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• SMU CELEBRATES A CENTENNIAL WORTH A BILLION •



**SMU capped off its centennial celebration with a spectacular fireworks show after the football game against James Madison University.**

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**(COVER)** Alumnus Ryan Atwell '98 lifts his daughter, Sydney, age 4, in a moment captured by Dallas photographer Kim Leeson.  
**(INSIDE COVER)** Mustang fans moved from the stands to the field after the football game for an eye-popping view of the fireworks.

*Photo by Guy Rogers*



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## SMU Makes History With Campaign Goal

SMU reached its \$1 billion goal ahead of schedule, raising unprecedented funding for scholarships, academic positions and programs, facilities and other enhancements to campus life. President Turner and the Second Century Campaign leadership celebrated the announcement with volunteers in September.



### 100 And Counting!

SMU celebrated its centennial week in September with five days of commemorations and the usual Homecoming activities such as the parade, reunions, football game and a special fireworks extravaganza.



### 100 Years Of SMU Facts

Did you know that there's a "secret" apartment at the top of Dallas Hall, that Peruna is actually named after a tonic, or that an SMU alumnus created the iconic cheerleading jump, the "Herkie"? In 100 years of existence, a lot of fun facts can accumulate about a place!

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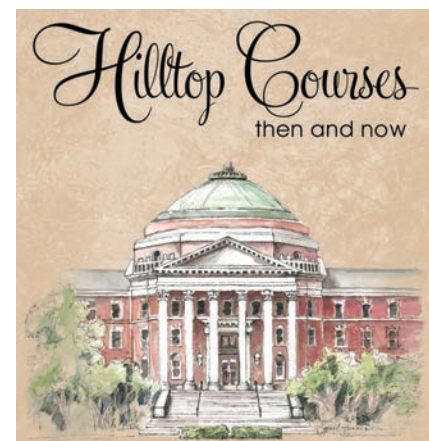


## CONFERENCE CHAMPIONS

THE MEN'S SOCCER TEAM AND THE WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL TEAM HAD OUTSTANDING SEASONS THIS FALL, BOTH ADVANCING TO POSTSEASON TOURNAMENTS AFTER WINNING AMERICAN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE.

## 48 COOKING UP HILLTOP COURSES

TO HELP CELEBRATE SMU'S CENTENNIAL, THE SMU WOMAN'S CLUB HAS PUBLISHED A COOKBOOK, *HILLTOP COURSES: THEN AND NOW*. PROCEEDS FROM THE SALES HELP SUPPORT SCHOLARSHIPS FOR STUDENTS.



# Shaping A New Legacy For SMU



President R. Gerald Turner

*The centennial allowed us to honor our heritage, but it also has focused us squarely on the future.*

**As this calendar year ends**, we are concluding two very special eras of achievement in the life of SMU – our centennial commemoration, from 2011 to 2015, and the completion of SMU Unbridled: The Second Century campaign. In this issue, you'll find images and information from this exciting intersection of history on the Hilltop.

The centennial allowed us to honor our heritage, but it also has focused us squarely on the future. Our founders instilled in us a core value of striving to do and to be better. We're honored to carry that aspiration into the start of our next 100 years.

We will be guided by "Launching SMU's Second Century: Shaping Leaders for a Changing World," our Strategic Plan for 2016-2025, an ambitious framework for progress in this competitive and complex era in higher education.

The plan calls for enhancing all major components of academic quality.

We will build upon our tradition of inspired teaching as it promotes engaged and interdisciplinary learning, and we'll strengthen capabilities to conduct research and promote creative achievement. We will seek to increase diversity in the SMU community and enhance the quality of life for all students, nurturing their social and moral development, citizenship and leadership as potential world changers. To prepare them for that

role, we'll broaden global perspectives. And, to be wise stewards of resources entrusted to us, we reaffirm our commitment to effective financial stewardship as we seek additional donor support.

This fall, we have been reminded that changing the world often begins in one's immediate community. Student leaders and other concerned students have spoken out against incidents of racial insensitivity at SMU, have organized meetings and peaceful marches, and have presented recommendations for "improving the black student experience" at SMU. As this magazine went to press, we began a series of productive discussions and information-gathering to identify opportunities for progress in supporting diversity and greater multicultural understanding. I appreciate the students' thoughtfulness and collaboration in advancing our shared goal – to provide a supportive campus environment for all students.

As we conclude this important era for SMU, we thank you for your consistent and generous support, helping us build a new legacy for our University.

R. GERALD TURNER  
President

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# \$1 BILLION. AND CHANGE.

**SMU's campaign reshapes the University's profile** BY PATRICIA ANN LASALLE M.L.A. '05

**S**MU Unbridled: The Second Century Campaign has lived up to its name. It reached its \$1 billion goal ahead of schedule, raising unprecedented funding for scholarships, academic positions and programs, facilities and other enhancements to campus life. Gifts will be counted through December 31, 2015, the official campaign end.

The campaign announcement was made September 24 at a gathering of volunteers, donors, alumni, civic leaders, and other members of the campus and Dallas communities. The event in

McFarlin Auditorium was the official celebration of the 100th anniversary of SMU's opening on September 24, 1915 – and a rally for its future. The centennial was celebrated during a weekend of Homecoming and other special events.

"This is a doubly historic day for us," said President R. Gerald Turner. "As we celebrate the 100th anniversary of SMU's opening, we are pleased to announce unprecedented new support for our future. Our founders were forward-looking leaders, and they'd be pleased to see that today's supporters are generously investing in our next century

of achievement. These donors are truly the founders of our second century."

SMU joins 33 other private universities nationwide in conducting a campaign at the \$1 billion level or above. The institutions range from Columbia University and the University of Notre Dame to Emory and Vanderbilt universities.

"SMU joins distinguished company within the higher education community," said Gerald J. Ford, SMU trustee and convening co-chair of the campaign. "This stature underscores the reality of our growth in quality and reputation."

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## FUNDING PROGRAMS

Among academic programs, campaign resources have enabled SMU to endow the Bobby B. Lyle School of Engineering and SMU's newest and seventh degree-granting school – the Annette Caldwell Simmons School of Education and Human Development, established at the request of area school officials.

The campaign has raised support for 582 new student scholarships; 49 new endowed faculty positions, now reaching a total of 111; 66 academic programs and initiatives; and 18 substantially funded capital projects, including new facilities for academic programs, student housing and athletics. Other gifts for campus enhancements support expanded career services and leadership programs.

“The campaign's many successes reflect great confidence in SMU's progress under the leadership of President Turner,” said Michael M. Boone, chair of the SMU Board of Trustees and a campaign co-chair. “This investment in our people and programs also will strengthen Dallas as our home city. And it will elevate the contributions of both Dallas and SMU to our nation and our global society.”

New campaign-funded facilities include

buildings for the Annette Caldwell Simmons School of Education and Human Development, Perkins School of Theology and Lyle School of Engineering, as well as a new Mustang Band Hall, a new tennis center, and renovation and expansion of Moody Coliseum for athletics and academic ceremonies. Under construction are the Dr. Bob Smith Health Center and Fondren Library Center renovation; upcoming construction projects include the Gerald J. Ford Research Center and an aquatics center. At SMU-in-Taos, new facilities include a campus center, new or renovated housing and a chapel.

Among the most visible campaign projects is the addition of five new residence halls and a dining center as part of SMU's new Residential Commons system, including on-site classes and faculty in residence. Six other halls have been renovated as Commons, enabling all first- and second-year students to live on campus.

## SUPPORTING SCHOLARSHIPS

The 582 scholarships created include support for undergraduates and graduate students in all seven schools of the University. Among them are Cox School of Business

M.B.A. scholarships for veterans and active military students and additional scholarships for transfer students. New support also is being provided for SMU's top two merit scholarship programs – the Nancy Ann and Ray L. Hunt Leadership Scholars and the SMU President's Scholars.

New academic centers reflect increasingly important fields requiring interdisciplinary approaches. These include the Tsai Center for Law, Science and Innovation in Dedman School of Law; the Dedman Interdisciplinary Institute and the Embrey Human Rights Program, both in Dedman College of Humanities and Sciences; and the Darwin Deason Institute for Cyber Security in the Lyle School of Engineering, which is collaborating with academic areas throughout the University. New endowed professorships address these areas as well as topics such as global entrepreneurship, art history, education, engineering innovation and economic freedom.

The largest single gift to the campaign, and the largest in SMU history, was \$45 million, made in March 2015 by The Meadows Foundation to support the Meadows Museum and the Meadows School of the Arts. This gift, the largest ever given



SMU officials and members of The Second Century Campaign Leadership Council gather for the announcement that the campaign reached its goal early. (L-R) Brad E. Cheves, SMU vice president for development and external affairs; Richard Ware '68; Gene C. Jones; Ruth Collins Sharp Altshuler '48, co-chair; Linda Pitts Custard '60, '99; R. Gerald Turner, SMU president; Robert H. Dedman Jr. '80, '84; Gerald J. Ford '66, '69, convening co-chair; Caren H. Prothro, co-chair; Michael M. Boone '63, '67, co-chair and SMU Board chair; Bobby B. Lyle, '67; and Carl Sewell '66, co-chair. (Not pictured is Ray L. Hunt '65, co-chair.)

by The Meadows Foundation, came during the 50th anniversary year of the Museum.

## BREAKING RECORDS

SMU Unbridled: The Second Century Campaign has made SMU fundraising history in several ways. The campaign:

- Gained support from the largest number of donors – more than 62,000 from throughout the world.
- Received gifts from nearly 23,000 donors in the Dallas-Fort Worth area.
- Received the largest number of gifts of \$1 million or more – 171.
- Exceeded its goal to receive gifts from 50 percent of alumni over the course of the campaign, achieving 56.9 percent.
- Surpassed its goal to achieve 25 percent of undergraduate alumni giving in a single year, reaching 26 percent for 2014-2015. (This measurement is used by some ranking organizations to gauge the level of alumni satisfaction with their alma mater.)
- Attained the highest level of giving by faculty and staff, at 68 percent.
- Received gifts from 18 percent of the student body in 2015 from campus leaders promoting a “Join the Stampede” drive.

Construction funded by the campaign is a major contributor to the Dallas economy. Since 2011, SMU has spent \$390 million on renovation and construction projects, which are employing about 270 service providers, including architects, engineers, landscapers, contractors and suppliers.

## VOLUNTEER LEADERSHIP

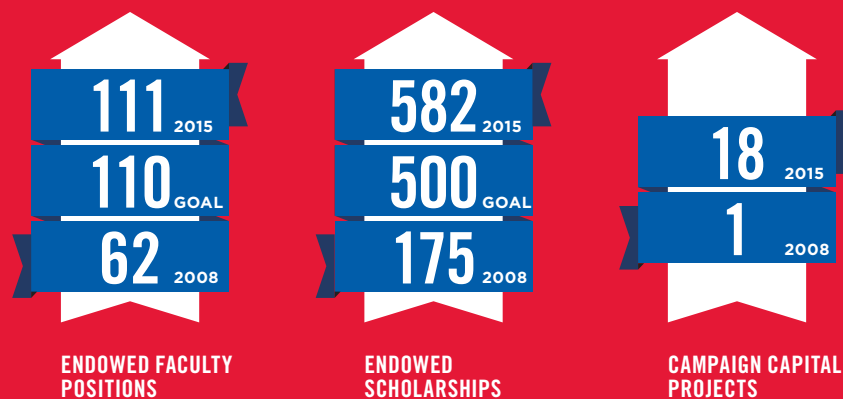
“Absolutely essential to our success has been the leadership of our co-chairs and the entire Board of Trustees,” said Brad E. Cheves, vice president for development and external affairs. “As they met with volunteers throughout this campaign, they galvanized a new level of enthusiasm, optimism and a shared vision of what SMU can be for new generations of students.”

The campaign has been served by more than 400 volunteers from throughout the world led by six co-chairs, all SMU trustees: convening co-chair Gerald J. Ford ’66, ’69, Ruth Collins Sharp Altshuler ’48, Michael M. Boone ’63, ’67, Ray L. Hunt ’65, Caren Prothro and Carl Sewell ’66.

The Second Century Campaign was



## BY THE NUMBERS



**(TOP)** Campaign volunteers applaud as they are showered by confetti at a volunteer summit September 25 celebrating SMU’s \$1 billion campaign achievement.

**(BOTTOM)** The arrows represent three priorities of The Second Century Campaign: to raise funds for academic positions, scholarships, and facilities and other enhancements to campus life. New funds also have created 66 additional academic programs and initiatives. The year 2008 shows SMU numbers when the campaign began; 2015 shows the support that it has received to date.

publicly launched in 2008 with a goal of \$750 million. Rapid progress toward that goal and opportunities for further advancements led SMU leaders in 2013 to increase the goal to \$1 billion and extend its timeline to 2015. The last four years of the campaign, 2011-2015, have coincided with SMU’s centennial era, marking the 100th anniversary of the University’s founding in 1911 and opening in 1915.

Ending in 2002, SMU’s previous major

gifts campaign was the University’s first successful campaign since the drive funding its opening. A Time to Lead: The Campaign for SMU was launched in 1997 with an original goal of \$300 million. The final amount raised was \$542 million.

Combining both campaigns, in the past two decades SMU has raised a total of more than \$1.5 billion for 753 new scholarships, 111 new academic positions, 146 academic programs and 32 capital projects.



# Highland Park United Methodist Church Honors University And Church Leader

**Umphrey Lee was SMU's first student body president**, its fourth president and a longtime pastor of Highland Park United Methodist Church (HPUMC). Now, in addition to the building that bears his name, there will be a new SMU professorship to continue his legacy of faith and scholarship.

A highlight of SMU's Centennial Commemoration ceremony was the announcement of a \$1.5 million gift from HPUMC to endow the Umphrey Lee Professorship in Methodist History and support the HPUMC Future Church Leaders Program.

The gift provides \$1 million to establish the faculty position in the Perkins School of Theology and \$500,000 to support educational opportunities for individuals aspiring to serve in church leadership roles. Recipients of "future leaders" funding may include students enrolled in graduate, undergraduate, certificate or continuing education programs or courses across the University, with students identified and recommended by HPUMC.

With the announcement the University commemorated its long-standing relationship with the church, which held its first service on the SMU campus in 1916, as well as the legacy of a storied church and campus leader.

"When it comes to Umphrey Lee, it's hard to know where SMU ends and Highland Park United Methodist Church begins, because Rev. Lee served us both for so many years," said SMU President R. Gerald Turner. "Our HPUMC neighbors are part of the SMU family, and we feel a special sense of pride that this gift will support teaching the rich Methodist history that we share and will help prepare future church leaders. It's a wonderful way to celebrate our combined centennials."

Lee arrived at SMU in 1915, the year the University opened. He was elected

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He served as pastor of HPUMC for 13 years, as SMU's fourth president for 15 years and as its chancellor after he stepped down as president. Over his lifetime he wrote 10 scholarly books on topics including Methodist history, the relationship between church and state, and pacifism in the context of the historic church.

"Our church history dates back to the founding of SMU, but our relationship is more than just an overlapping of time and geography," said Paul Rasmussen, HPUMC senior pastor. "The Perkins School of Theology is our partner in so many ways and remains at the heart of the SMU tradition of outreach in the community and the world."

## Belo Foundation Grant Creates New Journalism Scholarships

**SMU's Meadows School of the Arts has received a \$500,000 gift from The Belo Foundation.** The grant will establish a new endowment to support the school's Division of Journalism to recruit students with diverse ethnic, racial and socioeconomic backgrounds interested in this field of study.

"SMU's long partnership with The Belo Foundation has been transformational for our journalism program, where a learning-working culture was created to produce industry-ready graduates," said SMU President R. Gerald Turner. "Now, with the help of Belo scholarship funds, even more students will see a pathway to higher education and training in a field that is so vital to our community, nation and world."

The Belo Foundation's recent grant completes a decades-long tradition of support for journalism education in Texas that includes the \$5 million pledge in 2001 to build and equip a modern journalism teaching facility and create an endowed chair in journalism at SMU.

"Thanks to The Belo Foundation, this gift will make it possible to bring talented students from diverse backgrounds to SMU to study journalism, regardless of their financial resources," said Sam Holland, dean of the Meadows School of the Arts.

# Centennial Law Scholarships Pay Tribute To Leader In Business And Public Service

A **\$1.75 million** gift from Sarah Fullinwider Perot '83 and Ross Perot, Jr., will endow the Thomas W. Luce, III Centennial Dedman Law Scholars Program at SMU, honoring Luce's dedication to law and community while helping scholarship students develop his integrity and commitment to public service.

The gift creates a \$1.5 million endowment and provides an additional \$250,000 in operating funds for the first five years. The "centennial" designation of the program recognizes the foresight of donors who ensure the immediate impact of their gift by providing operational funds while the endowment matures.

Luce, who received SMU's Distinguished Alumni Award in 1999, earned his undergraduate degree on the Hilltop in 1962 and SMU law degree in 1966.

