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Zondervan, Kesler: Central to the celebration

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Despite the drizzle, Taylor's family members fill their pockets with stylish memories

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A fashionable weekend

For Taylor University’s fashionable October celebration weekend of inauguration, dedication and homecoming, the weather decided to display its fall line of clothing in designer gray. Rainclouds paraded over Upland in lethargic gloom, like...
Dino Kartsonakis, a frequent and welcome guest on Taylor's campus, gave his usual inspirational performance during a Saturday evening concert; he also used the occasion to introduce his wife Cheryl to the audience (below). Taylor's football team, unfortunately, didn't appear as inspired as Dino and didn't provide as wonderful a performance during Saturday afternoon's homecoming football game.

Defensive captain Jack Houck (right) confers with the official about a penalty call against the Little Giants as Matt Clouser (21) and a teammate listen in; advice may have been in order, too, as the Trojans lost 23-7 in the dreary, rain-soaked contest.

On the previous page, Jay Kesler has a smile and a hug for wife Janie after being presented the President's Seal by Chancellor Rediger during the investiture.

models displaying the newest in mourning wear. With the sun effectively blotted from the central Indiana sky, dampness reigned with showers and mist dominating the weatherman's vocabulary. The monsoon season had picked a poor time to visit.

But silver linings pocket the attire of every gray cloud, and the murky sky hanging over Upland had every pocket turned inside out like a bum rifling his clothing for that last dime. It was a time of celebration, and the thousands of people on Taylor's campus for the biggest weekend of events in the school's 140-year history wore sunshine-smiles beneath their umbrellas.

It was a time of celebration, despite the weather, and those proverbial silver linings were in abundance. They lined pockets of many different shapes and styles, too. Taylor's silver linings were both human and inanimate, grand and small, tangible and intangible.

Jay Kesler was the silver lining of a watch pocket in a man's suit jacket. Time, and its significance to Taylor University, was displayed on each occasion he spoke during the weekend. He emphasized the need to revere heritage and history; he challenged alumni and friends to dedicate themselves, as he has done, to the present needs of the school; he dreamt of the future of Taylor University, of the demands that must be met, and of the wonderful work that yet can be accomplished for our Lord.

Pat Zondervan was the silver lining of a pocket of a man's dress shirt -- a pocket that had toted a small Gideon's Bible for years on end, that had felt that Bible slip in and out of it countless times every single day. He brought to Taylor an awareness of the printed page's importance, of the knowledge and insight that can be shared through a book, and of the grandeur of the most sacred
of all writings, the Holy Bible.

Senator Richard Lugar and Congressman Elwood H. "Bud" Hillis were the silver lining of pockets in an overcoat. Both brought tales of insight and experience in dealing with the operation of our government and other governments, and of the need for leaders of tomorrow to come from Christian schools such as Taylor. They were deep pockets that have stored a wealth of information in their travels throughout the world, pockets with suggestions about how overcoats of the future should be designed.

John Ryan, Lewis Salter, and John Bernbaum were the silver lining of the three pockets in a suit jacket, the attire of the academic world. They were pockets that contained valuable understanding of the academic system and how it can best serve its students.

Dr. Milo Rediger was the silver lining of the pocket in a pair of corduroy pants that never wear out. He continues to be the source of knowledge and strength for the university, carrying with him a multitude of vital perceptions that have been stashed away, one by one, in the warmth of that corduroy pocket.

Each and every student, faculty and staff member, and administrator who gave to this weekend was the silver lining in a pocket of a pair of blue jeans. Thousands and thousands of hours of hard work, both physical and mental, went into the design, production and success of this, the most important weekend ever in the school's history. Like blue jeans, each worker may have faded somewhat, but the denim never gave out.

And the alumni, parents and friends who joined members of the campus for this celebratory weekend were the shiniest silver lining possible in the pockets of the myriad raincoats sported during the weekend. For, just like raincoats, their attitude repelled the water that flooded Taylor University; the cozy dryness hidden inside those pockets was shared throughout the weekend's activities.

For, although Mother Nature cloaked Taylor University in a blanket of gray clouds during the homecoming/inauguration/dedication weekend, the intangible spirit of comradeship developed in all who visit the Upland campus fashioned a protective garment around Taylor's family. It was a time of celebration adorned with festive events and joyous reunions; Taylor University became the silver lining in the gray clouds that covered the Midwest.

\* the editor

LeRoy Troyer, owner of the architectural firm that designed the Rice Bell Tower and the Zondervan Library, presents a commemorative plaque to Garnet L. Rice, wife of the late Raymond Rice in whose memory the bell tower was dedicated. With Troyer and Rice is Charles Newman, formerly the director of planned giving at Taylor University and chairman of the library and bell tower building committees.
Talk to six different people, all who have experienced the same event, and you'll get six different perspectives.

It's a statement that can serve as a postulate for about any circumstance, and it's a safe assessment to make about Taylor's homecoming/inauguration/dedication weekend. The backgrounds of persons in Taylor's constituency are as varied as the patterns of snowflakes falling on Christmas Eve; it's a good variety, a good mix of people, one sure to produce diverse viewpoints on Taylor University's biggest weekend in the institution's 140-year history.

What follows is a sampling of thoughts and ideas drawn from six members of Taylor University's family. It's only a very, very small perspective of what proved to be a very, very important three-day span.

Marjorie Bill
Graduate of 1936
Arlington, Virginia

Marjorie Bill is a slight, energetic version of the perfect grandmother, her attitude plucky and bright, her speech quick and warm, her smile captivating and frequent. This homecoming, the Golden Anniversary for her graduating class, is the first she has ever attended at Taylor University.

"Originally, I thought, 'Really, who needs to go back to a 50th reunion,'" she says with inflection in her voice that would be the envy of Katherine Hepburn. "I haven't seen those people in all this interval, so why should I make the effort?" My daughter, who was here for a couple of years from 1966-68, encouraged me, and I'm very glad I came."

People are the reason Marjorie Bill felt welcomed on a somewhat-foreign campus. "I've been impressed by the warmth that I've found," she says. "At both evening concerts, the people adjacent to me were so friendly. In both cases, they were related to Taylor -- one was from the class of '66, the others were students."

It was definitely a social change for someone who lives in the metropolitan Washington, D.C., area. "Here, I have felt so much the friendliness of people," she says. "It's not like my home area. In the student center, people smiled and greeted me, although they didn't even know me."

Arriving on the Taylor campus created a time warp in her memory, too. Gone were the old administration building, MCW residence hall, the old president's home, and several other buildings. "Nothing is recognizable except Swallow-Robin," she says, a slight indication of loss in the nod of her head. "There's something about a place that you like to remember, and when every building and every section of campus is different, then it's hard to relate back sometimes."

It was a mission, of sorts, that brought Marjorie Bill back to Upland, Indiana; she looks beyond a window of the dining commons, focusing on something more real than Mother Nature, something that is lodged in her mind, as she begins to spin a tale. "Maybe I was looking for something. My daughter had a
roommate who graduated from Taylor, although my daughter didn't. That girl has been very critical of Taylor since she graduated, and this had troubled me.

"I wanted to come back and see if she was justified in what she has been saying," she continues. "Through the years, I've supported Taylor in every way I can, and I've wondered, 'Is she right? She's nearer to the college than I am. Maybe I'm seeing Taylor through rose-colored glasses. Let me see.'

'I want to write that girl and say, 'You are on the wrong foot.' I have been gratified to see that there is a stability still. I've sensed it in just little things, but to me, the spiritual emphasis is still here, and that is what I am grateful for."

Roland Sumney
Parent of three Taylor students
Graduate of 1959
St. Wayne, Indiana

Roland Sumney is small but well-built. His conversation is thoughtfully pieced together and quite analytical -- traits that may perhaps give away his involvement in the insurance business. The Sumney children, Mark, Lora and Todd, had the option of whether or not to attend Taylor; their father's perspective of the college, though, and the friends he carried with him from the Upland campus, obviously had some effect.

"You can travel the world, and you probably will find Taylor people, and immediately you have another friend -- right there on the spot," he says. "My son Mark caught onto that, and I think it had some influence on his decision to come to Taylor. He recognized the importance of friendships."

One of Roland Sumney's old college friends was a major focus of the weekend; he roomed across the hall from Jay Kesler in the MCW residence hall. That relationship had a big impact on Roland Sumney; Jay's wife Janie introduced Roland to his eventual wife, Carol. Though MCW no longer stands, the memories are what is important to Roland Sumney.

"I suppose there's always some sentimentality attached to some buildings like that one," he says, sitting in the lounge of Taylor's newest building, the Zondervan Library. "They're fond memories that you just don't find anywhere else, but it just seems so different. It isn't the same place, although you have those memories.

"And so we have fond memories of the old MCW dorm and some of the fun times we had there, and yet I'm so happy to see the campus develop the way it has. It's a beautiful place."

The weekend's activities generated an unusually high level of excitement on the campus, but it was an excitement, Roland Sumney feels, that is always present in Upland, Indiana. "I think there's an underlying spirit when you come back to campus at any time that speaks of what Taylor is about," he says. "The people are what makes homecoming. It's so exciting to see old classmates, friends -- there seems to be a more joyous mood. It's a unique spirit among Taylor alumni that speaks so loudly at times like this about the love and all that Taylor means to various individuals."

Coreen Zoromski
Taylor University sophomore
Ripon, Wisconsin

Like most Taylor University students, Coreen Zoromski is actively involved in extra-curricular activities. Her position on the executive cabinet of the Taylor Student Organization, along with her biology/pre-med studies, keep her busy. She is slender, pretty, and exudes an enthusiastic energy that makes it obvious how she accomplishes all her tasks.

Homecoming last year - Coreen Zoromski's freshman year - was not very meaningful; she didn't know the returning alumni. "You almost feel like an outsider -- like a whole different group has taken over campus," she says. "But it makes you realize that the Taylor family is not just here on your closed, sheltered 1500-student campus. It's so much larger."
"And it's a strange feeling, knowing that you are one of thousands of students who have gone to Taylor, who know all the little things about Taylor, who consider Taylor their home, too."

With last year's graduated friends returning, along with her participation in the inauguration as part of T.S.O., this homecoming made a much bigger impact on Coreen Zoromski. Too, she has come to appreciate all members of Taylor's family. "You have such a wide variety of people here, but yet we all have the common bond that we're from Taylor," she says, "that we've gone to school here, and that this is our second home."

