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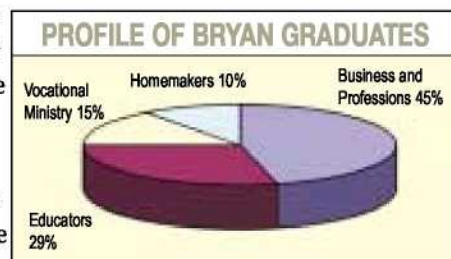


The President's Perspective

The past few months have been such a blessing for my family and me as we have become part of the Bryan family. As I have been privileged to take the responsibility of becoming Bryan's seventh president, I am amazed at the incredible potential of Bryan and our graduates to influence our world for Christ's Kingdom.

The highlight of this semester has been to watch 151 Bryan seniors finish their degree programs and receive diplomas during the commencement exercises that were held outdoors on our beautiful mountain campus. Although it is always hard to let the seniors go, we are encouraged to know that God has called them into many avenues of service through their chosen vocations.

Our graduates are making a difference in the vocational areas to which they are called because they have been prepared to engage our culture with the unchanging truths and principles of God's Word. While students at Bryan, they have been engaged in an intense study of our culture; they have examined the underlying philosophy of the icons of our society—the art forms, the music, the media, and the heroes in all walks of life. Through this study and the sharpening discipline of developing critical thinking skills through interaction



with faculty and classmates, a new generation of professionals understands our culture and is prepared to engage that culture with the timeless truths of a Biblical worldview. It is only through this prayerful engagement that God will use our graduates to redeem a culture satisfied with itself and consumed with "walking according to their own plans and obeying the dictates of their evil hearts" (Jeremiah 18:12).

God will bless and exalt a nation and a people whose God is the Lord, who live according to the dictates of God's word and not their own consciences. In this issue of Bryan Life, Dr. Kurt Wise, Associate Professor of Science and Director of Origins Research at Bryan, examines the vital role that a proper view of creation as taught in God's word makes in the life of an individual. Through creation we understand the concept that an intelligent mind, the God of the universe, designed our world and all of mankind—not to bring glory to ourselves, but rather to reflect Him and His glory.

Because God is our creator, He has established the guidelines whereby we are to conduct our lives and serve in the vocation where we are gifted and educated. Indeed, all of creation points to a matchless Creator; and the greater our understanding of His creation, the greater our love for Him will be manifest in our service to Him. As Dr. Wise carefully points out, theology and science should never part ways. Bryan College is blessed to have some of the foremost creation scientists in the world working with our students, challenging their thinking, and guiding them in the process of significant research.

I invite you to share in this ministry through your prayer and careful consideration of investing your financial resources in educating students to make a difference for Christ by engaging our culture with the message of God's redeeming grace. Please pray for Bryan College that we may continue to teach our students what it means to love our God with all of our minds, what it means to base our quest for truth on an understanding of His creation, and what it means to love others in service to Him.

SCIENCE:

A Verb That Needs a Foundation

by Kurt P. Wise, Ph.D.



To a scientist, science is a verb. It is something a scientist does. It's a way of living life; it's a way of thinking. To a vast majority of non-scientists, however, science is a very strange activity indeed. Why, for example, would a person want to spend countless hours closely examining such things as birds and bushes, rocks and reptiles, oceans and ice? What value is there in knowing how many planets there are in the solar system and how many moons orbit them, or what types of crystals and fossils are found in a particular rock? How could these things be of any help to anyone? With so many needs in the world, why examine things which appear to meet the need of no one?

God created us to bring glory to Him – for us to become like as He is and thereby show God and His attributes to the remainder of the creation. We are to grow to think like God thinks, to desire what God desires, to see what God sees, and to purpose as God intends. To achieve these ends we must learn all we can about God's thoughts, desires, perspectives, and intentions. The actions of God give us great insight into such things. What God created was a product of His thoughts; what God desired was what He brought to be; the pattern of His creation was a manifestation of His perspective; and what God intended He spoke into being. A careful study of those things made, then, should contribute to an understanding of God and what we need to know to become like Him. The primary and ultimate value of studying the creation, then, is so that we can become like our God.

Although God desires us to know Him, He is a God Who cannot be seen and we are beings strongly tied to that which can be seen. Consequently, God has chosen to reveal Himself through the physical creation. And, since He shows Himself through the creation, we can know that the creation exists. We also know that there must be a pattern to the cre-

ation that is worth knowing, and that the pattern was made simple enough for us to understand it, and we have the ability to accurately perceive and understand that pattern. Because God desires people from all times and nations to know Him, we also know that the pattern of creation is constant over all space and consistent through all time. All these things – the existence, pattern, know-ability, and consistency of the physical world – every last one of these, must be believed to do science. The physical world must exist for us to study it; it must have an understandable pattern we can perceive for us to find it; it must be consistent enough in its character to identify its patterns. These and other things must be believed to make the study of science reasonable. As such they are beginning assumptions (presuppositions) of science. A Biblical perspective of the physical world, then, gives us good reason to believe the presuppositions of science.

Interestingly enough, other worldviews do not provide reason to believe the presuppositions of science. Those who believe that the physical world is all that exists would have to believe that several of these truths are unexpected coincidences. For example, naturalists believe that humans are continuously evol-



ing and that the universe is continuously degenerating. It would be an incredible coincidence that we happen to live at such a time when our brain is complex enough to understand the physical world's pattern and the physical world's complexity has degenerated to the point where we can understand it. There would also be no particular reason to believe that the physical world's pattern is consistent through all time and across all space. A naturalistic worldview does not provide good reason to believe the presuppositions of science. What about other worldviews? They similarly fail. The transcendental worldview, for example, tends to doubt the value – and in many cases the existence – of the physical world. Science makes no sense if it studies something that isn't there! In short, only a Biblical worldview gives us good reason to believe the presuppositions of science.

Science also has a set of ethical standards. Scientists are not to steal ideas or data and they are not to lie about data collected. There is also a strong skepticism in science as data claims are not to be believed until they have been verified and theories are not to be

“Only a Biblical worldview gives us good reason to believe the presuppositions of science.”

accepted until they have

been evaluated. Such ethical standards as these follow from Scripture. Scripture tells us we are not to steal and we are not to lie. Scripture also tells us that fallen man is not to be trusted – that a healthy skepticism is warranted. Such standards do not follow from other worldviews. Ethics derived from naturalism, for example, would suggest that we can lie or steal as is necessary. Only a Biblical worldview gives us reason to believe the ethics of science.