"Sarah and Ross Perot have found the perfect way to honor their lifelong friendship with Tom Luce," said SMU President R. Gerald Turner. "Tom has been successful both in business and in public service, and we are very proud of the history that he's had here. Having Tom Luce's name with us in perpetuity on a scholarship fund is a great way to honor his terrific contributions to SMU and the broader community."

Describing his family as big supporters of SMU, Ross Perot, Jr., said they agreed the best way to honor Luce was through a gift to his alma mater. In addition to financial support, students in the Luce Scholars Program will have both formal and informal opportunities to learn directly from Luce, a founding partner in the Dallas-based legal firm of Hughes & Luce LLP.

"Tom Luce is the role model for what a lawyer should be," said Perot, Jr. "We hope that with this scholarship, Tom will help to attract great students to SMU, teach them to be great attorneys and also to focus on public service."

Jennifer Collins, Judge James Noel Dean of SMU's Dedman School of Law,

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At a special celebration of the new law scholarships, two generations of the Perot family gathered to honor longtime friend Thomas W. Luce, III: (from left) Sarah Fullinwider Perot '83, Ross Perot, Jr., H. Ross Perot, Luce and Margot Perot.

said Luce "shows students what it means to be a world changer and how to really have an impact on their community. Those are the kinds of lawyers we want to be sending out into the marketplace."

Those who know Luce well note the partnership between Luce and two generations of the Perot family, and the elder Ross Perot explains it succinctly: "I looked for the finest lawyer in Dallas to work with me when I started my company," he said. "Again and again people referred me to a man I had never met – Tom Luce – and that's the story, right there."

"Tom has had the attitude throughout his career of Winston Churchill's shortest speech, delivered during World War II, Perot said. "This is the entire speech: 'Never give in, never give in, never, never, never.' Tom, God bless you and keep you – I can't tell you how much we appreciate everything you have done."

Luce is founding CEO and chair of the Dallas-based National Math and Science Initiative, a nonprofit organization dedicated to improving student performance and college readiness in STEM subjects – science, technology, engineering and math. He also is founding CEO of the newly created Meadows Mental Health Policy Institute, a nonpartisan organization designed to improve the delivery of mental health services for all Texans.

He is the recipient of the J. Erik Jonsson Ethics Award from SMU's Cary M. Maguire Center for Ethics and Public Responsibility, the Center for Nonprofit Management Social Entrepreneur Award, the Dallas Historical Society Excellence in Community Service Award and the CASA Award for Service to Children.



# Welcoming The New ‘Heart Of SMU-in-Taos’

At SMU-in-Taos, the new **Carolyn and David Miller Campus Center** welcomes groups ranging from local visitors for events to students relaxing before a huge stone fireplace.

The Center, dedicated July 17, is named for lead donors David B. Miller '72, '73 and Carolyn L. Miller.

Seminar rooms, a fitness center, media room and a large gathering space are included in the Center, surrounded on three sides by a covered wraparound porch. An outdoor plaza connects the facility to the campus dining hall, auditorium, chapel and newly renovated classroom space.

“The Miller Campus Center is the new heart of SMU-in-Taos,” says SMU President R. Gerald Turner. “This Center will facilitate academic discussions, intellectual discovery and friendships for students, faculty and Taos community members who have the opportunity to spend time here. I am grateful to the generous donors who, with great foresight, have made this facility possible.”

Designed to embrace its natural setting, the Miller Campus Center includes the William P. Clements, Jr. Great Hall with outdoor views from large windows on three sides and a stone fireplace for chilly Taos evenings.



Taking part in the ribbon cutting for the Miller Campus Center were (center, from left) SMU President R. Gerald Turner, Carolyn L. Miller, David B. Miller '72, '73 and SMU Board Chair Michael M. Boone '63, '67. They are joined by SMU-in-Taos Executive Board members and other donors and family members.

Additional named spaces include:

- The Sands Lobby, made possible by Marcellene Wilson Sands '69 and Stephen Sands '70.
- The Ubelaker Classroom, named by Barbara Hunt Crow and her son, Daniel Crow '12, in honor of John Ubelaker, SMU biology professor *emeritus*, longtime SMU-in-Taos faculty member and former director of SMU-in-Taos.

- The Dickey Seminar Room, given by Maurine Petty Dickey '67.
- The Director's Seminar Room in the adjoining dining hall, given by the Mockovciak Fund of the Dallas Foundation in honor of Mike Adler, SMU-in-Taos executive director and associate professor of anthropology.

In addition to interior spaces, the Miller Campus Center includes plazas, portals and spacious porches. Among the named spaces are the Janis and Roy Coffee Terrace Plazuela; the Ware Portal, made possible by William Ware '01; and the Cecil Patio, a gift from Robert V. Cecil '62 and Sandra Garland Cecil '64.

“One of SMU’s highest priorities is enhancing the quality of the campus experience both inside and outside the classroom,” says Brad Cheves, vice president for development and external affairs. “The new Miller Campus Center brings this goal to fruition for those studying at SMU-in-Taos.”

The Millers, longtime SMU donors, were inspired to support the campus center as regular participants at the SMU-in-Taos Cultural Institute featuring weekend classes by SMU faculty.



Beautifully crafted outdoor spaces take full advantage of the spectacular natural setting.

# Clements' Legacy Continues At Taos Campus

**When friends and supporters of SMU-in-Taos** gathered at the New Mexico campus in July for the opening of the Carolyn and David Miller Campus Center, the event also celebrated more than four decades of support from the late Bill Clements, Jr. '39 and the Clements Foundation.

Clements and his wife, Rita, contributed more than \$7.5 million toward development of facilities and programs for the Taos campus before his death in 2011. Now, a \$1 million gift from the Clements Foundation will support the position of the William P. Clements, Jr. Endowed Executive Director of SMU-in-Taos, currently held by Mike Adler, SMU associate professor of anthropology. The Clements Foundation also honored Clements by funding the William P. Clements, Jr. Great Hall in the new Miller Campus Center.

"Stand anywhere on our beautiful New Mexico campus, and you will be touched by Governor Clements' passion for both the University he loved and the breathtaking beauty of the Sangre de Cristo Mountains," said SMU President R. Gerald Turner. "Serving as U.S. deputy secretary of defense and twice as governor of Texas was not insignificant, but I think he'd agree with me in saying that SMU-in-Taos is among his enduring legacies."

Guided by its 2008 master plan, SMU-in-Taos continues to expand programs, add and renovate facilities and sustain

stewardship of the land and natural resources. New housing for faculty and students was added in 2009, as well as technology upgrades and improvements to winterize buildings, transforming the campus into a year-round facility. The addition of the Miller Campus Center and the Chapel at Fort Burgwin, along with other improvements, represents further progress.

"I think my grandfather would be pleased that the stewardship of this unique resource, so important to both SMU and the surrounding New Mexico community, will be guaranteed in perpetuity," said Pauline Neuhoﬀ, Clements Foundation president and Governor Clements' granddaughter.

The recent period of unprecedented growth has occurred under the leadership of Adler, who oversees planning, expansion and operations, as well as builds strong relationships with the Taos and SMU communities.

Adler joined SMU to direct the Archaeology Field School at SMU-in-Taos and has taught courses each fall and spring.

"Those of us who knew Governor Clements and who know Dr. Adler understand how meaningful this gift from the Clements Foundation will be in guaranteeing the future of SMU-in-Taos," said Brad Cheves, SMU vice president for development and external affairs.



The William P. Clements, Jr. Great Hall in the new Miller Campus Center provides a comfortable setting for learning or relaxing.

## Two Gifts Endow Professorships In Medieval Studies, Finance



**Bonnie Wheeler** (right), associate professor and director of medieval studies at SMU, was given a "40 years at SMU" party in August that came with a joyful surprise: hosts Kathryn H. Arata '87, '91 and Stephen L. Arata '88 announced a \$1.25 million gift to establish The Bonnie Wheeler Centennial Professorship in Medieval European Literature. SMU President R. Gerald Turner presented the alumni couple, who had studied under Wheeler, with a congratulatory certificate at the celebration. The new professorship will be housed in the Department of English in Dedman College of Humanities and Sciences. A second \$1.25 million gift from the SMU graduates has established a centennial professorship in finance in the Cox School of Business.



## Leaving A Legacy In Fondren Library Center

**When the \$17 million Fondren Library Center** renovation is completed next year, a prime destination will be the new Collaborative Commons and Starbucks Café, the only unnamed marquee space left in the project.

Accessed from the Main Quad and the Laura Bush Promenade, the Commons

will provide space for individual and group study, interactive learning and informal gathering. In the café, baristas will serve Starbucks' famous coffee and other beverages, as well as pastries, sandwiches and grab-and-go foods.

Additional naming opportunities include the Fondren Library foyer and

the University archives.

The centerpiece of the renovation is the restoration of the reading room to its former grandeur. In honor of SMU's centennial celebration, the University has commissioned handcrafted tables and reading chairs by iconic American craftsman Thomas Moser to re-establish the Fondren Centennial Reading Room as one of the campus' signature spaces. A plaque mounted on each named table or chair will recognize a donor to the project or honor a current or former student, an influential faculty member or an SMU family.

The Fondren Centennial Reading Room will be dedicated on Founders' Day, April 15, 2016.

To learn more about naming the new Collaborative Commons and Starbucks Café, as well as other naming opportunities to support the Fondren Library Center renovation, please contact Paulette Mulry at 214-768-1741 or [pmulry@smu.edu](mailto:pmulry@smu.edu).



A recipe for student success: Coffee and collaboration come together in Fondren Library Center's new Collaborative Commons and Starbucks Café.

## Making A Splash In 2016: SMU Aquatics Center

**Construction is scheduled to begin** in the spring on a new state-of-the-art SMU Aquatics Center, ensuring the continued success of the highly decorated Mustang swimming and diving teams.

The proposed facility will feature modern amenities and increased space to enhance training, provide student-athletes greater flexibility in balancing practice and academic schedules and strengthen recruiting.

Highlights of the current conceptual plan include:

- Olympic-size 50-meter, 8-lane indoor pool
- Platform diving well with 10-meter tower and four springboards
- Seating for 800 spectators
- Classroom/meeting space

Designed with the future in mind, the SMU Aquatics Center will provide the ideal site for competitions such as American Athletic Conference and NCAA championship meets, as well as events hosted by community groups. With its prominent location on SMU Boulevard in the University's East Campus area, the new center will dramatically increase the visibility of the program and provide easy access for visitors.

The University is seeking additional major gift commitments to reach \$22 million in funding. For information about giving opportunities in support of the SMU Aquatics Center, please contact Kurt Pottkotter at 214-768-3639 or [kpottkotter@smu.edu](mailto:kpottkotter@smu.edu).



Conceptual rendering of the view from the pool deck inside the new SMU Aquatics Center.

# Gift Launches New Texas-Mexico Program

**SMU's John Goodwin Tower Center** for Political Studies has launched a new program to research and promote policy-based discussion on the economic, political and social ties between Mexico and Texas.

The program is made possible through a \$1 million gift from GRUMA-Mission Foods, a Mexican corporation with global reach headquartered in Dallas. The program is designed to elevate the frequently fractured conversations about and between Texas and Mexico, creating a platform that examines shared issues through a policy lens. Plans include Texas-Mexico research, grants, reports and white papers; binational and bilingual annual conferences; and academic seminars and public forums.

Dallas is at the geographic crossroads of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) between the United States, Mexico and Canada. Texas exported to Mexico goods valued at more than \$102 million in 2014.



Texas Governor Greg Abbott (center) attended the ceremony September 8 in Mexico City launching SMU's new Texas-Mexico program. Other dignitaries at the announcement included (from left) Juan Antonio González Moreno, chair and CEO, GRUMA-Mission Foods; Antonio O. Garza, Jr. '83, SMU trustee and former U.S. Ambassador to Mexico; Texas Secretary of State Carlos Cascos; Johnny Williams, Tower Center supporter; Tower Chair Josh Rovner; and Brad Cheves, SMU vice president for development and external affairs.

"Economics, energy, migration, culture, human capital, internet technology and cyber security are obvious topics for study, but the door is open," said Juan

Antonio González Moreno, chair and CEO of GRUMA. "We found in this program a tremendous opportunity to build a foundation for what should become the primary think tank on Texas-Mexico relations."

Supporting the program is important to GRUMA-Mission Foods, González Moreno said, because, being a leading food company with over \$2 billion in sales in the United States, it wishes to contribute to a better understanding between the two countries. He perceives that people of Mexican descent are more integrated into society in Texas than in other border states, and believes that analyzing those success stories in Texas might help Mexicans and Mexican-Americans in other U.S. states to integrate more fully into the economy and society.

"This is, to one extent, an opportunity to show our appreciation to Texas," González Moreno said. "We are proud to have our name associated with this prestigious University."

## New Program Focuses On Latino Issues

**A new institute at SMU** will focus on research-driven solutions to some of the Latino community's most pressing concerns, while helping to develop Latino leaders.

SMU's John Goodwin Tower Center for Political Studies in Dedman College of Humanities and Sciences and the Latino Center for Leadership Development (Latino CLD) have formed a

strategic academic partnership, creating the new Latino CLD-SMU Tower Center Policy Program. Through the partnership the Latino CLD will provide the Tower Center with \$900,000 over five years.

"America is in the midst of a fundamental, Latino-driven demographic shift," said Latino CLD founder Jorge Baldor '93, citing Pew Research Center reports that Latinos will represent about 30 percent

of the U.S. population by 2060. "With the growing number of Latinos comes a reciprocal responsibility to lead. Latino CLD is focused on developing the next generation of those leaders."

The funding will allow the new policy program to engage scholars and experts in creating a framework to analyze and develop policy priorities, provide public forums and outreach and support greater understanding and influence for the Latino community.

"SMU is becoming a major presence in Latino-focused research and education," said Thomas DiPiero, dean of Dedman College. "Looking ahead, the success of this program will allow SMU and the Latino CLD to contribute vital public policy research while based in DFW – a U.S. political and economic center of gravity with strong global connections."



The new academic partnership was announced by (from left) Thomas DiPiero, dean of SMU's Dedman College of Humanities and Sciences; Jorge Baldor '93, founder of the Latino Center for Leadership Development (Latino CLD); Joshua Rovner, acting director of SMU's Tower Center; and Miguel Solís, president of the Latino CLD and Dallas Independent School District trustee.



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# *Launching SMU's Second Century*

**CELEBRATING THE CENTENNIAL OF SMU'S OPENING,  
PRESIDENT R. GERALD TURNER SETS THE STAGE FOR THE NEXT 100 YEARS**

**A**s we celebrate the centennial of SMU's opening, I invite you to think with me across the sweep of a century. Imagine the excitement, the anticipation, the sense of pride and purpose as a group of visionaries stood on this North Texas prairie 100 years ago to watch SMU's very first group of students climb the steps into Dallas Hall. After almost five years of planning and building, the day was both the culmination of a dream and its launch. That remarkable inaugural day, September 24, 1915, was made possible by the twin pillars of leadership and partnership – pillars that continue to support the SMU of today.

One hundred years ago, leaders of what is now The United Methodist

Church saw the need for an institution of higher education in the Southwest. And civic leaders in Dallas, recognizing the tremendous benefit a great university could bring to a growing city, worked hard to lure SMU here. Two permanent buildings stood on campus, built with funds given and land donated by our partners in Dallas and the Church: The Women's Building, now Clements Hall, and Dallas Hall, named for our city, patterned after Thomas Jefferson's rotunda at the University of Virginia. Its grandeur set the standard of excellence that would guide our first century and that still inspires us today. Whenever I want visitors to understand the grand vision of our founders, I always walk

them into Dallas Hall and show them the beautiful dome and oculus of the rotunda. It never ceases to inspire.

## **MARKING MILESTONES**

Over the five years of this centennial era (2011-2015), we have tried to channel the thoughts and excitement of those individuals who labored from April 17, 1911, when we were founded, to opening day. Each year, during this era, we have celebrated a major milestone in the creation of SMU. In 2011, we celebrated the charter establishing the corporation of Southern Methodist University with a new annual observance of Founders' Day each April. In 2012, we celebrated the SMU Master Plan that founding

President Robert S. Hyer unveiled in 1912. In 2013, we celebrated our libraries during The Year of the Library, as President Hyer named Dorothy Amann in 1913 as the first librarian of the University.

It was a wonderful coincidence to also celebrate in 2013 the magnificent opening of the George W. Bush Presidential Library and Museum. In 2014, we celebrated The Year of the Faculty, the 100th anniversary of the hiring of the first faculty. And this year, The Year of the Student, we are reliving the excitement of those first 456 students who entered Dallas Hall in 1915 to begin their collegiate studies. A critical component of Dallas' emergence as a world-class city, the creation of its university, was now in place and ready to grow with the city.

