not lost in the double-elimination tournament an if necessary game was played and the Cowgirls won 3-1 to claim its fourth straight ASC title. The win put the Cowgirls in the NCAA Tournament and HSU almost pulled off the shocker in the first round. HSU played California Lutheran at Trinity and the Cowgirls won the first two games. CLU responded to win the next two games, and HSU led 13-12 in the last game. However, CLU scored the last three points all on kills by All-American Kylie McLogan and won the match. The third-ranked Regals eventually finished the season as the national runner-up. The Cowgirls finished the season 23-16 and its six seniors finished off what is the most successful four-year run in school history with four conference titles.

HSU’s football team finished the 2013 year with a 4-6 record, but many young players received playing time and the future looks bright. Sophomore kick returner and wide receiver Jessie Ramos was named an All-American after the season. The Cowboys received a new turf playing surface after the season and returns 15 starters from a year ago for the 2014 season. HSU had 19 players named to the academic all-conference team, which was the most in the conference.

Freshman Victoria Cortez was a first-team all-conference selection for the Cowgirls in cross country after finishing fourth in the conference meet. Ashley Sutton also earned all-conference honors with a 12th-place finish. Clay Smith earned all-conference honors with a 13th place finish. Cortez, Sutton and Smith also ran in the NCAA regional cross country meet.

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Wayne Goodrum ’58, a retired attorney, is engaged in the competitive electricity and natural gas industry. Also, he is on Staff at Hill Country Bible Church, Pflugerville, and has written Ears to Hear, Revelation Revealed, a three-volume analysis of the New Testament book of Revelation; waynej@gmail.com.

Bob Graham ’59 recently married Sue (McCaslin ’62X). They live in Lubbock; mitt809@sbcglobal.net.

1960s Milton Redeker ’61/BOD is Director of Senior Adult/Men’s Ministries of University Baptist, Houston, as of 8/30/2013, after 55 years in Church Ministry. He also has been appointed by the Supreme Court of Texas as a Civil Process Server and works part-time at the law office in Houston where his wife, Rebekah, is in her 27th year as a family law paralegal. They live on a farm in Marvel, south of Houston; drmaredeker@att.net.

Gayle (Machen) Noll ’64 is a retired college dean and professor. Dr. Noll lives in Kingwood; gaylenoll@embarqmail.com.

Derrell Moore ’62/’85, former HSU Assoc. Prof. of Accounting, shows off a carpet loom made for him by Mustafa, a carpet seller in Istanbul. He loves HSU and talks about it often.

Ann (Bryant) Lindsey ’65/BOT shared a photo of her grandchildren, Abigail (Abby), Audrey, An, and Chas Meleto of Jonesboro, GA. Ann and Duane ’65 live in Waco; annblindsy@sbcdglobal.net.

George Neubert ’65 is working toward completion of the Flatwater Folk Art Museum, a project of the Flatwater Art Foundation, in Brownville, NE, while consulting on art projects. He suggests if you are in the San Francisco Bay Area, you should take in the sculpture exhibition by Mark di Suvero; wneubert@windstream.net.

Peggye (Newman) Baldwin ’66 reports that, after working for the same company 40 years, her husband has retired, and they have moved from Houston to Brenham. They love the small-town life and being closer to family in Austin, including baby granddaughter, Elizabeth; baldwinpeggye@sbcdglobal.net.