"And also the common bond that we're all Christians; I think that's really special, too -- to know that there are Christian Taylor students in all walks of life. You hear other people talk about that, but when they actually come back and you see all these people, it's really neat."

Although she viewed the dedication as "regimented and formal," Coreen Zoromski feels most of her fellow Taylor students were positive about the weekend's events. "I think they all realize that it's not the most exciting or appealing thing that's ever happened, but that it's a really special time in our history," she says. "The weekend made you focus on Taylor. It was more than homecoming this year, with the 140 years, the inauguration, the dedication, and I think it made it a much more special weekend."

"I appreciated how everything was focused back on God and Christ, which is our main purpose for being here. There was deeper meaning -- the reason why we're here, and why we're opening a library," she continues. "It was nice not to say, 'Hey, look what we've done -- we've erected this several-million dollar library,' but to focus it back and say, 'The Lord has provided this library for us. Let's see how we can use it, because the Lord has given it to us.' I think that was a neat part of it that I've come to appreciate at Taylor."

LaRita Boren
Member,
Board of Trustees
Upland, Indiana

A gentle Southern accent gives away LaRita Boren's roots. But although she graduated from Oklahoma University -- "I get teased a lot about coming from a cowboy college" -- her true love and devotion is Taylor University, where she has served on the board since 1975. The benevolence she and husband Leland Boren have showered to Taylor's greatly appreciated by the college.

As soon as homecoming is brought up, LaRita Boren makes it clear that she must qualify her statements. "I really think the whole weekend was colored by a conversation I had with Don Odle two weeks before," she says. "We didn't even really talk about Taylor, but to me, Don is an excellent example of what Taylor can do in a young person's life, and it's exciting how he's been able to use that."

"Wherever we go, and I mean anywhere, if somebody says 'Where are you from?' and we say 'Upland,' invariably it comes back to Taylor University and Don Odle. So many people know him in so many ways, and he is proud of Taylor and appreciates what it has been in his life."

While the pomp and ceremony of the weekend may have been in some ways superficial, LaRita Boren appreciated the symbolism of what took place. "I've discovered that anything can have value, no matter how empty it may appear, if you want it to have value," she says. "You can always find something there that is meaningful to you."

Don Odle, seated, chats with Professor Herbert Nygren at a reunion dinner held in Hartford City's Sinclair restaurant.

"Don is an excellent example of what Taylor can do in a young person's life," LaRita Boren says of Taylor's ambassador/coach, who was saved as a Taylor student. "He is proud of Taylor and what it has been in his life."

"I didn't have to search this weekend for that kind of meaning. I was into it."

A new library for Taylor is something LaRita Boren has spent much time and effort on as a trustee. The resulting Zondervan Library is something of which she is proud. "It is an extravagance in a way, but it's an extravagance toward literary excellence. I think it would be very hard to be a student at Taylor University and not want to go to the library. There's a lot of space to study, and it's the way a library ought to be."

"As I've thought about the library, it is a commitment on Taylor's part to provide the kinds of solid academic support that the school has to have," she continues. "To see a library there, and to see it as beautiful as it is, and accomplished -- the job done -- brings a marvelous, marvelous feeling. It's worth all the years we've waited and talked about it."
Scott Hafemann
Assistant Professor of Religion
Upland, Indiana

Scott Hafemann is solid, well-built. His voice, though quiet, contains a driving enthusiasm—an enthusiasm that comes through loud and clear in his thoughts about the weekend.

Those thoughts are a challenge for the future. Scott Hafemann has been at Taylor University for only a little over a year now; his dreams are of what Taylor can become, not of what Taylor has been in its past. "I came inheriting the place the way it is now, and wondering where we're going to be in ten years," he says. "That's a different perspective."

"I never like to sit back and say, "Let's just rest on our laurels. Isn't it great what we've accomplished?" I think that whatever you have done in the past should be some sort of spur for what you can do in the future."

Scott Hafemann points to Taylor's rapid growth and expansion during the past two decades. The changes can be observed not only by touring the buildings, but by touring the minds of visiting alumni. "In talking to alumni, what we were 15 years ago is not what we are today at all," he says. "We've changed a lot, even in 15 years. And it's certainly not what we're going to be in 15 years. Can the alumni catch a new vision, can the alumni support a new vision, and what will that new vision be?"

"I think the alumni are realistic," he adds. "When you talk to alumni who are serious about this school, they want to know where you're going. I don't think they're primarily interested in where the school was."

Scott Hafemann views the Zondervan Library as a symbol of a new thrust in academic integrity. "I think that what's happening is an emerging emphasis on the importance of academics," he says. "And I think it's not a vision that's being caught by all students, but I think it's being caught in pockets. I think that for me, it's an important vision. I hope it will characterize the future of our institution."

Stephehen Beutler
Pastor, United Methodist Church
Upland, Indiana

While most of Taylor's family thought the weekend's activities had concluded following the Zondervan Library reception, Pastor Stephen Beutler knew better. For as Taylor's maintenance and housekeeping crews were beginning the laborious cleanup task Sunday evening, members of his congregation were sharing their thoughts of the homecoming weekend -- during the service!

"Our testimony time last evening dealt straight-across the board with the weekend at Taylor," Steve Beutler says Monday morning from his pastor's office. "In fact, as the evening progressed, they were saying, 'I'm embarrassed to mention the weekend at Taylor, but I want to share how this has affected me. Everyone testified about something that had an impact on them, and even tears were shed. People shared how good they felt about the atmosphere, the aura, over campus."

That same feeling was shared by a woman visiting from California, as told to Pastor Beutler following the Sunday morning service. She noted the campus and church were structurally different, but that "the one thing that had stayed the same was the sense of a spiritual aura around the campus and the church," Steve Beutler relates. "She was pleased with both those things -- pleased with what she was seeing, since her roots were in Upland."

Homecoming, the inauguration and the dedication were familiar territory for Steve Beutler; his father, now at Saginaw Valley, was president of Bethel College. Familiar, too, are the problems sometimes associated with a college/town relationship, but "from the people in my congregation, I sense very little town-and-gown problem," he says. "There seems to be a good balance. The people appear to appreciate Taylor, and I think Taylor appreciates the community."

Students are a contributing factor. "The students played a big part in making those attending feel good about Taylor University," Steve Beutler says, "and positive about what Taylor stands for. The students handled themselves with grace and dignity, and yet they were excited and positive. They carried themselves well."

President Kesler should aid the campus/community relationship, as well. "When I've talked to Jay, and when Jay has worshipped with us, he's made a point of telling us that he is interested in not just Taylor, but in Upland," Steve Beutler says. "And people are hearing that. I think he's doing a whole lot to make this community feel good about Taylor."

Coreen Zoromski

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Commitment to slay the Goliaths

Kesler presents his 'Five Smooth Stones' during the inaugural address

by Jay L. Kesler '58

The transition to the world of higher education has been eased, even made quite pleasant, by the cordiality, understanding, patience, professional expertise and, indeed, love shown me by so many. I am reminded of the story about the man who was showing off his new business card. His friend said, "Congratulations, I see you are vice president — why have they written your name in pencil?" Some have speculated that perhaps this accounts for why we have waited until I've been here for a year before this inauguration.

We, however, chose to wait until we could invite you all here to celebrate the dedication of the beautiful new Zondervan Library and Rice Bell Tower while, at the same time, installing a high mileage clergyman-youthworker as president. This past year has been a most rewarding and challenging time.

The Taylor students, faculty, staff, administration, and alumni have done all that people can do for others to make Janie and me feel accepted and at home.

The university's Board of Trustees has provided yeoman service, in addition to strong leadership, during the transition months. I have a great deal of experience with boards and offer highest praise to these men and women who serve faithfully on behalf of the Taylor community. Their partnership with our dedicated faculty combines to provide strength and stability as I have gained orientation.

Fellow presidents across our state have modeled the ideal of collegiality in its highest form. I'm extremely grateful to them.

My involvement in the Indiana Conference of Higher Education, the Independent Colleges and Universities of Indiana, the Associated Colleges of Indiana, the American Council on Education, the Christian College Consortium, and the Christian College Coalition has provided specific and particular insight in dealing with complex issues. I am grateful that all of these are represented here and, even in this moment, I am strengthened by that knowledge.

This inauguration has in it some ingredients that are new and relatively revolutionary for this institution. My standing at this podium is a forthright acknowledgement on the part of all concerned that the challenges facing Taylor University in this one hundred fortieth year of her service require resourcefulness and innovation. Declining student populations, catch up responses to inflation and economic pressures, coupled with the danger of private education being increasingly elitist, form the parameters of much of today's challenge.

This is true, of course, in varying degrees of all institutions. However, my being selected to serve as Taylor's president at this point in history is an intentional decision on the part of our leadership to respond to our unique challenge. From 1846 until the turn of the century, the institution received direction from
Like David of old, I cannot wear another man's armor. Experience in education and academic preparation should, in most cases, be the prerequisites for such a task. There is no sensitivity or reluctance to acknowledge this forthrightly. Lacking these, I reach into the streambed of experience to share with you the guiding principles that serve as my "five smooth stones" for the challenge ahead. 

The first of these is an abiding confidence in God. I am committed, with the founders of this institution and the stalwarts of her history, to the presupposition that we live in a created universe. "This is our Father's world"—therefore the confident exploration of all of its secrets is not only permissible but mandatory, lest we sin against the creator through carelessness or
"We must not only teach students about the Savior, but also encourage them to imitate Him... Continued commitment to world evangelism, accompanied by a liberal arts education and enlightened by love, is our historical mandate."

indifference to His creative efforts. All truth is God's truth. God and truth are synonyms. When our ideas about God and our ideas about truth seem to be in conflict, we have misunderstood one or the other. Some of the deepest disappointments and least attractive chapters in human history are monuments to the violation of this precept. Christian higher education must never be a fortress of superstition and obscurantism. Our commitment is to the fearless pursuit of truth with the deep confidence that the specific revelation of God in the Bible does not contradict the revelation He has made of Himself in the world He has given to us. There is no sacred/secular distinction in the life of Christ and there should be none at Taylor University. A frog dissected at Taylor looks exactly like one dissected at a state-supported institution. A college, at its best, remains private not in belligerence or in a fear of truth but to pursue its distinctives with quiet conviction and humility.