Our founders envisioned a particular type of university, located in a thriving city and shaped by its entrepreneurial, "can-do" spirit. It would be dedicated to academic freedom and inquiry, non-sectarian in its teaching, yet grounded in both the spiritual and moral values of the Church and the professional and educational needs of the city. The result was to be a unique marriage of faith and intellect: to reunite, in the words of Charles Wesley, "those two so long divided, knowledge and vital piety." We are the keepers of that grand vision. We hope that those who gather on campus 100 years from now will feel the pride and optimism with which we began the second century, whose conclusion they will be celebrating in 2115.

Either fortunately or unfortunately, none of us gets to choose the era in history in which we live. But having the opportunity to live in Dallas at this special time of connection to SMU by alumni and friends, we have a dual responsibility. First, we have to finish well by bringing SMU's first century to its best possible conclusion. I could not be more proud and grateful for the way we collectively – our University, our alumni, and donors and partners across Dallas, North Texas and the world – have done just that. Our founders had the imagination to see farther than anyone thought possible. Yet, I suspect they might

be astounded to see the SMU of today.

We've grown to 101 buildings on 234 acres at our main campus and expanded east across Central Expressway, plus added satellite campuses in Plano and Taos. We have a great diversity of students from all 50 states and 90 foreign countries. As testament to the increasing quality of the students we are attracting, those taking the ACT now average 29.5 while those taking the SAT average 1309, a 165-point increase in the last 20 years. We offer 104 bachelor's, 113 master's and 27 doctoral research degrees in seven degree-granting schools. Several

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faculty members have been elected to prestigious national academies. We have nearly doubled the number of endowed faculty to 111.

With great excitement and gratitude, we competed for and were selected to be the site of the George W. Bush Presidential Center, which has expanded our tradition of attracting world leaders to our campus. The beautiful Meadows Museum, celebrating its 50th birthday, is hosting world-class exhibitions never before seen in the United States to augment its incredible collection of Spanish art. Our student scholars are engaged in research projects designed to benefit not only Dallas, but also cities and communities across the globe.

As we complete our first century, our Cox School of Business ranks among the top business schools nationally and globally, and we are ranked by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching as an institution with "high research activity." The Dedman School of Law and the Perkins School of Theology also offer top programs among their competitors. In 2014, our undergraduate music program was ranked No. 1 in the nation among programs at

comprehensive universities and dance was ranked No. 6. Dedman College, Simmons School of Education and Human Development, and Lyle School of Engineering also have unique, nationally renowned programs.

## A NEW RESPONSIBILITY

By any measure, we indeed have met our first obligation to finish our first century well. However, being blessed to live during this historic time, we have a second responsibility: to launch SMU's second century with the same optimism, devotion, persistence and unrelenting commitment to SMU's success and excellence as were shown by our founders. It is our obligation to pour the foundation for our future just as solidly as we did for the many new buildings that now grace our campus. Therefore, ensuring a robust future is the primary purpose of our major gifts campaign during this centennial era. That is why we called it The Second Century Campaign, pointing forward, rather than naming it The Centennial Campaign, which tends to point to the past.

We started with what we thought was a stretch goal of \$750 million. You will recall that we went public in September 2008 on the Thursday before Lehman Brothers fell the next Monday! Your support, even in the difficult days of that great recession, was sustained and generous.

As I said earlier, a university's centennial is its time to triumphantly close one era while enthusiastically launching another. And you were



President Turner thanks student body president Carlton Adams '16 for introducing him as speaker at the centennial celebration Sept. 24.

absolutely committed to our meeting both obligations. Based upon your ongoing commitments, the co-chairs of the campaign and the Board of Trustees raised the original goal to an unprecedented \$1 billion, knowing the huge impact such a milestone would have on our entire campus community. Because of your generosity and the hard work of thousands of individuals across the globe, I am pleased to make this historic announcement: Today, on the occasion of SMU's centennial opening, The Second Century Campaign has received commitments of more than \$1 billion. That's \$1 billion, 70 million, and change.

Importantly, other goals have been achieved: Gifts from more than 62,000 donors worldwide have helped us to exceed our yearly undergraduate alumni participation goal of 25 percent. And we've exceeded our overall alumni giving goal of 50 percent over the course of the entire campaign, reaching 56.9 percent.

Happily, a big part of my job today is to say thank you for helping us meet these historic milestones. Thank you to the campaign co-chairs: trustees Ruth Altshuler, Gerald Ford, Ray Hunt, Caren Prothro and Carl Sewell, who were joined in the past two years by Mike Boone, Board chair. They met quarterly, advised us and served as role models of giving, while also attending dozens of

campaign-related events. (Ruth Altshuler attended nearly everything, mainly to be sure that Vice President Brad Cheves and I did exactly what she told us to do.)

### JOINING ELITE COMPANY

In raising a billion dollars, SMU is joining a very elite club. Only 33 other private universities in the United States (and only Rice in Texas) have ever conducted campaigns of this size. Even more important is what those dollars will enable: more student scholarships to attract the best and brightest seekers and thinkers for the future, more endowed chairs and professorships to retain or recruit the very best to our faculty, and continuing facility and program improvements to enrich our campus experience, including our intercollegiate athletics programs. And we still have until December 31, when the campaign officially ends. So, it's not too late to join those whose support we celebrate!

This year's Commencement speaker, former President George W. Bush, said, "SMU is dynamic, diverse and destined for continued excellence." We intend to fulfill that destiny by continuing to improve teaching, research, creative achievement and service as we rise in stature. How strong was Harvard in 1736 as it began its second century, or Princeton in 1846 at its centennial celebration? Compared with those years

of existence, we are just getting started. But we have come a long way. This next century will be a time of crossing boundaries and borders as we continue to grow into our commitment that world changers are shaped here.

We will cross the boundaries of current knowledge with our research and advanced computing capability. For some of you, your time at SMU was defined by the smell of baking bread from the Mrs Baird's plant across Mockingbird. The southern tip of that site is now home to our new Data Center. SMU recently moved into the top 25 in the country in our high-performance computing capacity. This allows us to analyze massive amounts of data, and through computer modeling, it facilitates innovative and interdisciplinary research – from the liberal arts and sciences to engineering and communications and fine arts.

Use of big data in an interdisciplinary environment is a major emphasis of the current draft of our new 10-year strategic plan, approved by the Board of Trustees at its December meeting. New faculty endowments will help us recruit and retain the talented faculty attracted to SMU by this new resource. Therefore, cross-disciplinary research and teaching, empowered by advanced computing approaches, will define our new scholarly productivity as we move into the first



President Turner receives a standing ovation from the audience and the platform party as he announces that SMU has achieved its \$1 billion campaign goal during the centennial commemoration ceremony on Sept. 24.



decade of our second century.

Reflecting the growing interest in interdisciplinary studies, our students are choosing double and triple majors and seeking global experiences. SMU's latest Truman Scholar, Rahfin Faruk '15, for example, majored in economics, political science, public policy and religious studies with a minor in mathematics.

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We will cross the borders and boundaries of geography as we become even more global. One hundred years ago, we offered one educational site: here on the Hilltop. Ten years ago, we offered 18 education abroad programs in 12 countries; today our students choose from more than 150 programs in 50 countries, and that expansion will continue.

We are increasingly crossing boundaries between the campus and community. We are expanding engaged learning programs, sending faculty and students to conduct more than 200 community projects in places like West Dallas. In that community, our Annette Caldwell Simmons School of Education and Human Development is supporting the School Zone, helping give children the educational and societal tools to break the cycle of poverty. And we will continue to welcome citizens from the community to our campus for professional development and cultural opportunities.

## OUR TIME AND CALLING

Although technology and communications will continue to revolutionize the way we live and work, some things will not – and should not – change. SMU will continue to be a bustling place of activity, but also a serene place of beauty, where students experience a personal, supportive campus community, captured so well in the words of Jimmy Dunne's song,

"SMU, In My Heart Forever."

Our classes will continue to be small, allowing meaningful faculty and student interaction. We remain committed to a broad-based liberal arts education surrounded by outstanding professional schools. We will continue to affirm that a liberal arts foundation provides an irreplaceable window into understanding humanity and how to address complex problems, regardless of one's professional pursuits.

We will continue to develop joint programming with the George W. Bush Presidential Center, which has already begun to be the incredible resource that it will become during our second century. There, world leaders will continue to work to resolve current and future challenges, often in partnership with SMU's Center for Presidential History and the Tower Center for Political Studies in Dedman College.

Finally, we will continue to enrich our academic programs with a growing focus on ethics, knowing that leaders who are both well-educated and grounded in enduring values will become those who help society progress. We offer one of only seven human rights majors in the country. We have no higher calling than to shape ethical world changers of tomorrow.

So, in summary, we will:

- Cross new interdisciplinary research barriers with advanced computing.
- Provide more opportunities for students to combine academic majors.
- Cross geographic borders by increasing the number of students who will study abroad.
- Connect more closely with the city, strengthening the relationship of town and gown.
- Expand the study of ethics in all we do.

We will remain attentive to emerging opportunities, knowing that as a private university we can adapt swiftly, ever mindful of our mission, but open to new ways of fulfilling it.

A university, like a city, is never finished. SMU's first president, Robert Hyer, when asked when SMU would be completed, replied: "When the City of Dallas is completed." Today, SMU and

our host city are more mature, more dynamic, more diverse and more international than our founders could have imagined. Yet, Dallas and SMU are both far from complete – still evolving, still becoming ever more important to our country and beyond.

Our Church founders would have wanted us to note that the Bible speaks of at least two great strategic locations: in the midst of the city and a city on a hill. The Psalmist says the Lord "is in the midst of the city ... she shall not be moved." And, as Jesus taught in the Sermon on the Mount, "a city built on a hill cannot be hid."

So, from our Hilltop, in the midst of our city, it is our time and our calling to get the second century under way so strongly that the bicentennial will be even greater than this centennial! As we reach back across 100 years to join hands with those founders of SMU, we also reach forward for the hands of those

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who, in 100 years, will reach back for ours, in appreciation for what we have enabled. This extension forward and backward vividly shows that our work is truly designed for the betterment of humanity across the ages. As President Hyer said at our founding: "Universities do not grow old, but live from age to age in immortal youth."

Thank you for committing so much of your time and resources to ensure that SMU can move with great confidence into its second century and, with full assurance of our commitment: "World Changers shaped here!"

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To view President Turner's address at the centennial commemoration, visit [www.smu.edu/commemorationspeech](http://www.smu.edu/commemorationspeech).

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# SMU MARKS ITS CENTENNIAL

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# CELEBRATION OF THE CENTURY

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After the Distinguished Alumni Awards ceremony, the combined student choirs of Meadows School of the Arts performed on the steps of Dallas Hall under the direction of Pamela Elrod, associate professor of music and director of choral activities. The lighting of Dallas Hall previewed a gift from SMU's Alumni Board. Dallas Hall will be lit every evening in honor of the University's second century.



Five days of activities for SMU's centennial celebration Sept. 23-27 included (1) a processional into McFarlin Auditorium to (2) hear President Turner speak about his vision for SMU; (3) a centennial concert and birthday cake at Moody Coliseum; (4) a picnic on the quad; (5) a Happy Birthday SMU from Big Tex at the State Fair; (6) and a send-off of 100 students who participated in a day of service in the Dallas community.



**A**s the pinnacle of its Second Century Celebration, SMU's centennial Homecoming week September 23-27 was a birthday to remember, marking the date of SMU's opening 100 years ago. Beginning with the Centennial Countdown Concert in Moody Coliseum, events included a special lighting of Dallas Hall (left), centennial commemoration ceremony and picnic, community service, "Hundredth on the Hilltop" Homecoming parade, reunions, Distinguished Alumni Awards and a

fireworks extravaganza following the SMU vs. James Madison University football game in Gerald J. Ford Stadium.

The Second Century Celebration marked the centennial era of SMU's founding in 1911 and its opening in 1915. It also provided the platform for President R. Gerald Turner to announce that SMU had achieved its \$1 billion campaign goal ahead of schedule (see article on page 3).

"Over the past five years of the celebration we have highlighted various historic milestones in SMU history," Turner said.

"We've celebrated SMU students, our libraries and beautiful campus, the faculty and our economic and social impact on North Texas. This week was a culmination of those efforts – and a charge to continue our momentum into our second century."

Photographs on this and subsequent pages show the range of activities and the thousands of alumni, students, faculty and staff who helped make the celebration memorable. Visit [www.smu.edu/News/2015/homecoming-celebration-28sept2015](http://www.smu.edu/News/2015/homecoming-celebration-28sept2015) to see the many events that occurred.



## HOMEcomings PARADE



The Homecoming Parade was led by grand marshals Ruth Altshuler and Carl Sewell, SMU trustees and co-chairs of the Second Century Campaign. Special this year was the Parade of Giants - 10 towering puppets representing giants in SMU history. The parade also featured the Mustang Band, Peruna, more than 30 former SMU Homecoming queens and kings, student-built floats, area marching bands and dance troupes.



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**As SMU  
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of its opening,  
here's a look at  
highlights on  
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**1911** Dallas beats Fort Worth to be home of SMU. The SMU charter is signed April 17.



**1915** Dallas Hall opens, housing library, classrooms, offices, chapel, bookstore and soda fountain.



**1920** *The Mustang*, SMU's first alumni magazine, is produced by 12 student volunteers.



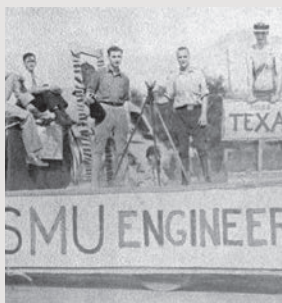
**1920** SMU establishes Department of Commerce to offer business classes at urging of Dallas Chamber of Commerce. It becomes a school in 1921.



# THE BOULEVARD



Thousands of students and alumni with their families and friends participated in pregame festivities that have become known as "Boulevarding" at SMU. There were activities geared toward children, a reunion village and a host of tents decorated with red and blue themes. Classes ending in 0s and 5s, including the class of 1980, celebrated in tents set up for them.



**1925** School of Engineering established with support of Technical Club of Dallas.



**1925** School of Law opens with 25 students.



**1932** A feisty miniature stallion becomes SMU mascot and is named "Peruna."



**1935** After an undefeated season, SMU wins the Southwest Conference, holds on to its No. 1 ranking and faces Stanford in the Rose Bowl on New Year's Day 1936. Stanford 7, SMU 0.



**1939** Umphrey Lee '16 becomes SMU's first alumnus to lead the University as president.



## HOMECOMING GAME

SMU played an exciting, back-and-forth game against James Madison University at Homecoming. The Mustangs lost 48-45 in the last two minutes of the game. SMU crowned Blake Ann Seeker, Kappa Alpha Theta, and Austin Brown, Kappa Alpha Order, as Homecoming queen and king.



**1945** Perkins School of Theology named in honor of benefactors Joe and Lois Perkins of Wichita Falls, Texas.



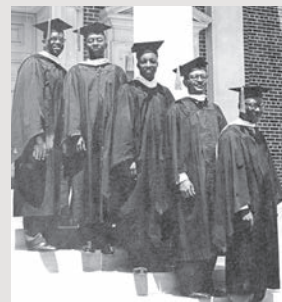
**1947** World War II veterans swell enrollment to 11,126. Campus "Trailerville" provides overflow housing.



**1948** Doak Walker '50, three-time All-American running back, wins the Heisman Trophy.



**1949** Phi Beta Kappa established at SMU.



**1952** Five African-American students, the first at SMU, enroll in Perkins School of Theology and graduate in 1955.



## FIREWORKS FINALE

SMU capped off its centennial celebration with a spectacular fireworks display after the football game. Mustang fans moved from the stands onto the field at Ford Stadium where they captured eye-popping moments on their cell phones.



At the end of the game, alumna Libby Wood '75 won the drawing for a two-year lease on a ruby red 2015 Ford Mustang, provided by Bob Tomes and Barbara Utter Tomes '78 of Bob Tomes Ford in McKinney, and their son, Brandon Tomes '07. Wood was on campus for her class reunion, leaving with a special reminder of her Homecoming weekend.



**1954** SMU wins the men's national collegiate golf championship.



**1955** Willis M. Tate '32, '35 is inaugurated as SMU's fifth president.



**1956** SMU launches informal noncredit courses for adults, eventually enrolling nearly 10,000 area residents each year.



**1964** SMU begins acquiring property at Fort Burgwin, N.M., for archaeological research. In 1974 summer classes begin at the site, now SMU-in-Taos.



**1965** Wide receiver Jerry LeVias '69 becomes first African American to receive athletic scholarship in Southwest Conference.

## DID YOU KNOW...?

# 100 YEARS OF FUN FACTS ABOUT THE HILLTOP

**A** national and Texas historic landmark and the symbol of SMU, **Dallas Hall** was named to honor the citizens of Dallas who contributed land and funds to establish the University. When it opened in 1915, Dallas Hall housed every operation of the University – from the chemistry laboratory to the hamburger grill, from the library to the president’s office.