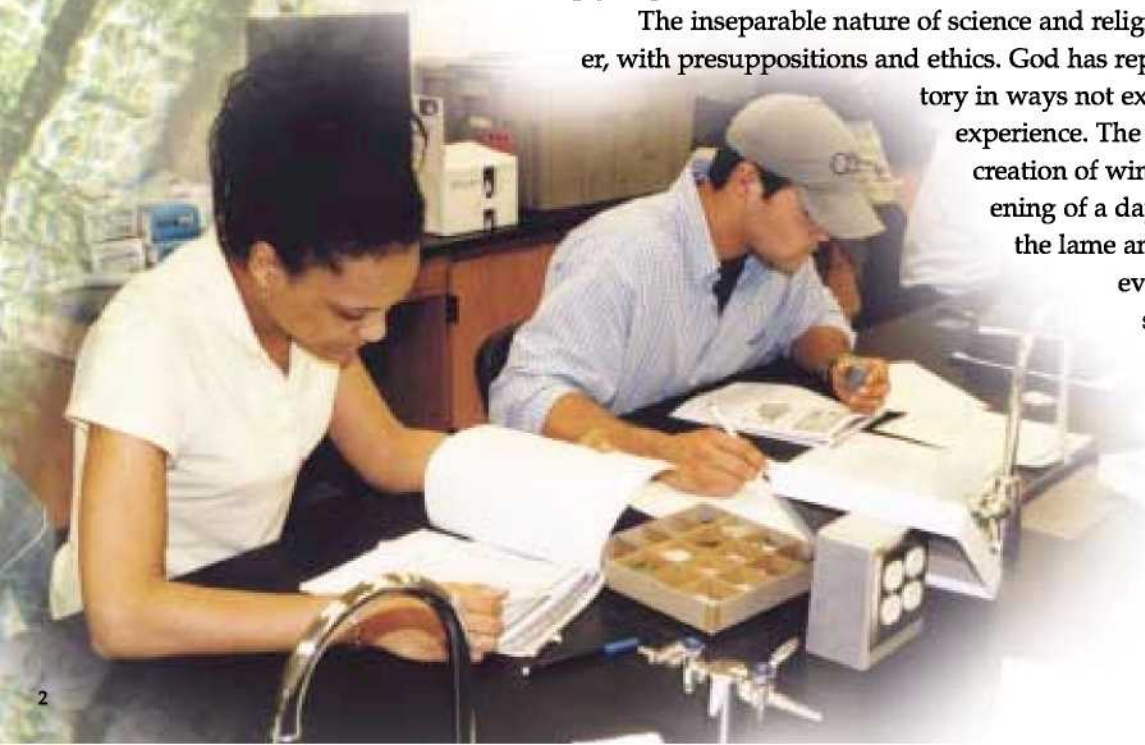
Doing science implicitly accepts both the presuppositions and the ethics of science. Since those presuppositions and ethics are ultimately consistent with only a particular religious position, science is almost literally dripping with theology. As a consequence, science cannot be done without theology or religion. In spite of the claim of many naturalists who say that science can and should be done without religion (e.g., Stephen Jay Gould's NOMA – non-overlapping magisteria – hypothesis), it is simply impossible.

The inseparable nature of science and religion does not end, however, with presuppositions and ethics. God has repeatedly intervened in his-

tory in ways not expected by our common experience. The floating of axe heads, the creation of wine from water, the lengthening of a day, the sudden curing of the lame and the blind – these are

events unexpected in the study of present processes.

To accurately deduce the true history of things, it is necessary to consider the intervention of the divine. To assume a different type of intervention or no intervention at

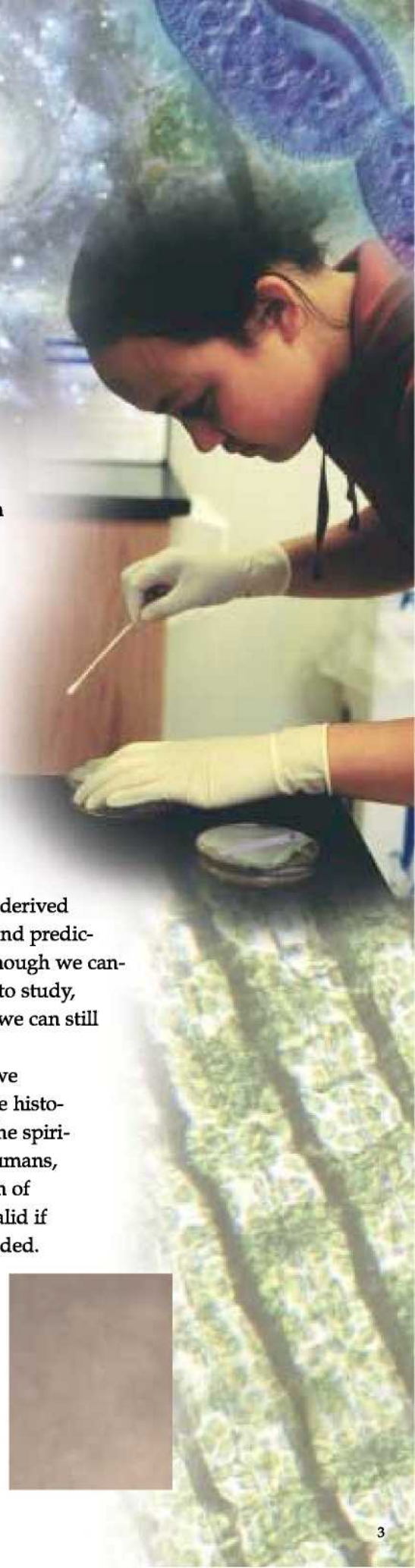


all will lead to an incorrect understanding of the past. We also know from Scripture that a non-physical world exists (e.g., angels, Satan, and demons). This non-physical world can interact with and change the physical world (e.g., Satan causing tornadoes, fire from heaven, and boils in the days of Job). To study the past (and the present) without accepting the existence of such beings will lead to an incorrect understanding of the events of the physical world. According to Scripture, we also learn that the non-physical makes up an important part of a human (e.g., Biblical references to the human heart; Adam coming to life only after God breathing into his nostrils). To study humans, human institutions, or human society without considering this important dimension of humanity would be to seriously misunderstand. It is only by considering things like this that we know from God's revelation alone that we have a chance of arriving at truth. Rejection of any or all of these theologically derived truths guarantees an incorrect understanding of things. If one values truth, then we are forced to conclude that theology – the right theology – must be an integral part of science.

