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a letter from the . president

“...teach them to know the truth that shows them how to live godly lives”

Titus 1:1 [NLT]



Titus ministered on the island of Crete as a witness to a godless culture whose main goal was to satisfy their sensual and sexual appetites. Sound familiar? Is this not a rather accurate picture of our culture today? Paul explained to Titus that changing that culture would require two things: 1) teaching them to know the truth, and 2) showing them how to live godly lives.

Living out our mission statement means that Bryan must continue to proclaim truth and to teach our students to discern what is true in a world that questions that truth even exists. Living godly lives is possible only through the power of Jesus Christ by surrendering our lives to the truth of the gospel as given in God’s infallible Word.

We began our 79th year with yet another record enrollment and with *U.S. News & World Report’s* ranking Bryan in the top tier of Southern colleges for the 14th consecutive year. I am grateful for a faculty and staff who consider their

work a true calling from God and relish through word and example—inside and outside of the classroom—the opportunity to impart life-changing truths and teach critical thinking skills.

The school year officially opened with Convocation speaker Dr. Michael Lindsay, author of *Faith in the Halls of Power*, encouraging our students to aspire to positions of leadership in all walks of life, to share and live their faith, and to hold one another accountable for the opportunities to influence that God gives them. Dr. Jim

Neathery, the stateside director of the Center for Christian Leadership in Albania and professor at Dallas Theological Seminary, challenged us during our Spiritual Life Conference to experience the beauty and power of the gospel.

Understanding the truth of creation is essential to living out a Christian worldview. Our Center for Origins Research (CORE) is promoting four national and international conferences in recognition of the sesquicentennial of Darwin’s *Origin of Species* (1859) and of CORE’s 20th year anniversary (www.bryancore.org/anniversary). In addition, the Bryan Center for Critical Thought and Practice will sponsor three critical symposia this year beginning with “The Church: What’s the Point?” (www.bryan.edu/church).

Please pray with me that God will bless all we do this year, and that we will focus on being more effective in carrying out our mission to prepare students to make a difference for Christ’s Kingdom. Paul’s admonition to Titus to be a participant in building Christ’s Kingdom in the midst of a heretical Cretan culture rings true for all of us at Bryan today: “teach them to know the truth that shows them how to live godly lives....be an example...Let everything you do reflect the integrity and seriousness of your teaching” (Titus 1:1; 2:7).

Stephen D. Livesay

Dr. Livesay expects ‘historic’ year as school opens!

Bryan College is in for a historic year, President Dr. Stephen D. Livesay believes, and the early indications are that he’s right.

A strong entering class plus a higher-than-usual number of returning students has given the college another record enrollment, 1,079 students, and continuing growth in the Aspire and MBA programs are continuing to boost Bryan toward its goal of 1,200 traditional and 600 adult students.

But “history” will not be just in numbers. Dr. Livesay told faculty and staff during a workshop session as school began—and repeated the thought at an orientation meeting for new students and their parents—that he expects God to do great things this year. “We are beginning our 79th year in a most difficult, challenging time,” he told the new students. “But those are times when God does great things.”



Artist’s rendering of new Bryan College entrance

One of the “great things” was a gift of \$77,000 for the new entrance, a project that recently has been receiving greater emphasis. Dr. Livesay reported to faculty and staff that in the past 18 months they have given another \$16,000 for that project.

High on his list of other priorities for the year are faculty consideration of another Master’s degree in addition to the MBA program, expansion of the distance learning program, and further development of the Bryan Center for Critical Thought and Practice.

He challenged the faculty to remember that “These are

uncertain times in a godless culture. Students coming to us today do not have the same background we do. I think we have to show them how to live godly lives, not the morality of the masses or individuals, but what is true. This is one distinctive of Bryan College, to know the One Who is the Truth.”

In welcoming new students, Dr. Livesay recognized the challenge starting college can be. Despite the uncertainties of today’s world, he said, “At Bryan, what we hold on to can never be taken away—the Word of God and the Author of the Word, Jesus Christ. We tend to forget how daunting this experience can be when students from 30 states and many countries walk onto campus. But you don’t need to be afraid; everyone in this room is here to support you. Commit everything you do to the Lord, trust Him, and He will do it. What a great promise!”



Convocation speaker Dr. Michael Lindsay, left, is pictured with President Livesay and Trustee John Haynes, right.

Students also were welcomed by Dayton Mayor Bob Vincent and Rhea County Executive Billy Ray Patton. Mayor Vincent commented on the “outstanding relationship” between the college and community. Mr. Patton added, “You couldn’t have made a better choice. The only thing that could be more special than coming to Bryan would be after you complete your four years to remain here.”

Convocation, the formal assembly opening the aca-

demical year, featured an address by Dr. D. Michael Lindsay, assistant professor of sociology and associate director of the Center on Race, Religion and Urban Life at Rice University.

Dr. Lindsay, author of the 2007 book *Faith in the Halls of Power: How Evangelicals Joined the American Elite*, challenged students to consider how to use power. “Worldly power is a complicated thing. Is it something followers of Christ should seek or shun? If you have power—and all of us, by the world’s standards, have power—use it for good.”

He pointed out that the Bible has examples of individuals who achieved powerful positions—Joseph, Esther, Solomon among them—“but most of the people of faith don’t have lots of power. When the Jews were taken into exile to Babylon, there was a debate: should they hold out, resist, or grin and bear it? Jeremiah wrote to them to build houses, plant gardens, marry, seek the peace and prosperity of the city. ‘If it prospers you, too, will prosper.’

“I think Jeremiah would say to

Christians with power, ‘You ought to be a counterculture for the common good.’ I think worldly power honors God the most when it is put into practice for the common good.”

He described how Evangelicals have moved into powerful positions in government, entertainment, in-

dustry, and academia in the past 20 to 30 years and “have changed the culture for the common good.” He cited examples of businesses that allow Bible

studies, along with other interest groups, to meet on company property after business hours.

“Evangelicals have shown it is possible to produce high-quality entertainment and make a profit,” he said. “Hollywood didn’t know what to do with ‘The Passion of the

Christ,’ but that was followed by ‘The Chronicles of Narnia.’ Now every studio has a division that produces faith-friendly films. But you have to show up and vote, and in Hollywood ‘votes’ mean ‘dollars.’”

Dr. Lindsay cited a personal example of his daughter

benefitting from medical advances derived from the human genome project, which was directed by a scientist who is an Evangelical.

“Our lives will be changed because people of faith are doing things for the common good.”

He challenged the students with a reminder from Mother Teresa: “‘God doesn’t call us to be successful but to be faithful.’ Half the world lives on less than \$2 per day; we spend that on coffee. One percent of the world has a college education. We are the elite of the elite. We have to ask ourselves, ‘What are we doing to alleviate problems?’

“The real calling for us is to follow the admonition of the Prophet Jeremiah to be a counterculture that works for the common good. This is our calling; this is our blessing.”



President Livesay checks out the unusual—for American institutions—academic regalia worn by Dr. Michele Pascucci, who earned her doctorate at the University of Salamanca in Spain.

Enrollment Figures

Year	2008	2007	2006
Traditional	749	721	640
Aspire	248	281	246
MBA	43	24	14
Distance	39	28	20
TOTAL	1079	1054	920

campus news

Student Nominated for Rotary Scholarship



Pictured from left, Margie Legg, Jandi Heagen, and Dayton Rotary President Jeremy Fitzgerald

Jandi Heagen, a sophomore Communication Studies/Politics and Government major, has been nominated by Rotary Clubs District 6780 to receive a Rotary Cultural Scholarship Grant from Rotary International.

The Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarships, which include the Cultural Scholarship Grant program, have provided international studies opportunities for nearly 38,000 students since 1947. Students serve as goodwill ambassadors to their host countries and give presentations about their homelands to Rotary clubs and other groups. On returning home, they share their experiences with Rotarians and other groups.

Jandi, from Zanesville, Ohio, hopes to study in Ecuador, but the country assignment will be made by the Rotary Foundation.

She has been recommended for the award following a selection process that involved the Dayton club and Ro-

tary District 6780, which covers East and part of Middle Tennessee. She is the first student sponsored by the Dayton club to be recommended for this scholarship.