In addition to serving as headquarters for Dedman College of Humanities and Sciences, Dallas Hall houses a **“secret” apartment** at the top of the building. From the balcony off the apartment’s bedroom is one of the best views of the SMU campus and downtown Dallas. The apartment originally was intended as the on-campus residence for SMU’s first football coach, Ray Morrison. However, as the story goes, the administration hadn’t anticipated that when Morrison reported to campus he would be married; instead the family rented a house on Haynie Street.

IN 1926, FIRE BURNED THREE MEN’S DORMITORIES IN LESS THAN ONE HOUR. DURING THE BLAZE, THE NEW \$10,000 UNIVERSITY PARK FIRE ENGINE GOT STUCK IN THE MUD AND BURNED.

Through **senior class gifts**, graduating classes have left their marks on campus since the presentation of the first gift – a

sundial – in 1916 (below). The class of 1919 encouraged students to get to class on time with their gift of a clock in Dallas Hall. Other class gifts have included 100 pecan trees in 1925 and the 25-bell carillon in the Fondren Science Building cupola from the class of 1952.



The main quadrangle fountain was a class gift from the classes of 1935 and 1936, supporting a campus beautification plan. The fountain was renovated in 1980 and renamed the **Hoyt G. Kennemer Memorial Fountain** in honor of the SMU vice president of administration who served in the 1970s. Now a campus landmark, the fountain has been the site of political speeches, marriage proposals, study sessions and the occasional dunking.

**Umphrey Lee Center** is named in honor of SMU’s sixth president, who served from 1939 to 1954 and had been SMU’s first student body president. Opening in 1955, it included a bookstore,



**1966** Martin Luther King Jr. is a guest speaker on the Hilltop.



**1969** Five years after opening, the School of the Arts named in honor of benefactor Algur H. Meadows of Dallas.



**1973** Student Foundation created.



**1977** Celebration of Lights begins.



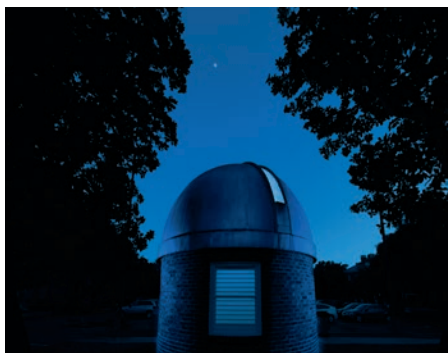
**1978** School of Business named in honor of benefactor Edwin L. Cox of Dallas.



meeting rooms, cafeteria and post office. Now Umphrey Lee is home to student dining facilities, communications and economics departments and the Martha Proctor Mack Grand Ballroom.

THE SMU MOTTO, *VERITAS LIBERABIT VOS*, TRANSLATED FROM LATIN MEANS: "THE TRUTH WILL MAKE YOU FREE." IT WAS ADOPTED IN 1912 AND APPEARS ON THE SMU SEAL.

Santiago Calatrava's "Wave" sculpture was installed in 2002 at street level in front of the Meadows Museum. The perpetually moving sculpture, which was specially commissioned by the museum, was the first large-scale work by Calatrava to be permanently installed in the United States.



Blanton Student Observatory has been the site of astronomy class labs since it was constructed in 1932. Designed by J.

D. Boon, SMU professor of physics, the observatory has the distinction of being the smallest building on campus on the highest point on the Hilltop. The observatory was originally located where Fondren Science Building now stands. It was moved to its current location, just north of Dallas Hall, in the late 1940s.

In 1958, the SMU football team started using the "V for Victory" two-finger hand signal, and it wasn't long before fans in the stands were flashing the "V" sign as they cheered. In the mid-1970s, cheerleader Roy Bailey '76 led the way in giving the old sign new meaning: **pony ears**. Eventually the stiff V-shape was modified with more ear-like curved fingers. Now Mustangs display their pride with pony ears when "Varsity" is sung, during cheers and whenever the Mustang spirit moves them.

TODAY'S SMU COLORS ARE VARIATIONS ON THE HARVARD CRIMSON AND YALE BLUE CHOSEN BY THE UNIVERSITY'S FIRST PRESIDENT, ROBERT S. HYER.

During Prohibition, **Peruna** tonic was famous for its "kick" – some mixtures contained as much as 30 percent alcohol. Cy Barcus, director of the Mustang Band from 1924 to 1930, is credited with suggesting SMU adopt a black pony as its mascot and name it Peruna. After

Peruna 1 (1932-1934) was struck by a car on Mockingbird Lane, W. E. Culwell, owner of Culwell & Sons, started a tradition of supplying SMU's mascot. Our current Peruna IX took the reins at the SMU vs. Central Florida game on October 15, 2011.



Fans at early SMU football games ran up and down the sidelines with players until 1917 when a cheerleading squad led chants. While a member of the Mustang squad in the late 1940s, **Lawrence Herkimer '48** created one of cheerleading's signature moves, a jump now known as the "Herkie." Also the creator of the pompom, the spirit stick and the National Cheerleading



**1979** The women's golf team, led by Kyle O'Brien '80 and her individual first-place finish, wins the national collegiate title.



**1980** University of Chicago physicist James Cronin '51 wins Nobel Prize.



**1981** College of Humanities and Sciences named in honor of benefactors Robert H. Dedman Sr. '53 and his wife, Nancy McMillan Dedman '50, of Dallas.



**1982** Distinguished Lecture Series established, later named in honor of former SMU President Willis M. Tate.



**1987** NCAA suspends SMU's 1987 football season for recruiting infractions. SMU implements athletics reforms and restructures University governance.



Association, Herkimer led the development of modern cheerleading. Herkie is shown in a 1948 photo from the SMU Archives (below).



SMU's 1968 **Homecoming King** was ... Bob Hope? That's right, the legendary comedian was the first Homecoming King in SMU history. While he was on campus for the dedication of the Bob Hope Theatre in the new Owen Arts Center at Meadows School of the Arts, another highlight of Homecoming Weekend that year, he also took the stage at Pigskin Revue.

The first football team was frequently called "the Methodists" by sportswriters before it became known as the **Mustangs**. On October 25, 1917, the University community voted on a new mascot from among four possibilities – Bison, Greyhounds, Pioneers and Mustangs. Thankfully, Mustangs won.



Photo: Bridwell Library Special Collections

**Mummified human remains** contained in a painted cypress wood cartonnage, dating from 1200 BCE, were displayed in a case in Dallas Hall from 1915 to 1926. The mummy and other pieces of a collection started by A.V. Lane and donated to the University were later moved into a museum space in the old Kirby Hall, as shown in the 1931 photo above. In 1950 the museum holdings became part of the Bridwell Library Special Collections in Perkins School of Theology. The mummy is on long-term loan to the Dallas Museum of Art.

IN 1975 CHAMPION DIVER  
CHRISTINE LOOCK BECOMES  
THE FIRST VARSITY  
LETTERWOMAN IN SWC  
HISTORY.

***Paluxysaurus jonesi*** is the symbol of the Shuler Museum of Paleontology in the Roy M. Huffington Department of Earth Sciences and the state dinosaur of Texas. The massive sauropod lived in what is now Texas during the Early Cretaceous period (about 112 million years ago). Its fossil remains were discovered by SMU researchers in the 1990s and 2000s and were officially described by Peter Rose '04, who earned a master's degree in geology from SMU. Rose's analysis showed that it is most closely related to Brachiosaurus, the long-necked dinosaur made famous in Michael Crichton's "Jurassic Park." The world's first full-skeletal mount of the dinosaur was unveiled in 2009 at the Fort Worth Museum of Science and History (below).



Central University Library's special collections boast **Academy Award-related gems** such as Greer Garson's 1942 Oscar for "Mrs. Miniver"; Horton Foote's 1962 Academy Award-winning screenplay for "To Kill a Mockingbird" with hand-written revisions and dozens of steno pads filled with his notes; and the shooting scripts for Foote's 1983



**1987** Kenneth Pye becomes SMU's ninth president.



**1988** Hughes-Trigg Student Center opens.



**1989** With alumnus Forrest Gregg '59 as head coach, student-athletes revive Mustang football after the NCAA "death penalty."



**1995** Senior diver Cheril Santini '95 wins her second NCAA 1-meter title in four years and earns the NCAA Diver-of-the-Year honor.



**1996** R. Gerald Turner named SMU's 10th president.

Academy Award-winning screenplay "Tender Mercies." The photo below from the DeGolyer Library's Horton Foote papers shows Foote (left) with author Harper Lee (center) and Robert Mulligan.



Chase Leinberger '17 submitted **ManeFrame**, the winning entry in a contest to name SMU's supercomputer in 2014. The high-performance computer resides in the new SMU Data Center on the former site of the Mrs Baird's bakery, at Mockingbird and Central Expressway.



Part of the fun of Centennial Homecoming in September was a trip back in time via a 21st-century version of the famous **Dinkey** (above). When SMU opened, the rural Hilltop was located beyond the boundaries

of the Dallas rail line. A small, four-wheel streetcar nicknamed the Dinkey took passengers from the city line's last stop to campus. In operation from 1915 to 1922, the Dinkey held 20 passengers and cost five cents to ride.

## ROBERT S. DENNARD '54, '56 INVENTED THE DRAM CELL FOUND IN VIRTUALLY EVERY COMPUTER, CELL PHONE AND TABLET.

**Perkins Chapel** opened in 1951 and hosts nearly 200 weddings each year. Approximately one-third of those who marry in the chapel are SMU students or alumni.



**Southwest Review** was launched as *The Texas Review* in 1915 at The University of Texas at Austin, but it found its voice and a loyal following when it came to the Hilltop in 1924 and was rechristened to reflect the rapidly changing "new Southwest." Through the years, the prestigious literary journal has published the works of D. H. Lawrence, Maxim Gorky, Cleanth Brooks, Robert Penn Warren, Mary Austin, Quentin Bell, Horton Foote, Larry McMurtry, Joyce Carol Oates, Amy Clampitt, James Merrill, Margaret Drabble, Iris Murdoch, Arthur Miller, Naguib Mahfouz and many others. Since 1984, Willard Spiegelman, Hughes Professor of English at SMU, has served as editor in chief. In 2005 he was awarded the PEN/Nora Magid Award for literary editing, and this year he received the sixth annual SMU Literati Award. Spiegelman will retire as editor next year, and Greg Brownderville, associate professor of English, will take over the role. To secure *Southwest Review's* future in the University's second century, an endowment goal of \$1 million has been set. Subscribe to *Southwest Review* at [smu.edu/southwestreview](http://smu.edu/southwestreview). To contribute to the endowment, visit [smu.edu/giving/swr](http://smu.edu/giving/swr).

Since 1952, SMU has presented the **Distinguished Alumni Award**, the highest honor awarded to alumni by their alma mater. The **Emerging Leader Award** was introduced in 2004.

**James Cronin '51** won the 1980 Nobel Prize in physics.



**1997** SMU-in-Plano opens 20 miles north of Dallas in facilities provided by Electronic Data Systems.



**2000** Football returns to SMU campus in new stadium named for lead benefactor Gerald J. Ford '66, '69.



**2001** School of Law named in honor of benefactors Robert H. Dedman Sr., his wife, Nancy McMillan Dedman, and their family, of Dallas.



**2001** New Meadows Museum dedicated with a visit from King Juan Carlos I and Queen Sofia of Spain.



**2002** The Campaign for SMU: A Time to Lead ends, raises \$542 million, nearly double the original goal.

*And the Oscar goes to these Mustangs:*

- **Dorothy Malone '45**, Best Supporting Actress in 1956 for "Written on the Wind."
- **Kathy Bates '69**, Best Actress in 1991 for "Misery."



- **Ron Judkins '75**, Best Sound in 1994 for "Jurassic Park" and in 1999 for "Saving Private Ryan." Judkins spoke to a sound class at Meadows School of the Arts in 2014 (above).
- **Michael Bunnell '85**, 2010 science and technology Oscar for his "point-based rendering for indirect illumination and ambient occlusion," techniques used for "color bleeding" and shadowing that make computer-generation animation look more realistic.
- **William Joyce '81**, Best Animated Short Film in 2012 for "The Fantastic Flying Books of Mr. Morris Lessmore."

Golden Globe-winning actress **Regina Taylor '81** is the first black woman to play William Shakespeare's "Juliet" on Broadway. The actress/playwright/director starred in the 1986 Joseph Papp

production directed by Estelle Parsons. Taylor took questions from students during a conference hour at Meadows School of the Arts in 2013.

**Beth Henley '74** wrote the 1981 Pulitzer Prize-winning play "Crimes of the Heart."

While undergraduates at SMU, **Francis Goldshmid '08**, **Sam Khurana '07** and **Charles Taylor '06** beat 10 teams to win \$3 million on the NBC adventure reality series "Treasure Hunters," which aired in 2006.

Some alumni to watch (on TV): **Amy Acker '99**, "Person of Interest" (CBS); **Mary Elizabeth Ellis '01**, "The Grinder" (FOX); and **Candice Patton '07**, "The Flash" (CW).

**Sarah R. Saldaña '84** serves as director of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement. Hispanic Alumni of SMU honored Saldaña (left) with the 2015 Distinguished Hispanic Alumni Award, presented by Jacqueline Negrete '12.



**NoViolet Bulawayo** is the pen name of **Elizabeth Tshele '07**, whose debut novel, *We Need New Names*, won the inaugural Etisalat Prize for literature, the Hemingway Foundation/PEN Award and the Art Seidenbaum Award for First Fiction. It also was shortlisted for the prestigious Man Booker Prize and selected as the SMU Common Reading book in 2014. Bulawayo (center) posed with Purnima Gupta '18 (left) and Priya Patel '18 before discussing her novel with students in September 2014.

TOMS founder **Blake Mycoskie '99** famously started his first venture, a laundry service, while an SMU student.

**Rick Scott '78** has served as the 45th governor of Florida since 2011.

**Jane Chu '81** chairs the National Endowment for the Arts.

**Tom Cubbage '89** has been a contestant on the game show "Jeopardy!" multiple times. As an SMU student, he won the College Championship in 1989. He later competed in the Ultimate Tournament of Champions in 2005.



**2007** Annette Caldwell Simmons School of Education and Human Development is endowed by Harold C. Simmons and his wife, Annette Caldwell Simmons '57, of Dallas.



**2008** Lyle School of Engineering named in honor of benefactor Bobby B. Lyle '67 of Dallas.



**2008** SMU Unbridled: The Second Century Campaign launched with monetary goal of \$750 million, raised to \$1 billion in 2013.



**2008** SMU chosen as site for George W. Bush Presidential Center, winning over six competitors.



**2011** Carnegie Foundation raises SMU's classification to "high research activity."



During the Battle of the Decades—1980s in 2014, he got a big laugh when he pointed to his SMU ring after another contestant answered this question incorrectly: “The George W. Bush Presidential Library is located on this university campus.”

**A change ringing ceremony**, a celebratory bell tradition that dates to the Middle Ages, launched the SMU Centennial Commemoration at 10 a.m. on September 24. In “change ringing,” the bells produce a series of mathematical patterns called “changes,” rather than a conventional melody. Members of **SMU’s Carillon Guild** performed 100 mathematical sequences from the carillon in the clock tower atop Fondren Science Building. At noon that day, bells at 30 United Methodist churches rang 10 times, once for each decade of the University’s first century, followed by celebratory peals.

**FLORA LOWERY FROM HILLSBORO, TEXAS, WAS THE FIRST STUDENT TO ENROLL AT SMU, WHICH OPENED IN SEPTEMBER 1915. A TOTAL OF 456 STUDENTS ENROLLED THAT FALL.**

The **two-octave carillon** was a gift to the University by the class of 1952. Composed of 25 bells, the largest of which weighs four tons, it is played by pressing

foot- and hand-operated keyboards correlating to metal clappers that strike the bells. Thanks to an automated program, a varied selection of tunes can be heard throughout campus at noon and 6 p.m., Monday through Friday.



Performing arts students engage in **more than 400 performances** on campus each year as well as in the Dallas community through various arts organizations.

Nearly **3,000 undergraduate volunteers** serve annually through approximately 70 nonprofit agencies. Students also participate in Alternative Breaks national service projects.

While celebrating its 100th year in print this fall, **The Daily Campus** independent student newspaper announced changes to better serve the SMU community through more frequent online offerings and more in-depth and longer-form stories in print. A switch was made from a broadsheet format, published three times per week, to a tabloid-size weekly. A new name, *SMU Campus Weekly*, accompanied the modifications in the print edition. *The Daily Campus* name

has been retained for its website – [smudailycampus.com](http://smudailycampus.com) – reflecting the news outlet’s digital-first philosophy. “That means all breaking news, event stories and community coverage appear online before they appear in print,” explains editor-in-chief Christina Cox ’16. Analytics help editors determine which stories to develop for print. Cox says the overall response from the campus community has been positive. “Students seem to like the tabloid format because it is easier to carry and read on the go,” she says.