FOLKS & FACTS

Editor’s Note for Folks & Facts, Future Alumni and Friends We’ll Miss: All cities are in Texas unless otherwise noted. Email addresses are included when possible. Information reflects submissions received April 25, 2013–April 30, 2014. Acronyms: AHOF Athletics Hall of Fame/AAABD Alumni Association Board of Directors/BOD Board of Development/BOT Board of Trustees/BYA Board of Young Associates/CBB Cowboy Band/CBBF Cowboy Band Foundation/ExC ExCowgirls Assn./HOL Hall of Leaders/HD Honorary Doctorate Degree/KCDC Kelley College of Business Dean’s Advisory Council/LAC Logsdon Alumni Council/LDA Logsdon Distinguished Alumni Award/OYA Outstanding Young Alumni Award/ROTC Reserve Officers Training Corps.
Robert Peters ’79 is a member of the Catholic Worker movement, a group begun in the Depression by Dorothy Day and Peter Maurin. It provides free shelter and food to people in transition, publishes a newsletter, Catholic Radical, and engages people in social justice issues. He lives in voluntary poverty in a community called St. Francis and St. Therese House in Worcester, MA. His paid work time is distributed among the Worcester Public Schools as a substitute teacher; the Literacy Program, teaching English-as-a-Second-Language to refugees and immigrants; and St. Mary Health Care in the recreation department. His earnings go to help the poor. He has just finished illustrating a children’s book, and still paints portraits and enters local exhibits. He says, “All of this is due in no small measure to the development of basic moral and liberal arts values instilled throughout the years. Thanks to all my teachers, peers, and friends, some of whom have passed, but remembered fondly and missed;” robertclydepeters@hotmail.com.

Jim Martin ’79, owner of Martin Environmental Services, was named the Dothan (AL) Area Chamber of Commerce’s 2013 Small Business Person of the Year. He started the company based on cardboard recycling, in 1999. Today, the company handles commercial solid-waste and roll-off services; industrial, government and municipal services; and handles waste removal for events like the National Peanut Festival. The company’s reach now extends west to Geneva, north to Eufaula, east into southeast Georgia, and south into the Florida Panhandle; martin11@graceba.net.

Michael Metcalf ’79 is now a Hospice/Palliative Care/Blind Rehab/CLC Chaplain with the Dept. of Veteran Affairs. He lives in Evans, GA, madflapeagle@hotmail.com.

Kent Parks ’79 writes that several alumni are part of the Act Beyond organization based in Plano (formerly Mission to Unreached Peoples). Stan Parks ’85 is VP Global Strategies. Betsy Brown ’77/DAA is Strategic Worship and Crisis Response Facilitator. Matt Wallace ’86 and Miriam (Mixon) Wallace ’87 are strategic partners on the special initiatives team. In 2012, the group’s inaugural Global Impact Award was given to Virginia (Hawkins) Boyd Connolly ‘33/’89 hd/DAA/KASA/HOL. In 2013, the award went to Keith Parks ’76 HD and Bill O’Brien ’55/’81 HD/DAA (pictured with Miriam); www.globalimpactaward.org.

Steve Simpson ’79 recently received the Jack and Louise Arthur Teaching Excellence Award from Tarleton State University, where he, in his 29th year, heads the Athletic Training Dept. as Professor/Director of Sports Medicine/Assistant Athletics Director. The dept. received the Most Distinguished Athletic Training Award from the Southwest Athletic Trainers Assn. in Aug. 2013; simpson@tarleton.edu.


Jon Randles ’80 is the interim pastor at Victory Life Baptist in Lubbock, where he and wife, Kelly (Dennis) ’79, live; klr7070@aol.com.

Neal Walters ’80 earned a M.A. in Jewish Studies from Hebrew College, Boston, and was awarded the Clara M. Silbert Prize for Excellence in Bible Studies. Neal is working as a business-to-business software consultant in the Dallas area.

Rodney Watson ’81/LDA has pastored Lytle South Baptist, an Abilene neighborhood church, since its 1988 inception. Current membership 25 years later is about 250, up from an initial 74. His wife, Jana (Davis) ’81, is a math teacher at Cooper High School; watson.rodney@yahoo.com.

Cindy & Charlotte (McBride) Young, ’81 & ’83X, moved in Aug. 2013 to Grand Prairie, where he is pastor of Indian Hills Baptist; charlottemcbrideyoung@gmail.com.