I am committed to the belief that Jesus Christ, indeed, came in the flesh and was the very son of God. There is, however, little wonder why many thoughtful people become weary of those of us who make strong religious claims. The name of Christ has been historically, and is today, attached to many movements and conflicts that demonstrate not what is the best but what is the worst in human spirit. If, as many suspect, the seeming powerlessness of the Christian faith to alter the course of world affairs is the result of the sublimation of Jesus Christ to the cultural, nationalistic, and selfish interests of individual factions, then the commitment of Taylor University to elevate this sometimes violated Christ to transcendent lordship is a noble imperative. We must not only teach students about the Savior but also encourage them to imitate Him. Models of authentic discipleship fill the pages of world history in sharp contrast to today's media-driven examples. The interpretation of Christian obedience by John Wesley, William Wilberforce, and a host of others set the example for us. One contact with Mother Theresa is more convincing than a volume of dogma. As a result, Taylor students serve all across the globe in self-sacrificing dedication in all forms of occupational and professional pursuits. Continued commitment to world evangelism, accompanied by a liberal arts education and enlightened love, is our historical mandate.

I am committed to the encouragement of the liberal arts. In a society where pluralism is replacing the melting pot, it is imperative that young people understand and appreciate the variety, complexity, and unique contributions of those with whom we must live on this crowded planet. America cannot be viewed by its citizens as a large protected island with unending independent resources that ensure affluence and unimpeded growth while our neighbors scratch out mere existence. Others who have struggled for centuries without the blessing of this fertile land and democratic government have much to teach us. Arrogance based on ignorance and disregard of others is a dangerous ingredient in a nuclear world. Students should develop knowledge of self, of the natural world, of human cultures, and of human relationships to God. Exposure to the world through media and travel are marvelous bonuses and provide enlightening and stimulating experiences. However, they can never replace the reflective study of the best and most lasting literature and the events and ideas that have shaped the world. To watch a Soviet diplomat interviewed on the evening news is one kind of knowledge but to read and discuss Tolstoy with classmates under the guidance of a caring professor is quite another.

Few of us have the patience to sit through another discussion of Hi tech - Hi touch. However, the nature of man to a world of technology is a topic that will demand our effort long after our media-conditioned attention span is exhausted. Students must be taught to evaluate critically, to reason logically, and to communicate effectively while developing a sensitivity to personal and social relationships, moral responsibilities, and spiritual needs.

Our capacity to live above function is related directly to our understanding and appreciation of the aesthetic, the beautiful, and the musical.

The spring is silent, not only when the birds die of the overuse of pesticides. It is also silent when that which sparks the creative, the artistic, and the melodic, dies in the human spirit. The liberal arts college is a place to cultivate and nurture the creative expressions of humanity. Being and function must be wedded in the whole person.

I am committed to the idea that faculty are more than people paid to teach subject matter. Faculty are the embodiment of learning expressed in incarnational terms. They are models of what the educated person should look like. As in all of life, there is diversity, even strongly held and argued differences. It is precisely in this diverse expression
of truth that the value of learning is exposed. Indoctrination allows no contrary opinion. Educated people learn to research and think before they decide. Exposure to equally diligent people with equally noble motives holding fast to differing degrees of certainty produces humility. Still in the face of incomplete knowledge and suspended judgment, faculty must live and decide. Life goes on. In the small college, students are exposed to these faculty lives with some depth. To watch a professor live is as valuable as to hear him/her teach. Learning cannot be done wholly without human interaction. A teaching machine may disseminate information, but it does not care about the death of your parent or challenge you to fairness and honor. To have chosen to teach youth in today's value system is something akin to Albert Schweitzer's decision to practice medicine in Africa. It is more than a vocational choice--it is a statement about what is valuable, lasting, and important. It is a kind of living word.

I want to be reminded of these words when plans are made, priorities are drawn, and resources are allocated. We may not always agree, but we will know how to disagree using all of those resources so valued by all who would teach. It is in disagreement and stress that true learning exhibits its value.

I am committed to the belief that man has been put on this planet in a pattern of interdependence. Learning finally expresses itself in practical terms. Graduates must be able to make a living; but, beyond that, they must find the living they make worth the effort. The wisest of all once said, "Man cannot live by bread alone" and also that "only by losing our lives can we save them." The most satisfying examples in each of our lives bear out these truths. Our families, friends, and students, those we have learned to serve provide the deepest of all satisfactions. The extension of this principle to a life of service through the application of knowledge to technology, statecraft, business, education, medicine and, indeed, the whole range of human experience must be the goal of our efforts. Success and the aggressive pursuit of vocational goals, even when expressed in financial terms, is not evil. It is not money but the love of it and its selfish, irresponsible use that is condemned by God. Achieving people who are faithful stewards of their wealth, energies, talents, and creativity are a validation of the Christian liberal arts college.

To blend liberal learning, convincing faith, a compassionate heart, and the opportunities afforded by free enterprise into a life is surely a worthy task. A glance at the titles of some of the best sellers of the last decade should be warning enough that this task will not be easy. We are encouraged to take care of number one, win through intimidation and seek self-centered pleasure. Chauvinism, social Darwinism, and a myriad of other forms of me-isms are being offered as survival options in an increasingly desperate world. The truth still sets men free, and right is still stronger than might. A citizenship of youth who esteem others with the same value as themselves will be a treasure to any business, community, or government.

I offer these five smooth stones with some confidence because their very smoothness is stubborn testimony to their endurance as human values and their usefulness to slay whatever giants lie hidden in our future. We, however, never face challenges alone, nor do I feel alone. In this audience today are represented those in whose hands our future rests. Quality students, dedicated faculty, able administrators, skilled staff, loyal alumni, committed friends, and experienced colleagues from respected sister institutions are all expressing, by your presence here your willingness and desire to see Taylor University continue. We proceed then into this fifteenth decade with strength and vigor to accomplish her task with confidence; but most of all, assured that, if God be for us who can be against us.
Guests flooded Taylor University's campus during the homecoming/inauguration/dedication weekend like the drops of rain that fell from the dark, overcast skies. Most were alumni, returning to visit their alma mater and, more importantly, rekindle dozens of friendships from college days. Others, however, played a major part in the pomp and ceremony associated with inaugurations and dedications.

These latter guests, like many of the alumni, came from the worlds of business, politics and academics. They came to share in the celebration of Taylor's new president, Jay Kesler, and its new facility, the Zondervan Library. They came to reflect with Taylor's constituency about the importance of these two additions to the institution, and share their insights about the value of a president and of a library.

Following are summaries of speeches by those involved in the inauguration of Dr. Jay L. Kesler and the dedication of the Pat & Mary Zondervan Library, including speeches by two faculty members, Edward Dinse and Scott Hafemann, and a student, Jim Wierenga. Share in their excitement and their thoughts about Taylor's biggest weekend in history and its significance.

John A. Bernbaum
Director, American Studies Program
Vice-president, Christian College Coalition
Speaking on the significance of Taylor's mission, Bernbaum traced Taylor's history from its Methodist beginnings in Ft. Wayne through its move to Upland. "And by the way, Mr. President," he stated to Kesler, "the tuition rate in those first days was $22.50. How about that?"

Bernbaum likened Kesler to Bishop William Taylor, the Methodist missionary for whom the school was named: "As I read Professor Ringenberg's history, brother Jay, you remind me a great deal of this energetic, thriving evangelist and preacher... I read you all over that man."

Bernbaum focused on Philippians 1, stating through love of God come qualities of knowledge and depth of insight. "First the ability to discern; then the ability to practice in our lives these truths we know intellectually. Taylor University has a vision for training a generation of young people who have their minds transformed and then leave this place to live a life of obedience in a broken world.

"You see, Taylor University's mission is to produce radical disciples who know the love of God, who have experienced the grace of God in their lives, who become discerning about the things that really matter, so they can leave this place as agents of God's righteousness, God's peace, in a world that desperately cries out because of its pain and injustice. And all of this, all of this, according to the Apostle Paul, for the glory and praise of God."

Lewis S. Salter
President, Wabash College
The value of the liberal arts education was linked to Christ-centered service by Salter. He stated that, like Taylor, Wabash College trains its students to write and speak with clarity and eloquence, wit and humor, and to handle quantitative reasoning, developing mathematical literacy. "Scholarship results in a kind of liberation, a broadening of perspective which delivers us from certain kinds of ignorance," Salter said.

There is ample opportunity for the Christian scholar in a
scholarly world which is in considerable disarray, Salter pointed out, citing Colossians 1:17 as the verse Christians should hold to: "He is in and before and all things, and in Him, all things hold together."

"For the Christian liberal arts college, and for the Christian man or woman called to the vocation of scholarship, good news," Salter stated. "There is a center, and it is holding. His name is Jesus Christ. It is God’s creation that we study, and his truth is one. Thus, there is convergence, and for us, at least, the hope of coherence.

"President Kesler, I charge you to keep Taylor University steadfast in its commitment to Jesus Christ. In so doing, you and your university have the potential to render great service to liberal learning."

John W. Ryan
President, Indiana University

Challenges of higher education must be faced if Taylor is to educate the leadership of tomorrow, Ryan said. Finances, tax laws, competition among colleges for students, faculty and attention—all are problems which require insight and creativity from the president.

Ryan pointed out one reason for optimism: "That is Taylor University’s mission of evangelical Christian education and the presumption in that of the presence here of true teachers—professors who know they must care about their students if they are to influence them, students who must care about the idea of education if they are to learn.

"In all of these challenges, your preparation itself will assist you; the history and character of Taylor will inspire you; the memory of predecessors will encourage you; and your faith will fuel and sustain you," Ryan concluded.

Richard G. Lugar
Senator, State of Indiana

Lugar, chairman of the Senate’s Foreign Relations Committee, spoke on the preparation of students for world citizenship, recognizing that Taylor University, through its preparation of missionaries, had been carrying on world citizenship long before it may have seemed appropriate in other universities.

Nearly 40% of the U.S. market is in international trade, Lugar noted, adding that this country serves up a $170 billion deficit in world trade. From the world economy, Lugar moved into the need for world peace, commenting on the recent summit in Iceland: "It’s an interesting theory that the peace has been kept for 40 years by mutually-assured destruction—the absurdity that both sides have the technical prowess and the political will to use it if fired upon first."

After putting in a plug for Corazon Aquino’s government, Lugar optimistically approached Taylor’s mission. "It seems to me there is a set of minds that comes from Christian education that makes it possible for men and women to approach world
citizenship with a very different quality of humanity and compassion," he said, "who really understand the fact that God brought us all here, and that we have the quality and sense of adventure for faith while we are here - wherever we are - and who will act upon that assumption."