At its first **Commencement**, in 1916, SMU awarded 23 B.A. degrees and seven M.A. degrees to students who had transferred to SMU in its opening year.



Members of the **Class of 2019** arrived from nearly 800 different high schools and over 170 colleges and universities worldwide. They come from 44 states – led by Texas, California, Florida, Illinois and Connecticut. Over 100 international students call 24 different foreign countries home with China, Canada and Saudi Arabia sending the most new Mustangs to the Hilltop.



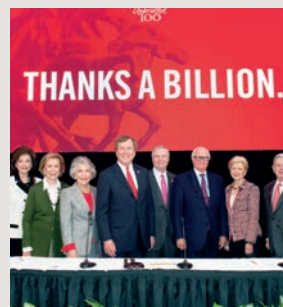
**2013** George W. Bush Presidential Center, consisting of library, museum and independent institute, opens on SMU campus.



**2014** Residential Commons opens, housing all first-year and sophomore students.



**2015** Meadows Foundation provides \$45 million, largest gift to campaign. Meadows Museum marks 50th anniversary.



**2015** The Second Century Campaign, SMU exceeds by raising \$1.5 billion as of September.



**2015** SMU celebrates centennial with a ceremony in McFarlin Auditorium, Homecoming festivities and fireworks.

# DON'T MISS MEADOWS MUSEUM'S

# House of Alba

## Exhibit

If you're looking for something to do over the holidays, the Meadows Museum's exhibition, *Treasures from the House of Alba: 500 Years of Art and Collecting*, will be on display through January 3, 2016. (Closed Mondays, Christmas Day and New Year's Day.)

For more than 500 years, the Alba family has formed part of the most important aristocratic lineages in Europe. In celebration of the Meadows Museum's 50th anniversary, the family has allowed more than 100 works from its private collection to be shown; most never have been seen before in the United States.

Among the works are paintings by Goya, Rubens, Rembrandt, and Renoir, one of Christopher Columbus' logbooks that document the explorer's discovery of the New World in 1492, and 19th-century furniture created for Napoleon III, as well as illuminated manuscripts, books, historic documents, miniatures,

antiquities, prints, sculpture, drawings and other objects.

The House of Alba – for centuries the most illustrious household in Spain, with close ties to the monarchy – remains one of the foremost noble families in Europe, with roots dating back to the mid-15th century when Fernando Álvarez de Toledo was named Count of the town of Alba de Tormes. Over the past five centuries, the Alba family's patronage, connoisseurship, and ties to Western royalty have shaped the growth and trajectory of the Alba collection, which is now one of the greatest private collections in the world.

The catalogue, *Treasures from the House of Alba: 500 Years of Art and Collecting*, is available in the museum's gift shop, along with imported Spanish delicacies in honor of the exhibition. For more information, call 214-768-2516 or visit [www.meadowsmuseumdallas.org](http://www.meadowsmuseumdallas.org).



Pierre Auguste Renoir (French, 1841-1919), *Girl in Hat with Cherries*, 1880. Oil on canvas. Colección Duques de Alba



Francisco de Goya y Lucientes (Spanish, 1746-1828), *The Duchess of Alba in White*, 1795. Oil on canvas. Colección Duques de Alba



Ignacio Zuloaga y Zabaleta (Spanish, 1870-1945), *Equestrian Portrait of María del Rosario Cayetana Fitz-James Stuart y de Silva, Eighteenth Duchess of Alba*, 1930. Oil on canvas. Colección Duques de Alba



Rabbi Mosé Arrajel (d. 1493) and School of Toledo, *Alba Family Bible*, finished in 1430. Book, 513 folios, exterior finished in Mudéjar style, parchment. Colección Duques de Alba



Fra Angelico (Italian, 1390-1455), *The Virgin of the Pomegranate*, c. 1426. Tempera on panel. Colección Duques de Alba. Photo by Joaquín Cortés and Román Lorés

# Historian David McCullough Receives SMU Tower Center Medal of Freedom

**David McCullough**, the Pulitzer Prize-winning writer often called “America’s greatest historian,” received the Medal of Freedom from SMU’s John Goodwin Tower Center for Political Studies Nov. 18. The award is given every two years to an individual or individuals who have contributed to the advancement of democratic ideals and to the security, prosperity and welfare of humanity.

President and Mrs. George W. Bush presented the award during an event held at the home of Kelli and Gerald J. Ford. The Medal of Freedom Committee, chaired by Gene Jones, raised nearly \$800,000 to benefit the Tower Center. Platinum sponsors for the event included Berry and SMU trustee Jeanne Tower Cox ’79, Kelli and SMU trustee Gerald J. Ford ’66, ’69, trustee Gene and Jerry Jones, and trustee Sarah ’83 and Ross Perot Jr. Guests at the event enjoyed a featured conversation between McCullough and his longtime friend, former U.S. Sen. Alan Simpson (R-WY).

The Tower Center, part of Dedman College of Humanities and Sciences, supports teaching and research in international and domestic politics with an emphasis on global studies and national security policy. It educates undergraduates in international relations, comparative politics and political institutions.

Past Tower Center Medal of Freedom recipients include former Secretary of States James A. Baker III and Colin L.



President and Mrs. George W. Bush presented the Medal of Freedom from the John Goodwin Tower Center for Political Studies to historian David McCullough on Nov. 18. Participating in the event were (far right) SMU trustee Jeanne Tower Cox and Penny Tower Cook, the late senator’s daughters.

Powell, U.S. Senator John McCain, former British Prime Minister Tony Blair, and former Presidents George H.W. Bush and George W. Bush, as well as former first lady Laura Bush ’68.

McCullough also spoke to the campus community at an earlier question-and-answer session moderated by Tower Center Scholar Sara Jendrusch.

McCullough, who said he had “always been impressed with SMU,” expressed approval that taking history is an SMU graduation requirement. “I was stunned to learn that something like 80 percent of colleges these days don’t require it,” he said. And history, McCullough said, is

how you make life matter.

“It’s not a series of chronological events. It’s human,” he added. “That’s why Jefferson wrote, ‘When in the course of *human events* ...’ in the Declaration of Independence.”

In researching his subjects for 11 books, McCullough said one of the best ways to judge a person is how he or she handles failure. “For some people who get knocked down, they whine and whimper and blame others. For others, they get up, assess what went wrong, learn from it and move forward. How someone handles failure can tell a lot about his or her character.”

## Dallas Hall LEED Certified



**Dallas Hall**, SMU’s oldest building, is the first academic building at a Texas university campus and only the second 100-year-old building in the United States to achieve LEED Gold Certification for the operation and maintenance of an existing building.

LEED, or Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design, is a certification program sponsored by the U.S. Green Building Council that recognizes best-in-class building strategies and practices. LEED candidates are judged on energy savings, water efficiency, improved indoor environmental quality, stewardship of resources and sensitivity to their impacts. Dallas Hall is the 20th SMU project to have earned LEED Gold, LEED Silver or LEED Certified status on the Dallas and SMU-in-Taos campuses.

# Distinguished Leader Steven Currall Named Provost, Vice President For Academic Affairs

**Steven C. Currall**, whose record of academic leadership includes achievements at Rice University, University College London and the University of California at Davis, has been named vice president for academic affairs and provost at SMU effective Jan. 1, 2016.

Currall, a psychological scientist, will oversee all aspects of academic life, including admission, faculty development, libraries, the curriculum and study abroad. As chief academic officer, he will supervise SMU's seven degree-granting schools and will hold departmental appointments in three of them – Management and Organizations in the Cox School of Business; Engineering Management, Information, and Systems in the Lyle School of Engineering; and Psychology in Dedman College of Humanities and Sciences.

Most recently, Currall served as senior adviser for strategic projects and initiatives to the UC Davis chancellor.

“Steven Currall brings the perfect combination of experience and skills to lead SMU’s rise among the nation’s best universities,” says President R. Gerald Turner. “He brings interdisciplinary perspectives that are central to our academic mission. He possesses expertise in the sciences and technology as well as in the humanities and social sciences, insights that reflect the challenges and opportunities of a complex society.”

“SMU has a foundation of academic excellence, its teaching and research are transformational, and its interdisciplinary ethos fosters innovations by faculty and students that are positively impacting Dallas, Texas, the nation, and beyond,” Currall says. “I look forward to listening, learning and partnering with my colleagues to propel SMU into an ever higher orbit.”

Currall served as dean of the Graduate School of Management at UC Davis for



more than five years, during which time the school reached the highest ranking in its history. He describes himself as an “organizational architect” and has conducted research in organizational behavior, innovation, entrepreneurship, emerging technologies, trust and negotiation and organizational governance. He is lead author on *Organized Innovation: A Blueprint for Renewing America’s Prosperity* (Oxford University Press, 2014) and a frequently quoted source for national and international media.

A native of Kansas City, Missouri, Currall received his Ph.D. in organizational behavior from Cornell University, a Master of Science in social psychology from the London School of Economics and Political Science and a Bachelor of Arts *cum laude* in psychology from Baylor University.

As chancellor’s adviser at UC Davis, Currall facilitated campuswide deliberations on the university’s 21st century strategic vision, including how UC Davis will address global challenges relating to food, health and energy. He developed plans for an additional UC Davis campus in Sacramento. He co-led development of a blueprint for increasing annual research expenditures to \$1 billion. He led the development of a new framework for recognizing faculty excellence

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and a methodology for eliminating faculty salary disparities due to gender or ethnicity.

Currall also has served as the vice chair and member of the executive committee of the board of directors for the 10-campus UC system’s Global Health Institute.

For 12 years at Rice University, he was the William and Stephanie Sick Professor of Entrepreneurship in the George R. Brown School of Engineering and a faculty member in the departments of management, psychology, and statistics. He was founding director of the Rice Alliance for Technology and Entrepreneurship. He was formerly vice dean of enterprise and professor of management science and innovation in the Faculty of Engineering Sciences at University College London and a visiting professor at the London Business School.

At the invitation of the U.S. President’s Council of Advisors on Science and Technology, Currall served as a member of the Nanotechnology Technical Advisory Group. He has received numerous other honors for entrepreneurship and innovation.

Currall’s appointment ends a nationwide search through a committee led by SMU Cox School of Business Dean Albert Niemi.

# SMU Names Vice President For Student Affairs

**Pamela D. Anthony**, dean of students at Iowa State University, has been named vice president for student affairs at SMU effective Feb. 1, 2016.

“As SMU’s new vice president for student affairs, Pamela Anthony brings varied experience in all aspects of programming and resources supporting the development of students,” says President R. Gerald Turner. “She has shown leadership in particular on issues related to student well-being, academic enrichment beyond the classroom and multicultural affairs. She exhibits a dedication to students that will contribute greatly to improving the campus experience that we cherish as a critical part of the educational enterprise.”

Anthony will oversee areas including the Office of the Dean of Student Life; Residence Life; women’s, LGBT, multicultural, volunteer and leadership programs; student activities; student conduct; campus ministries; health and wellness programs; career services; the Hughes-Trigg Student Center; and the

*“SMU offers a vibrant campus life experience, intentional opportunities for student engagement and evidence that learning happens everywhere.” – Pamela Anthony*

Dedman Center for Lifetime Sports.

As dean of students at Iowa State since August 2012, Anthony has been responsible for supervising programs and services including academic support, multicultural and LGBT student support, judicial affairs, fraternity and sorority life, women’s programs, student legal services, student disability resources, recreation services, and parent and family involvement, among others. She also serves as chair of the university’s Critical Incident Response Team, Sexual Misconduct Leadership Committee and Student Affairs Diversity Committee, as well as co-chair of its Academic Enrichment Subcommittee and Student Experience Enhancement Council.

“SMU offers a vibrant campus life experience, intentional opportunities for



student engagement and evidence that learning happens everywhere,” Anthony says. “I look forward to collaborating with my colleagues to enhance and create innovative partnerships within academic and student affairs that prioritize student success. My visit to campus and interactions with students, faculty, staff and alumni only increased my respect for SMU,” she adds.

Anthony began her career in student life and development at the University of Alaska-Fairbanks, where she served as area coordinator of residence life from 1996-98 and coordinator of multicultural affairs from 1997-2000.

She also served as director of student activities at Spelman College from 2000-03. Her nine years of experience at Georgia State University included service as assistant dean and director of student life and leadership (2003-09) and as assistant dean of students (2009-12).

Anthony received her B.S. degree in speech pathology from James Madison University in Harrisonburg, Virginia. She earned a Master of Education degree focusing on student personnel in higher education from the University of Georgia-Athens and a Ph.D. in educational policy studies from Georgia State University in Atlanta.

## Restoration Dazzles Auditorium

Nearly a year after the restoration of SMU’s historic McFarlin Auditorium, the curtain has lifted on some dazzling details resulting from phase two of the multimillion-dollar renovation project. Visitors to the 1926 venue will notice sophisticated new stenciling work in the stairwells, second-floor mezzanine lobby and third-floor hallway. Designed by Conrad Schmitt Studios Inc., the restoration specialists responsible for earlier updates to McFarlin (as well as to Dallas Hall and Perkins Chapel), the pattern includes Grecian urns and musical lyres, designs that figure prominently in both exterior and interior accents. In addition, mirrors in the second-floor lobby are bordered by gilt- and floral-accented frames molded with existing trim from McFarlin Auditorium’s stage. In each corner is the McFarlin “M,” centered in a shield – a pattern inspired by stained glass windows that once existed in the building. Large ceiling medallions, above light fixtures on first-floor stairwell landings, are original to the building and were discovered under a dropped ceiling that was removed during renovations last summer. The medallions were restored with gold paint, gold leafing and glazing work. For more information, visit [www.smu.edu/businessfinance/campussservices/mcfarlin](http://www.smu.edu/businessfinance/campussservices/mcfarlin).



# Polo Teams Riding High In Club Sports

**It's not uncommon to hear** sports pundits say that one SMU team or another is "stampeding" to victory. But one SMU team sport actually does gallop to victory – the Mustangs' polo teams. And they're hoping that alumni support will help continue the teams' presence as a club sport on campus.

Colloquially referred to as "hockey on horseback" by SMU polo coach Tom Goodspeed, polo is a sport that has existed at SMU sporadically throughout the University's 100-year history. It wasn't until 2009, though, that the men's and women's teams formally registered as club sports with the University, a process that was approved in 2011. In the five years since, both teams have combined for three national tournament appearances: The men's team came within a point of reaching the national finals last year, and both are primed for further postseason runs this spring.

"When you play polo, you learn how to conduct yourself appropriately when pressure is high, you develop leadership skills, and there's a camaraderie you build with some of these horses," Goodspeed says. "It's different from putting on a pair of skates. You're on a live animal; you have a trust level and understanding of each other. It's a whole new dimension of not just how you are performing, but how you are able to perform with this horse you're riding."



Polo coach Tom Goodspeed (left) with the SMU men's polo team.



Goodspeed and the women's polo team.

"The connection with the horse is like nothing else I've ever experienced," says junior Maxi Langois. "Nothing compares to polo. You get to meet a lot of good people, and it's a heck of a thrill."

There are five riders on the men's team and 10 on the women's team. Three riders compete in the arena at any given time.

Though some stereotype the sport as "soft," Goodspeed says it's as physically challenging as any. "Remember, these horses weigh as much as 1,000 pounds," he says. "When you're running at full speed with the weight of an entire football team's defensive line underneath you and you collide with another horse, it's a big hit."

The clubs were organized by SMU alumnus Enrique Ituarte '14 and supported financially by his parents, Miguel and Esther Zaragoza. Ituarte's younger brother, Manuel, is on the men's team but is set to graduate in May 2017. If the teams don't find additional sponsors by then, their futures could be in doubt.

"I am really hoping the program can stay at SMU," says senior and team member Emma Blackwood. "We're safe for a couple more years, but after that, it's a tough thing."

"Most programs across the country have alumni support, so we're pursuing that same avenue," Goodspeed says. "We just need to plant the roots to become a perennial force."

The SMU polo club introduces the sport to interested students with a polo practicum every Monday, October through April, at the Flower Mound Equestrian Center, where it also practices twice a week.

The teams' schedules will be posted at [www.smupolo.org](http://www.smupolo.org) when they are finalized.

– Kenny Ryan

## Casey Heads Track And Field

**SMU head cross country coach Cathy Casey** has assumed the role of head track and field coach at SMU, replacing Dave Wollman, who stepped down after 28 years as head track and field coach. Casey has been on the Hilltop for the past 14 years, becoming head cross country coach in 2005. She has also served as an assistant track and field coach, overseeing the middle and long distance groups.

As cross country coach, Casey has led the Mustangs to five conference championships in the past seven years, including three

straight from 2011-13. She has been named conference Coach of the Year five times. In addition, she has coached two All-Americans, three conference Athletes of the Year and 18 All-Conference performers.