Jandi said she will spend the coming year securing her passport and completing the necessary paperwork for an international educational experience, including applying to a college where she will study during the three- to six-month program. She plans to be in her host country for the fall semester of 2009.

Origins Conference

The Center for Origins Research, in cooperation with the Bryan Center for Critical Thought and Practice, will present "Origins 2008," a day-long young-age creation conference for students and educators, in Chattanooga, Tenn., Nov. 8.

Speakers will include Dr. Kurt Wise, CORE's founder and now director of the Center for Science and Theology at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary; Dr. Roger Sanders, CORE research professor; and Dr. Todd Wood, CORE director.

"Even 150 years after Charles Darwin published *Origin of Species*, people are still bitterly debating the origin of the universe, the earth, and life," Dr. Wood said. "At Origins 2008, students and educators will have the opportunity to learn the latest findings in young-age creation research directly from the research experts. This will be an excellent time to enrich your faith, have your questions answered, and fellowship with other creationists."

To register, visit the conference web site at www.bryan-core.org/anniversary/originsconference.html.



Fall Faculty Additions

Bryan College added five full-time and four part-time faculty members, including five alumni, as the fall semester began, Academic Vice President Dr. Cal White announced.

Full-time faculty include:

Dr. Brian Eisenback, a 2002 Bryan graduate, assistant professor of biology. Dr. Eisenback received his Ph.D. from Virginia Tech this spring.

Dr. Dwight Page, who earned his Ph.D. at Harvard in 1980. Dr. Page is associate professor of languages and linguistics and has moved from part-time to full-time faculty.

Mr. David Perron, instructor in exercise and health science. Mr. Perron received the Master's degree in Sports Science from the U.S. Sports Academy in 1992.

Mrs. Kathryn Saynes, a 2004 Bryan graduate, assistant professor of education. Mrs. Saynes earned her Master's degree from Tennessee Tech in 2006, and is working on a doctoral degree.

Miss Bonnie-Marie Yager, a 2007 Bryan graduate, is the new assistant director of Worldview Teams.

Part-time faculty include **Dr. Megan Bray**, instructor in education; **Miss Pamela Davis**, a 2005 Bryan graduate, instructor in English;



New Bryan College faculty include, from left, front, Dr. Megan Bray, Mrs. Kathryn Saynes and Mrs. Adina Scruggs, director of the MBA program. Back are Dr. Brian Eisenback, Dr. Dwight Page, and Mr. David Perron. Not pictured are Miss Bonnie-Marie Yager, Miss Pamela Davis, Mr. Brad Denton, and Dr. Ed Fickley.

Mr. Brad Denton, instructor in music; and **Dr. Ed Fickley**, a 1989 Bryan graduate, instructor in education.

Gerson to speak at WJB Opportunity Program

Michael Gerson, former speechwriter and assistant to President George W. Bush, will be the featured speaker for Bryan's second William Jennings Bryan Opportunity Program dinner April 16, 2009.

Proceeds from the dinner support the William Jennings Bryan Opportunity Program, which provides financial aid to help deserving students from low-income families attend Bryan College. Steve Keck, director of advancement, said details about the dinner are being finalized and will be announced shortly.

Mr. Gerson, a senior fellow at the Council on Foreign Relations, worked closely with President Bush to prepare speeches following the events of Sept. 11, 2001, and the unfolding War on Terror. He is recognized as one of the key intellectual architects of the Bush presidency, particularly on issues of compassionate conservatism at home and the freedom agenda abroad.



Presidential Merit Scholars

Six freshmen have been awarded Presidential Merit Scholarships, the highest academic award presented by the college. Presidential Merit Scholarships are awarded based on high school grades, college entrance test scores, an essay, and an interview with faculty. New Presidential Merit Scholars include:



Nick Cahill, son of Chris and Lisa Cahill of Dalton, Ga., a computer science major.

Nick, a home school graduate, said he learned of Bryan while attending a college fair and randomly picked up a batch of materials. He decided to visit the campus, "and when I visited here I felt like I had come home."

He said a number of people in his church urged him to apply to an Ivy League school. "I was interviewed by an alum, and I told him Bryan was my first choice. He told me that Bryan is a really great school and to pray about it."

The fact that Bryan has a computer science major, the quality of the faculty, and the welcoming atmosphere worked together to confirm the Lord's leading. "Then the financial aid, including the Presidential Scholarship, came through. It's amazing how God works!"

During high school, Nick played football on a Christian school team, played basketball, and fenced for a year. At Bryan, he is considering becoming involved with the Worldview

Team.

After graduation he is considering working as a computer network analyst.

Sarah Ferrante, daughter of Rick and Tracy Ferrante of Sterling, Va., an English secondary education major.



Sarah, a home school graduate, is one of 11 children in her family and has an older brother and sister at Bryan.

"I put Bryan off the list of colleges I was considering because I didn't want to follow my brother and sister. I had a list of small private Christian colleges in the South, but one by one they fell out of the running. The Presidential Merit Scholarship cinched my decision to come."

She said the quality of the faculty and the college's Christian commitment were two important factors that helped her decide to enroll. "Because

I want to go into English I wanted my discipline taught from a Christian perspective," she said. The size of the college and the welcoming atmosphere helped, as well.

At Bryan she hopes to be involved with Hilltop Players and dramatic productions.

She is uncertain about plans after graduation, but may become a teacher.

Hannah Jernigan, daughter of Chris and Julie Chris Jernigan of Canton, Ga.,



a liberal arts-nursing major.

Hannah is a home school graduate who learned of Bryan because of her family's familiarity with Jeff Myers and because several family friends are Bryan alumni.

"When I was looking at colleges, we visited here in the spring of 2007," she said. "It was neat, but I wasn't sure it was where I wanted to go. My parents loved it," and encour-

Presidential Merit Scholars, Academic Vice President Dr. Cal White, left of center, and Trustee John Haynes, right of center, are pictured with President Livesay and Dr. Michael Lindsay, center, before Convocation.



aged her to come back for an overnight visit. She did, and said that made a difference in her feelings toward the college. She also was impressed that the science professors knew her name after a short time.

She wants to pursue a career in nursing, so she is planning to transfer to Vanderbilt University after her junior year at Bryan to take advantage of the cooperative program between the two schools that can let her earn a Master's degree in nursing in five years.

In high school, Hannah was a leader in her church youth group, participated in services projects at a women's shelter in Atlanta, and pursued a life-long love of showing and jumping horses.

At Bryan, she is interested in working with RIDE (Reaching Individuals with Disabilities Effectively), a Practical Christian Involvement ministry that uses equestrian activities as therapy.

Kelly Miller, daughter of Mike and Mary Ann Miller of Barrington, Ill., a music ministry major.



Kelly learned about Bryan from a friend who attends Covenant College. During a visit to campus "I saw that Bryan is one of the few colleges that prepares students not just academically but also spiritually, and that was very important to me. I also wanted a school in the South because

I love the culture down here."

The Barrington High School graduate played soccer her freshman year, then decided to become more involved in her church's student ministry. She sang in the high school and church choir and participated in a number of musical competitions as a soloist and as a member of the school choir.

At Bryan, Kelly is a member of the Bryan Chorale and Chamber Singers. After she graduates, she is considering working in a church music ministry.

Vincent Smith, son of Daryl and Bobbie Smith of



Greensboro, N.C., a politics and government major.

Vincent learned about Bryan from a friend in Greensboro. He did some research about the college "and it appealed to me."

He decided to attend because "it felt right. I had a peace about coming here that I didn't any place else. The people cared about me for me. At other colleges they cared about my academics, what I could do when I got there. At the Presidential Scholars weekend the people wanted me for me. I didn't have to prove myself to anybody."

The home school graduate played soccer and basketball, refereed soccer, and taught debate while in high school. At Bryan, he is interested in running for a student gov-

ernment office and perhaps participating on the mock trial or debate team and working for the admissions office as an Ambassador.

Vincent is considering attending law school after graduation.

Savannah Stroud,

daughter of Steve and Sallie Stroud of Lenoir



City, Tenn., a business administration major.