Cathy (Fisher) Ashby ’82/BOD became resident/chief executive officer of the United Way of Abilene in July 2013. Cathy and Phil ’80 live in Abilene; drashby@unitedwayabilene.org.

Tony Garrett ’82 was proud to have six HSU alumni take part in the 2013 Christmas Celebration at Southern Oaks Baptist, Tyler, where he is Music Minister. Teresa (Bunch) Garrett ’82, Jamie (Ball) Sanders ’98/BYA, Byron Howell ’75, Rachel (McDonald) Hester ’12 & Chris Hester ’11, tonyg@suddenlink.net.

Jay Moore ’82/’96 was selected as the Texas entrant in the National Citizenship Education Teacher Award program for 2013-14 by the Texas Veterans of Foreign Wars. He teaches geography at Abilene High School. Jay and Laura (Warren) ’86 live in Abilene with their three daughters; jaymoore@yahoo.com.
Rob Tucker ’83, became Dean of HSU’s College of Fine Arts in June 2013, the position he held previously at Howard Payne. His wife, Clarecia (Taylor ’83X), taught first grade in Bangs through spring 2014; Robert.Tucker@hsutx.edu.

Tim Adcock ’84 was selected as Kiwanian of the Year by the Kiwanis Club of Abilene in Sept. 2013; timt61@yahoo.com.

Thomas & Tammy (Brock) Mantooth, ’84 & ’89/’93, report their daughter Whitney, a high school senior, competed in impromptu speaking at the National Conference of Future Business Leaders of America in Anaheim, CA; won 2nd in Impromptu Speaking at the FBLSA State Conference in NC; and spent a week with the North Carolina Baptist All-State Youth Choir (her third year) touring the eastern part of the state. The family lives in Cary, NC; tammy@tntmantooth.com.

Susan (Dean) Danford ’85 retired after 28 years in education. She produced the top student in the State of Florida thespian competition five of the last 7 years. She and husband, Dick ’83, live in Panama City Beach, FL; dicknsue@bellsouth.net.

Victor Carrillo ’86/’87/’90/’98 has been named chairman of the West Texas Energy Consortium, formerly known as the Cline Shale Consortium. He is president and COO of Zion Oil & Gas, a Dallas-based company exploring exclusively in Israel. He serves as an advisory board member at The TechnoWise Group, and is on the board of directors of Magnum Hunter Resources, a Houston-based exploration and production company active in some of the most prolific unconventional shale resource plays in North America: the Marcellus Shale, Utica Shale, and Williston Basin/Bakken Shale. He lives in Rockwall; vic.gopi@yahoo.com.

Bill Harden ’86 was honored with the 2013 MariaMcEntyre Zoffuto Hero Award, which honors an outstanding West Texas secondary band, choir, or orchestra director for community impact. Harden’s work in Odessa stretches back to 1988, and he is Director of Bands at Odessa High; bhsshero@aol.com.

Steve Linder ’86 is the creator of Vocal Trash, which was voted a “Best of 2014” music act by readers of Fort Worth magazine. Described as “Glee Meets Stomp,” this green-minded ensemble delights global audiences with their unique style of Urban Broadway. Steve produces, arranges, and in some cases writes the musical numbers for the show. He heads up an all-star cast with his singing, dancing, numerous instrument features, and comedic antics. Steve is based out of Fort Worth; steve@vocaltrash.net.

Raimundo Penafort ’86/’87, an internationally recognized composer and violinist, had his compositions featured on the 2013 CD releases of several different artists. Raimundo lives in New York, NY; rpenafort@aoil.com.

Daniel Griffith II ’87X, a corporal in the Pflugerville Police Dept., has been appointed by Gov. Rick Perry to serve on the Texas School Safety Center Board until Feb. 2016. He and Sheila (Fields ’92) live in Pflugerville.