The SMU women's cross country team finished as the American Athletic Conference runner-up Oct. 31 with a final point score of 68 behind the 46 of Tulsa. Junior Holly Archer was the top finisher for the Mustangs with a 6K time of 20:47.73 coming in at seventh place.

During the 2013-14 academic year, Casey helped the track and field program sweep the



Cathy Casey (right) led her cross country team to second place in the AAC championship.

conference championships, as the Mustangs took home the cross country, indoor and outdoor titles. The indoor and outdoor track and field championships were the first conference crowns for SMU.

## SMU To Appeal Some NCAA Sanctions

**SMU has announced** that it is appealing recent sanctions by the NCAA to the men's basketball and golf programs. On Sept. 29, the NCAA suspended men's head basketball coach Larry Brown for 30 percent of the team's games this season and banned the men's basketball team from 2016 postseason play.

The University is appealing the following sanctions: The duration of scholarship losses in men's basketball and men's golf and the duration of recruiting restrictions in men's basketball; the penalty level applied to men's golf and resulting postseason ban both for the team and for individual competition; and the vacating of men's basketball victories during the 2013-14 season due to the participation of a student deemed ineligible by the NCAA Committee on Infractions.

SMU decided not to appeal the postseason ban on basketball and Brown's nine-game suspension. The lengthy appeal process on these matters could do more damage, particularly in recruiting, SMU officials believe.

In a statement, SMU noted that it is the first institution to receive findings and sanctions under the NCAA's new penalty structure, making it difficult to draw comparisons with previous infractions cases for both the University and the Committee on Infractions. "As expected, any new system will generate areas of ambiguity that require correction or clarification. Under this new structure, we expected that the Committee on Infractions might potentially impose additional penalties on top of our self-imposed sanctions, but we also anticipated a greater acknowledgment of our proactive measures as mitigating factors moderating any additional penalties imposed."

Visit [www.smu.edu/News/ncaa-smu-responds-29sept2015](http://www.smu.edu/News/ncaa-smu-responds-29sept2015) for more information.

## Mustang Volleyball Wins Championship

**The SMU volleyball team** clinched its first NCAA Tournament berth and sole possession of the American Athletic Conference title Nov. 20 with a 3-0 win over the University of Connecticut, matching the program record with the 26th win of the season. The Mustangs (26-4, 16-2 AAC) won their 16th straight match, extending the school-record win streak.

The win streak was ended Nov. 22 with a 3-2 loss to the Temple Owls. In that match, Morgan Heise broke her own SMU single-season record, posting 38 digs at Temple to take her season total to 658, and Janelle Giordano scored a career-high 20 kills.

As of press time Nov. 23, the Mustangs (No. 27 in the NCAA Rating Percentage Index) returned to play their final

matches of the season against AAC Rivals University of South Florida and University of Central Florida in Moody Coliseum. The first and second rounds of the NCAA Tournament were held Dec. 4-6 at various campus sites.

Visit [smumustangs.com](http://smumustangs.com) for the latest updates.



## Men's Soccer Wins AAC Season

**The men's soccer team** clinched the American Athletic Conference regular season championship on Oct. 31 with an overall record of 13-2-3. The last time the Mustangs were the regular season champion was in 2012 when they were members of Conference USA. In the semifinals of the conference tournament, the Mustangs tied Tulsa, 2-2, in double overtime, but fell in penalty kicks, 4-3.

After winning the regular season American Athletic Conference season title, SMU dominated The American postseason awards. Michael Nelson repeated as Goalkeeper of the Year, John Lujano was named Midfielder of the Year, Mauro

Cichero was named the Offensive Player of the Year and Kevin Hudson and his staff were named Coaching Staff of the Year. Nelson, Cichero and Lujano were also selected First Team All-Conference, while Jordan Cano was selected to the Second Team All-Conference. Freshmen Christian Boorom, Emil Cuello and Caleb Smith were selected to the All-Rookie Team.

As of press time, the men's soccer team advanced to the third round of the NCAA Tournament on Nov. 22 with a 1-0 overtime win against the University of Denver. The Mustangs played the University of Akron Nov. 29. For the latest updates, visit [smumustangs.com](http://smumustangs.com).



## Simmons Researchers Study Efforts To Aid Struggling Young Readers

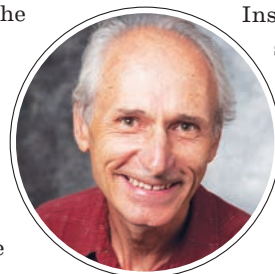
**About 40 percent of U.S. children** in fourth grade do not read at a level proficient for their age. This problem is the research focus for experts in SMU's Annette Caldwell Simmons School of Education and Human Development.

Stephanie Al Otaiba, Patsy and Ray Caldwell Centennial Chair in Teaching and Learning, and Paul Yovanoff, professor of teaching and learning, are measuring the effectiveness of efforts to help struggling readers, children who are at risk for developing reading disabilities if left unaided.

"This is a large group of children, and the numbers are higher in urban areas and among minority students," Al Otaiba says. "Poor reading skills are a bottleneck to their success."



Stephanie Al Otaiba



Paul Yovanoff

protocols of intervention, we found that how those interventions are provided within a school, and how immediately they are provided, makes an important difference," Al Otaiba says. "Children who received the most immediate, most intensive interventions significantly outperformed students who received those interventions only after they had failed."

Funded by the National Institutes of Health, the large study analyzed data on more than 500 Florida children from first through third grades. The data indicated that help via intensive interventions should occur early in a child's school career, and the student's response must be carefully monitored to measure progress.

The researchers reported their findings in the *European Scientific Journal*, as well as in a special issue of *Learning Disabilities Quarterly* commemorating the anniversary of Response to Intervention.

Al Otaiba and Yovanoff, along with Simmons colleagues Jill Allor, professor of teaching and learning, and David Chard, the Leon Simmons Endowed Dean of the Simmons School, recently were awarded a doctoral grant to train the next generation of researchers for intensive interventions. The research is part of a larger effort by SMU's Simmons School and seven other U.S. universities that form the National Center for Leadership on Intensive Intervention.

The consortium prepares special education leaders to become experts in research on intensive intervention for struggling learners. The program supports special education doctoral students through funding from the U.S. Department of Education.

***"Children who received the most immediate, most intensive interventions significantly outperformed students who had to wait until they failed for those interventions."***

More than a decade ago, schools and teachers in all 50 states adopted variations of national guidelines to identify struggling readers and provide them and their teachers with resources to help. The national effort, called Response to Intervention (RTI), emerged from the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. RTI has had some success, but challenges remain, say Al Otaiba and Yovanoff.

"From studying how well students respond to generally effective standard

## Engineering Lab To Aid Prostheses Wearers

**Research in the Lyle School of Engineering Micro-Sensor Lab** someday may change the lives of people who rely on a prosthetic hand, arm or leg.

"Whispering gallery mode" technology – the scientific principle that a whisper can travel a domed surface and be clearly heard on the other side – is being applied in the lab of Volkan Otugen, senior associate dean and the George R. Brown Chair in Mechanical Engineering.

In Otugen's lab, the principle applies light from a laser to move a robotic prosthesis. The lab is working to develop an implant device using light and sensors responsive to signals generated by neurons in the brain. Currently no optical implant exists that can do that, and current technology is not a permanent solution.

"The material we use is compatible with the brain. So the hope and expectation are that it would be a long-term implant," Otugen says.

The research project's latest progress was reported in the peer-reviewed scientific journal *Applied Optics*.

SMU students have played a role in advancing the research, including two doctoral students, one postdoctoral researcher, three graduate and three undergraduate students, as well as two Highland Park High School students.

The project began almost six years ago when Electrical Engineering Professor Marc Christiansen, now dean of the Lyle School and a nationally recognized leader in photonics – the science and technology of light – were brainstorming at lunch together.

That session of scribbling numbers and equations on a napkin led to funding in 2010 by the U.S. Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA). SMU previously collaborated on that research with UT Dallas, University of North Texas, Vanderbilt and Case Western Reserve.

During Homecoming Weekend SMU honored Distinguished Alumni Award recipients (from left) Billie Ida Williamson '74, Donald F. Jackson '63, Bess Fraser Enloe '60 and Emerging Leader Award winner Michael W. Waters '02, '06, '12.



## Celebrating Outstanding Alumni

Leaders in the arts, education and business received the highest honor the University bestows upon its graduates – the Distinguished Alumni Award – on September 24. In addition, the accomplishments of an award-winning author and spiritual leader were recognized with SMU's Emerging Leader Award.

### 2015 DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI

**Bess Fraser Enloe '60** has provided visionary leadership to the arts in Dallas. After graduating from SMU with a B.A. in history, she taught high school in Dallas and later co-owned an interior design firm before devoting herself to volunteer efforts supporting the arts. Enloe chaired the Meadows School of the Arts Executive Board from 2010-14 and was the honoree of the 2014 Meadows at the Meyerson concert. A lifetime of dedication to the arts has earned Enloe numerous honors.

**Donald F. Jackson '63** has led distinguished careers in both higher education and business. After earning his B.B.A. in finance at SMU, he received his M.B.A. from Indiana University and Ph.D. from The University of Texas. He taught finance at the Cox School of Business from 1967-78 and was twice named a Rotunda Outstanding Professor of SMU. Since leaving SMU, Jackson has led a second successful career as a financial counselor. In 2010 SMU alumnus and trustee David Miller honored his former

professor by providing the lead gift to establish Cox's Don Jackson Center for Financial Studies.

**Billie Ida Williamson '74** has demonstrated exemplary leadership in her profession and inspired countless women in business. She served as SMU's student body treasurer and Homecoming queen before earning a B.B.A. in accounting, with highest honors. Williamson became one of the first women partners in Ernst & Young LLP. She retired as a senior client serving partner in 2011. Her honors include Ernst & Young's Rosemarie Meschi Award for Advancement of Women and the *Dallas Business Journal* 2014 Outstanding Director Award.

### 2015 EMERGING LEADER

**Michael W. Waters '02, '06, '12** has emerged as a prominent leader in Dallas' religious community. Waters earned three degrees from SMU: a B.A. in political science and religious studies, a Master of Divinity *cum laude* and Doctor of Ministry with honors. He received numerous campus honors and helped found SMU's annual Civil Rights Pilgrimage. In 2008 Waters founded and became senior pastor of Joy Tabernacle African Methodist Episcopal Church in Dallas. He is the award-winning author of *Freestyle: Reflections on Faith, Family, Justice, and Pop Culture*. He has been named to lists of top young leaders by *Ebony* magazine and the *Dallas Business Journal*.



## 2016 NOMINATIONS DUE DECEMBER 31

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## Class of 54

**Virginia Richie Abdo** (M.A. '69) is a retired teacher who supports several art and music societies as member, board member and donor, among them The Dallas Opera, The Dallas Symphony, The Metropolitan Opera of New York, The San Francisco Opera, The Houston Grand Opera, Dallas Museum of Art, Kimbell Art Museum and The Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York. She exhibits her love of music playing viola in string ensembles in various symphonies.

## Class of 55

**Nancy Blank Kaesler** (B.M. '79) is the author of *The Little Girl in the Yellow Dress: A Musical Memoir Digging for the Roots of Performance Anxiety* (2014), available on Amazon. Retired, she lives in Estes Park, Colorado.

## Class of 61

**Bennett W. (Ben) Cervin** is an attorney in the Dallas office of Thompson & Knight

named to *The Best Lawyers in America* 2016 for employment law-management and labor law-management.

## Class of 63

**Amster K. Howard, Jr.** is the author of *Pipeline Installation 2.0* (2015), available at AmsterHoward.com. Living in Lakewood, Colorado, he does forensic examinations of pipe failures and presents seminars on pipeline installation.

## Class of 66

**Reunion Chairs: FRED & JAN VESTAL HEGI, GERALD J. FORD, AND STEVE AND EMILY RICH SUMMERS**

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**Frederick B. (Fred) Hegi, Jr.** was honored with the 2015 Henry Cohn Humanitarian Award in May for furthering the ideals of the Anti-Defamation League. A founding partner of the private equity fund Wingate Partners, he is a former chairman of Interfaith Housing Coalition, a Dallas-based ministry to homeless families that established the Frederick B. Hegi, Jr.

Humanitarian Award in 1997. Fred has been married for 47 years to the former **Jan Vestal** '66. They have two sons and six grandchildren. Dr. **Sharman Beasley Vesecky** (M.L.A. '82, M.A. '88) retired last spring from her 39-year position as the first coordinator of the paralegal program at El Centro College in Dallas but will continue on as an adjunct political science professor.

## Class of 69

**Albon O. Head, Jr.** (J.D. '71), an attorney in the Fort Worth office of Jackson Walker, is named in the 2016 edition of *The Best Lawyers in America* for bet-the-company litigation, commercial litigation, litigation-construction and railroad law.

## Class of 70

**Rhett G. Campbell** (J.D. '73) is a Thompson & Knight attorney in the Houston office. He is recognized in *The Best Lawyers in America* 2016 for bankruptcy and creditor-debtor rights/insolvency and reorganization law, commercial litigation, derivatives and futures law, litigation-bankruptcy and oil and gas law. **Janie**



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**Bryan Loveless** (M.L.A. '74) is the new District 5810 Public Image Chair for Park Cities Rotary in Dallas. She is a communications specialist, freelance writer, editor and public relations and marketing professional, as well as a consultant for Carlisle women's apparel.

### Class of '71

**Kay Bridges Roska** (J.D. '90) practices environmental law in the Dallas office of Thompson & Knight. For her work she has been listed in *The Best Lawyers in America* 2016.

### Class of '73

**James C. (Jim) Morriss, III** is an attorney at Thompson & Knight in Austin named in *The Best Lawyers in America* 2016 for environmental law, litigation-environmental and energy regulatory law.

**Stephen Tobolowsky** is a leading character actor, having appeared in more than 200 television shows and movies. Currently he can be seen on TV as Principal Ball on "The Goldbergs" and Alan Dolfe on "Big

Time in Hollywood, FL." On October 9 he was the celebrity guest at the 24th Annual Hot Springs Documentary Film Festival for the screening of the critically-acclaimed documentary "The Primary Instinct," in which, playing himself, he uses storytelling to take the audience through a journey of life, love and Hollywood, covering the emotions of being a character actor, the joys of childhood and parenthood and the bonds of family.

**Phillip H. (Phil) Virden** and his wife of 40 years, the former **Carolyn Armstrong** '74, live in Lake City, Colorado. On April 14, 2015, he was recognized as the Lake City/Hinsdale County Chamber of Commerce 2015 Citizen of the Year, prompting a feature article May 8 in the *Lake City Silver World* paper. This is the second time he has been so honored since his 1973 move to the mountain town. Currently he serves on the board of directors for Colorado's Region 10, Hinsdale County School District, the Lake Fork Valley Conservancy and Gunnison Savings and Loan. Phil is celebrating 40 years of establishing and operating the Mountaineer Theatre, a single-screen cinema. He has been a National Weather Service observer for more than 25 years.

### Class of '74

**Robert K. (Rob) Carol** (J.D. '77) is a San Francisco-based partner in Arent Fox LLP's labor and employment practice, representing national and international clients on operational issues for nonunion and union companies, collective bargaining, arbitration and defense of complex litigation in state and federal courts.

### Class of '75

**Roger Aksamit** of Houston's Thompson & Knight office has been recognized in *The Best Lawyers in America* 2016 for tax law. **Paul Gosselink** of Lloyd Gosselink Rochelle & Townsend, P.C. in Austin has been named in the 2016 edition of *The Best Lawyers in America* for environmental and administrative/regulatory law. **James B. (Jim) Harris** in the Dallas office of Thompson & Knight is listed in *The Best Lawyers in America* 2016 for environmental law and litigation-environmental.

**John McClellan Marshall** was elected international vice president of the legal honor society Phi Delta Phi (PDP) at their August convention in Savannah. He is senior judge of the Fourteenth Judicial District of Texas. Membership in the international PDP includes justices of the Supreme Court, members of the U.S. Congress, judges, law professors and many of the best practicing lawyers in the country. **James W. McKellar** (J.D. '78) is a Best Lawyer for banking and finance law and securitization and structured finance law in *The Best Lawyers in America* 2016. He is in practice in the Dallas office of Thompson & Knight.

### Class of '77

**O. Paul Corley, Jr.** of Dallas has been included in *The Best Lawyers in America* 2016 for banking and finance law and financial services regulation law at Thompson & Knight.

### Class of '78

**David R. Cassidy** is an attorney at Breazeale, Sachse & Wilson, L.L.P., a multispecialty law firm with more than 70 attorneys

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serving legal and business needs throughout Louisiana. He has been recognized in the 2015 edition of *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business for Louisiana*. **Wade Cooper**, a Jackson Walker attorney in Austin, is listed in *The Best Lawyers in America 2016* for bankruptcy and creditor-debtor rights law, insolvency and reorganization law and litigation-bankruptcy.