Some object to including religion in science because science studies only that which can be tested in the physical world and God is not part of the physical world. It is further argued that since we don't know how God created things, claiming God created is wholly untestable and thus wholly unscientific. However, as indicated in Romans chapter one, even God's invisible attributes are made visible in the physical creation. Therefore, a theologically derived understanding of God should result in understanding of the physical world and predictions which can be born out in the nature of the physical world. Thus, even though we cannot see God and may never know how He actually created, it is still possible to study, understand, and make predictions about the physical world. In other words, we can still do science.

In sum, theology and science should never part ways. To glorify God as we ought, we need to recognize Him in those things made. To accurately infer the history and nature of the creation we need to accept the intervention of God and the spiritual world into the doings of the physical world. To accurately understand humans, human institutions, and society we must consider the non-physical dimension of humanity as taught in Scripture. Whereas some would say that science is invalid if theology is included, in point of fact, science is invalid if theology is not included. True science cannot and should not be done without a serious consideration of Biblical truth. 🏰

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David Johnston –

Serves His Country With a Test Tube



David and Jacquie Johnston with their children, Nicholas, Karinna, Nathaniel, Kyrle-eleyson, Quentin, and Kriste-eleyson.

“Army career” may conjure up images of tanks and battlefields for

many, but for David Johnston, test tubes and laboratories better describe how he serves his country and makes a contribution in his field of biochemistry.

David, a 1992 Bryan graduate with a degree in biology, entered the Army Reserve during his sophomore year. “I had always been patriotic but was not by nature given to violence,” he said. “An obvious fit was to become a medic. This would provide the additional GI Bill money, drill pay, student loan repayment, and a signing bonus, plus, it was a practical application of the education I was receiving.”

“The education” he was receiving started out as psychology, but he changed to biology, looking toward medical school. Research and the pursuit of scientific knowledge, however, grabbed his attention. Vanderbilt University and a doctorate in biochemistry followed.

Research wasn’t the only thing that caught his eye at Bryan. David met Jacqueline Myers, a fellow biology major, in a lab course, and the two were married the day after they graduated.

With his background in biology from Bryan, he focused his graduate research activities on the biological structure of mutated DNA and the damage caused by certain toxins.

After completing his coursework at Vanderbilt, David spent four years at Bryan as assistant professor of chemistry before the financial pressure of repaying student loans forced him to look for employment beyond the college. It was in this search that he learned of a post-doctoral research fellowship at the U.S. Army Medical Research Institute of Chemical Defense (USAMRICD). Instead of the fellowship, he chose to join the active duty Army as a biochemist. With a new officer’s commission, he

moved his family to Maryland to begin a tour of duty at the Aberdeen Proving Grounds.

At USAMRICD, Dr. Johnston described his duties as “bench science,” working in the lab researching how a particular toxin works. During several summers, Dr. Stephanie Hartz, professor of biology at Bryan, and a number of students participated in research projects with him.

Like other military assignments, the posting to Aberdeen ended after 2 1/2 years. He was offered a choice of work at the U.S. Department of State’s Office of Nonproliferation or the Pentagon’s Defense Intelligence Agency for his next tour of duty. David chose the Pentagon, where he works in the area of threat analysis.

“The honor system, Christian virtues, and integrity principles championed at Bryan were invaluable for a positive and rewarding career first as an Army medic and then as an Army science officer,” Capt. Johnston said. “Besides the excellence in education and teaching quality, Bryan provided the tools necessary, both in the classroom and in the laboratory, to pursue graduate education.

“At Vanderbilt’s chemistry department, I found myself among the top of my class even though I was a biology major at Bryan. Bryan taught me not only what to know about science, but also how to think in science.

“As my military career progresses, I may not continue to do research like I did at first, but I will be directing and evaluating others’ work. But the education I received at Bryan remains foundational for what I do. At the same time, the spiritual foundation and training I received will be so valuable as I try to make a difference in the lives of men and women I work with.” 🏠



Coach Sees Growth in First Baseball Season

The record was not what he had hoped, but Coach Preston Douglas looked back at his first Bryan baseball season with the confidence that he built on the team the Lord supplied.

"This was a growth time for us," he said of the team's 8-35 record. "Every one of our guys got better. We have some talented athletes, but all except one were freshmen, and we were playing against sophomores, juniors, and seniors.

"Next year, the guys coming back will have a year of experience. They won't be in awe of playing here, or of who they are playing. The focus will be on trying to be as good as we can be. If we get the missing pieces of the puzzle, I think we're capable of good things."

One of the major morale boosters for the team was a 2-1 victory over eventual conference tournament champion Milligan. Although the outcome was different, Coach Douglas was encouraged despite a 7-8 loss to King in the conference tournament play-in game. Three costly errors with men on base contributed to the loss. "We were getting a little confidence at that point in the season, so I think if we had won we could have played a little longer."

The top recruiting need for this summer is pitching. "We need more pitching depth," the coach said. For that matter, "we need more depth at every position. We can't play with 16 guys when everybody else in the conference has 30."

And with the program's start-up details out of the way, he's looking forward to the extra time that should be available to develop the mentoring relationship with his players that are at the heart of the Bryan experience. 🏠



First baseman Zach Corn takes a throw during an early-season contest.

Tennis Teams Persevere Through Tough Season

It was a tough spring for Bryan College tennis as the men won one match and the women didn't win any, but Coach Bob Andrews was pleased with the effort his players put forth.

Building teams of six players each as the season began, the Lions saw potential for the future, but the men won only against the University of Virginia-Wise. On the women's side, three freshmen showed particular promise as they gained collegiate experience.

"Becca Byrer was competitive at No. 3 all year," Coach Andrews said. "This was her first year of competition in tennis, and she came close to winning in the conference tournament."

He also complimented freshmen Katie Neff and Holley Halford for their play during the season and their interest in continuing intercollegiate play.

He praised senior Michael Sheddan for his play at No. 1 through the season. "People don't understand what it takes to go out against very good tennis players and get whipped week after week so everybody else can compete."

Juniors Courtney Roberts and Kimberly Dyer, at No. 1 and 2 respectively, were bright spots for the women. They also were named to the All-Conference Academic team, as were Travis Seera and Tim Opelt for the men. Kimberly also was named to the Sportswoman Team in recognition of the character she displayed during competition.

During the AAC tournament, Tim Opelt won his first match, to give the Bryan men a point and tie them with Milligan for fifth place. The women didn't score.