Wilson Chiko ’88 holds an MPH degree from the Univ. of Wales and is now a lecturer at Daystar Univ., Nairobi, Kenya. “I am proud to be a product of HSU, a great institution of higher learning in America,” he says; wilmungo@yahoo.com.

Lori Conklin ’88/’90 has been appointed by the governor of Virginia to serve on the University of Mary Washington’s Board of Medicine. Lori is Assoc. Prof. of Anthropology at the U. of Virginia. She lives in Charlottesville, VA; lori_d_conklin@yahoo.com.

Dennis Harp ’88, former HSU men’s basketball Head Coach, has moved to Wolcottville, IN, where he is sales representative for Crossroads Inc., in Topeka, IN; dennisharp88@gmail.com.

Susan (Duckworth) Meyer ’88 recently passed her General Securities Rep. exam (aka series 7 or stockbroker exam), and the Uniform Securities Agent State Law exam. (aka series 6). Now she is doing customer relations-type training. She and Tom ’88/AAB live in San Antonio; tsmyr@att.net.

Rachel (Nugent) Spinnuzzi ’88 is admin. coordinator for Fort Riley’s Protestant Women of the Chapel, Fort Riley, KS; rachel.spinnuzzi@gmail.com.

Steve McCleathy ’89 is pursuing a Master’s Degree in Counseling at B.H. Carroll Theological Institute and is a Ministry Resident (intern) at Arapaho Road Baptist, Garland. He and Kathryn (Williamson ’89) live in Garland; stevkmc@gmail.com.

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Phil Wilson ’90/’93A became general manager & CEO of the Lower Colorado River Authority in Feb. 2014, following a little over two years as executive director of the Texas Dept. of Transportation. Before that, Phil was senior vice president of public affairs for Luminant, a power generation giant. He also served as Texas secretary of state under Gov. Rick Perry beginning in 2007. In his new role, Phil leads an 1800 person organization with over $1 billion in annual revenue. Phil, his wife Kristen (Kincaid ’90), and son live in Austin.

Erik Wilkinson ’92 is Unit Associate Director of the Texas Tech Health Sciences Center Library of the Health Sciences in the Permian Basin. He lives in Odessa; cew@t68@gmail.com.

Matt Carroll ’94 became Head Coach for San Antonio Roosevelt High football team this past fall, following 5 years in that role for University High, Waco. Matt and Dawn (Parkins ’92) live in San Antonio; mattharr21@yahoo.com.

Tracy (Castillo) Howle ’94 has over 23 years banking experience, and is now a senior VP of commercial lending with Happy State Bank, Abilene. She and Jeff ’94/’98 live in Abilene.

Paul Iby ’94/’96 received the 2013 Distinguished Alumnus Award from HSU’s Loganson School of Theology. Paul is on staff at First Baptist Abilene’s Counseling Center and also occasionally serves as an adjunct professor in HSU’s Psychology Dept.; piby@hsutx.edu.

Rob Yoder ’94 of Lagrange, IN, was selected as 2013-14 Coach of the Year by the Kendall SunSentinal. He coaches basketball at Westview High School.

Aaron Ashford ’95/’06 was recognized by Abilene’s KTXS-TV in its Teacher Tribute series. This was his first year teaching at Craig Middle School.

Shanna Briggs ’95/’06 has taken a teaching and coaching position in the Northwest ISD in Ft. Worth. She had a record of 224-76 in her 11 seasons as the HSU women’s basketball Head Coach, leading the Cowgirls to the Final Four in 2006.

Emily (Hager) Clancy ’95/AABDO, past president of HSU’s Alumni Association, is Administrative Asst. to HSU’s Dean of General Education Studies, Laura (Bearrie) Pogue ’87; ejc73@yahoo.com.

Todd & Claire (Canon) Gentzel, ’95/BOD/’93, have moved their family to Singapore, where he is Senior Manager, Business Partner Communication with BHP Billiton; lgentzel@mac.com.