#### Class of '79

**Cheryl Pollman**, a retired business lawyer, volunteers at a free legal clinic at Catholic Charities in Dallas, helps monitor how juveniles are handled in the federal immigration courts and advocates for immigrant children in an age group that places them at risk of gang violence, recruitment and exploitation. Cheryl was quoted in a *Dallas Morning News* report last May titled "Helping kids gain asylum." **Lynn Hensley Sullivan** was installed November 22, 2014, as the first woman senior minister of the 750-member congregation of the Garden City Community Church, United Church of Christ, in Garden City, New York.

#### Class of 80

**Melva Davis Smith** and her husband, Joseph, are owners of real estate investment company Best Choice Property Solutions, professional commercial actors, vocalists and Avon representatives.

#### Class of 81

The Rev. Dr. **Jeff Labala** has written *Homosexual Marriage in the Light of the Incarnation: Marriage, Symbol, and the Imago Dei* (Seaburn Books, 2015). With a foreword by a United Methodist bishop, the book explores Christian understanding of marriage and connects this to other areas of life, such as race and gender, in a way that makes these issues integral to a theological understanding of Christian marriage. He is executive director for Partners for Leadership Resources for Churches in Africa.

#### Class of 83

**Ken Artin** is a managing shareholder in law firm Bryant Miller Olive, sworn in September 9 as 37th president of the

National Association of Bond Lawyers, premier organization of public finance attorneys. He is the spokesperson in matters such as interface with the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Internal Revenue Service on the possible elimination of tax-exempt bonds and the issue price of bonds. He splits his time between the firm's Washington, D.C., office and their office in Orlando, where he lives. **Deborah Godich Hankinson** is an appellate attorney, mediator, arbitrator and founder of Hankinson LLP, a civil appellate firm in the Southwest. Based on nominations from fellow lawyers, she has been named one of the top three attorneys in Texas in the 2015 edition of *Texas Super Lawyers*. **Thomas E. Millay** has joined Healthx, the health care industry's leading digital engagement platform, as executive vice president of professional services, leading the group that provides Healthx customers with personalized implementations and consulting solutions. He has more than 25 years of experience in the application software industry in business unit management, sales, marketing and professional services. **Gabrielle Steffen Vorst** (M.B.A. '87) has moved with her son, Andrew, from Virginia to Spring, Texas, for a position as an international products trader for ExxonMobil. They live in The Woodlands, Texas.

#### Class of 84

**Kevin Ligon** is an actor featured in "On the Twentieth Century," nominated as best musical revival on Broadway at last June's 69th Tony Awards presentation. He also is known for Broadway performances in "The Producers" (2005) and "Home on the Range" (2004).

#### Class of 85

**Charla Glass Aldous** is a Texas trial lawyer named in the 2016 edition of *The Best Lawyers in America* for personal injury and medical malpractice. So recognized each year since 2003, she also has been Lawyer of the Year three times. Recently she was listed in *Texas Super Lawyers* for the 12th consecutive year, honored by *Benchmark Litigation* as a 2015 Litigation Star and selected for the

D Magazine list of "The Best Lawyers in Dallas" for the 10th consecutive year. She is the founder of Aldous\Walker law firm in Dallas.

### Class of 87

Dr. **Eileen Baland** (M.L.A. '97) has earned her fifth college degree. On May 30 she was awarded a Master of Fine Arts in writing with a specialization in poetry from Spalding University in Louisville, Kentucky. **Edward F. (Ed) Valdespino** is an attorney and partner-in-charge at the San Antonio office of Strasburger & Price, LLP, named by *Texas Lawyer* magazine as one of 20 extraordinary Texas minority lawyers "making a significant contribution to the law and lawyering in Texas" over the past five years. A lifelong San Antonio resident, he is active in the community as a director and executive committee member of the Blue Star Contemporary Center, board secretary of the Central Catholic High School and board member of Rey Feo Consejo Educational Foundation.

### Class of 89

**Ted Gilvar** is chief marketing officer on the senior leadership team at Vonage Holdings Corp., a provider of cloud communications services for consumers and businesses. Previously he was executive vice president and chief marketing officer for Monster Worldwide Inc., a global leader in connecting people to jobs. He has more than 20 years of experience leading marketing and advertising for numerous world-class brands. His accomplishments have earned him several prestigious awards, including a B2B Marketer of the Year award from *B2B Magazine* for three years in a row and CMO of the Year from the *Boston Business Journal*. **Robert (Bobby) Patton, Jr.** was elected July 15 to the board of directors of KB Home, one of the nation's largest homebuilders, and appointed to the board committees for audit and compliance and nominating and corporate governance. He is a partner at Guggenheim Baseball Management LLC and part-owner since 2012 of the Los Angeles Dodgers. He principally operates

oil and gas properties in Texas and Kansas and has investments in ranching, insurance and construction. He serves on the board of Security Benefit Corporation and the Advisory Council of The University of Texas College of Liberal Arts.

### Class of 90

**Theodore N. (Ted) Kolman** has been named a managing director in Grant Thornton's state and local tax practice, based in Schaumburg, Illinois. He and his wife, Clair, daughter Caroline (15) and son Whit (10) live in South Elgin.

### Class of 91

**Marklen Kennedy** was a producer and star of the History Channel's Memorial Day premiere of the 10-hour miniseries "Texas Rising," chronicling the Texas Revolution and the rise of the Texas Rangers. He is owner and executive producer of In Your Face Productions based in Las Vegas, creator and executive producer of Showtime's "Gigolos" and creator and executive producer of FYI Network's "Late Nite Chef Fight."

### Class of 92

**Michael McBroom** is Under Armour Athletic Director of the Year for NCAA Division II. **David Renshaw** is the new executive director of Mater Dei Radio in Portland, the oldest, lay-owned Catholic radio station in the United States. He and his wife, Heather, live in Hillsboro, Oregon, with their five children.

### Class of 93

**Mark Elliott** completed 3,000 supervised hours and passed a national licensing exam to become a clinical social worker. Currently he runs an intensive outpatient psychotherapy group with students at The University of Texas at Austin and is starting a small private practice. **Lawrence Neil Pivnick, M.D., J.D.,** is a new Contributing Fellow to the National Center for Policy Analysis. He says, "I hope to bring transparency and clarity to the health



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policy field and make a complicated field accessible to those it impacts on a daily basis.” He has practiced family medicine for five years in Toronto and 36 years in Dallas, practiced law for 20 years – malpractice defense, asset protection and estate planning for physicians – and written two novels: *The Kilgore Curse* (2014) and *Supreme Corruption* (2015). He and his family have lived in Dallas for 38 years. **Kathryn (Kit) Richardson Sawers**, known by some as the “queen of big events” for her planned celebrations of Super Bowl XLV, the opening of Klyde Warren Park in Dallas, the 2014 NCAA Final Four and the United Way’s 90th anniversary gala at AT&T Stadium, has joined her company, Fay+Sawers Productions, and its seven staffers with United Way of Metropolitan Dallas. She says the move seemed like the right fit, since her company has been an extended part of the United Way leadership team for two years. Kit will serve as chief development officer. She is married to **J. Kemp Sawers** ’93, and her brother is Kevin Richardson in SMU’s Office of Public Affairs.

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#### Class of 94

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**Jeffrey J. Ansley**, a partner at Bell Nunnally & Martin LLP, has been selected by his peers for the *D Magazine* list “Best Lawyers in Dallas 2015.” A former federal criminal prosecutor and enforcement attorney, he focuses on white collar criminal and regulatory defense. He has represented corporate and individual clients before federal courts and the Securities and Exchange Commission and has conducted internal investigations involving alleged securities fraud, tax fraud and health care violations. **Jay Dewald** has joined Andrews Kurth LLP as a partner in the litigation and dispute resolution practice. The former assistant U.S. attorney has 13 years of criminal prosecution experience and has handled more than 100 jury trials in federal and state courts. Working in the U.S. Attorney’s Office for the Northern District of Texas in Dallas since 2007, he served most recently as the deputy criminal chief in the Special Prosecutions Section, supervising prosecutions for public corruption, health care fraud and civil rights and environmental crimes.

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#### Class of 95

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**A. Shonn Evans Brown** (J.D. ’98), a partner in the Dallas litigation firm of Gruber Hurst Elrod Johansen Hail Shank, has been honored by *Texas Lawyer* as one of 20 “Extraordinary Minorities” who have made “significant contributions to law and lawyering in Texas” during the past five years. **Monte Jump** was named vice president of global marketing in August for Schlotzsky’s, home of The Original oven-baked sandwich. The company has more than 350 locations in 35 states. His experience over 25 years is expected to help grow sales and develop Schlotzsky’s into a global, multichannel food service brand. Most recently he was chief operations officer and chief marketing officer for Back Yard Burgers in Nashville. **Yuong Nam Lee** is the first vertebrate paleontologist to hold a professorship at Seoul National University, the premier university of Korea. **Tim O’Hare**, former mayor of Farmers Branch, Texas, is seeking the chairmanship of the Tarrant County Republican Party in the March 1, 2016, primary. He and his family live in Southlake, Texas. **Hilary Russo** is an on-air guest host for the home and garden division on the national home shopping channel QVC. She teaches on-camera performance and television production at St. John’s University in New York City, where she is a faculty adviser to Gamma Phi Beta. You may have seen her in a national commercial for Bassett Furniture. **King White** was spotlighted in the July 24 issue of *Dallas Business Journal* as the founder and CEO of Dallas-based Site Selection Group, a location advisory and economic incentives firm that helps companies evaluate areas worldwide based on business factors such as labor availability, cost, business climate, financial assistance and real estate. He says the North Texas corporate relocation market is one of the hottest in the world but worries that it could overheat, causing skilled labor shortages and rising wages that make the region less attractive to companies considering a move.

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#### Class of 97

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**Jason Head** (Ph.D. ’02) has a new position as curator and lecturer at Cambridge University in England. **Hans Heppe** was appointed last June 30 as honorary consul of the Federal Republic of Germany for North Texas. He is married to **Rosario (Chachy) Heppe** ’99.

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#### Class of 98

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**Michelle Frith Hargis** has rejoined the Dallas/Fort Worth-based public relations firm Cooksey Communications, where she worked six years previously, to provide senior leadership and experience as an account manager in the firm’s new Austin market. She uses digital media and traditional media relations and strategic communications to achieve print, broadcast and online placements for her clients. **Dylan Rhea** has been named managing director and head of the home-building consulting practice for Real-Foundations, Inc., a professional services firm focused on the real estate industry. He has spent the last 15 years working with some of the world’s largest and most influential developers, corporate service providers, homebuilders and real estate investors, helping to deliver strategy and technology solutions to both domestic and international clients. He and his wife, Briana, live in Newport Beach, California.

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#### Class of 99

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**David Clark** (J.D. ’02) has opened his own law firm in Houston: The Law Offices of David L. Clark, P.C. Since 2003 he has specialized in commercial litigation and intellectual property law. **Taylor Russell Martin** is the chief marketing officer for Senior Security Benefits Inc. in Fort Worth. Annually he raises funds to benefit The First Tee of Greater Dallas to help kids who otherwise could not afford to learn the game of golf. Based on 100 holes of marathon golf, he was the top fundraiser in September for the third straight year; over the past five years he has raised more than \$37,000 for The First Tee. The 100 holes began at 7:45 a.m. and ended at 4:30 p.m. in a sun-drenched 98 degrees.

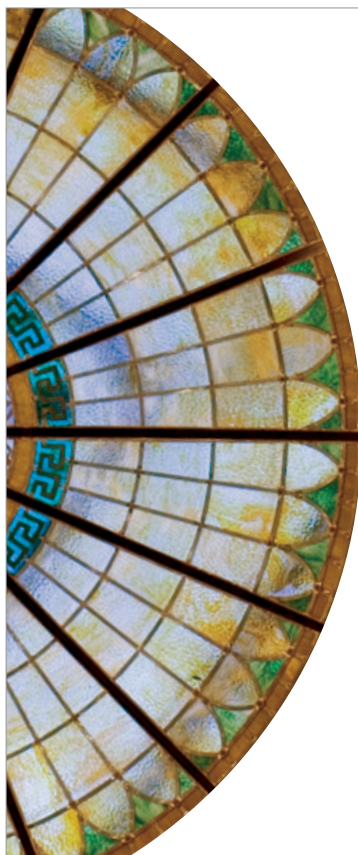


## Class of 00

**Tammy Nguyen Lee** fled Vietnam on a boat when she was less than three months old. Now an award-winning film and television producer, director, developer, on-camera talent and philanthropist, she was one of three to receive the 2015 NAAAP 100 Award from the National Association of Asian American Professionals at their convention in Dallas August 8. The award from NAAAP, the premier leadership organization for Asian professionals, goes annually to influential leaders who have made the most significant contributions to their profession and the Asian community. The decision for Tammy was based on her career achievements and reputation, contributions to the Asian community and alignment with NAAAP's vision and mission. She is president and founder of the nonprofit ATG, Against the Grain Productions, which promotes Asian American education and cultural awareness and raises money for international orphanages. Tammy earned an M.F.A. degree from UCLA's elite Producers Program. **Matthew M. Peakes** (M.B.A. '07) has been appointed to the positions of chairman of the board, chief executive officer and president of DGSE Companies, Inc., effective September 16. The company is a leading wholesaler and retailer of jewelry, diamonds, fine watches, precious metal bullion and rare coin products. Previously he was on the management team at Elemetal, LLC and a vice president with JPMorgan, where he managed relationships with high net worth investors and helped develop investment strategies.

## Class of 01

**Nicole Brewster** left her position at SMU as assistant director of constituent records to pursue a new opportunity with the City of Dallas, where she will use her management and customer service skills to guide several divisions citywide. **Bernard M. Jones** has been named U.S. Magistrate Judge for the Western District of Oklahoma, becoming the first African American in Oklahoma history to serve in this capacity. He was installed in an



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August 17 ceremony at the U.S. Federal Courthouse in Oklahoma City. A former SMU student body president and graduate of Notre Dame Law School, Judge Jones has practiced general litigation and labor and employment litigation at firms in Oklahoma City and Columbus, Ohio. Later he was assistant dean for admission and associate dean at Oklahoma City University School of Law. He resigned from an appointment as District Judge for Oklahoma County to assume the federal bench. Judge Jones and his wife, Mautra, have three children.

the world. Recently Leandre was named one of Dallas' "10 Most Eligible Men" by *D Magazine*. **David Hix Lott, III** (M.B.A. '14) held several temporary positions at SMU before accepting a permanent role in August 2010 in the Office of the Vice President for Development and External Affairs (DEA), where he supported key projects and events for SMU Unbridled: The Second Century Campaign and managed DEA committees and boards. Having earned an M.B.A. degree while working at SMU, he has secured a position as a finance analyst at Southwest Airlines.

## Class of 02

**Leandre Johns**, general manager of Uber Technologies for North and West Texas, appeared at SMU last April 28 in a conversation with Dean Thomas DiPiero from Dedman College of Humanities and Sciences, discussing his SMU experience and how it paved the way to his current role with Uber, founded in 2009 and one of the fastest growing and most influential technology companies in

## Class of 03

**Dodee Frost Crockett**, a managing director and wealth management adviser at Merrill Lynch for more than 30 years, recently appeared on *Barron's* 2015 "Top 100 Women Financial Advisers," one of only 16 women in the nation to make the list every year since its inception 10 years ago.

## Class of 04

**Andrea Christensen** is executive director of national accounts at Ferrari-Carano Vineyards and Winery. Previously she was director of corporate accounts at Southern Wine & Spirits of America. She started her career with Glazer's Distributors in Dallas, where she is based.

**Stephanie Dupaul** left her position at SMU as associate provost for enrollment management to accept an appointment as vice president at the University of Richmond effective last July 13. There she will oversee the enrollment management division, which includes the Office of Undergraduate Admission, the Financial Aid office and the Richmond Scholars Program. She was instrumental in SMU's successful quest to enroll the most diverse and academically accomplished entering classes in its history. **Messina Madson**, a veteran prosecutor, was named first assistant in April to the Dallas County district attorney and is second-in-command of nearly 300 employees. She was hired by Dallas County in 2004 and has served as chief prosecutor of the misdemeanor division and deputy chief of the family violence division. Named Dallas County Prosecutor of the Year in 2014, she has tried cases ranging from stalking to sexual assault to capital murder. She recently created a mentoring program at the DA's office to pair new with experienced prosecutors.