William R. Ponko, A.I.A.
LeRoy Troyer
LeRoy Troyer and Associates
Ponko, architect for LeRoy Troyer and Associates, stated that the success of the library and the bell tower was due to a team effort which included parties representing Taylor, professional consultants, construction crews and donors.

Troyer presented plaques to President Kesler, Board Chairman John McDougall, and Business and Finance Vice President Norman Mathews, which read: "Marking 140 years of service by Taylor University, the Rice Bell Tower and the new Zondervan Library symbolize the joining of spiritual life and academic excellence; reflecting the Christian light of the world within the pendulum of time both permanence and transitory."

Elwood H. "Bud" Hillis
Congressman, State of Indiana
Hillis, who is retiring after this, his eighth term in Washington, reflected on early visits to Taylor with then-Presdent Milo Rediger. "We would tour the campus, and he would tell me of the plans for the future, and we would see ground broken for this facility and that facility, and see the change that was taking place. And now we see it as it has come together: one of the finest private Christian institutions in the United States of America."

This past summer, Hillis donated his Congressional papers to the archives of the Zondervan Library. "I wanted them here because I considered Taylor a premier, distinguished institution. That was true then, it is true today, and will be true in the future because of the actions these fine people (the Rices and Zondervans) have taken to make these facilities a part of the Taylor University campus.

"But there still is no replacement for the person of high moral integrity and character, well-educated, committed to Christ - the type of graduate that comes from Taylor University - and that was why I was happy to designate this school as a repository for my papers and be a part of this dedication today."

Jim Wierenga
President,
Taylor Student Organization
Adding a nice blend of humor to the seriousness of the dedication, Wierenga contrasted life in the two buildings. Space, he noted, was the biggest difference, the numerous carrels and study rooms making the Zondervan Library more conducive for study. "It's bright and inviting; it makes you want to study. In the Ayres Library, it almost felt like in the basement you were entering a monastery, with the dim lights. You expected to hear Gregorian chants in the background.

"We lost several students in the basement over there. We found them on library move day, though, so they're all right."

Wierenga noted another change: "I felt in the past as though students would go to the library at Ayres to socialize, and that when they had serious studies, they would stay in the rooms or go to the union. Now I feel as though that has been reversed, and that is the way it should be.

"When students go to the Zondervan Library, it's a challenge to us, it's an encouragement to us, to be studious and diligent with the work God has provided for us here."

Edward E. Dinse
Associate Professor of English
Two creative metaphors were established in Dinse's speech which contrasted Taylor's two libraries. "The old building, strained beyond its limits, began to resemble the inside of some huge, old tree occupied by an astonishingly organized and industrious family of squirrels who gathered only the best food and packed it into every corner, every nitch, of the tree.... People
"...We looked around and saw a solid foundation for the (library). And so the Bible is a solid foundation for what is taught here at Taylor."

Pat Zondervan

find a crowded library a difficult place to read, to gather information, to reflect upon that information. Owing to the ingenuity and helpfulness of the library staff, though, Ayres Alumni Library served students and faculty well. Like squirrels, perhaps, we adapt to our environment...

"The beautiful structure and furnishings of the Pat & Mary Zondervan Library remind me of a well-furnished mind: relaxed, at ease with itself, filled with light, quietness, calm - a suitable place for acquiring and sifting knowledge and for reflecting... The Zondervan Library offers an enormous incentive to use both the technology of our contemporary world and the wisdom of the past to advance the kingdom of our Lord."

Scott J. Hafemann  
Assistant Professor of Religion  
Value of the written word was strongly emphasized by Hafemann. "Today marks in Taylor University's history, I think, a very clear statement. We are continually committed to the priceless value of the accumulated knowledge of the past because of our hope for the future...."

"Experience is not the best teacher. In fact, I would submit for your thinking today that only fools learn from experience. The wise man, or the wise woman, learns from the experience of others - and others, and others, and others... We're saying that books are worth quite a bit. In fact, we're saying that books are worth more than anything else we have, and are the center of everything else we have. Books are priceless because wisdom is priceless."

Hafemann concluded his speech by noting that the Apostle Paul wanted only two things in his final days: a cloak for warmth in the damp prison where he was held, and books to read.

Robert R. Rice  
Son of Mrs. Garnet I. Rice and the late Raymond E. Rice  
On behalf of his mother, Rice shared some thoughts of his parents' commitment to Taylor University. "I know that their lives were greatly influenced and molded by Taylor, and I find it very easy to identify with that love and loyalty they felt for their alma mater.... "It's because of their very positive, valuable experience at Taylor that my parents developed an interest and concern for those students that were to follow. They've wanted to support and promote those values and beliefs that they had gained here, and they wanted other young people to have similar opportunities to grow and to learn...."

The bell tower "is also a symbol of their faith in God, of their love and their concern and desire to enrich the Taylor environment and its students," Rice added. "The bell tower translates into brick and mortar, and I can testify too, to beautiful sounds, the love and blessings they want to share with people here. May the spirit that the Rice Bell Tower symbolizes touch and be shared with each future Taylor graduate."

P.J. "Pat" Zondervan  
Co-founder,  
Zondervan Publishing House  
Recalling the groundbreaking ceremony for the library two years ago, Zondervan said,

"After the cornerstone ceremony, we looked around Taylor and saw a solid foundation for that building. And so the Bible is a solid foundation for what is taught here at Taylor."

Zondervan recited several quotes from famous literary figures which spoke to the value of books:

- "There's no book like the Bible for excellent learning, wisdom and use." - Sir Mathew Hale
- "Every great book is an action, and every great action is a book." - Martin Luther
- "All that mankind has done, thought, gained, or been, is lying in magic preservation in the pages of books. They are the chosen possession of men." -- Thomas Carlyle

Zondervan had additional thoughts about the value of literature: "Don't read to be big; read to be down-to-earth. Don't read to be smart; read to be real. Don't read to memorize; read to realize. Don't read to learn; read to sometimes unlearn. Don't read a lot -- maybe I shouldn't have said that; read just enough to keep yourself curious and hungry to learn more, to keep getting younger as you grow older.

"Read books and be helped."

Reading from several books, including the Bible, Pat Zondervan illustrated the value of books with the words of famous figures in history.
Geoff Moore '83 and Ric Florian '85 sang in the Christian rock band Portrait while at Taylor. Now, Geoff, at left in the photo below, has a solo career in Nashville; Ric, below-right, recently became the lead singer for the rock band White Heart. It had been over three years since the two grads had performed together on the Rediger Auditorium stage, but when Geoff joined White Heart for an encore number, it gave the two a chance to sing together again in front of a Taylor audience as a sort of homecoming privilege.

Geoff Moore and Ric Florian, both recent Taylor graduates, bring their ministry of Christian rock music evangelism back to campus. For both, it is...

...a sort of Homecoming
And the September 20 concert is a sort of homecoming: Moore is a recent Taylor University graduate, as is Ric Florian, the lead singer for White Heart. Together, they will deliver a three-hour message of good news - Christian rock music evangelists spreading the word of God to the accompaniment of guitars, drums and synthesizers.

The message of Jesus Christ is the reason for the music, so don't place Moore and Florian in the same category with Van Halen, Motley Crue, or Prince. "What we do is so different from what they do," Moore explains. "The music sounds the same, but the mood is different because we're communicating the message of Jesus Christ -- not the message of sleeping with your girlfriend, or getting stoned, or whatever. We are encouraging our audience to righteousness, where as a lot of pop shows are encouraging their audience to unrighteousness. That is evidenced in the way the audience behaves."

Taylor's audience could have been Moore's prototype. Students sing along with both Moore and Florian, clapping their hands in celebration to the beat of the music. When Florian stops the show to talk about the need to take advantage of Taylor's myriad service possibilities, the students listen with rapt attention. And when it is time to pray as a body of Christ, every head is bowed, every mouth is silent.

Communication of God's word is the key. "The cheers and all that wear off very, very quickly," Moore says. "Somebody asking you for an autograph -- that's for them, not for you. The applause, the ova-tions, none of that means anything. It all becomes the purpose of what you're doing. And it's certainly not a financial venture for any of us, so there's got to be something greater there, and that's obviously got to be that we feel God has put this calling in our lives."

That doesn't mean there isn't opposition to his method of evangelism. Moore, himself, lets people know that in his cover of Larry Norman's Why Should the Devil Have All the Good Music:

Some people don't seem to understand,

'What's a good boy doin' in a rock and roll band?'

"Ninety-nine percent of the critics we encounter are people who have not dealt with issues in their own life," Moore says, "like what our responsibility is as Christian evangelists.

"The biggest thing that people need to come to grips with is the evangelistic impact of Christian rock music. Bob Hartman, with Petra, said something to me the other night when I was playing in Seattle with them. There were about fifty or sixty kids who accepted Christ for the first time at this concert. Afterwards, he said, 'You know, people keep telling me God cannot use rock and roll. Well, somebody better go and tell them, 'cause, doggone it, He just did it again.'"

It's a barrier that is at times frustrating. "I had a kid come up to me after our concert last night and ask me to sign a poster for his girlfriend, who couldn't come," Florian says. "He said her mom wouldn't let her come to hear this kind of Christian music... The bottom line is that you ask 'Why?' and they say their parents just don't like it.

"The whole concept is that when they hear this aggressive music, I really do believe they think Motley Crue and these other secural groups. They think that we're sending the same message because the music's the same. If these parents would understand that their kids are going to listen to music, no matter what, and that our music can evangelistically change their lives and have an impact on so many people, why not at least find out what it's about?"

"We need to give kids an alternative, where they can come and hear good rock and roll and at the same time hear the message of Jesus Christ," Moore states. "We're communicating in a language kids understand."

Florian, Moore, and the other musicians spend nearly three hours after the concert talking to signing autographs and, most importantly, talking to young people.

Arlin Troyer, second from left, is a 1983 Taylor graduate with a degree in Christian Education. He's also the person who introduced Geoff Moore to the world of Christian rock music, and now plays bass in Moore's band.
Moore, Florian reflect on life at TU

During their "homecoming" concert, both Ric Florian and Geoff Moore shared with their audience how important and crucial they felt their Taylor experience was. Below are some thoughts both singers shared before taking the stage.