Savannah, a graduate of Berean Christian High School in Knoxville, Tenn., said she learned about Bryan as a 12-year-old who heard a radio ad for the Summit at Bryan. "I liked what I heard and I said, 'That's where I want to go.'"

Several years later she visited the college and enjoyed her time here, but said, "It didn't quite match what I had imagined." Still, she continued getting to know the real Bryan College, attended the Presidential Scholarship weekend and became convinced that this is where the Lord wants her to attend. "I like the biblical worldview emphasis," she said. "That permeates through the different subjects. Christianity lived out is the biggest asset we have."

In high school, she played indoor soccer, participated in speech and debate club, and lived with her family in Peru during her junior year. At Bryan, she wants to play intramural soccer and participate in Hilltop Players productions and the PCI ministry LIFE.

CORE

Exalting God through Science

Todd Charles Wood

Published 149 years ago, Charles Darwin's *Origin of Species* is often considered a revolutionary work that transformed the way we think about God and design and the origin of all living things. It certainly did that, but what many people do not realize is that Darwin's argument in *Origin* is actually the culmination of 250 years of intellectual change in Europe. It was not as if everyone was a strict biblical creationist one day and a thorough-going, godless evolutionist the next. That kind of transformation is only the stuff of myth.

The new philosophy permeated scholarly thinking in the seventeenth century, but its most lasting impact on faith and learning came through the Galileo controversy. Galileo favored the Copernican view of the universe, in which the earth is considered a planet orbiting the sun, and he used his telescope to muster arguments in favor of Copernicanism. His enthusiasm rubbed certain church officials the wrong way, and he found himself on the losing end of a vigorous debate that was perceived as the authority of the church vs. presumptuous science.

Not content to merely defend his own work and show that the Bible does not teach anything about the motion or centrality of the earth, Galileo instead argued that the Bible should never be used as a source of information

about the natural world. Galileo claimed that the Bible was a moral guide, a story of salvation that sometimes had to oversimplify to get the message across. Though these early scientists retained a respect for Scripture, their relegating the Bible to a book of morals only was the first step in the eventual rejection of the Bible itself.

It took centuries for the implications to work their way through the culture, but after Darwin, confidence in the

Bible as the true Word of God was all but abandoned. Darwin's *Origin* was just the final nail in a coffin that had been constructed over the course of two centuries.

Despite this gloomy picture, many Protestant Christians refused to concede to Darwin's ideas. There was a sudden resurgence of faith in the plain

meaning of the Bible, especially in the United States. From this resurgence, a renewed confidence in creationist ideas emerged. Legal struggles like the Scopes trial brought the controversy to the attention of the public, and creationism began to spread.

In 1989, in the wake of two significant legal defeats (including a Supreme Court decision barring creationism from being taught as science in public schools), Bryan College began a bold new experiment. Then-President Dr. Kenneth G. Hanna believed that Bryan was the perfect place for an academic resource center for creationism,

THE MISSION OF
CORE IS TO DEVELOP
AND TEACH A
CREATIONIST VIEW OF
BIOLOGICAL ORIGINS.



and he recruited Dr. Kurt Wise to make his vision a reality.

“Bryan was born out of the evolution conflict or the debate about the relation between science and the Bible. Bryan had (and has) an outstanding natural sciences faculty and program,” Dr. Hanna explained. “It seemed logical for us to capitalize on that heritage and strength. The idea was not to debate or bash evolution but to firmly establish Bryan as a defender of both the Bible and true science and a resource center for the study of science and creation. The goal was two-fold, to engage in research of the origins of life that would provide a credible case for creation and then to disseminate information and educate both Bryan’s students and the larger public.”

Fresh from his graduate studies at Harvard, Dr. Wise went to work developing a new curriculum for Bryan students while pursuing creationist research. The theme of all his work was the same: God and God’s Word deserves first place in all Christian activity, including science. He was trying to undo the erosion of Biblical authority brought about by long-standing scientific skepticism of the Bible.

In 2000, the CORE faculty doubled – to two people! I joined CORE as a new professor that summer, and Dr.



Dr. Todd Wood

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Dr. Roger Sanders, left, and Dr. Todd Wood

Henning Museum Becoming Instructional Asset

More than a tribute to its namesake, the Willard Henning Natural History Museum is both an exhibition of the Creator’s handiwork and a support for scientific pursuits.

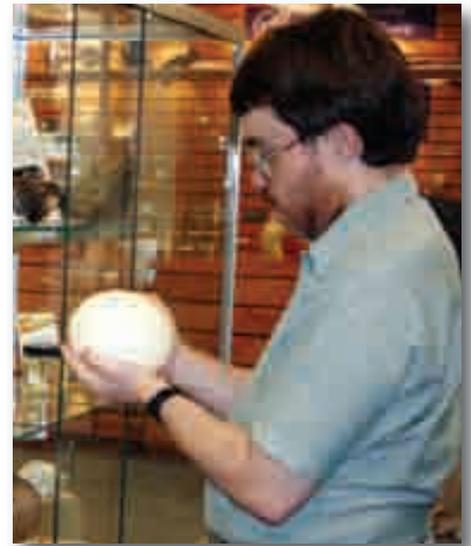
Dr. Todd Wood, director of the Center for Origins Research, said the museum developed from the late Dr. Willard Henning’s drive to collect and preserve natural history specimens, aided by friends and alumni who contributed items they had secured.

Displays in the museum—shells, snakes, lions and “curiosities” – represent only a small fraction of the collection, which Dr. Wood believes will be increasingly valuable as research tools for faculty and students. “Dr. (Roger) Sanders is working to develop the herbarium, and Dr. (Brian) Eisenback is working on the insect collection,” he said. Dr. Sanders is the assistant director of CORE and Dr. Eisenback is a new biology faculty member.

“The idea of a museum is to support the work of the institution,” he said. “Originally, museums were teaching collections. We’re working on research projects now, and just finished one this summer.”

From its beginning as a series of displays in the Mercer Hall third-floor hallway 51 years ago to its move to a specifically designed area on the first floor after the 2000 fire, “it is beginning to mature as a museum, not just a collection of specimens,” he said.

Dr. Wood said he is working with college officials to develop plans for a much larger museum as part of the college’s 20-year development plan, Vision 2020.



CORE's 20th Anniversary Schedule

To celebrate its 20th anniversary, the Center for Origins Research has planned an exciting schedule of events:

November 8, 2008: The all-new Origins Conference comes to First Presbyterian Church in Chattanooga. Hear Drs. Wood and Sanders of CORE in addition to other exciting speakers presenting the plain truth of creation.

February 27-28, 2009: "War and Peace: 150 Years of Christian Encounters with Darwin." This symposium at Bryan will explore Darwin's ideas and their impact on Christian thought. It is free to the public.

July 31, 2009: "Genesis Kinds: Creationism and the Origin of Species." This conference in Louisville, Ky., will present a creationist perspective on Darwin's central idea of the evolution of species.

For more information on any of these conferences, visit our website at www.bryancore.org/anniversary

Wise and I continued CORE's mission of re-establishing the primacy of God's Word. Dr. Wise's departure for Southern Seminary in 2006 left me with the responsibility of building on his excellent foundation of teaching and research.

In this twentieth year of CORE research and education, it seems appropriate to stop and reflect on how far we've come and how far we have to go. In the past twenty years, CORE faculty have been involved in the development of a comprehensive geological model of earth history – catastrophic plate tectonics – that has already begun to revolutionize Flood geology. More recently, CORE faculty are leading the way in the development of creationist biology through the study of created kinds ("baraminology").

"CORE has developed beyond what I could have imagined at the time and has been part of the resurgence of Bryan College and its growth. It has established Bryan as a leading force in origins research, and in the thoughtful defense of biblical creation. CORE has facilitated communication and cooperation among creation scientists around the globe and has been part of

Dr. Sanders, left, examines artifacts in the Henning Museum collection. Above, Dr. Wood places an ostrich egg in the curiosities cabinet.

a more open and thoughtful assessment of origins in the scientific community," Dr. Hanna said.