## Class of 05

**Catherine Greenberg** has a decade of experience in the nonprofit sector. She founded Bright Light Volunteers to inspire youth to pursue international service projects. For spring break 2015 eight high school students volunteered with Bright Light in Cusco, Peru, and built a daycare in a Peruvian shantytown. Catherine challenges local youth to rethink summer vacation plans and embark on a project that will "leave more of a mark than a nice tan." Participants develop fundraising skills, experience the globe, gain cultural perspective and learn to receive by giving to others in need. **Christina Hill** is a 2011 graduate of the Lindner College of Business at the University of Cincinnati. She started Green Beans Design in fall 2014 in the South End Charlotte, North Carolina, area

as a marketing company specializing in website design and development, social media, email marketing and branding. Tailoring an approach to small business owners and entrepreneurs, she and her team help each client strengthen its brand through a sustainable web presence.

**Richard Schklair** and his wife welcomed daughter Alexandra Elizabeth, born December 15, 2014. He was promoted to head of management consulting at Accenture last April. **J. Scott Taylor** (M.B.A. '14) has left SMU after 16 years in Development and External Affairs, working in Strategic Affairs, the Office of the Vice President and, for the last 10 years,

University Development, where he supported campaign volunteer operations and was instrumental in facilitating the recruitment and meetings of SMU's Campaign Steering Committee volunteers for SMU Unbridled: The Second Century Campaign. Scott has represented SMU on the Council for Advancement and Support of Education District IV board as treasurer for the past three years. He recently accepted the position of consultant, campaign services, with Clarkson Davis in Dallas, where he will lead client engagements with nonprofit organizations to provide a wide range of fundraising and campaign-related services.

## PRECIOUS PONIES

**Brady Robert Bonilla**, born January 15, 2015, is the son of Kim Peabody '10 and Will Bonilla '08 and the grandson of William David Bonilla, Jr. '76 and Martha Cravens Bonilla '77.

**Wesley Pierce Danklefs**, born February 10, 2015, is the son of Jon W. Danklefs '02 and Hilary Danklefs.

**Greyson Marklen Avedon Kennedy**, born April 8, 2014, is the son of Marklen Kennedy '91 and Carey Lessard-Kennedy.

**Harold Bailey Nogle, IV**, born May 21, 2015, is the son of Heather Davis Nogle '01 and Harold Nogle, III and the grandson of Judy Weatherread Davis '75 and Harold Nogle, Jr. '66.

**James Byron Romo**, born July 24, 2014, is the son of Jerad Romo '06 and Ashley Bonilla Romo '06 and the grandson of William David Bonilla, Jr. '76 and Martha Cravens Bonilla '77.

**Wilhelmina James Thumlert**, born August 17, 2015, is the daughter of Patricia Lindley Bain '07 and Jason Thumlert, and the granddaughter of Angeline Lindley Bain '87 and Dickson Bain, and Vickey Thumlert.

**Mila Grey Vincent**, born January 13, 2015, is the daughter of Shayna Luza Vincent '09 and Devon Vincent.



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## Class of 06

**Adam DeSilva** has joined the donor relations team at SMU as manager of donor recognition, bringing experience in marketing strategy development and financial investment analysis. He will craft and manage high-level donor acknowledgments on behalf of University administration and serve as a resource to SMU's schools and units as they manage their acknowledgment processes. **Rachel Potter Goodman** (M.S. '07) has published a debut novel, *From Scratch* (Pocket Star Books [Simon & Schuster]), a Southern romance exploring a woman's journey back home to Dallas, where her family is cooking up a plan that doesn't suit her tastes. Hmmm. **John D. Knight** has been elected to the board of directors of Texas CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates), the state association of 71 local CASA programs that recruit and train volunteers to represent the interests of abused and neglected children in the child welfare system and speak in court on their behalf. Before serving as president of the CASA board of Ellis County in 2012, he was for four years a CASA volunteer, often the one constant for a child in the child welfare system. Volunteers work to move the children through foster care as quickly as possible and into safe, permanent homes. He is a vice president with JPMorgan Chase & Co. and the father of two children. **Kasi DeLa Porte Zieminski** (M.L.S. '14) has finished her work in SMU's Cox School of Business as associate marketing director and now joins the National Benevolent Association, a small nonprofit focused on health, social services, peace and justice work across the country. In her new role as director of marketing, Kasi will blend personal passion with her marketing and communications experience and her academic study of human rights and social justice. She is married to **Craig Zieminski** '05.

## Class of 07

**Sina Iman** is a transportation engineer in the Dallas office of Stantec, a company with more than 15,000 employees in more than 250 locations. He has eight years of experience in roadway design and traffic

engineering, having prepared traffic signal warrant reports and speed studies and designed traffic signals, road improvements, traffic control, signing and striping, hike and bike trails and water and wastewater main replacements for the Texas Department of Transportation, City of Dallas, Dallas County and other municipalities. He has served as an adjunct professor at SMU since 2011. **Garlyn Renee Schwarzlose** (M.S. '09) and James Kemp were married August 8 at Gilley's in Dallas. They live and work in the DFW area.

## Class of 08

**Julia M. Gossard** received a Ph.D. in history from The University of Texas at Austin in August and now has a position there as a postdoctoral fellow at the Institute for Historical Studies. She will revise her dissertation into a book manuscript and teach a course on Early Modern European History. **Martha Harms** is the new voice of SMU's "World Changers Shaped Here" television commercial, which debuted September 4 during ESPN's broadcast of the Mustangs' football season

opener against Baylor. *The Dallas Observer* voted her "Best Theater Actress" in 2013, and *D Magazine* listed her as "Best Actress" in its 2014 "Best of Big D" issue. She does voice-over work in television shows and regional and national radio spots, and you may recognize her voice as "Maya" in the video game *Borderlands 2*. She is an active company member at Kitchen Dog Theater in Dallas.

## Class of 09

**Sarah Nolen**, a 2015 M.F.A. graduate of the University of Connecticut, is a puppeteer and film director. With a \$10,000 grant for winning a Mister Rogers Memorial Scholarship last April, she is completing a pilot film for a children's television show called "Treeples," which uses young actors and puppet characters – which Sarah designed and built – to tell stories that encourage girls ages 6 to 9 to be independent, smart and confident. She hopes to show the pilot at upcoming film festivals and develop a full season for television on PBS Kids or Nickelodeon. Her solo puppet works were selected for the National

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Puppet Slam in 2013 and 2014, and she has performed as a puppeteer for UConn Puppet Slams, Puppets in the Green Mountains Festival, the Boston Pops Orchestra, EnvisionFEST Hartford and The Out of Bounds Festival in Austin. She also developed the Skip Toumalou puppet for the 2013 UConn social media campaign ad Jump In, for which she was writer, designer, director and puppeteer.

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### Class of 10

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**Noelle Fabian** won a highly competitive spot on saxophone in the Disneyland Band at Disneyland resort in Anaheim, California, one of only three women hired, marking the first full-time female band members in the park's 60-year history. Last winter she played in the national tour of the musical "How the Grinch Stole Christmas." Noelle has a degree in saxophone performance from SMU. **Ryan Holman** completed M.S. degrees in biomedical engineering and nanoengineering at UCLA and UCSD, respectively. He founded and operates a software development business in the Greater Los Angeles area. Recently he posted four apps to the Apple App Store: the Centroids and iDither and iDitherLive apps, helpful for engineers and computer scientists, and the iForage app, useful for outdoor recreation in Southern California.

**Jennifer Shultz** brings expertise in fundraising and project management to her new position as president of the Turtle Creek Association in Dallas. With a mission to preserve, protect and promote the Turtle Creek Corridor, the nonprofit focuses on beautification, restoration, preservation and recreation. Most recently Jennifer served as chief development officer for Dallas-based The Foundation for the Education of Young Women and executive director of prospect development at Wake Forest University in Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

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### Class of 11

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**Brittany Byrd** is a Dallas attorney who works at ORIX USA Corp. She handled *pro bono* the case of a first-time offender sentenced in 1993 to 35 years for conspiracy to distribute drugs and another

*pro bono* case, recently featured in the *Washington Post*, involving a woman sentenced to life in 1999 on a cocaine offense. **Jonathan Norton** was spotlighted in a *Dallas Morning News* article September 21 as one of three Dallas-based playwrights commissioned by the Dallas Theater Center to write full-length plays in the next 12 months in an initiative to develop and produce new work. His play "Mississippi Goddamn" recently won a Dallas-Fort Worth Critics Forum for best new play. Opening last February at the South Dallas Cultural Center, it is a searing look at the lack of support civil rights activist Medgar Evers received from his neighbors. Jonathan is a recipient of a 2015 Artistic Innovation Grant from the Mid-America Arts Alliance, an inaugural recipient of the TACA Donna Wilhelm Family New Works Fund, a finalist for the Eugene O'Neill National Playwrights Conference and two-time recipient of the Diaspora Performing Arts Commission given by the South Dallas Cultural Center. **Darren Walsh** (M.S. '14) represented Great Britain in winning tennis doubles gold at the 2015 World University Games in South Korea, a multisport event every other year with international participation from university students, second only to the Olympics in size. **Thomas G. Woolsey, III** joined the Dallas office of Schiff Hardin LLP as an associate in the corporate and securities and finance practice groups. Focusing on corporate financing, mergers and acquisitions and general corporate governance, he has experience across a broad range of industries including finance, energy, manufacturing, construction, technology and food and beverage. **Clay Zelbst** recently joined the Sloan, Bagley, Hatcher & Perry Law Firm in its Longview office. He will focus his practice on personal injury.

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### Class of 12

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**Courtney A. Follit** is a Ph.D. student in molecular and cellular biology and one of 85 doctoral students nationwide selected for a \$15,000 scholar award from the P.E.O. Sisterhood, a philanthropic educational organization founded in 1869 at Iowa Wesleyan College to bring

increased opportunities for higher education to women. **Monika Korra** has written a book, *Kill the Silence: A Survivor's Life Reclaimed* (Potter/TenSpeed/Harmony, 2015), an account of the mental and physical work that empowered her to win a court case against three men who attacked her in 2009 while a sophomore at SMU. Along with writing this book to inspire others to come forward without shame or fear and break the stigma surrounding violence against women, she also started a foundation to help rape survivors. Monika held a book signing at SMU in August at Moody Coliseum's Hall of Fame. **Dustin Stonecipher** has joined SMU's alumni relations and engagement office as the new assistant director for direct marketing, working with e-solicitation and invitation efforts. He and his wife moved back to Texas from Washington, D.C., where he held a position at the Smithsonian's Natural History Museum.

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### Class of 14

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**Kandi Doming** has won a Fulbright research award to the Netherlands to study Mediterranean archaeology at VU University Amsterdam. She left in August for this one-year M.A. project.

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### Class of 15

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**Uriah Rinzel** graduated in May with M.M. degrees in music theory pedagogy and music composition and by mid-summer had landed faculty positions at two Dallas-area colleges. He is an adjunct professor of music theory at Austin College in Sherman, and he teaches two courses at Dallas Baptist University – placements he attributes to the stellar reputation of the Division of Music at SMU's Meadows School of the Arts.

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- 18 Sammie Mounts Fowler**, 6/8/83
- 21 Roland W. Harrison** '48, 4/1/63
- 23 Dr. Garland G. Smith**, 5/26/86
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- 33 Dorothy Johnston Lindsley**, 10/16/09 **Mary Alice Swonger Peters**, 8/2/01
- 34 Katherine Waldrep Colton**, 7/5/99 **Jane Yeargin Willson**, 7/26/73
- 35 Henry W. Barton**, 9/12/98 **Paul W. Briggs**, 4/4/98 **Mildred McDaniel Hall**, 8/27/00 **Dr. William T. Ingram, Jr.**, 7/17/01 **Dr. Morris T. Keeton** '36, 4/10/14 **Katharine Gregg Riley**, 8/13/12 **Womba T. Stell**, 5/5/46
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# SMU Woman's Club Whips Up *Hilltop Courses*

## In recognition of SMU's opening in 1915,

as well as to celebrate its own 100th anniversary, the SMU Woman's Club has published a cookbook, *Hilltop Courses: Then and Now* (Morris Press Cookbooks, 2015).

The club compiled a collection of recipes and history for the celebration of SMU's centennial in September 2015. Nearly 100 contributors include current and retired SMU faculty and staff, as well as parents, friends and alumni. Worth noting: Readers will find the recipe for Cowboy Cookies from alumna and First Lady Laura Welch Bush '68 on page 213.

The cookbook cover features an original watercolor illustration of SMU's iconic Dallas Hall by Gail Turner, wife of SMU President R. Gerald Turner. Eight tabbed sections within the three-ring binder offer quick access to chapters ranging from appetizers to desserts. There's even a section with recipe ideas for "Boulevarding," SMU's tailgating tradition for home football games.

Each chapter opener, depicting one of SMU's seven degree-granting schools, was digitally designed by former staff member John Gibson before Mrs. Turner added a colorful watercolor finishing touch. Other content and visuals include decade-by-decade history vignettes, the SMU seal (old and new), photos of historical landmarks and two indexes – one of recipe names, the other of contributors.

The 260-page book is available at [smustore.com/products/hilltop-courses-then-and-now](http://smustore.com/products/hilltop-courses-then-and-now) and at SMU Bookstore, 3060 Mockingbird Lane. For more information email [kathleenbarry@gmail.com](mailto:kathleenbarry@gmail.com).

When SMU opened in September 1915, 16 wives of faculty members began meeting in their homes twice a month to become better acquainted and to find ways to serve their community. They called themselves the Faculty Wives Club and were interested in such subjects as international law and women's suffrage. May McIntosh, wife of John Strayer McIntosh, a professor of Greek and Latin (and whose name is on Cockrell-McIntosh



Proudly displaying an image of the cover of *Hilltop Courses* are (from left) Melanie Enriquez, director of administration for Student Foundation; SMU Woman's Club Cookbook Committee Judith Banes, Martha Coniglio, Gail Turner, Chair Kathy Barry, Angela Cheves and Carlton Adams, SMU student body president.

Residential Commons), served as the club's first president.

In 1916 the club included faculty women and changed its name to the University Woman's Club. For lecture programs, they met in Atkins (now Clements) Hall, which housed women students and President Robert S. Hyer and his family; and they had luncheons in Virginia Hall, now Virginia-Snyder Residential Commons.

During the early years, members assisted with registration and made small loans to needy students. In 1933 they dressed dolls for the poor. During World War II they made stockings and quilts for the soldiers, bought war bonds and made 25-35 dozen cookies every Tuesday to take to the USO in Union Station. Later they planned activities to help international students adapt to and feel comfortable at SMU.

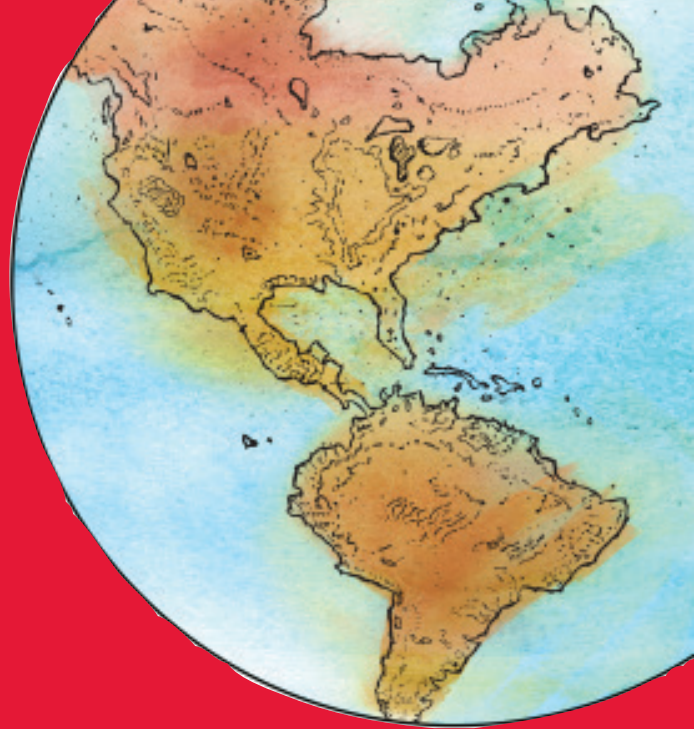
As the SMUWC grew, its focus reflected the changing times, and in the 1950s a scholarship fund was established to provide financial aid to outstanding women students. The fund was supported by sales of clothing, food and crafts in

SMU Coliseum (renamed Moody Coliseum in 1965) and later in the Student Center. Royalties earned by the book *SMU Reflections* also were added to the fund. By 1990 it had grown to over \$76,000 and provided assistance for up to five students yearly. Today the endowment has a value of just over \$200,000.

This year marks the first time the SMU Woman's Club has published a cookbook. "We've been overwhelmed by positive comments," says cookbook committee chair Kathy Barry, helped by committee members Judith Banes, Angela Cheves, Martha Coniglio, Gail Turner and Carrie Hunnicutt. "We thought it was good but had no idea people would love it so much!"

Barry says that over the past two years, the Woman's Club has provided a total of \$16,800 in monetary support for students, including funding for a young woman from a family of four children who were all paying their own way through school. "She told us that without this support, she could not have stayed at SMU," Barry adds.

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