Missy (Barnett) McIntosh ’95 married Ron on 7/31/2013, at St. Barbara’s Church in Thruber. Gary Needham ’96 played for the ceremony. Missy and Ron live in Norman, OK, where she teaches in an elementary resource classroom; planomissyb@gmail.com.

Craig Naivar ’95/’99 moved to Lexington, KY, joining the University of Kentucky football staff to coach safeties and special teams.

Scott Oldenburgh ’95 is Campus Pastor for The Church on Rush Creek Mansfield West (TX). His new book is titled Church Sucks: But It Doesn’t Have to Stay that Way (Ft. Worth: Austin Brothers Publishers, 2013; Amazon, BN.com, NOOK). He recently launched Church Sucks Consulting (churchsucksconsulting.com), providing coaching, consulting, and church assessments. Scott and Michelle (Kennedy ’93) live in Arlington; bragert61@sbglobelnet.

Joe Weir ’95/AAY is now VP & Chief Revenue Officer, Digital at the Dallas Morning News. He and Amy (Stendebeck ’96) live with their two sons in Colleyville; jweir@dmnmedia.com.
Joy Lovell '97 is Principal at Andrews Elementary in Plano; joyelovell@aol.com.

AliciaNguyen '97/LDA, Senegal native and now assistant professor of New Testament at th Union Theological Seminary in New York, NY, was the 2013 speaker for HSU’s annual George Knight Lectures.

Marshall Coen '98 has been promoted to Major as an Army Chaplain.

Megan (Eads) Miller '98 married Chad in Sept. 2013. They live in Lewisville, TX; meganeads@gmail.com.

Jennifer (Wegenhoft) Smothermon '98/’00, a staff therapist and Director of Development for the Ministry of Counseling and Enrichment in Abilene, has been re-appointed by Gov. Perry to the Texas State Board of Marriage and Family Therapists. She and Kevin ’01 live in Abilene; knjsmothermon@sbcglobal.net.

Henry Vandeventer ’98 is District Manager of Aftersales at General Motors, in Liberty, MO; hankster25@yahoo.com.

Jeff Garrett ’99 has been promoted by the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas to Asst. VP with continuing responsibility in the bank's Financial Management Dept. Jeff and his wife Julie (Harper ’01) live in Allen; garrett.family@sbcglobal.net.

2000s Jason Covington ’00 recently took a job at Houston Will & Notary Services and offers to help HSU alumni with wills or estate planning. He lives in Houston; www.HoustonWills.NET, Willis@aol.com.

Melissa (Robinson) Green ’00, is the Program Manager at the Hippodrome Theatre in Waco; melissa@casadeverde.net.

Alex Hoffman ’00 is VP of Product Engineering at Unison Technologies in New York, NY, where he and Starr (Brockmeier ’99) make their home; malex_hoffman@yahoo.com.

Amy (Anderson) Patterson ’00, was named as 2014 Teacher of the Year for the Birdville ISD.

Brandy (Smith) Richardson ’00 has been selected to lead the Atlanta office of Nashville-based DSi as Review Manager. The company provides electronic discovery and digital forensics services to law firms and corporate legal departments. DSi, formerly Document Solutions Inc., has six other offices throughout the U.S. Brandy lives in McDonough, GA; BSBrandy@hotmail.com.

Cameron Sinclair ’00 is now a full-time history professor at Brookhaven College and is writing his PhD dissertation at the University of North Texas. His wife, Amy (Ozuna ’00), has completed her 7th year as a second grade teacher for Garland ISD. Baby Jacob Lee arrived in July 2013, joining big sister, Juliana (6) and big brother, Jack (5). The Sinclairs live in Sachse; alsinclə@garlandisd.net, cameron.sinclair@gmail.com.

Micha (Boyett) Hohorst ’01 has published a book titled Found: A Story Of Questions, Grace & Everyday Prayer. She lives in San Francisco, CA; mbhoho@gmail.com.