Still to come? Integration. The pieces of the puzzle are becoming more and more apparent, but how do they fit together? What do created kinds have to do with fossils? How do fossils fit into Flood geology? What does the Flood mean for our understanding of past and present climate change? Looking beyond our own world, what about the sun, the planets, and the stars? We've come far in twenty years, but we still have far to go.

As we continue on this journey to understand God's creation, we grow closer to God Himself as we study His handiwork. The new Origins Studies minor at Bryan College now brings students along on that journey, and as our students graduate and pursue their own careers, they will spread that love of God and His creation wherever they go.

Use the Bible Correctly in Scientific Discussion

by Dr. Doug Kennard
Professor of Bible,
Theology and Philosophy

The Bible is God's Word with Divine authority but we understand it through the lens of human languages and culture contexts. As interpreters we are fallible but the closer our interpretive claims for the Biblical truth are warranted by specific statements in the text, the more likely we have acknowledged truth God communicates through the Biblical text. The likelihood that we have understood the Biblical truth aright increases as the interpreter proposes views: 1) within available context of the time, and 2) these views are corroborated by exegetical scholars' claims about this text from ancient and recent times. Part of this interpretive task is to understand what the Bible claims about reality from the genres it communicates. Part of this interpretive process is to humbly submit to strongly warranted Divine claims for truth.

Science is a fallible human mapping of the natural revelation available through observation, repeat testing (like in chemistry or experimental physics), and in conceptual proposals that reflect the data and productively enable the scientist to understand the

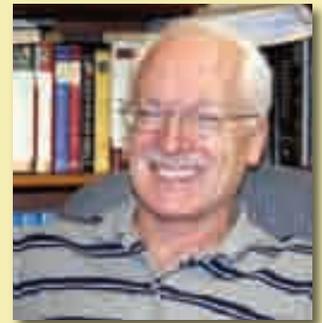
future. Sometimes these conceptual proposals are empirically evidenced like the limits of a "kind" of an animal which has similarities within the "kind" and significant differences beyond its "kind" (like it can't reproduce with others beyond its kind). At other times these conceptual proposals are transcendental aesthetic proposals (like everything is organically related as in evolution, or everything reflects creation from a designer as in Intelligent Design).

Such transcendental proposals ride above the evidence, often absorbing what they wish in a non-falsifiable framework. Such an approach while utilizing science is actually more dependent upon the philosophical assumptions with which the scientist approaches his data. Likewise, scientists embracing ID or evolution insulate themselves from appreciating the data from another transcendental approach.

With the Bible providing exegetically testable design claims and some additional claims about the real universe, there is the possibility of developing an integrated strategy for the Bible and

science that allows each discipline to contribute what is strongly warranted. Here the Bible's linguistic and contextually

testable interpretation framework make claims about reality, providing a nest within which science can observe, make proposals, and test these proposals. Likewise, among the many scientific observations able to be made are occasional Biblical claims about the same reality that occasionally address the same observable issue and bring Divinely authoritative direction that can additionally inform a scientist's claims. Any creation will have the appearance of the object being older (e.g., wine created appears to have fermented). Likewise any destruction will also speed the processes of formation through catastrophe.



Genesis Kinds Creationism and the Origin of Species

In 1859, Charles Darwin famously argued against 'creationism,' but what do creationists really believe about the origin of species?

You've heard Darwin's side of the story, now hear an international panel of scholars examine the 'mystery of mysteries,' the origin of species, from a biblical and creationist perspective.

For more information, visit us at www.bryancore.org/species



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Dr. Batson learned life lessons at Bryan

Lessons learned at Bryan, both as a student and faculty member, gave Dr. Beatrice Batson an appreciation for the college that remains strong long after the Lord led her to teach at another institution.

She had never heard of Bryan until a teacher at a Methodist youth camp gave her a Christian magazine which mentioned the college. "I was interested," she said. "I thought, 'That looks like a school that talks about the things I am yearning for.'" Dr. Batson said in many ways "I didn't know what I was getting into; it seemed very different from much of my Christian background."

At Bryan, she found a strong emphasis on the Word of God and a strong academic program. "I was satisfied in so many ways," she said. But she knew her journey had just begun.

English was her choice for a major because "I simply loved words. I thought there was something very wonderful about the way a writer/author could present truth in a creative, engaging way. I love the ability of the human mind and imagination to work with great thoughts in a way that can engage you. And I've loved stories as long as I can remember."

After graduating in 1944, Beatrice taught at Bryan until the summer of 1946 when she left for Wheaton College, where she earned her first Master's degree before earning a Ph.D. in English at Vanderbilt University. "I later went to Northwestern and Oxford for post-doctoral work." As she was working on her Ph.D., she returned to Bryan to teach English and, because of the needs of the college, some history courses.

"One of the things I appreciated about Bryan was the evocative nature of the college. Teaching made me think of large questions that I hadn't thought of, like the relation of English and Christian faith. Those had to be answered if I were to teach English literature in a Christian college."

In 1957, she returned to Wheaton as a faculty member, where she taught for 33 years before retiring in 1991.



Beatrice Batson

Retirement, however, didn't mean stopping work. She has kept busy coordinating a collection—the E. Beatrice Batson Shakespeare Collection—that has as its goal collecting every book and article dealing with the intersection of Scripture with the language of Shakespeare. "We have a few thousand books and many thousand articles that are resources for non-Wheaton scholars and Wheaton's students and faculty," she explained. "We hold institutes on different topics related to the subject, with outstanding Christian Shakespearean scholars giving lectures. Scholars and teachers come from across this country and Canada for these institutes."

Recently, Dr. Batson purchased a charitable gift annuity from Bryan College, a move designed to improve her retirement income, to leave a lasting legacy, and to say "thank you" for what she received from Bryan College.

"Obviously it's an investment that will count long after I've left this world," she explained. "I'm very much interested in Christian higher education and thought that in some small way my annuity would advance the opportunity for students to benefit from Christian higher education. That's something Bryan is doing well already."

Jim Barth, one of Dr. Batson's former students at Bryan, said annuities and other estate planning possibilities offer friends of Bryan College a way to increase their income, reduce tax liability, and support the college. "I'm happy to explain these options because they offer benefits to both the individual who invests and to our students."

For information about Bryan's estate planning opportunities, contact Mr. Barth at 1-800-552-7926 or email him at barthji@bryan.edu. Additional information is available on the Internet at www.bryangift.org.



Has Anyone Seen My Legacy ?



In July, my 97-year-old grandmother passed away. We had the pleasure of seeing her

the month before, and it was an amazing visit. She had 14 children, 37 grandchildren, and 78 great-grandchildren. She knew all our birthdays. She was telling my 16-year-old son jokes that had him falling off the couch.

On Aug. 29, my wife Anna's 99-year-old grandmother passed away. We saw videos of her playing Chopin preludes on the piano at 90 from memory. Her love for music was remarkable. Her compassion and sweet spirit were extolled by all who knew her.

Both women loved the Lord with all their heart. They served Him faithfully and provided a tremendous example of His love. They left behind a legacy of faith and love. It made me ponder the question, what will be MY legacy?

Former presidents, athletes, actors, musicians, all search for a legacy. So what IS a legacy? According to Webster's, a legacy is "something transmitted by or received from an ancestor or predecessor or from the past." Again, what am I transmitting to future generations?

At Bryan College, what is our legacy? What are we passing on to future students? I spoke to the incoming freshmen and told them of a rich history, a legacy of excellence. Alums

around the world are serving Christ in every walk of life, and are doing so with excellence. I told them we are expecting them to maintain that high standard!

We invest in what we deem has value. If we truly value our education, it would make sense to ensure our institution thrives and prospers. Bryan College needs the support of its alumni.

I would ask you to show your support by helping build the new entrance. It is needed on many levels. The lions project offers the strongest and most effective way to raise the needed funds. Already, several classes, including the Class of 2008, have committed to buying a lion.

Over the years, classes have donated various things to the college. The Class of 1980 donated the lions that sit on the front steps of Mercer Hall. The entrance is the first step to expanding the facilities necessary to make Bryan College even stronger. "Alumni Lane" would be an enduring legacy, one of safety, strength, and excellence. Jon Tubbs, '81, said that it was the lifelong friendships and relationships that make Bryan unique, different, and special. I would call on you to remember and honor those friendships, to invest in your legacy, and then join with me Homecoming 2009, as we all walk up that new road for the first time, praising God for His provision and admiring a lasting legacy.