Following the season, Dr. Andrews was named dean of adult studies for Bryan, and announced he would be giving up his coaching responsibilities. The college administration has announced plans to suspend intercollegiate competition after this season, pending reorganization of the program. 🏠

Unprecedented Changes Mark the Life of the **CLASS OF 2003**

One hundred fifty-one graduates – Bryan’s largest graduating class ever – marched across the stage on the Latimer Student Center patio May 10, leaving a campus marked by unprecedented change during their four years.

President Dr. Stephen D. Livesay welcomed nearly 1,800 guests to the ceremony, and welcomed Dr. William E. Brown, his predecessor, who recounted some of the trials and blessings the Class of 2003 had encountered during the past four years.

During the class’s four years at Bryan the Latimer Student Center was completed, the Administration Building burned and was rebuilt, the library was built, traffic was rerouted from the middle of campus, lights were added to the soccer field, baseball was revived as an intercollegiate sport, and trustees chose a new president.

During vespers on May 9, class President Rachel Held reminded classmates and family members gathered in Rudd Auditorium that those changes – particularly the fire of February 2000 – helped teach this class that Bryan College is “more than buildings; it is people.”

Dr. Livesay told the graduates, “I commend you today to unlock the secret of a successful life – of giving yourselves anew each day to God’s hand of guidance and to His service. I commend you to God’s providential hand of care and keeping.

“I commend you to honoring the motto of what is today your alma mater – Christ Above All – for as you honor and live out that motto, you honor Bryan College and all who have gone on before you. I commend you to living lives of excellence – lives of lead-

Two presidents took part in graduation ceremonies in May. Dr. Stephen D. Livesay, who took office Feb. 1, presented graduates their diplomas, and his predecessor, Dr. William E. Brown, was on hand to greet and congratulate class members as they crossed the platform.

ership in the vocation to which you have been called.

“And finally, and most significantly, I commend you to the greatest of commandments – to love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, all your strength, and all your mind, and to love your neighbor as yourself.”

The graduating class included 84 who received the Bachelor of Arts degree, 66 who received the Bachelor of Science degree, and one who received the Associate of Arts degree.

Rachel Held, an English major and president of the senior class, delivered the address on behalf of graduates in the traditional program. She told her classmates that the education they received has given them an edge on their contemporaries at secular colleges and universities.

“At Bryan, we have been educated with truth as our goal. We have been challenged to pursue it, find it, and let it change our lives. The world, with its tragedies and victories, its moments of beauty and horror, makes sense when we have a consistent approach to it, and best of

all, when we come to know Christ, even the darkest moments are brimming with hope.”



Jennifer Vanden Heuvel, an English major from Seymour, Wisc., is congratulated by Dr. Ray Legg following graduation. Jennifer, one of the outstanding English graduates, has been awarded a fellowship and additional incentives to pursue graduate studies at the University of Tennessee. Another English graduate, Aaron Clayton, has been accepted to study at Oxford University in England.





Fayth (Conner) Lawson, Frances (Henderson) Price, Dean Koontz, Alice (Willene) McLeroy, and Norma Sweeney. Back are Alumni Association President Steve Stewart, Fred Donehoo, and Donald Walker.

Members of the Class of 1953 who were on hand to celebrate the golden anniversary of their graduation included, from left, front, Barbara (Becker) McIntosh, Mary (Grover) Naff, Grace (Smith) Koontz, Ryland Rock Jr., Charlotte (Howell) Rock, and James Kirtley. Second row,



Lisanne Boling of Dayton, Tenn., and David Arute of Dothan, Ala., received the P.A. Boyd Prize in recognition of their influence on their classmates.



Bryan this year continued the vespers tradition of calling graduates to the front of Rudd Auditorium, where they formed a circle linked by a ribbon with the college logo. Dr. Livesay cut the ribbon, giving each graduate a piece for a memento, and former President Dr. Bill Brown greeted each in turn. Here, Dr. Livesay cuts the ribbon for Rachel Palmer of Dayton, Tenn., as her mother, Betty, also a 2003 graduate, looks on.

Diane Walker, representing the ASPIRE degree completion graduates, challenged the graduates to "reject passivity.... It is time the silent majority is heard. It is time we tell the atheist, 'You do not have to pray, you do not have to say the pledge of allegiance, you do not have to believe in God.' But the traditions and institutions that they want to destroy do not belong solely to them. We can make a difference by letting the silent majority be heard and by putting God back as the foundation of our families and institutions."

During the service, the college conferred an honorary Doctor of Letters degree on Marilyn Laszlo, Class of 1959.



Academic Vice President Dr. Cal White places the hood of her honorary doctoral degree over Marilyn Laszlo's head during commencement. President Dr. Stephen Livesay, who read the citation for the degree, watches.

Miss Laszlo was recognized for her life and testimony as a linguist with Wycliffe Bible Translators among the Sepik Iwam people of Papua New Guinea.

David Arute, a psychology major from Dothan, Ala., and Lisanne Boling, a communication arts major from Dayton, Tenn., received the P.A. Boyd Prize, presented to a senior man and woman "whose principles and character have secured for them the highest degree of influence over their fellow students." The Boyd Award is considered one of the most prestigious awarded by the college.



Graduate Katie Lott shares a laugh after vespers with her parents, Larry and Karen Lott of Houston, Texas. Graduates were honored with a reception on the patio of the Latimer Student Center following vespers.

Three underclassmen were presented the P.A. Boyd Prize in recognition of their "principles and character [which] have secured for them the highest degree of influence over their fellow students" during the Honors Day convocation in April. At the same time, senior Sasha Morgan received the Judson A. Rudd Testimony and Influence Award, chosen by the freshman class as the upper-classman "exerting the best Christian influence on incoming students." Pictured, from left, are Boyd winners freshman Matt Henderson, junior Toks Olowola, and sophomore Paul Downer, with Sasha Morgan.



Lion Tracks

Spring 2003

50's

LESTER and MARY (GRAYDON) DOW, both '58, reside in Livermore, Maine. Les preaches at Richmond Corner Baptist Church as well as being a full-time accountant for the State of Maine. Mary is taking black and white photography courses with the University of Maine. They both stay busy enjoying their 11 grandchildren.

70's

BEVERLY (SHONDELMYER) OWEN, '75, and family reside in Cedar Falls, Iowa, where Beverly is employed with Area Education Agency Seven, teaching elementary students with severe behavior disabilities. Beverly and Wes have three children, Aaron, 20; Emily, 18; and Tyler, 15.