Melanie (Orsak) Chonko ’07/07 is the women’s basketball Head Coach at HSU; mchonko@hsutx.edu.

Kirk & Jana (Alfred) Hancock, ’01/03/BYA/’08, married in July 2013 and live in Abilene. Kirk was 2013-14 president of HSU’s Board of Young Associates; kirkhancock@hotmail.com; janacolette@hotmail.com.

James Hassell ’01/05/BOT was named to HSU’s Board of Trustees. His three-year term began in Jan. He, wife Shannon (Haddon ’02), and daughter, Emma, live in San Angelo where he is pastor at First Baptist; hassel@fcsanangelotx.org.

Kristen Horton ’01 is the new Connections Pastor at Center Point Church in Ft. Worth; kristen.rhorton@gmail.com.

Vicki (Dean) House ’01/10 became HSU’s Vice President for Enrollment Management in June 2013; vhouse@hsutx.edu.

Lex & Katy (Wegenhoft) Robertson, ’01/06/BYA/’02, were married on 5/18/2013. They live in Richardson; lexrobertson@mac.com.

Allison Stafford ’01 of Merkel was named in 1/2014 as Director of Juvenile Probation by the Taylor County (TX) Juvenile Board. Previously she was Taylor County Deputy Chief of Probation Services.

Barrett Thomas ’01, Assistant District Attorney for the 32nd Judicial District Attorney’s Office, was elected as President-Elect of the Texas Young Lawyers Association (TYLA), taking office in June 2014. He will be sworn in as President in June of 2015. Barrett also manages a family law practice, The Thomas Firm, which based in Sweetwater; redraiderlaw@yahoo.com.

Viviana Mora ’02 is now a music teacher at Lipscomb Elementary in the Dallas ISD; pianolady78@gmail.com.

Melanie (Poucher) Sodoma ’02 married Jeff on 10/7/2013. The couple lives in Ruckersville, VA; melaniesodoma@gmail.com.

Emily Greer ’04/BYA reports she was delighted to meet up with Nancy (McNair) Jones ’75 who was her mentor during student teaching. “I count her a great friend!” Emily lives and teaches in Tyler; emilykgreer@gmail.com.

Laura (Ricci) Lange ’03 became HSU’s women’s basketball Assistant Coach in July 2013. She and Bryan ’03/’05 live in Abilene; Laura.A.Lange@hsutx.edu.

Will Tippen ’03/08 is now Vice President of Business Development at Abilene Plumbing Supply Co. He and Kaelly (Blay ’03) live in Abilene; kaelytippen@gmail.com.
Cristel Camacho-Villarreal '05 was one of two winners of the 2013 annual thesis award competition of Brookhaven National Laboratory, which recognizes outstanding dissertations related to research conducted at BNL facilities. “I carried out my PhD studies at the UT Southwestern Medical Center, under the mentorship of Dr. Sandeep Burma. My PhD project was funded by NASA. Our goal was to better understand the cancer risks (brain cancer, specifically) of heavy-particle irradiation which astronauts are exposed to during their time in space. As part of this project, I traveled to BNL in Upton, NY, three times a year to use their synchrotron, or particle accelerator, which can mimic the type of radiation found in space along with the NASA Space Radiation Laboratory (NSRL) to carry out our experiments,” she reported. She completed her dissertation in April 2012, and her thesis was titled: Genetic Events Underlying Radiation-Induced Gliomagenesis. Cristel lives in Cordova, TN, and is a Postdoctoral Research Fellow in the Department of Genetics at St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital; camachocris@ymail.com.
Danny & Shelby (Cheek) White, ’14 & ’13 married on 7/20/2013; chee2148@hsutx.edu.

Blake Davis ’12 is an officer with First United Bank and lives with his wife, Kelly, in Durant, OK; davi360@hsutx.edu.