Ric Florian: "One of the most exciting things about being back here is that I'm going to understand my audience. Those kids out there are experiencing every stage of my walk as a Taylor student, from freshman through senior year.

"You can leave Taylor and not have grown at all, but there are so many opportunities here. If students can get a grip on that while they're here, they will grow for God more than they ever thought they could. It was mind-blowing."

Geoff Moore: "Between Ric and me, we have probably played nearly every major Christian college in the U.S., and about Jesus Christ. "That helps build that approachable, vulnerable characteristic that's important for us to have," Moore says. "And it's important to the kids, even if it's just a 30-second encounter, to see that you're a nice person, and that if you want to pray with them, you can. They need to see that you look normal when you don't have blue-gel lights shining on you, and that you do sweat.

"And, sure, it's easy for adults to think, 'That's just silly.' But for a 12-year-old kid, a lot of times it's hard to separate where the stage ends and reality begins. Those encounters give you the opportunity to shape the reality of who you are and what you are trying to do."

Florian, a 1985 graduate on his first tour with White Heart, realizes the importance of opening up to the audience. "You break down that 'person-on-stage,'" he says. "I want to let them know that I just went to Taylor two years ago and attended a White Heart concert there. That I'm no different than them. People look at these performers as such Godly people sometimes, just because they're Christian artists.

"I wish they could spend time on the tour bus for a while, live with us. We do weird things, have fun, get angry, have arguments. We are so human, and for them to realize that is exciting for me — for them to realize that I am human, too, and that I make mistakes. It's exciting for me to break down that barrier that separates us."

Besides the opposition occasionally faced from anti-rock music people in the Christian world, there is a more personal conflict that challenges Moore and Florian.

Although both want to have an evangelistic impact on the world for Jesus Christ, they are also products in an overly-saturated Christian music industry.

"There's an odd balance there, but it's a good one," Moore says. "Pop music is built on this unobtainable image — Michael Jackson had it a few years ago, Prince after that, Madonna, Cyndy Lauper — just the massiveness of how incredible they are.

"In fact, they're almost described with divine characteristics, and those are things that we want God to have. So through our marketing, through our publicity, through our press sheets and all that is written about us, we keep a purpose in realizing that we want to gain visibility so we can take that visibility — that soap box, as it were — and point people to Jesus Christ. Then we are being good stewards of the publicity and notoriety we have."

But it's not an easy road in Nashville, Tennessee, music capital of the world. "For lack of a better word, there's a lot of trash involved with the whole music industry," Florian says. "At times, it's very depressing, and it makes you want to ask 'Why?' But then when you meet people and talk to people who are doing things for the right reason, who sincerely want to glorify God and further his kingdom in what they're doing, then it sets you back on the track in the right way. It makes you want to get moving."

Moore was introduced to Christian rock music by Arlin Trower, a roommate on 2nd East Wengatz, and presently the bass player in Moore's band. With some others, they formed Portrait, a Christian rock group on Taylor's campus that met with quite a bit of controversy. "We weren't exactly welcomed with open arms," Moore says wryly. His first performance was during Nostalgia Night at Taylor, singing Norman's Why Should the Devil Have All the Good Music.

Florian became a backup singer for Moore; a year after Moore
had moved to Nashville and landed a solo contract, Florian felt God calling him to test the Christian music waters. "I didn't want to get caught up into the music scene, like a lot of people who say they're going to stay there until it happens," Florian explains. "I didn't want that to happen, because I knew that wasn't what God would have for me. I wouldn't have been listening to Him."

"Ric went into it with an open-ended policy," Moore says. "I tried to paint a pretty dark scenario for him, because it is a pretty dark picture. People kid about it, but in Nashville, the odds are 90 in 100 that the person who waits on you in a restaurant is trying to make it in the music industry. It really is a massively-saturated society to the point where you either have to have monstrous talent or God has to have his hand on you."

A chain of remarkable, unforeseen incidents landed Florian the lead singer's spot with White Heart last spring after a year-and-a-half in Nashville. He considered it the last shot at Christian music before turning his path toward the mission field.

Now he is fronting one of Christian rock's top bands, sharing the word of God with hundreds of thousands of people through recordings and concert performances. "I believe that giving it all to God every night and wanting Him to do what He can through us makes it all so much easier," Florian says. "I'm just doing what God wants me to do."

"We're not an authority on parents," Moore adds, "but we are growing to be more and more an authority on the state of youth today. And what young people need today is to be listened to and understood. Then they can be challenged and disciplined and can live by guidelines."

It's a rock music alternative that is working, too, despite the controversy. "My answer to critics is to wake up and look around; see where our youth culture is going, and then see what Christian rock music is doing to avert that," Moore says. "That, to me, is our greatest winning point."

And it's a rock music alternative that is keeping its evangelists very, very busy in their task of spreading the news of salvation. "The thing that gets us back on the bus every night," Florian concludes, "is seeing these kids' lives being changed by the things we're telling them about Christ."

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Taylor breaks enrollment goals

During a year when the potential college student pool continued to dwindle, Taylor University was able to meet and beat its enrollment goal.

Through the work of the admissions office, 473 freshmen were enrolled at Taylor for the fall semester, easily topping the goal of 450. Overall enrollment is 1,492 students; Taylor’s goal was 1,450.

Despite the closing of the 48-student Swallow-Robin residence hall during the summer, all Taylor students were able to be housed. Off-campus housing numbers increased, but Taylor University continues to be committed to serving students as a residential campus.

Year-end giving provides bonus

At times, the economic climate contributes more than usual to the enjoyment of giving by saving tax dollars. While considering year-end personal and financial plans, remember that up-to-date information which will help you plan your giving wisely is available through Taylor University’s Planned Giving Office.

Contact Nelson Rodiger at 1-800-882-3456 if calling from outside Indiana, or at 1-800-882-2345 if calling in Indiana. Also, if you would like to receive a free booklet, Tax Reform 1986: Year End

Planning Strategies, it, too, is available by contacting the Planned Giving Office.

In addition to the primary benefits - emotional and personal - which are derived from the charitable act of giving, certain tax benefits are also available. Be certain to save tax dollars when considering a gift to Taylor University.

News and notes around campus

Secretaries Tell Buroker and Sharon Hopkins were named Student Friend Award winners for 1986. The honor, bestowed upon Taylor staff persons or Upland community members who provide friendship and encouragement to students, is presented by the Taylor University Parents’ Association.

NIV Study Bibles were presented to Taylor faculty and staff families as a gift from Pat and Mary Zondervan. The Bibles were published with an embossed Taylor logo on the cover and a special title page declaring the celebration of the library dedication and inauguration of Jay L. Kesler as president.

Dr. and Mrs. Lester Gerig were honored at the first chapel of the academic year for their many years of service, support and love for Taylor University. President Kesler presented a plaque of appreciation to the couple and re-emphasized the naming of the south residence hall as Gerig Hall.

Gary Newton, instructor of religion, successfully completed his doctoral studies and defense of his dissertation in September.

Walt Campbell, associate dean of students, received the Whitney M. Young award from the Grant County Urban League. The annual honor is based on outstanding community service.

The women’s cross country team won the NAIA District 21 meet for the second consecutive year and qualified for November’s NAIA National Championship at Kenosha, Wisconsin. Coach Ray Bullock was named District 21 Coach of the Year for the second straight year, also.

Stunce Williams, who was instrumental in designing Taylor’s Lighthouse program in the Bahamas, was awarded an honorary doctorate during the November 7 chapel service.

Sue Savidge, administrative assistant at Wandering Wheels, was named “Honorary Alumna” by the Taylor Alumni Association. Dr. Sam Wolgemuth, 1938 graduate of Taylor and member of the board of trustees, was given the association’s highest award, the Legion of Honor.

Copies are available from the president’s office of the inaugural program and President Kesler’s speech.

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Class News

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Kathryne (Bierl) Sears was honored this summer as one of the 100 outstanding women in the 100-year history of the United Methodist Women. The honor came at the UMW’s National Assembly in Anaheim, CA, when she and 30 other living recipients were recognized for their service to the United Methodist Church. Missionary work has taken her to India, South America, Latin America, and Japan, as well as Seoul, Korea, where she had served as president of the International Foundation of the Ewha Women’s University Board. A math major at Taylor and Alumni Award winner, Kathryne was the first woman trustee of the Taylor University.

'47
Upland has been the home of Russ &Trudy (Johnson ’70) Clark since Russ’ retirement from
the U.S. Air Force with the rank of Lt. Col. Trudy is a retired elementary school teacher, and both are still actively involved in music ministry in their church and community. All four of their sons have attended Taylor. Russell Jr., '68, who is senior pastor of the Urbana, Ohio, United Methodist Church; David, '70, who works at 3M in Hartford City; James '73, who is senior pastor of Good Shepherd United Methodist Church in Dayton; and William x74, who works part-time in advertising art and design at the University of Arizona.

'52 Lois, wife of Jim Comstock, is undergoing rehabilitation therapy following her collapse on June 9 suffering an aneurysm of the brain. Since then she has had surgery twice, the second time to place a shunt in her cranium. Her husband and children praise God for answered prayers on her behalf, and ask for the continued prayers of friends for her complete recovery. The family's home address is 2001 Haymadow, Carrollton, TX 75007 (214) 242-3070.

'56 Roland & Joan (Sloane x58) Coffey have moved to Rockwall, Texas, where Roland is now regional director of LeTourneau Ministries International in the Southwest. LMI is a mission support organization specializing in purchasing property, building churches and providing strategy for evangelism and discipleship of congregations in the capital cities of Latin America. Joan, with a counseling degree from Rollins College, ministers in counseling and women's seminars. The couple has served together in Christian and Missionary Alliance parishes for 30 years; their address is PO Box 194, Rockwall, TX 75087.

'57 Miriam (Culp) Stewart teaches English 101 at Keene State College in New Hampshire. Husband Douglas retired from the U.S. Navy Chaplains Corps and is now pastor of the Fitzwilliam Community Church. Youngest son Kenneth spent six weeks in Zaire this summer with Teen World Outreach. The family's address is Box 41, Fitzwilliam, NH 03447.

'62 Umpiring at London’s Wimbledon Tennis Tournament this summer was Sheldon Basset. Later in the summer he umpired in Tulsa at the Virginia Slims Tennis Tournament, seen on national TV. She coaches basketball and tennis at John Brown University in Siloam Springs, Arkansas.