ELLEN (SMITH) ROYAL, '75, announces that her husband, Ashley, was sworn in as a United States District Court judge in Macon, Ga., in



Ellen and Ashley Smith, Ashley Jr., Carson, Lauren, Austin, and Caroline

January. Ashley's appointment was based on merit, not on connections. The entire process was directed by God. Ellen teaches three middle-school math classes at First Presbyterian Day School in Macon. The Royal family resides in Macon.

KEN BAKER, '76, his wife, Gwen, and family are missionaries to Niger. Their focus of ministry is church development and outreach. So far this year they have participated in nine missions conferences and have had numerous opportunities to present their life and ministry in Niger.



Ken and Gwen Baker, Catherine, Michelle, and David

'76, received a Master of Science degree in education, majoring in foreign language/English as a second language, from the University of Tennessee - Knoxville in May. Becky is the education department administrative assistant at Bryan.

BRIG. GEN. MASTIN ROBESON, '76, spoke to Bryan College students in April. Gen. Robeson has had combat experience in Liberia, Desert Storm, Somalia, and Bosnia. His personal decorations include the Defense Distinguished Service Medal, Legion of Merit Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (with three gold stars), and the Navy Commendation Medal. The general gave an encouraging speech to the students and then commented on the current war in Iraq in a class with Dr. Bill Ketchersid.



Brig. Gen. Mastin Robeson, left, visited with Justin Eisenback, son of Jon, '74, and Marilyn (Hawkins), '75, Eisenback, a student and member of the Marine Corps Reserve, while at Bryan in April.

the director of food services at Girls Preparatory School and an employee of SAGE Dining Services in Chattanooga, Tenn. Tom recently received one of the company's four national awards at a corporate meeting in Baltimore. He was named Rookie Manager of the Year from among 40 candidates.

JANICE (HAMILTON) JONES, '77, recently visited Bryan College. She teaches school at Panama Central School. Jan and her husband, Cliff, have five children: Jennifer, 22; Jessica, 21; Joshua, 19; Justin, 15; and Jolene, 14. Jan and her family reside in Lakewood, N.Y.

80's

DR. ERIC CLARKE, '80, is a physician with Orthopedic Specialists at the Benchmark Physical Therapy office in Dayton, Tenn. After graduating from Bryan, Eric went to medical school and completed residency training at Buffalo, N.Y., in sports medicine. While in Buffalo, he was on the medical staff with the NFL Buffalo Bills and the NHL Sabers. Dr. Clarke currently resides in Chattanooga, Tenn.

SALLY (BROWN) KUYKENDALL, '80, stopped by Bryan College for a visit and caught us up on what she is doing. Sally and her three daughters, Jennifer, 18; Dana, 16; and Michelle, 13, have moved to the sunny St. Simon Island, Ga. Sally has recently changed careers and is now a special education teacher at a local middle school. It has been quite an adjustment from being a stay-at-home mom for 13 years to being a full time teacher.

DAVID, '81, and **KATHY (DAY)**, '82, **CLASSEN** recently celebrated their 20th anniversary by touring California. They also attended their 20-year college reunion at Bryan with their children Christina, Kelly, and Kyle. David's gigantic accomplishment for last year was running a marathon in October. He still continues to preach most Sundays and Kathy stays busy with a full-time ministry in counseling. The Classen family resides in

Brighton, Mich.

WILLIAM (BILL) HANEY, '82, has been selected as Brenau University's new dean of the School of Business and Mass Communication. Bill brings 15 years of experience to his new position. His prior appointments include a professorship at Palm Beach Atlantic University in West Palm Beach, Fla. He earned both his Ph.D. and M.S. from Florida State University in Tallahassee, Fla. Dr. Helen Ray, vice president for academic affairs and dean of the university said, "His credential, support from faculty and administrators, and excellent record of service at Brenau University singled him out among the candidates as they best qualified person for the position." Bill resides in Dahlonega, Ga.



Bill Haney

and Trisha **BATES**, live in Orlando, Fla., where Marvin serves as senior pastor of University Presbyterian Church. They have three children, Allison, 12; Ashley, 10; and Anna Katherine, 4.

RICHARD and MARIE LYNN (FREDRICKSON) ROSS, both '83x, and family reside in Nashville, Tenn., where Richard works for the Nashville International Airport department of public safety, which includes law enforcement, aircraft rescue firefighting, and emergency medical services. Mari Lynn worked for the American Diabetes Association until Kirsten came along. She has since been home schooling all their children, Freya, 15; Kirsten, 13; Nicholous, 10; and Elspeth, 7. Mari Lynn also writes curriculum for community Bible studies.

Alumni **KATHY**

(DELLINGA) KOENIG, '84; DAWN (RUTH) MOYER, '83x; SCOTT, '81, and MARGARET (KOEHN) SMITH, '84x; MARY ELLEN (LILLEY) KLUCK, '83x; and TIM STAPLES, '78, gathered for a short but sweet Bryan College reunion in Africa. All six alumni are working to further Bible translation in Africa.



Alumni at their "reunion" in Africa included, from left, Kathy Koenig, Dawn Moyer, Scott Smith, Margaret Smith, Mary Ellen Kluck, and Tim Staples.

TAL (ANDREW), '87x, GALLOWAY, reside in Plant City, Fla., along with their two daughters, Abby, 9, and Kayla, 7. Lamar is head of the science department at a local middle school and teaches science to seventh graders. During the summer, he conducts scientific research projects for a university professor. Crystal works part-time at the local YMCA and is a substitute teacher.

SANDY (JONES) HUTCHESON, '85, resides in Greenville, S.C., with her husband, Jim, and their three children, Shelley, 13; Jayne, 12; and John Will, 4. After several years working as director of the crisis pregnancy center, Sandy is now a stay-at-home mom and is home schooling their children.

PHYLLIS BLOXSON, '85, has been teaching art classes to k-8th grade students at Rhea Central Elementary School in Dayton, Tenn., for the past four years and loves it. Phyllis recently bought a house in Dayton and is staying busy fixing it up.

MIKE '85, and Tricia ALFORD, felt God calling them to Africa, so in April 1997, they moved to Cape Town, South Africa. They are involved in sports ministry in Zimbabwe. Mike has had several opportunities including chaplaincy for pro soccer teams, announcing pro basketball games on TV, and lec-

turing at local colleges. They have three children, Taylor, 10; Megan, 7; and Jessica, 4.