In His Grace,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David Tromanhauser".

David Tromanhauser
Alumni Director

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lion tracks

1950's

MEL HOBSON, '55, has started a new ministry as chaplain at Crystal Care Center nursing homes in Mansfield and Ashland, Ohio, near his home in Mansfield. He is assisting the chaplain working on Wednesdays and Fridays, and is on call for emergency needs Thursday, Friday, and Saturday nights. He said this offers significant opportunities to minister to the residents, their families, and the staff.



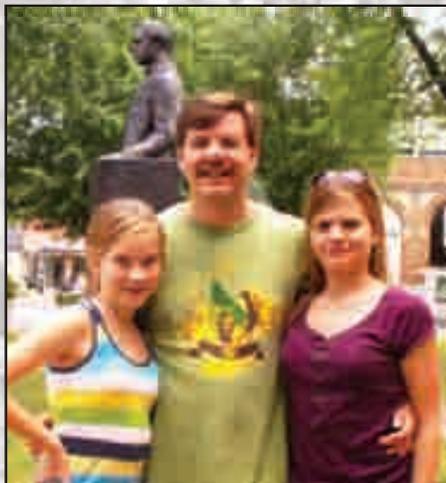
Douglas and Lois White

DOUGLAS, '59, and **LOIS (WILLIAMS), '61x, WHITE** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in May, with a reception and a family dinner. Doug and Lois met at Bryan when they were students and Lois was serving as college nurse. He retired in 1996 as chief juvenile probation officer for Cabell County, W.Va., after working 37 years. Lois retired in 1995 from the Cabell County Board of Education after working as a school nurse for 26 years. They have held leadership positions at their church in Christian education and music ministries.

1960's

Dr. DAVID GERARD, '69, professor and director of research in the Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at the University of Tennessee Graduate School of Medicine in Knoxville, received the Excellence and Leadership in Basic Science Research Award in June. The award was presented "in recognition of superior innovation and achievement in the area of basic science research." Dr. Gerard's research studies the effectiveness of novel bone grafting materials and examines genetic "signatures" of different types of oral cancers in an effort to develop targeted molecular treatments of the diseases.

1980's



Marc, Claire and Juliana Meznar

MARC, '82, and **ANITA (BETSCH), 81, MEZNAR** visited Bryan in June with daughters Claire and Juliana. Marc is consul general at the U.S. Embassy in Managua,

Nicaragua. In June he marked 20 years of service as a diplomat with the U.S. State Department. During his career, the Meznars have been posted in Greece, Brazil, Panama, Spain and Belgium, as well as at headquarters in Washington, D.C. In Managua, Anita and the girls do volunteer work at a nearby Christian orphanage for abandoned and malnourished children.

1990's



Dayton, Cascade, T.J., and Celena Wehse

TIM, '92, and **JODI (ROUSE), '93, WEHSE** announce the birth of their two youngest children, Dayton Nathaniel, on July 27, 2005, and Cascade Rhea, on July 24, 2008. Tim resigned as associate pastor at Grace Evangelical Free Church in Las Vegas, Nev., in September 2005, and the family moved to Dayton, Tenn. Tim became administrator and teacher at Rhea County Academy, a Christian school in Dayton in March, 2007. He also was hired that same month to teach Bible classes for Bryan College's Aspire

program. Jodi is enjoying being a homemaker and helping Tim any way that she can. Dayton and Cascade join big brother T.J., 5, and big sister Celena, 8.



The Albright Family

ERIC, '94, and Allison **ALBRIGHT** announce the birth of their second daughter, Jessica Sophia, on July 4. Jessica weighed 8 lbs., 4 oz., and was 21 inches long. She joins big brother Jared, 5, and big sister Gianna, 2. They plan to take a leave of absence from SIL and Eric was to take a job with Microsoft in Seattle, Wash., late this summer.

KEN, '94, and **SUSAN (DIEBOLD)**, '92, **HARRISON** announce the birth of their seventh child, Annelise Danielle, on Oct. 17, 2007. Annelise joins siblings Ashlyn, Scott, Graham, Aleah, Kayleen, and Alexianne. The Harrison family lives near Charlotte, N.C., where Susan is a home school mom and Ken is co-owner of a remodeling company. Susan said she would love to hear from friends at her email address sueharrison@comporium.net.

SHERRY (HILL), '95, and Mike **WELLER** announce the birth of their third daughter, Sara Kate, on June 16. Sara weighed 7 lbs., 1 oz., and was 19 ½ inches long. She joins big sisters Olivia, 5, and Aubre, 3. The Weller family lives in Wilmington, Ohio.



Sherry and Sara Weller

TODD, '95, and **JULIE (GAYLOR)**, '92, **JACKSON** announce the birth of their second daughter, Lauren Elizabeth, on Feb. 9, 2007. Lauren weighed 9 lbs. and was 22 ½ inches long. She joins big sister Allie, 6. The Jackson family lives in Cumming, Ga.



Allie and Lauren Jackson

CAPT. TIM FARY, '95, received the Bronze Star medal March 6, for "exceptionally meritorious service during Operation Iraqi Freedom" while stationed in Iraq with the 2-7 Infantry, 1st Brigade, 3rd Infantry Division. Tim, a chaplain, ministered to the 1,000 soldiers in his unit during his 15-month tour. He and his wife, **SARAH (KINEY)**, '93, and their children, Malcolm, 8, Madeline, 6, and Patrick, 4, moved this summer to Columbia, S.C., where Tim is stationed as a chaplain at Fort Jackson.

DIANA (WHORLEY), '98, and Bob **NAYLOR** announce the adoption of their son, Jayden Michael Abraham, in 2007. "J-Man" recently celebrated his second birthday and his first year in the United States. The Naylor family lives in Nicholasville, Ky., where Bob teaches eighth grade science and Diana stays home with their son.



Michael Naylor

ALANA (YEDERLINIC) TOLIVER, '98, and her sons recently visited with **SONYA (MARTINEZ) SCOTT**, '98, and her daughters. Sonya and her husband, Ron, who live in Lawrenceville, Ga., are parents of Rebekah, 4, Laura, 2, and Elena, who was born June 10. Alana and her husband, **JEREMY**, '97, who live in Dayton, Tenn., are parents of Nathan, 5, Caleb, 3, and Levi, 1.



Toliver and Scott Families

BRENDA (NOLLMAYER), '98, and Tony **PEGG** announce the birth of their third son, Matthew James, on June 29, 2007. Matthew weighed 10 lbs., 12 oz. He joins big brothers Phillip, 5, and Andrew, 3. The Pegg family lives in Clermont, Fla., where Tony owns and operates an irrigation and landscaping business and



The Pegg Family

Brenda is a stay-at-home mom who is planning to begin home schooling this fall.



Ella, Anna and Chloe Ballard

DR. VITALI, '99, and Natasha **KLIMOVICH** announce the birth of their second son, Maxim Joseph, on May 17. Maxim weighed 6 lbs., 7 oz., and was 18 inches long. He joins big brother Daniel, 11. The Klimovich family lives in Kingston, N.H.

DAWN (SMITH), '99, and Marty **TERRELL** announce the birth of their third child, Josiah Caleb, on Jan. 25. Josiah weighed 8 lbs., 4 oz. He joins big sister Karlee Grace, 6, and big brother Isaac Christian, 4. The Terrell family lives in Suffolk, Va., where Dawn teaches the Summit middle school curriculum to 8th graders at First Baptist Christian School, and Marty is youth pastor at First Baptist Church.



Scott and Jessica Rasnic

JESSICA RITTERBUSH, '98, and Scott Rasnic were married July 15, 2007. The Rasnics live in Centreville, Va., near Fairfax, where Scott is finishing a history degree at George Mason University and Jessica is a teacher/assistant principal at Trinity Christian School.

BRANDON, '99, and **TAMMY (DOEJAAREN), '00, BALLARD** announce the birth of their third child, Chloe Elisabeth, on March 7. Chloe weighed 7 lbs., 3 oz., and was 20 ½ inches long. She joins big sisters Ella, 4, and Anna, 2. The Ballard family lives in Trenton, Ga.