Art Devo received the doctor of ministry degree from Denver Conservative Baptist Seminary in May, working in the area of establishment of YFC ministry in a major metropolitan area. Art, wife Lois (Staub x63) and family live in Indianapolis, where Art is regional field director for Western Great Lakes Region, YFC, and oversees 21 YFC chapters in Indiana, Illinois and Kentucky. Lois is a teacher. They live at 7922 San Ricardo Court, Indianapolis, IN 46256.

'63 Dale & Janet (Spitzer '62) Senseman have moved to Canton, Ohio, where Dale is senior pastor of Eleventh Street Church of God. Janet is teaching elementary music at Plain Local Schools, while son Mark is a junior in college and daughters Melissa and Michelle are at Perry High School. The family’s address is 434 Roxbury NW, Massillon, OH 44646.

'66 Vero Beach, Florida, is now home for Gary & Judy (Carlson) Jones. Gary is coaching football, and Judy is teaching English at Vero Beach High School. Gary, Judy and their two children live at 911 47th Ave., Vero Beach, FL 32960.

'68 Jim Jerele qualified for the 1986 Bud Light U.S. Triathlon Series National Championship after a second place finish in a qualifying triathlon at Findlay Lake Park in Wellington, Ohio. Competing in the 40.46-year old division, Jim had to swim 1.5 kilometers (nearly a mile), bike 40 kilometers (nearly 25 miles), and run 10 kilometers (over six miles).

A doctor of ministry degree in marriage and family was awarded to Terry R. Snyder from Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary in May. Terry is pastor of Albright UMC in South Connellsville, Pennsylvania. He and wife Shirley have two children.

'69 The new director of Christian education at Hickory United Presbyterian Church in Hickory, Pennsylvania, is Brenda Brenneman. Brenda, who spent 13 years with Youth for Christ, continues to reside at 517 East Chestnut St., Washington, PA 15301.

Charles (Chuck) Fatare has been named headmaster of First Baptist Church School in Shreveport, Louisiana. As a recipient of a National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship, he spent July in Sarasota, Florida, doing research on the diaries of John Winthrop, Puritan founder of Boston. Charles' school address is 533 Oxley Dr., Shreveport, LA 71106.

Gordon Mendenhall was awarded the National Science Foundation's Presidential Award for Excellence in science and math teaching, one of 108 teachers recognized nationwide, and one of two Indiana teachers to receive the honor. Along with the award, Gordon received a $5000 grant.

'70 Carol J. Meier teaches driver's education and seventh and ninth grade health at Liberty Center, Ohio, where she also initiated the Henry County chapter of Students Against Drunk Driving (SADD). This past year Carol was named a Martha Holden Jennings Scholar, an honor given to outstanding educators in Ohio.

'71 Highland, Michigan, is home for Gary Evans, wife Wanda, and their two children. Gary is pastor of the Highland Congregational Church after serving for nearly eight years at the First Congregational Church in Kenosha, Wisconsin. The family resides at 4072 Clifton Ridge, Highland, MI 48031.

Beth (Black) Firestone is a summer '86 graduate of Taylor, finishing the music education degree she started 20 years ago. She and husband John, a junior at IFW, have two children and live at 466 Jefferson St., Cromwell, IN 46732.

A second master's degree, this one in Biblical counseling from Grace Theological Seminary, has been awarded to Gary Sinclair. He continues to be the director of counseling at Southfield Christian School in suburban Detroit, where he has worked for 12 years. In addition, Gary is involved in part-time counseling practice and is a regular speaker/musician for camps, retreats and conferences. Gary, wife Jackie and their two children live at 16191 Negaunee, Redford, MI 48240.

'72 Dick Jones is a physician's assistant employed by Grand Valley Health Plan in Grand Rapids, Michigan. He graduated from Indiana University School of Medicine's P.A. program in 1977. Dick and wife Pat have recently moved from Tuscon, Arizona, and reside at 1252 Maplewood Dr., Jenison, MI 49428.

A master of arts degree in elementary education was awarded to Joan Provins from Northeast Missouri State University in August.

'73 The new director of career planning and placement at Illinois Benedictine College is Joyce Richardson Fletcher. Joyce is a doctoral student in counseling; she and husband David have lived at 216 W. Evergreen St., Wheaton, IL 60187 (712) 665-3174.

'75 David Stockman is an aerospace engineer with Sundstrand Corp. He and wife Petra live at 7074 S. Main, Rockford, IL 61102-5112.

'76 After spending several years as director of employee relations and later on a special assignment to data processing, Steve Brogan and wife Sue have recently been called of God to full-time ministry. Steve has taken a position as area director for Young Life of greater Flint, Michigan, an outreach ministry to high school students. The couple and their two-year-old daughter live at 8308 Belle Bluff Dr., Grand Blanc, MI 48439.

'77 Essa G. Sacklah has been asked to serve on the national board of directors of the Palestine Human Rights Campaign, established in 1977 to secure internationally recognized human rights for Palestinian people. PHRFC has local chapters throughout the U.S. and Canada, and is composed of individuals from religious, academic, civil rights and peace communities. After teaching for two years in Detroit and one year in Jerusalem, Essa has established a delicatessen and catering business in Houston and serves in several American Arab organizations. His address is 5661 Hillcroft, Houston, TX 77036.

Stephen A. Wyatt has been named an
Associate of the Society of Actuaries. He had to complete an intensive course of study and examination administered by the Society on the basic concepts underlying the financial analysis of risk and its application to health and life insurance, pensions, and other security programs. Steve is senior actuary with Hutchison and Associates, Inc., Raleigh, North Carolina.

'79 Lt. Duane Purser is a Navy chaplain assigned to the 5th Marine Division at Camp Lejune, North Carolina. Duane completed his training at Denver Seminary, then spent a year as campus minister at the University of Denver. He received his commission in the U.S. Navy in 1985 and has just completed a six-month tour of duty with the Marine contingent of the 6th Fleet in the Mediterranean. Duane and wife Frances have a one-year-old daughter.

'80 After spending three years in Oregon as a residence hall director at George Fox College, Ken Fink is back home in Chicago. He's accepted a management position with ServiceMaster and now lives at 5641 N. Rogers, Chicago, IL 60646.

'81 Tim and Jeannie Johnson attended TEAM candidate school in June with a goal of going to Japan in July of 1987. In the meantime, Tim is serving as a missions intern at First Missionary Church in Ft. Wayne and taking additional Bible courses at Ft. Wayne Bible College. Jeannie continues teaching; third grade at Ft. Wayne Christian School. Their address is 7331 Lakedge Dr., Ft. Wayne, IN 46819.

Congers, New York, is the new home for Doug & Robin (Moo) Taylor. Doug received his Ph.D. in chemistry from the University of Illinois in January and is now working for American Cyanamid in its medical research division, Pearl River, New York. Robin works for Africa Mission's U.S. headquarters as assistant to the director of financial services. The couple's address is 14 Tremont Ave., Congers, NY 10920.

'82 Beth (Kroeker) Davis received a doctorate in veterinary medicine in May from Purdue University. She and her husband now live in Clearfield, Pennsylvania, where Beth has joined a veterinary practice and Terry is extension agent for Clearfield County. Their address is PO Box 56, Clearfield, PA 16830.

Scott Welch was graduated from Ashbury Theological Seminary and ordained in May. In August he and wife Cheryl (Mayer '81) moved to Athens, Georgia, where Scott became assistant pastor of Friendship Christian Church. Scott, Cheryl and their year-old son live at Route 2, Box 4, Athens, GA 30607.

'83 Joanna Svaan works for Beacon Communications, a newspaper publishing company in Massachusetts, where she has recently been promoted to assistant to the accounting manager. Joanna's address is 290 Berlin St., Apt. 18, Clinton, MA 01510.

'84 Tom & Beth (Knudsen) Shevold made the move from Phoenix, where Tom was product marketing manager for Texson Corp., to Bloomington, Indiana, where he is now sales service manager for KPT Inc. Beth works for a CPA firm. Their address is 3101 Acadia Ct., Bloomington, IN 47401.

'85 South Carolina is a new home for Bonnie Barkdoll. She is teaching kindergarten and a program for four-year-olds in the public school, and resides at 414 Cashua St., Apt. 4, Darlington, SC 29532.

'86 Joy Matthews is employed with E-Systems, Inc., in St. Petersburg, Florida, as production material coordinator in the communications manufacturing division. She lives at 13771 86th Ave. N., Seminole, FL 33754.

Senator Phil Gramm's Washington, D.C., office has the services of legislative counsel and assistant to President Jeff Schaffner. Jeff's address is 508 East Capitol St. NE, Washington, D.C. 20003-1141.

Don Vite is a computer audit technician consultant at the Chicago World Headquarters of Arthur Andersen & Co. Don lives at 879 Benedict Dr., Apt. 103, Naperville, IL 60540.

\section*{Weddings}

The wedding of Debra Louise Gierhart x78 to James McCall Evans, Jr., took place October 11 at First United Methodist Church, Hammond, Indiana, where James is associate pastor. Debra is a registered nurse at Munster Community Hospital. Their address is 7141 Meadow Lane, Hammond, IN 46324.

On May 24, Mike Reger '79 married Susan Annette Elijah in Nichols Hills Baptist Church, Oklahoma City. Mike is assistant manager at Baptist Medical Center, and Susan is a personnel assistant there.

Doug Treu '80 married Kathy Hadley on September 6. The wedding took place at Wyoming Park Baptist Church, Wyoming, Michigan, a suburb of Grand Rapids. The couple's address is 1655 South Carriage Lane, New Berlin, WI 53151.

Marilyn Collins '82 was married to David D. Bennett in a candlelight ceremony at the Southport Presbyterian Church in Indianapolis on July 19. They now reside at 7531 Chase Circle #180, Arvada, CO 80003, a suburb of Denver.

August 23 was the wedding date of Carol DeHaan '82 and Jim Molinar. Carol is a commercial artist in Wheaton, and Jim is an assistant basketball coach for DePaul University. The couple's address is 234 East Oak St, Wheaton, IL 60187.

On June 7, Shelli McNally '82 was married in White Plains, New York, to David Bartels, a senior at Alliance Theological Seminary.

Shelli is admissions officer for the seminary. She and David hope the Lord leads them into church plantings upon David's graduation. Their address is 609 North Young, Nyack, NY 10960.