JEFF and JULIE (LILLEY) SHEPARD, '85, live in Lapeer, Mich. Julie received her master's degree in education from Oakland University and was instrumental in opening a local crisis pregnancy center which is still running today with three paid staff and many volunteers. Julie and Jeff now have six children, Chelsie, 11; Andrew, 10; Kaylee, 9; Holly, 7; Joel, 5; and Lyndi, 3. Julie stays busy home schooling their children and Jeff is an engineer for Delco Electronics.

STEVE, '85, and LISA (BARTH), '87, STEWART, live in Cleveland, Tenn. Steve works for the research and development department at Maytag and manages the computer-aided design system for the designers and engineers. Lisa is a full-time mom and home schools their five children, Tori, 13; Anna, 12; Clarissa, 10; Kathryn, 8; and Graham, 3.

BRETT ROES, '88, Bryan's director of Alumni Ministries for the past four years, resigned in March to become director of the WinShape Marriage Conference Center of the Chick-fil-A WinShape Foundation in Rome, Ga.

DAVID ERSKINE, '89, is a physical education instructor and head men's soccer coach at Hannibal-LaGrange College and has earned a rank change from instructor of physical education to assistant professor of physical education. David is in his fifth year of teaching at HLG. David and Kimberly have four children, Madeline, Liliana, Trinity, and Levi. The Erskine family resides in Hannibal, Mo.

90's

JAMES ARNETTE, '90, and his wife, Andrea, announce the birth of their first son, Joshua Michael, on Dec. 4, 2002. James works for RR Donnelley as an NT/SQL administrator. The family resides in Charlotte, N. C.



James and Andrea Arnette with Joshua

MARK and DENISE (STOKES) SMITH, both, '92, spent New Years with Mark's brother and wife, MONTE, '90, and RACHEL (PARROTT), '91x, SMITH. Cousins Madelaine, right, and Abigail, left, had a chance to get to know one another. Mark, Denise, and family live in Grand Rapids, Mich., and Monte, Rachel, and family live in Indianapolis, Ind.



Madelaine Smith and Abigail Smith

DAVID and MELISSA (GOODMAN) BROWN, both '94, announce the birth of Evan Porter on Dec. 27, 2002. Evan weighed 8 lbs., 6 oz. and was 20 1/2 inches long. Evan joins his big sisters Abigail, Emily, and Claire. The Brown family resides in Adams, Tenn.

MATTHEW FRITZ, '94, and wife, Angie, announce the birth of Avery Elise on Feb. 1. Matt is an assistant unit operator with the Tennessee Valley Authority and Angie is a full-time mom. The Fritz family resides in Kingston, Tenn



Avery Fritz

KARL and JULIE (SCOTT) EMMONS, both '95, announce the birth of Jacob Scott on Feb. 26. Jacob weighed 7 lbs, 11 oz, and was 19 1/2 inches long. The family is residing in Mebane, N.C.



Karl and Julie Beth Emmons with Jacob

CHRISTOPHR, '96x, and SARA (FENTON), '95, MEROP, announce the birth of William Edward on Aug. 1, 2002. William joins his brother and sister, William and Christina. The family lives in Cedar Hill, Tenn.

PHIL, '96, and CHRISTY (TILLY), '97, PREWETTE announce the birth of their son Josiah Galen. Josiah was born March 29, and weighed 9 lbs., 1 1/2 oz., and was 22 inches long. The family resides in Jackson, Miss.



Josiah Galen Prewette

SAMUEL and MICHELLE (WILEY) TEASLEY, both, '97, announce the birth of their third child, Laura Christine,



Laura Teasley

on Feb. 3. She weighed 8 lbs., 6 oz., and was 20 inches long. Laura joins her two older

brothers, Nathan, 3, and Joshua, 2. Sam and Michelle continue their work with Student Venture, the high school ministry of Campus Crusade for Christ. The Teasley family resides in Marietta, Ga.

JOHN, '97, and TRISHA (BALKO), '98, MAGGARD announce the birth of their daughter on Jan. 4. Emma Marie weighed 7 lbs., 13 oz., and was 20¹/₂ inches long. The family is living in Kennesaw, Ga.



Emma Marie Maggard

MICAH, '98x, and JOHANNA (ZIEG), '98, GELATT, send their greetings from Kansas. Their firstborn, Josiah, turned one on June 5.



Josiah Gelatt

BRENDA (NOLLMEYER) PEGG, '98, and her husband



Brenda and Tony Pegg with Phillip

Tony, announced the birth of their first child, Phillip Charles, on Sept. 18, 2002. He weighed 7 lbs. and was 20¹/₂ inches long. The family lives in Clermont, Fla., where Brenda is enjoying being a stay-at-home mom.

OLEG and ANTONINA (IVANOVA) SINITSIN, both, '98, announce the arrival of Edward Anthony. Oleg and Tonya were married at Grace Bible Church in Dayton during their junior year at Bryan College. After graduating, they earned graduate degrees from Auburn University and then moved to Atlanta, Ga. Oleg is employed with KPMG LLP as a consultant and Tonya is a CPA, currently performing duties of a stay-at-home mom.



Oleg and Tonya Ivanova Sinitsin with Edward

NATHAN PETERSBURG, '98, was recently featured in the magazine *Camp Chase Gazette* modeling uniforms of Confederate soldiers in the western theater of the Civil War, the Army of Tennessee and its antecedents and associates. Nate is distinguished by the fact that he has learned to make most of his own uniforms and accoutrements. He bases his work on close examination of both published images of original items and of the objects themselves. Nate resides in Knoxville, Tenn.

BEN, '99, and Danielle KRELOFF announce the birth of their daughter, Abigail Rosalie, on Nov. 6, 2002. She weighed 7 lbs. and was 21 inches long. The family resides in Oldsmar, Fla.



Abigail Kreloff

JAMES, '99, and JOY (CHESHIRE), '98, NICHOLS, live in Wilmore, Ky., where Jim graduated with his Master of Divinity degree on May 25. Joy stays busy taking care of Alex.



Joy Nichols with Alex

00's

JOSHUA, '00, and SARAH, '02, DRAKE, announce the birth of their daughter, Canaan, on Feb. 20. Canaan weighed 8 lbs., 13 oz and was 21 inches long. The family resides in Franklin, N.C.



Canaan Drake

TRAVIS, '00x, and CARRIE (MATTHEWS), '99, WELDON, announce the birth of Wesley Harold on Jan. 17. He weighed 6 lbs., 6 oz. and was 19¹/₂ inches long. The Weldon family lives in McDonough, Ga.