Julee Gunn ’13 spent the summer following graduation in London, working with children in an after-school writing program and working closely with the team at the Ministry of Stories to help plan and implement workshops to teach creative writing to children in grades 3-5. She was inspired to begin working with a nonprofit called 826 National (826national.org) to open a Texas location. She is teaching kindergarten in the Sherman ISD and lives in McKinney; J.gunn09@yahoo.com.

Friends

A Cenotaph honoring Dr. Evan A Reiff (HSU President 1953-1962) was dedicated in the Texas State Cemetery on 3/18/2014. Dr. Reiff integrated HSU, increased enrollment and endowment, started many building projects, and helped beautify the campus. He is remembered for his unflagging effort and energy, his sacrifice, his faith, and his dedication to Christian education. He died at the age of 54. Assisting with the dedication were Harry Bradley ’65, Cemetery (I checked the cemetery website to verify spelling) Supt., and current HSU President Dr. Lanny Hall; along with Dr. Reiff’s daughter Vangie (Reiff) Newman ’57; along with Dr. Reiff’s daughter Vangie (Reiff) Newman ’57 of San Antonio, ven5736@gmail.com; and his son, John, of Pelham, MA.

Linda Carleton, former Dean of Students, has written a book titled Experience Speaks which sells for $8 in the HSU Bookstore or by contacting her directly (free shipping!). This little book will make a great stocking stuffer or teacher gift; carleton@hsutx.edu.
Alexander Jude, son of Benjamin & Stephanie (Lowe) Griffin '02/BYA. Killeen, 3/20/13; stephanie.griffin@killeenisd.org.

Herdi Jane, daughter of Rick & Christina (Mick) Hollinger '09, Burn St Edmunds, United Kingdom; 2/7/14; cmick2@yahoo.com.

**Tyne Justus, son of Tabitha & Michael Hull '04/BYA. Round Rock, 6/26/13; hulley22@yahoo.com.**

Madeline Elizabeth, daughter of Jessica & Matthew Irish '96 Springfield, VA, 9/12/13; mattyirish@gmail.com.

Claire Joanna, daughter of B.J. & Mandy (Hazzard) Johnson, '00 & '04/BYA, Texas City 6/22/13; mandyhazzard@hotmail.com.

Adah Jane, daughter of Jason & Rachel (Rau) King '99/02 & '03, Abilene, 4/15/13. Jason is Asst. Professor of English at HSU, jking@hsutx.edu.

Jude Alexander, son of Johnny & Tricia (Seay) Knowlton, '01 & '03. Grand Saline, 5/13/13. jknotin@hotmail.com, triciaknowlton@yahoo.com.

Austin Parke, son of Kristy & Russell Leaventhall '98, Abilene, 3/13/2014; Russell is Director of Development Operations & Foundation Support for HSU, leaventhall@hotmail.com.


Adilynn Jean Lee Xuan Hieu, daughter of Jonathan & Stephanie (Harvell) Lee, '10 & '10/12. Granbury, 9/3/13. Big brother is Nathan; Proud grands include Kenneth & Gloria (Teff) Harvell, '59 & '58; Ron & Marsha (Mills) Harvell, both '83. lee.jansteph@gmail.com.

Claire McKinley, daughter of Christopher & Rachel (Calk) Mabry, '08 & '05/07. Abilene, 6/11/13. chrisamabry@yahoo.com.

Enoch Adoniram, son of Benn & Kama (Yardeman) Massmann '00. Fairview, 7/8/13; mexicokama@hotmail.com.

Shelby, daughter of Jeremy & Shannon (Collins) Maynard, '08 & '05; Abilene, 2/19/13. Both work for the HSU Library where he is Special Collections Manager, and she is Educational Technology Services Coordinator. Proud grandmother is HSU’s Dr. Renee Collins, jmaynard@hsutx.edu, shannon.maynard@hsutx.edu.