Tenn., where Jalena is assistant head teller at First Bank and Aaron is an EMT for Meigs and Hamilton counties. Lisa lives on Signal Mountain near Chattanooga and is a teacher in Hamilton County. TK and Carrie live



Friends meet in Chattanooga

in Harrison, Tenn., and teach at Grace Christian Academy in Chattanooga. Pictured, from left, are Jalena Howard; Karen, Eli, Matt, and Megan Johnson; Lisa Boehmer; and TK, Cooper, Carrie, and Carson Knecht.



Adelyn Jones

JARED, '02, and **KARYN (BIEBEL), '04, JONES** announce the birth of their daughter, Adelyn Elizabeth, on June 19. Adelyn weighed 6 lbs., 7 oz., and was 19 inches long. The Jones family lives in Shelbyville, Tenn.

ANNIE DICKERSON, '03, and Joshua Stock were married Aug. 11, 2007, in Chicago. Bridesmaids included **ELAINE DAVIS** and **JEN (VANDEN HEUVEL) STOWE,** both '03. The Stocks live in Chicago.

2000's

MATT and KAREN (CHAMBERLIN) JOHNSON, both '01, recently traveled from their home in Windom, Minn., to visit friends in the Chattanooga, Tenn., area. They got together with Aaron and **JALENA (CRUSE) HOWARD, '01;** **LISA BOEHMER, '01;** and **TERRY (TK) and CARRIE (COOPER) KNECHT,** both '00, for lunch. Matt and Karen run a family business in Minnesota. Jalena and Aaron live in Dayton,



The Parks Family

D. ERIK, '04, and CATHERINE (STRODE) PARKS, '05, announce the birth of their daughter, Sophie Caroline, on Oct. 14, 2007. The Parks family lives in Nashville, Tenn., where Erik works as a videographer and Catherine does freelance writing and editing from home.

LIZ BASS, '05, and BEN EDWARDS, '99x, were married April 12. Bryan alumni in the wedding were **TALOR ARMSTRONG, '05; SARAH (BASS) HENKE, '05x; and RYAN THORNTON, '00x.** Other alumni attending the wedding included **MATT LEHMAN, '01x; ERIN DAVIS, '02; MAECI WANG, '00; KATIE (HUGHES) BOWER, '03x; Dr. JACK, '93H, and KARIN TRAYLOR, '64.** Liz is a massage therapist with North Georgia Chiropractic, and Ben is a general contractor. The Edwardses live in Chattanooga, Tenn.

LEILA (SMITH), '05, and Brandon GRANT announce the birth of their daughter, Olivia Leila, on April 25. Olivia weighed 6 lbs., 8oz., and was 19 inches long. Brandon is a CPA at a firm in Atlanta, and Leila is at home with Olivia. The Grants live in Suwanee, Ga.

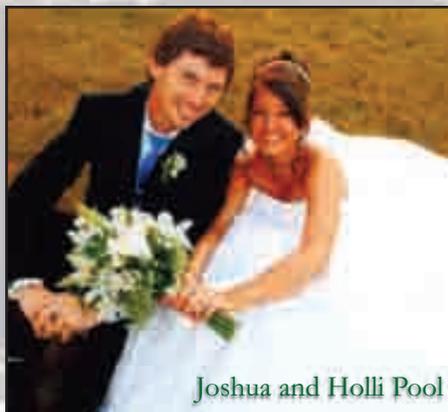
MATTHEW MAY, '07, and JENNIFER KUYKENDALL, '06, were married March 22, in St. Simons Island, Ga. The Mays live in Fredericksburg, Va.

SAM FORRESTER, '07, and DANIELLE MITCHELL, '08, were married Aug. 8, in Nashville, Tenn. Sam is pursuing a Master's degree in education at Lipscomb University. The Forresters live in Franklin, Tenn.



Sam and Danielle Forrester

JOSHUA POOL, '08x, and HOLLI MANCINI, '08, were married June 27, in Fishersville, Va. Members of the wedding party included **LEANNE (MCDANIEL) RAGLAND, '08; JOANNE OLSON, '08; and SAM FORRESTER, '07.** Current students Lauren Hostetler and Andra Branson were guestbook attendants. The Pools live in Fishersville, where Holli is employed by Augusta



Joshua and Holli Pool

County and Joshua is employed by United Parcel Service and Augusta Office Products.



John and Diana Parker

DIANA GUTHRIE, '08, and John Russell Parker III were married May 20, in Bozeman, Mont., where they are making their home. The couple met at Summit.

CALEB RAGLAND and LEANNE MCDANIEL, both '08, were married in Tallahassee, Fla., on July 19. Bryan friends and family in the wedding party included **KEELAN DIEHL, '06; GLADE SMITH, '06; STEVE ORNER, '06; JONATHAN LUCAS, '07; LAWRENCE LAPLUE, '08; DEMI**



Caleb and Leanne Ragland and Friends

BARDSLEY, '08x; JOANNE OLSON, '08; HOLLI POOL, '08; and current students Josh Ragland, Andra Branson, and Bethel Ragland. Caleb's father, DAVID RAGLAND, '83, and aunt, DARLENE LAPLUE, '81, also attended. JEREMY MOORE, '08, sang during the ceremony.



Kori and Adam Holland

KORI WRIGHT, '08, and Adam Holland were married June 28, in Dayton, Tenn. Kori is pursuing Master's degree in school counseling at Lee University and teaching pre-kindergarten, and Adam is a sales representative for Verizon.

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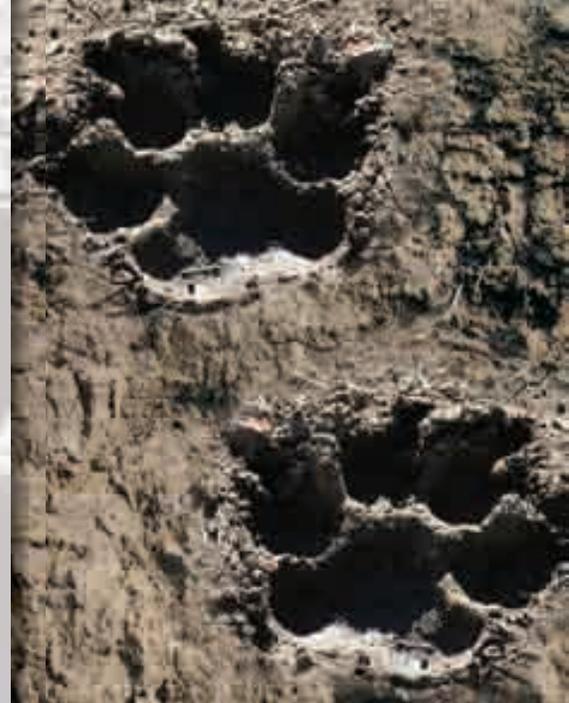
In the Summer edition of Bryan Life, we inadvertently omitted the picture which accompanied the birth announcement for Lucy Herpolsheimer. We apologize for the omission.

MANDY (WILLS), '98, and Joel **HERPOLSHEIMER** announce the birth of their second child, Lucy Joy, on Oct. 1, 2007. Lucy weighed 6 lbs., 15 oz., and was 19 inches long. She joins big brother Tyler, 2. The Herpolsheimer family lives in Grand Rapids, Mich.,



Tyler and Lucy Herpolsheimer

where Mandy is a stay-at-home mom and Joel is a design manager for a tool and die business.



Do You Get It?



E-Lumine

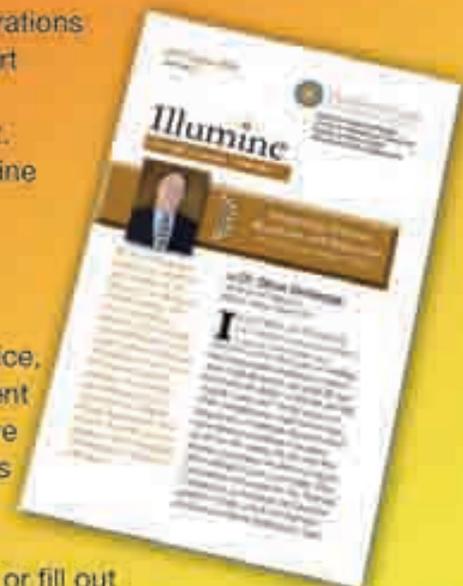
E-Lumine is Bryan's electronic newsletter, emailed monthly to those requesting this update. If you would like to receive *E-Lumine*, fill out the online form at www.bryan.edu/media.