Wesley Weldon

ALFRED "CHIP" MILLER, '00, and MARY GREEN, '01, were married on March 15, in Dayton, Tenn. Mary works as a graphic artist at Keener Marketing, Inc., in Dayton and Chip works at Sears,

Roebuck and Co., in Chattanooga. The couple resides in Chattanooga, Tenn.



Chip and Mary Miller

ASHLEY SISKEY, '00, for the past two years has been living and working in New York City. She is employed by Macy's East in the annual events department. Her duties include helping plan the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade, the Macy's 4th of July fireworks spectacular (both telecast on NBC), the annual flower show at Herald Square, and Macy's Santa land.



Ashley Siskey and Sugarbear

JOSHUA, '01, and Shayla HOOD were married June 22, 2002, in Des Moines, Iowa. Alums **TYLER SIIRA, '00; TIM SHETTER, '00;** and **BRYAN OSBORNE, '99,** were groomsmen in the ceremony.



Joshua and Shayla Hood

After their honeymoon in Nassau, Bahamas, the couple returned to Des Moines where

they reside. Joshua and Shayla have recently started the home building business, "NeighborHood Homes." Joshua also teaches world-view at a Christian network of home schooled students. Shayla is a senior at Grandview College and works with special needs children in the greater Des Moines area.

JONATHAN MOBLEY, '02, is teaching in Geneva, Switzerland. In April he took a group of 55 students to the Czech Republic for a service project. They had the opportunity to live out the Gospel as they served the people of the city that was devastated during last year's floods.

ROBIN WEDEKIND, '02, has received her license as a massage therapist and is in the process of starting her own business. Robin resides in Seminole, Fla.

With the Lord

MARGARET PFLUG, x'52, went to be with the Lord on Jan. 30. She is survived by her husband, the Rev. Arthur Pflug, and their five children. Arthur resides in McDonald, Tenn.

SUE KEEFER, '81H, passed away on March 31. Services were held at First Baptist Church in Dayton. She is survived by her husband, **Dr. KARL E. KEEFER, '91H**, and sons **KARL KEEFER III, '68**, and **TOM KEEFER, '70**.

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Bryan Names New Administrators



Charlie Phillips

Charles W. Phillips Jr. has been named vice president for advancement and Dr. Robert Andrews has been named dean of adult studies, Bryan President Dr. Stephen D. Livesay has announced.

Mr. Phillips has served most recently as a consultant in development for the Maclellan Foundation in Chattanooga. Previously, he served as vice president for development and admissions at Covenant College.

He is a graduate of Middlebury College with a degree in history and literature, and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. He is a doctoral candidate at the University of Stirling in Scotland.

Dr. Andrews will supervise the ASPIRE adult degree completion program and other programs for adult learners the college may develop.

Before coming to Bryan, Dr. Andrews served as provost and dean of the faculty at Oxford Graduate School in Dayton. He spent 11 years as a sales manager, branch manager, and division sales manager for World Book Educational Products, and earlier served as dean of men at Bryan.

Dr. Andrews earned a bachelor's degree in history from Bryan, a Master of Divinity degree from Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, a Master of Arts degree in college student personnel management from Tennessee Tech, and the Doctor of Education degree from the University of Tennessee in educational leadership.

Dr. Livesay said, "Mr. Phillips has had successful experience in virtually every area of development work. His love for the Lord, his desire to be a part of a Christian liberal arts community, his successful experience in fundraising and total enrollment management work, his acquaintance with many friends of Christian ministry locally and throughout the country, and his enthusiasm for Bryan's future all make his coming to Bryan a much anticipated special occasion.

"Dr. Andrews is the perfect administrator to expand our adult studies program. He understands adult learning and has successfully taught adult and traditional students. He has a strong academic background, has vast experience with accrediting agencies and teaching, is active in community and church activities, has worked successfully in business and has a wonderful heart for mentoring and educating students in a Christian liberal arts education at Bryan."



Bob Andrews

Gregory Hendry, 20, who had just completed his freshman year at Bryan, died May 18, in a traffic accident in Aiken County, S.C., near his home in Evans, Ga. Gregory is the son of Glen and Gail Hendry of Evans.

Heidi Rich, who also had completed her freshman year at Bryan, was critically injured in the accident. She is recuperating in a hospital near her family in Waxhaw, N.C.

Gregory is survived by his parents, a brother and two sisters.

SUMMER WORK



Bryan College will spend some \$600,000 this summer on improvements to residence halls, Summers Gymnasium, and Rudd Auditorium, thanks to a bequest from the estate of a friend of the college earlier this year.

Bryan President Dr. Stephen D. Livesay said the gift came from the estate of Carmack Waterhouse, a resident of Dayton whose parents both served on the board of trustees. "In honor of his parents and their love for Bryan, he included Bryan in the distribution of his estate," Dr. Livesay said. The gift has allowed the college to address long-standing concerns in a comprehensive way, without incurring additional debt.

"Renovations to the residence halls and the gymnasium/recreation center this summer will complement our new academic and student life facilities, giving us a campus with outstanding facilities for fulfilling our mission of 'educating students to become servants of Christ to make a difference in today's world,'" Dr. Livesay said.

He pointed out that in the past three years the college "has been blessed to have new state-of-the-art academic facilities." The five-year-old Latimer Student Center houses facilities for recreation, dining, and meetings for study, ministry, and the student government association.

Mr. Tim Hostetler, vice president for operations, said work began immediately after school ended in May and was to be completed before conferences began in June.

When students return in August they will find:

- New showers and stall dividers in Long and Huston residence hall restrooms.
- New air conditioning units in Long, Huston, Arnold, and Woodlee-Ewing.
- New carpet in Arnold.
- New drop ceiling and new lighting in Long and Huston.
- A new roof and ceiling on Summers Gymnasium, with the exterior of the gym repaired and painted.
- New carpet in high-traffic areas on the main floor of Rudd Auditorium.

In addition, the residence halls will be wired for wireless Internet connections, giving students who have computers with wireless modems access to Bryan's high-speed Internet link.

Most of the work, Mr. Hostetler said, involves replacing equipment installed when the buildings were built - Huston and Long in 1964, Arnold in 1972, Rudd in 1976, and Woodlee-Ewing in 1984.

Dr. Livesay said, "That so much needs to be done this summer is, in one respect, a tribute to the outstanding efforts of Bryan's operations staff. The staff has kept air conditioners cooling and showers working long after their expected useful life had passed.

"It's a tremendous blessing to be able to do all this at one time thanks to the help from a good friend of the college."