Asher Timothy, son of David & Angela (Colson) McKnight, '05 & '04/08. Abilene, 6/13/13. Big brother is Levi (2); dmknights@gmail.com, armit28@gmail.com.


Annabelle Marie, daughter of John & Melissa (Loehne) Neese, '88/92 & '93/98. '88/10/14. John is HSU’s Athletic Director, jneese@hsutx.edu, mneese@hendrickhealth.org.

Hannah Joy, daughter of Matt & Sarah (Jones) Morris, both '02/BYA. Ft. Worth, 3/13/13; mjt@gusbates.com, sarahjmorrisdds.com.

Jack Christopher, daughter of Johanna & C. J. Morrow ‘03, Abilene, 2/13/2012; cjmorraw@gmail.com.

James Noll, son of Jimmy & Kate (Elzie) Neeley, '07 & '01, College Station, 2/6/14. Big brothers are Jaxon (5); Connor (3); kaleneely@yahoo.com.

Paige Elizabeth, daughter of Austin & Faith (Feaster) Parren '05/BYA. Spring, 4/5/14; faithfeaster@yahoo.com.


Tatum Reed, son of Travis & Katy (Chester) Pierce '07. Kennedale, 9/8/10; katypierce@ggisd.org. The former HSU softballter wrote: “We haven’t yet decided what sport he will be competing in as a Cowboy!”

Madison Else, daughter of John & Lori (Greer) Redearn ‘04/BYA. Tyler, adopted 9/2013; loriedearnell@gmail.com.

Jackson Everest, son of Allen & Becky (Stucky) Reeder, both '05. North Richland Hills, 8/17/13; rebekah_leigh.22@yahoo.com.

Elizabeth “Libby” Jane, daughter of Todd & Megan (Connelly) Reynolds ‘01. Plainview, 5/13/13. meganconnelly@yahoo.com.

Kyle Ann, daughter of Phil & Kristin (Hall) Robertson ‘02. North Richland Hills, 5/25/13; kristin.roberson@att.net.

Lucas Sawyer, son of Brandon & Danyel (Featherstone) Rogers, ‘01 & ‘05/07. Abilene, 5/13/13.

Hayes William, son of Andy & Katie (Smith) Schmeltzer, both ’02. Murfreesboro, TN, 11/22/13. schmeltzerandy@gmail.com.

Mikayla Else, daughter of Steven & Lisa (Law) Stegner ‘05/BYA. Norman, OK, 7/22/13; lisa.stegner@gmail.com.


Zander Ki, son of Meguell & Brittany (Billingssley) Suell, ‘11 & ‘10/13. Abilene, 4/16/14; wmsuell@gmail.com.

Ellie Katherine, daughter of Geoffrey & Sarah (House) Turner, ‘08 & ‘09. Abilene, 10/29/2013. Big sis is Berkley, and proud grandmothers are HSU staffers Vicki House ‘01/10 & Bobbie Turner, geoffreyturner@beltway.org, sarahmturner@gmail.com.

Alexander Marcus, son of Marcus & Kelley (Trageser) Wood, ‘03 & ‘07. Abilene, 5/9/12; mwood@hsutx.edu. Marcus is head women’s soccer coach at HSU.
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**FRIENDS WE’LL MISS**

**Mrs. Pauline (Melton) Duff ’54.** ExC, 12/28/2013.

**Mrs. Helen (Williams) Epleen ’56.** ExC, 8/8/2013. Mother of Donald ’69.

**Mrs. Frances (Beck) Harrison ’56.** ExC, 10/20/2013.

**Mr. Rayford Warr ’57x.** CBB, 3/22/2014.

**Mrs. Mary (Brown) Phy ’58.** 8/23/2012.

**Dr. Col. (Ret.) Ed Bigelow ’59.** 9/22/2013.


**Mr. Reed Ingalsbe ’51.** 3/8/2012. Husband of Betty ’51.


**Mr. Morris Haynes ’51.** 12/19/2013.

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