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Wife of the Lord

ROBERT D. ST. JOHN, '44, of Tacoma, Wash., died May 19. He is survived by four children.

MARY JEAN (MCKINLEY) WITTER, '54, of Zephyrhills, Fla., died July 20. She is survived by her husband, the **Rev. ALTON M. WITTER, Jr., '54**, and four children.

JOHN P. KRAMER, '56, of Cumming, Ga., died July 18. He is survived by his wife, Pat, and daughter **MELODY WALKER, '88x**.

Word has been received of the death of **CHARLES RUSSELL, '72**, of Cincinnati, Ohio. He is survived by his wife, Cathy, and three children.

THOMAS RUSSELL, '74, of Theodore, Ala., died June 9. He is survived by two children.

Word has been received that **PATSY (HATHAWAY) HERN-DON, '64**, of Dallas, Texas, has died. She is survived by her husband, **Dr. JOHN P. HERNDON, '65x**, and two children.

BRIAN GEIGER, '85, of Rowlett, Texas, died July 30. He is survived by his wife, Frances Geiger, his parents, three children, and his brother, **DONALD GEIGER, JR., '82**.

DR. LYLE C. HILLEGAS, '56, died July 29. He served as the fifth president of Westmont College from 1972 to 1975. He is survived by his wife, Melissa Hillegas, and two children.

Word has been received of the death of **DR. RICHARD P. LANGFORD, '43**, of Seattle, Wash. He is survived by two children.

keep in touch!

Just made an exciting career move, added a member to your family, or tied the knot? Let us know by submitting news to Lion Tracks.

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remembering Bryan

*Bud, '56, and
Ginny (Sequine), '54,
Schatz*



Our memories of four years at Bryan (for Ginny) cover singing in the choir, being part of three Gospel Messenger teams, living in the “third-floor dorm” prior to the completion of the main building, being “allowed” to take Modern European History as a freshman with a room full of juniors and seniors taught by Dr. Beatrice Batson—that was not a good memory—and living with many great roommates, some who are now at Home, others with whom I keep in contact.

College friends, when we now meet, feel like the 54 years since graduation have flown by and we are back on the campus as it was then. Dr. Rader’s Bible classes and learning “jot & tittle” or “location and gist” will not be forgotten (I still have my study Bible from those years). To be invited back as the director of the library for 12 years, director of admissions for four years, and back into the library as reference librarian for four years made my total Bryan experience a great and special one.

To top off all the memories of the past, we are now living just beyond the Grassy Bowl in a house built by a former professor.

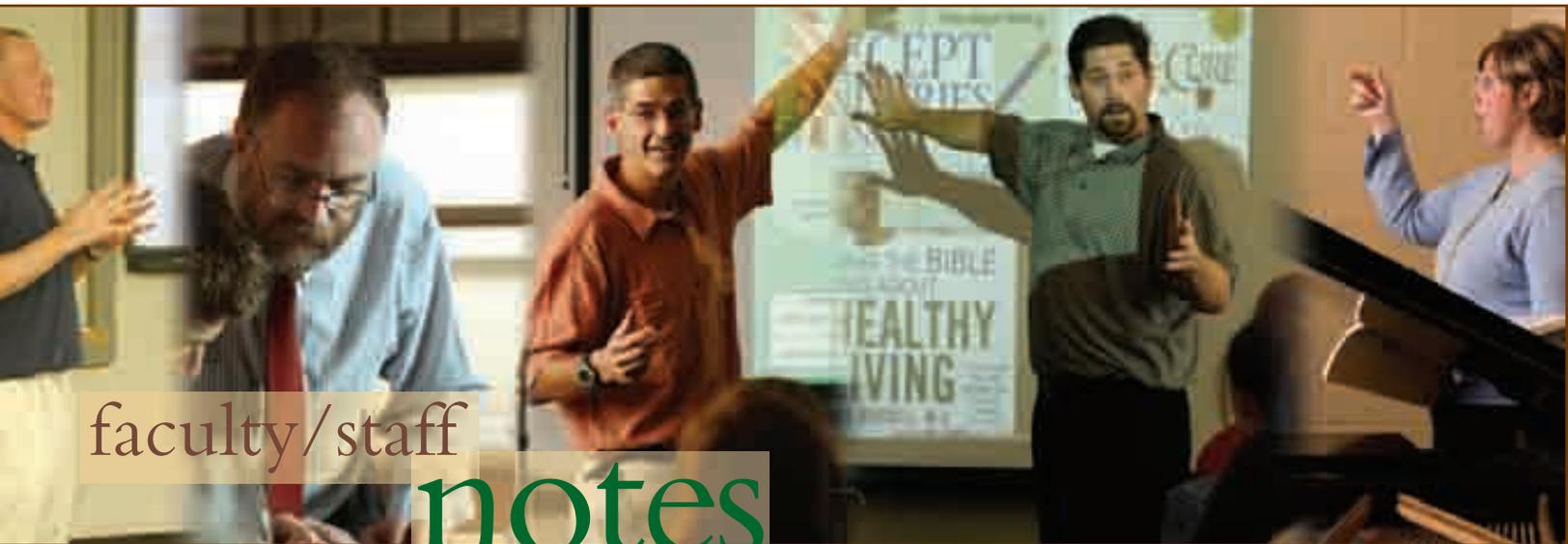
Bud’s years at Bryan range from learning how to eat meals at a table with dressed-up people to earning spend-

ing money through work experience in the kitchen and the print shop. The regulated schedule of daily life coupled with required hours of sleep and a chapel service were designed to create a common campus atmosphere. This resulted in a bonding experience with fellow classmates and faculty that remains until this day. Some of the disciplines encouraged then are parts of my life today.

Certainly, memories of certain relationships formed are lasting as well. Perhaps the most important memory of my college days is that I still remember them! One other joyful memory for us is the fact that this college administration moves forward still connected to foundations of the past.



AN INVITATION: If you have been graduated from Bryan for more than 50 years and would like to share memories of your time on the Hill with Bryan Life readers, please write between 300 and 400 words and send them to Bryan Life, Bryan College, P.O. Box 7000, Dayton, TN 37321, or email to alumni@bryan.edu. Please include a current picture of yourself. While we can't promise to publish every submission, we will consider all for publication in future editions of Bryan Life.



faculty/staff notes

Dr. Jeff Bruehl participated in the Economic Mini-Summit for Women in May at Bryan in a session titled “Entrepreneurship Do’s and Don’ts.”

Mr. Chris Clark completed his Master of Fine Arts degree in screenwriting and film studies at Hollins University, Roanoke, Va., on May 18, 2008.

Dr. Jud Davis presented a paper and a poster entitled “Where is the Garden of Eden?” at the Baraminology Study Group conference in Pittsburgh in August.

Dr. Doug Kennard also presented two papers and posters entitled “The Hebraic Concept of Life and Death” and “The Oracle of the Curse at the Fall of Creation.” He also attended the editors meeting. Dr. Davis’ articles “The Creator Clearly Seen” and “Wonder of God,” were published in *Answers in Genesis* vol. 3 no. 3 (2008). He also preached at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Dayton in June, as well as at Northshore Fellowship.

Mr. Tom Davis participated in a

panel discussion about William Jennings Bryan and the Scopes Trial at the Rhea County Courthouse in July. The presentation was for new honors students at the University of Texas-Dallas as part of their orientation program.

Mr. Taylor Hasty has been named head baseball coach, succeeding Mr. Joel Johnson, who resigned at the end of the year.

Dr. Doug Kennard published an article in the Perspective section of *Chattanooga Times Free Press* in June defending the concept that “Evangelicalism is Healthy but Diverse.” He presented two papers at the 2008 International Conference on Creationism in Pittsburgh in August. The papers, published in the peer reviewed book produced by the conference, are “A Nuanced Lakatos’ Philosophy of Theology and Science” and “Bio-Ethics from Image of God and Soul.”