Scott Norris '82 and Teri Reyes were married March 29 at Community Free Methodist Church of Azusa, California. Taylor participants in the ceremony were: Jim Norris '76, Bob pew '76, Dana Pew '76, Becky Norris '79, Kent Mosler '82, Dan Norris '82, Jeff Quick '72, Kevin Greves '83, and Bob Benson '84. Scott completed his masters degree in marriage and family counseling at Azusa Pacific University and currently works as a children's social worker for Los Angeles County and at the Laird Counseling Center in marriage and family counseling. Teri is a loan processor backup for Funders Mortgage Company. Their address is 324 W. Meda #1, Glendora, CA 91740.

Kara Boehm '83 married Robert Molenhouse on May 17 at the Westminster Christian Reformed Church. Their address is 4125 N. Houston St., San Antonio, TX 78228. Robert is a 1981 graduate of Calvin College and works as warrant manager for Crossroads Chevrolet-Buick in West Chicago; additionally, he owns a snow-plowing business in the Wheaton area. Kara is a banker in charge of the student loan program at the Bank of Wheaton. The couple's address is 2530 Linda Ave., Wheaton, IL 60188.

August 1 was the wedding date for David Eastman '83 and Lorie Harbin in Akron, Ohio. They are living in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, where Dave is in his second year of law school at Wake Forest University.

Sandra Fidler '83 & Daniel Norris '82 were married July 18 in Pasadena, California. Maid of honor was Jean Christian '82; best man was Scott Norris '82, and Richard Norris III '72 was a groomsman.

Wendy Piebie '83 and David R. Mumm were married December 28, 1985, in San Antonio, Texas. Matron of honor was Susan (Richey '84) Allgood. Wendy has been an account executive for WOAI radio since graduating from Taylor, and David a third-year medical student at the University of Texas in San Antonio. They live at 4834 Wesleyan, San Antonio, TX 78249.

July 12 was the wedding date of Michelle Green '84 and Jim Steinbeck in Cincinnati, Ohio. Taylor people in the wedding party were: Natalie Green '89, maid of honor; Maribeth (True '84) Fleischhauer, matron of honor; and Linda (Moor) Ogle x87, bridesmaid. Michelle is a travel agent working for Barney Rapp Travel, and Jim is a CPA working for Schar & Schar. Their address is 2711 East Towers Drive Apt. 201, Cincinnati, OH 45238, (513) 451-5127.

On December 21, 1985, Jonathan Steiner and Janet Carlson, both '84, were married at the Evangelical Covenant Church in Grand Rapids, Michigan. Taylor alumni in the wedding party were best man David Steiner '86 and groomsmen Mark Steiner '75, John Norton '84, and Michael Mishek '84. Jon is an assistant manager at Old Kent Bank & Trust in Grand Rapids, Janet is currently working for
Kennedy Marketing Research. They reside at 3723 Dublin NW, Walker, MI 49504.

John Swenson ’84 and Stacy Snyder were married January 11 at the First Presbyterian Church in Aurora, Illinois. John is an operations manager for Central Transport, Inc., and Stacy is a graduate of Illinois State University who is now working toward her master’s degree in social work at Aurora University. The couple’s address is 66 S. Lincoln Ave, Aurora, IL 60505.

Sue Young ’84 married James Curry on June 14 in Harleysville, Pennsylvania. Taylor people participating were: Linda (Lubbert ’84) VanDeMeulen, Denise Dester ’86, Chris Young ’88, Kelly Pool ’87, Patty Varner ’87, and Bob Springer ’80. Sue is a director of a sheltered workshop for the mentally retarded in Harleysville, and Jim is a Carpenter. Their address is 23 West 4th Street, Lansdale, PA 19446.

On July 26, Terri George ’85 and Bob Allsbrock were married at Arden Presbyterian Church in Asheville, North Carolina. Leah George (Hooks ’83 and Vickie George ’81 were matron and maid of honor in the wedding. Terri is a school dropout prevention specialist in Asheville, and Bob is a tennis professional at Oak Hills Racquet Club in Hendersonville. Their address is 81 Tennis Ranch Rd., Hendersonville, NC 28792.

Paul A. Hadley ’85, son of Ralph and Evalyn (Deyo ’64) Hadley, was married to Rebecca S. Jenkins on April 12 in Danville, Indiana. The groom’s grandfather, Rev. Wallace Deyo ’31, administered the vows. Matt Hobolth ’87 and John Stark ’87 served as ushers, and Jim Robbins ’85 was an usher. Paul is a caseworker for Hendricks County Child Welfare Department, and Becky is employed at IUPUI. Their address is 822 Harding St., Plainfield, IN 46168.

Kathy Pope ’85 & Kevin Hartman ’86 were married on June 21 at Faith Covenant Church in Wheaton. Terri Leombruso and Bill Albert ’86 were participants in the wedding. Kevin is a software specialist for the Digital Equipment Corporation, and Kathy is a substitute teacher. They live at 3122 Westchester Court, St. Charles, IL 60174.

Jonna Wallace ’88 became Mrs. Patrick Tracy on August 9 at the Upland United Methodist Church. Both Patrick and Jonna have entered the nursing profession; Patrick is a graduate nurse, and Jonna is a senior nursing student, at Marion College. Jonna is the daughter of John (continued education) and Doris (advancement) Wallace, Taylor University.

On August 20, Steve Kastelein ’86 and Peggy Ann Genitz were married in the Evangelical Mennonite Church in Upland.

**Births**

Dick ’70 & Carol (Wright ’73) Olson announce the recent adoption of their third child, Liamin Min Hee, age 1, born in South Korea. She joins sister Joylyn, 2, born in Columbia, and brother Jonathan, 4, of Thai descent. Dick is self-employed as a building contractor and Carol stays quite busy at home. The family’s address is 2922 W. Meadow Drive, Phoenix, AZ 85023.

Mike and Meegan (Weyrach ’71) Reidy announce the birth of Emma Caitlin on January 22. Emma, her parents, and her brother Jonathan live at 105 S. Barr Street, Crawfordsville, Indiana, 47933, where Meegan teaches second grade at Mills School and Mike is associate director of admissions at Wabash College.

Carli Marie was born to Brian and Darlene (Wood ’73) Madderom on September 15. She joins brothers Chip and Ben. Darlene works as a medical technologist in a St. Petersburg hospital. The family’s address is 5655 54th Ave. N., St. Petersburg, FL 33709.

Kyle James was born October 28, 1985, to David ’71 & Joan (Smith ’73) Sorensen. Kyle’s brother Matt is a University of Connecticut student. David is owner/president of Financial Strategies, Inc., while Joan keeps a busy schedule at home. The Sorensens live at 317 Spring Ridge Court, Carmel, IN 46032.

Tim ’74 & Karen (Hardy ’73) Lockhart announce the arrival of Peter John (P.J.) on June 10. Sisters Courtney, 9, Katie, 7, and Anna, 4, pamper him at home. Tim is currently chief of juvenile probation in Elkhart, and Karen is on a year’s maternity leave from teaching half-day third grade. They live at 152 Manor Ave., Elkhart, IN 46516.

Michael and Stephanie (Vincent ’77) Fruth announce the birth of Stephen Michael on June 10. Stephanie works part-time at the YMCA of Indianapolis Ransburg branch as a women’s fitness coordinator. She, Michael, Stephen, and their children Bradley and Emily live at 9648 Downes Ct., Indianapolis, IN 46236.

Charise Juliana was born August 15 to Lindy and Andy (DeWeese ’77) Heath. Lindy is a high school science teacher, and Andy, a former elementary school teacher, is now at home with Charise. The family lives at 1821 State Road 26 West, West Lafayette, IN 47906.

Stacy Lynn was born May 26 to Kenneth ’77 & Pamela (May ’79) Kenipe. Stacie joins sister Lori Anne at their family’s home, 5948 Smith Road, Brook Park, Ohio 44142. Ken is pastor of West Park Baptist Church in Cleveland.

Arnie ’77 & Janet (Shafer ’78) Sprunger announce the birth of Nathanael Lane Sprunger, who joins brothers Joshua and sister Kristen at the family’s home, 1547 Pond Road, Englewood, Missouri 63035. Arnie is manager of a unit at Digital Equipment Corp. in St. Louis.

Christopher James was welcomed into the world by parents Jim ’78 & Karen (Rhode ’79) Bowman and sister Brandyn Lyn on May 6. Jim is a school psychologist for the Hammond City Schools, and Karen is on a leave of absence from her job as guidance director in the Union Township Schools. The family lives at 5106 W. 77th Ct., Merriville, IN 46410.


Ned and Mary (Davis ’78) Rogers are happy to announce Mary Katherine’s arrival on August 8. Ned is a wedding applications engineer at Hobart Brothers, and Mary is taking time off from her job as a substitute teacher. They live at 1559 Henley Road, Troy, OH 45373, (513) 335-8566.

Brittany Jo was born July 11 to Mark and Paula (Frank ’79) Davis, joining the couple’s other children, Andrew and Lindsay, at their home, 101 Kelli Court, Lebanon, IN 46052. Paula works part-time as a substitute teacher, and Mark is a salesperson for Hoosier Photo Supply; both are involved in the AWANA ministry of their church.

Stephen J. Gregson x79 and wife Dianne announce the birth of Andrew James (A.J.) on April 28. Stephen is presently vice president of Health Care Services & American Health Services Corp. in Clearwater, Florida. The family resides at 1101 E. River Drive, Margate, FL 33063, (305) 972-2389.

Heather Lee was born to Leanne and Paul Beach ’80 on July 11. Paul is currently an instructor with AT&T, teaching systems analysis. The family resides at 35 Saxony Circle, Flemington, NJ 08822.

Larry ’80 & Carrie (Young ’79) Hall announce the birth of Emily Susan on January 29. Larry is in his second year of residency in radiology at Grandview Hospital in Dayton, Ohio. The Hall family lives at 1054C Cambridge Station Rd., Centerville, OH 45459.

Brian Timothy was born February 21 to Chris ’82 & Vickie (Highley ’80) Houts. Vickie is taking a leave of absence from Otterbein College’s nursing program, from which she will graduate next June. Chris graduated from the Ohio State University College of Medicine this summer and began a pediatric internship at Columbus Children’s Hospital. The family’s new address is 2674 Kent Road, Columbus, OH 43221.