Helping Bryan Can Help Yourself!

Reita Hall, '54, has just made a very important discovery. Not only can she financially support Bryan College, she can rely on a stream of increased current income for herself as well.

Reita retired from teaching English several years ago and has been pursuing different avenues to improve income from her savings.

She mentioned her situation to Bryan's director of planned giving, Jim Barth, '57, and he was able to suggest a viable solution - a charitable gift annuity.

Reita learned that she could purchase a charitable gift annuity from Bryan College, receive an income tax deduction when the contract was signed, and receive a guaranteed fixed cash payment for the rest of her life - some of which is tax free.

Jim also showed her that the return on her investment with Bryan would be 3¹/₂ times that of her previous C.D. investment earnings.

If you are concerned about the return from current C.D. rates, a charitable gift annuity may be of benefit to you. You could help Bryan and yourself at the same time. Just contact Jim Barth at 423-775-7280 or by e-mail at barthji@bryan.edu for more information.

Terry Hill Named Director of Alumni Relations

Terry Hill, '71, has been named Director of Alumni Relations, Vice President for Advancement Charlie Phillips announced in May.

Terry has served for more than four years as Director of Communications and Director of Major Giving in the Advancement Office. Before coming to work at Bryan, he worked in the publications field, publishing 14 books, primarily about Christian athletes. He said his most recognizable title is *Reggie White: Minister of Defense*, a biography of the former NFL and University of Tennessee football star.

Terry and his wife of 28 years, Dianne, who works in the Bryan library, are the parents of four children - Laurie, who is married to Sergeant Jason Cole of the U.S. Marine Corps and is the mother of their two grandchildren; Kellie, a 2001 Bryan graduate who is pursuing an additional degree in nursing; Kimmie, a 2003 Bryan graduate in Christian education; and Terry II, a history major who will be a junior at Bryan next year.

"This is an exciting time to be at Bryan College," Terry said. "There is a lot of 'new,' with a new president, new facilities, and new initiatives. At the same time, Bryan is staying firmly anchored to its mission and motto, 'Christ Above All.' I'm excited with this new opportunity to help strengthen relations between alumni and the college and look forward to serving our Lord, our college, and our alumni in this new way."





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Inauguration of Stephen D. Livesay as Bryan's 7th President

Alumni golf classic
Builders Commission banquet

Varsity volleyball match

Varsity soccer game

Alumni worship service

Alumni choir

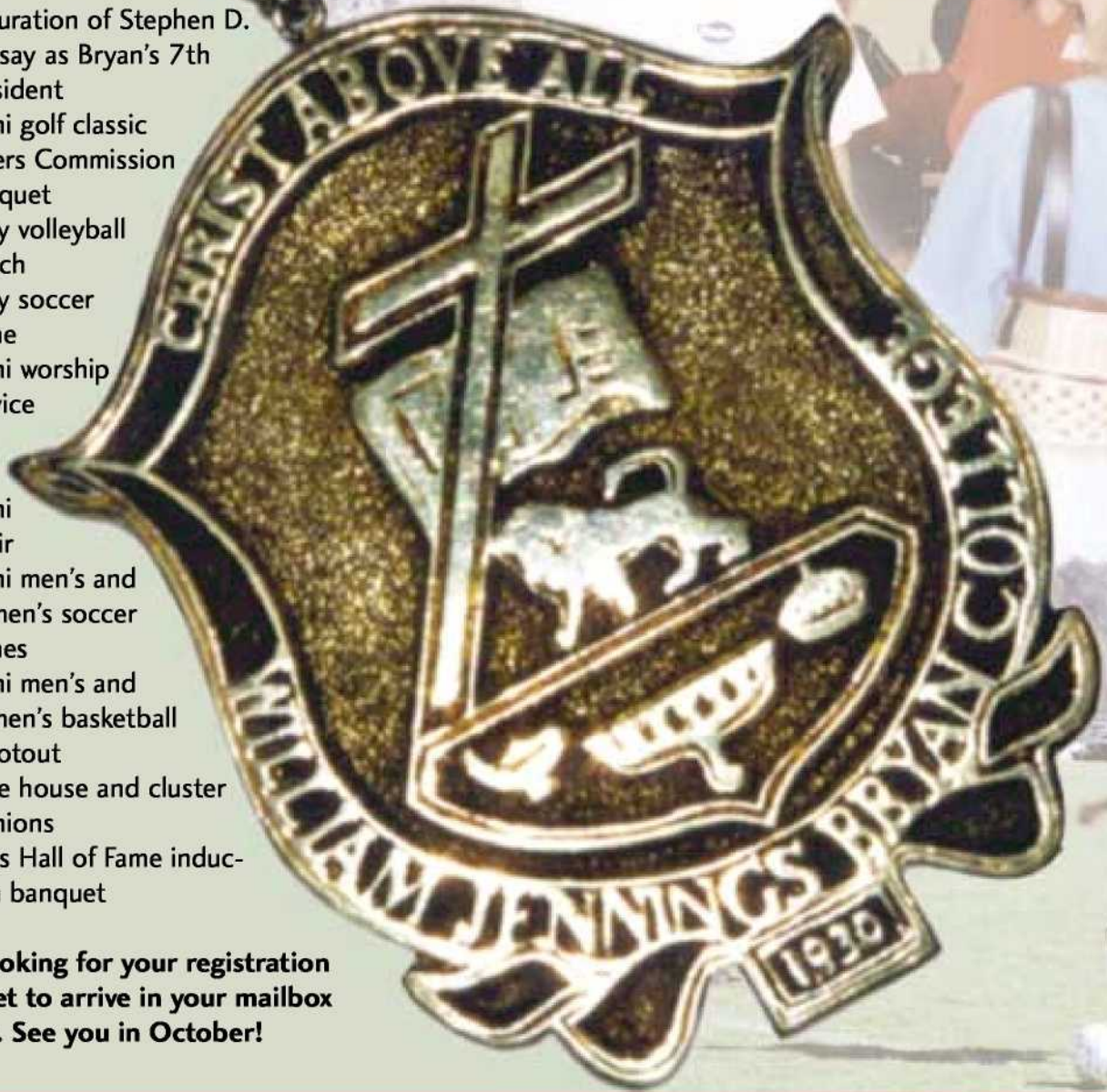
Alumni men's and women's soccer games

Alumni men's and women's basketball shootout

Coffee house and cluster reunions

Sports Hall of Fame induction banquet

Be looking for your registration packet to arrive in your mailbox soon. See you in October!



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