Dr. Ray Legg delivered the commencement address at Faith Christian Academy in Athens, Ala., in May. In June he published

a web article about his trip to Rwanda for the Moody Bible Institute Alumni Association. In June, he also reprised his role as William Jennings Bryan for a production about the Scopes Trial by British film makers Pioneer Productions.

Mr. Bruce Morgan attended the Leading the Way Forward conference at Bryan in June. This was a leadership development conference for urban America, presented by V-TEAM Leadership Network of America and the International Leadership Institute. Dr. David Banks, ’90, was one of the featured speakers.

Dr. Jeff Myers presented Passing the Baton workshops for Christian school teachers in South Africa in July. He preached at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Dayton in July, spoke at Summit Ministries in Colorado, and presented a faculty workshop on Passing the Baton at Cedarville University in Ohio in August. He also gave Passing the Baton workshops in California and Texas in August.

Dr. Ron Petite presented a paper on human trafficking at the 20th anniversary colloquium of the Oxford Round Table in March at Oxford University in England. He also served as a discussion leader for a presentation on “Interrogations during Armed Conflict: The Need for an Objective Standard.” Round Table facilitator Dr. Samuel Alexander explained that speakers are chosen to bring together a diverse group of scholars with outstanding professional qualifications to determine if the proposal offers promise for a strong contribution to the work of the round table. This summer, Dr. Petite also attended the annual

conference of the International Institute for Christian Studies with Bryan President **Dr. Stephen D. Livesay**. He also attended the American Political Science Association’s annual international conference in Boston, Mass., in August. He was presented an award from the presidents of the American Political Science Association and the National Political Science Honor Society “for outstanding teaching in political science.”

Dr. Ken Turner presented sessions at Summit at Bryan College and Liberty University on genre hermeneutics and the reliability of the Bible.

Dr. Mel Wilhoit performed trumpet solos at the Gallery Hop in Danville, Ky., in June during the 19th International Brass Band Festival. He performed a trumpet solo and sang with the UTC Master Chorale in its summer concert in Chattanooga. He also attended the annual meeting of the Tennessee Association of Music Executives in Colleges and Universities in Murfreesboro, Tenn, in June.

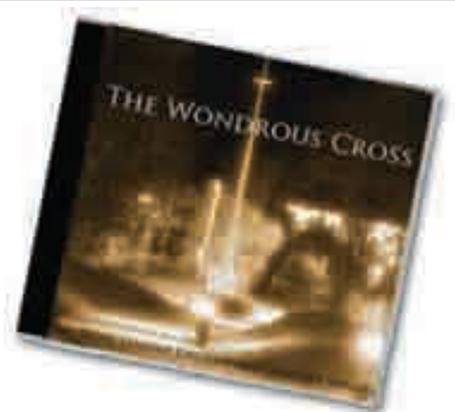
Gifts from the Community



Dayton Wal-Mart Assistant Manager Angela Moffitt recently presented a check for \$1,000 to Bryan College President Dr. Livesay to help build the college’s new entrance from U.S. 27. The gift from the Wal-Mart Foundation is one of a series the local store has made this year to support community agencies and activities. “We deeply appreciate Wal-Mart’s

gift, as it takes us one step closer to starting the new entrance project. Wal-Mart certainly is a popular shopping destination for Bryan students, and we thank Angela for thinking of Bryan and this project which will benefit the college and the community,” Dr. Livesay said.

Rheaco Service of Dayton, Tenn., has underwritten the expenses of Bryan’s Speech and Debate Team for the 2008-09 academic year, to encourage students to develop skill in persuasive speech and to recognize the early success of the club in the past school year. Rheaco also provides technical support for the college’s heating and air conditioning needs. Company officials pictured with Bryan President Dr. Livesay, center, include, from left, President Phil Carter, a 1975 Bryan graduate; President emeritus R. Carlos Carter; Vice President Joe Runyon, a 1979 graduate of the college; and Vice President Tim Gentry, parent of a Bryan graduate and of a current student.



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The newest CD release by the Bryan Chorale and Chamber Singers spotlights 21 numbers from recent performances and studio recordings under the direction of Dr. David Luther. This would be a great Christmas present or addition to your sacred music collection. Priced at \$15 “The Wondrous Cross” is available at the Bryan College

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Proceeds from the sale of Chorale CDs help fund their concert tours.

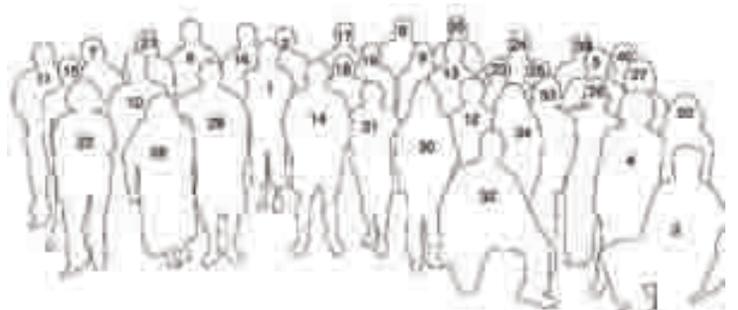
second generation

Lions



Fourteen children of alumni are among the 252 new students who enrolled at Bryan College this fall. Gathering the students and their parents created a mini-Homecoming at orientation, with parents representing classes from 1974 to 1990. Students and their parents are pictured in front of Rudd Auditorium, with a key to identities at the bottom right of the page.

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| 22 – Judy Welch
Magnussen, '79 | Kinsey, '81 | 32 – Walter Thomas, '83 |
| Not pictured – Andrew
Magnussen | 19 – Amanda Kinsey | 34 – Nicole Thomas |
| 28 – Kim Crowe Tuttle, '84 | 8 – David Ragland, '83 | 33 – Dottie Frensley
Thomas, '83 |
| 29 – Nick Tuttle | 9 – Debbie Ragland | 39 – Chris Leary |
| 15 – Wendy Greve | 35 – Josh Ragland | 40 – Sandra (Mrs. Tim,
'90), Leary |
| 11 – Paul Greve | 13 – Jim Steele, '74 | 5 – Ted Meberg, '71 |
| 10 – Cathie Starce
Greve, '87 | 12 – Peggy Wentworth
Steele, '74 | 26 – Sonja Meberg |
| 7- Roria Hicks | 30 – Lydia Steele | 27 – Beverly Meberg |
| 21 – Desirae Hicks | 23 – Lynn Lewis
Bailey, '79 | 4 – Becky Naff Roes, '88 |
| 6 – Steve Hicks, '84 | 24 – Lee Bailey, '78 | 3 – Brett Roes, '88 |
| 16 – Dustin Puckett | 25 – Maggie Bailey | 20 – Mary Roes |
| 1 – Paula Chappell
Puckett, '83 | | |
| 2 – Terry Puckett, '82 | | |
| 14 – Lee Smith, '82 | | |
| 31 – Justine Smith | | |
| 17 – Hartley Kinsey, '81 | | |
| 18 – Karen Morton | | |



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2008-2009 Bryan College Performance Arts Season Schedule

Mendelssohn's oratorio *Elijah*

Staged and with orchestra

Nov. 14,15

Christmas Concert

Featuring Bryan College Music Department
and guests, Metropolitan Bells

Dec. 12,13

Lost in Yonkers

Hilltop Players

Jan. 26-31 (tickets required)

Brock Hall at 7:00pm

Ann Pope &

Valrie Kantorski

Classical duo pianists

Feb. 13

Voices Uplifted

Bryan College

Choral Ensembles

March 27

***Annie Get Your Gun* (musical)**

Hilltop Players and

Music Department

April 16,17,18

(tickets required)

Musical Showcase

Featuring

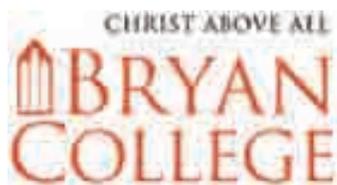
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Music Department

April 30

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