Richard and Debra Jo (Wallace ’80) Rice are delighted to announce the birth of Brianna Marie on July 15. Debbie is a Navy wife, having just moved from California to Richmonb, Virginia, where Richard will be a Navy recruiter. She is the daughter of John (continued education) and Doris (advancement) Wallace, Taylor University.

David and Jill (Blue ’81) Brown are proud to announce the birth of Jonathan David on November 21, 1985. The family’s new address is 2117 St. Clair Ave., East Liverpool, OH 43920.

Allison Elizabeth was born May 20 to Keith and Cynthia (Ferguson ’81) Horney. Keith is district manager for Szabo Foods, and Cindy is assistant manager at Dayton’s National Bank. Their address is 9144 Andiron Drive, Indianapolis, IN 46250.

Walter E. ’81 & Shari (Guthrie ’82) McRae III
announce the birth of son Benjamin Michael on April 3. Shari received her master's degree in counseling and is currently working as a counselor for Richland Newhope Center in Mansfield, Ohio. Walter is beginning his final year of study for a master's degree in pastoral psychology and counseling at Ashland Theological Seminary. The couple's address is 84 Sammarian Ave., Apt. B12, Ashland, OH 44805, (419) 281-1012.

Karen (Cowley '81) Newman and husband Kirk welcomed Katherine Denise into the family on September 19, 1985. Kirk is a chemical engineer at the Yorktown Naval Weapons Station and Karen is now home with Katherine after teaching four years of first grade at a local Christian school. The family's address is 8 Sylvia Lane, Newport News, VA 23602 (804) 874-6403.

Pam (Bogart '82) Henderson and husband Trent announce the birth of Emily Rachelle on August 23. Their address is 5214 Bagnall Dr., Jefferson City, MO 65101.

Jeffrey Nathan was born to Jeff Butcher '82 and wife Paula on June 11. Jeff is currently teaching social studies and coaching at Franklin Township Middle School in Indianapolis. The family's address is 1193 Plymouth Rock Way, Greenwood, IN 46142.

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Lana and Mike Wolfe '82 announce the arrival of Michael Charles on August 22. They live at 2747 Glenwood Court #10, Boulder, CO 80302.

John Jacobsen '83 and wife Andrea, who were married in June, 1985, announce the birth of daughter Karri Michelle in May of 1986. The family's address is 16 Main St., Flanders, NJ 07836, (201) 884-3397.

Ken '83 & Betzi (Bliss '84) Meyer welcomed Amanda Kristine on October 21, 1985, and are now expecting the birth of their second child in February. Ken works with his father in the family business, Service AutoGlass. They live in Naperville, IL.

Jeff and Marsha (Neal '84) Brunett are the new parents of Elizabeth Corinne, born September 16. They live at 127 Napoleon Road, Bowling Green, OH 43402.

Deaths

Rev. Deane W. Irish '28 died August 25. He is survived by his wife, Mary Elizabeth (Beebe '28). Rev. Irish was a United Methodist minister in the Wisconsin Conference for 45 years; he and Betty were married on the Taylor campus in 1929. Betty's address remains 12056 Caron Drive, Sun City, AZ 85351.

Virgil McClanister '29 died August 24. His wife Margaret lives at 4016 Brown Street, Anderson, IN 46014.

Charles Stuart '35 died September 5; he was the son of former Taylor President Robert Stuart. An outstanding basketball player during his college days, Chuck was inducted into Taylor's Athletic Hall of Fame in 1983.

Mrs. Stuart's address is 5706 Woodson Drive, Mission, KS 66202.

Dr. Raymond M. Kinchelow '41 died June 8. A professor at Canadian Bible College for 30 years, he loved both teaching and learning. Most recently, he had taught courses in evangelism explosion in both the college and the church. He leaves his wife Christina (Stelling x43), four children and 11 grandchildren. Christina lives at 4400 Fourth Avenue, Regina, Sask., S4T 0B8, Canada.

Dr. Raymond B. Isely '59 died on June 27, a victim of Lou Gehrig's disease. He served as a Methodist medical missionary to Africa from 1965-75, returning to work on international health projects at the Research Triangle Institute, a private, nonprofit organization in Chapel Hill, North Carolina. He held a medical degree from Washington University in St. Louis, a doctorate in tropical medicine from the University of Antwerp, Belgium, and a master's degree in public health from the University of North Carolina. Eight days before his death, Dr. Isely was presented with the 1986 Distinguished Service Award by APA International Health Section at his home in the Washington, D.C., area. His wife Ruth (Skaaden x89) remains at the family's home, 4683 Forestdale Dr., PO Box 2158, Fairfax, VA 22031.

Christie (Shafer '67) Rentschler and her six-year-old daughter Gretchina were killed September 26 in a head-on auto collision near their home. Christie's husband Bill was seriously injured; their-12-year-old daughter Allison was not with them at the time of the accident. Their address is Box 145A3, Pennsburg, PA 18073.

John Boundary '85 was killed August 28 when his car was hit by an armored truck which had broken away from a towing vehicle. John leaves his wife Connie (Smalley '78) and their three children. Their address is 104 West Taylor Street, Upland, IN 46989.

Global Taylor

Jim '44 & Genevieve (Shuppert '45) Bertsche have retired after 38 consecutive years of service with Africa Inter-Mennonite Mission, working in The Belgian Congo/Republic of Zaire. During their years in Africa, they witnessed the transition from the colonial era to the country's political independence in 1960 and the period of rebellion against the central government four years later. Their work included bush evangelism, teaching/pastoral training, administration, Scripture translation and work with women and high school girls. The couple returned to the States in 1974 and have served these last 12 years in the home office of the Mission. All three of their children grew to adulthood in Zaire and have returned to the country at one point or another on assignments of their own. Sandra (Bertsche '72) King and Tim '78 are both Taylor grads; Tim and his family are presently in Zaire serving under the AIMM Board. Jim and Genevieve will continue to live at 57770 Roys Avenue, Elkhart, IN 46517.

Larry Brown '45 has returned to Brazil where he and wife Betty (Hughes x45) lived and ministered for many years until Betty's death in 1983. Although eligible for retirement, Larry has offered to keep working and will receive an appointment from his Bishop in Brazil.

Barbara Hovda '53 returned to Taiwan in October to begin her last term of service with Overseas Missionary Fellowship. She is hostess in the Holiday Home at Hualien on the east coast. Her address is Min Chuan 4th Street #1, Hualien 950, Taiwan, R.O.C.

Dr. Charles Friley '58 is medical coordinator for Africa Inland Church, serving in Nairobi, Kenya. He and wife Marlene, a nurse who received her training at Fort Wayne Bible College, have served in Africa for 11 years. Their address is A.I.C. Medical Coordinator, Box 21010, Nairobi, Kenya, East Africa.

Darrell and Ruth (Shively '60) Sikkeng have returned home on furlough from South Africa where they serve with TEAM. During this furlough, Ruth is working on an MA in Christian ministries at Wheaton Graduate School. Their address is c/o TEAM, PO Box 969, Wheaton, IL 60189-0699.

Upon graduation from Taylor, Carol Emery '71 returned to Colombia, where she had grown up as an m.k. While teaching high school there, she met and married Alvaro Peña, who is currently pastor of the Presbyterian Church in Girardot, Colombia, and an executive member of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches; they have four children. The family recently met a Sports Ambassadors basketball team on tour and discovered that three team members were from Taylor!

Stan & Lorri (Borenda) Nussbaum, both '71, and their children Anjila and Adam have moved to Birmingham, England, where Stan is on the faculty at the Center for New Religious Movements at Selly Oak Colleges. Stan completed his doctorate in missionology at the University of South Africa in May.

John and Beth (Weyeneth x71) Petersen and their three daughters live in Quito, Ecuador, where John teaches at Alliance Academy and Beth works part-time as a dental hygienist. Their address is CCI Casilla 4934, Quito, Ecuador, S.A.

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Parents' Weekend provides challenge, entertainment, and family togetherness

Family unity, fun and fellowship was the name of the game for Parents' Weekend, October 10-12, on Taylor's campus.

It was a weekend of togetherness, parents discovering all that had happened to their son or daughter for the first month of school, and students taking in all the news from home. It was a weekend of celebration, Ron and Carolyn Patty capping the festivities with a concert of inspirational music. It was a weekend of challenge, John Huffman and wife Anne ministering to parents and students during chapel, prayer breakfast, and the Sunday worship service.

The Pattys, parents of Dove award winner Sandi Patti and outstanding musical artists in their own right, presented an evening of sacred music and spoken praise. Their music is featured in numerous albums, on world-wide radio via the Christian Brotherhood Hour, and in personal appearances and concerts, including many family tours.

John Huffman, Jr., is pastor of the 3,000-member St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Newport Beach, California, and a well-traveled worker for God. He recently worked with Billy Graham in the Amsterdam International Conference for Itinerant Evangelists and has been to more than 50 countries, ministering, leading study groups, meeting with international leaders, and studying missions and international relations. Anne Huffman is actively involved in women's ministries.

Parents' Weekend was also occasion for the premiere showing of the 1985 Circle America trip, sponsored by Wandering Wheels. Bob Davenport, founder and director of the Wheels' program, shared with the audience and plugged the Circle America II trip scheduled to begin in January.

The weekend's activities were dulled somewhat by the football team's 21-8 loss to Rose Hulman. Both the men's and women's cross country teams, however, more than made up for that setback with team championships in the National Christian College Athletic Association meet hosted on Taylor University's rugged course.
Fred Bock, music educator, receives honorary doctorate

A highly respected publisher of both Christian and educational music, Fred Bock, was awarded an honorary degree, Doctor of Music, during Taylor's annual academic convocation in September.

Among Bock's business ventures are Gentry Publications, publishers of music for school and concert use, The Raymond A. Hoffman Company, a 52-year-old publisher of operettas for elementary school use, and Fred Bock Music Company, publishers of church music for organ, choir, piano and instruments. In addition, Bock is the editor of the million-selling *Hymns for the Family of God*, a revolutionary hymnal used in the Rediger Chapel.

Joining in the celebration and recognition of Taylor's emphasis on whole-person education was Bill Gaither, a long-time friend of Bock's.

Bill Gaither, at right, joined Taylor's faculty and staff in recognizing and honoring a friend and colleague, Fred Bock, during the academic chapel held in September.

Bock, at top right, is perhaps the most highly respected man in music publishing business; besides his work as a composer, arranger, musician, and publisher, Bock also serves as president of The Church Music Publishers Association and member of ASCAP's advisory board.

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