Greetings Student Foundation Bobcats

Student Foundation is off to a great year! From bringing in new members, to already taking part in campus-wide events, Student Foundation has been very busy! We received several applications at the beginning of the semester, and have been very happy with the new members that have joined the group. Student Foundation has always taken pride in having diverse and colorful membership with students from all areas of study at Texas State. Each member brings to the group a hefty background in leadership work. One of our newest members is Texas State’s first Mitte Laureate recipient!

A few weeks earlier, Student Foundation had the privilege to take part in hosting the Lyndon B. Johnson statue unveiling. We had the honor to socialize with attendants such as Lucy Baines Johnson and President Johnson’s former political advisor Robert L. Hardesty.

It was such an honor to play such an active role in an event in which we celebrated one of our most prominent alums, and to know that we are the first group of students Texas State President Denise Trauth will call on when needed for such events!

On behalf of our current Student Foundation membership, I want to say that we are proud of you all...of all of our past Student Foundation alumni. We want to create a stronger bond with our brothers and sisters from the past, as Texas State continues to grow so much each year. We would love to tell you all about it! President Trauth’s campus-wide Master Plan is getting ready to move ahead full force with several new buildings, parking garages, and street re-routing. When you get a chance to come back to campus, the horizon is much larger and more

prominent than ever!

I hope that at some point I, and our membership, get a chance to meet each and every one of you. If you cannot make it to our reunion at Homecoming, I hope the current Student Foundation membership will be the first group you contact the next time you come back to campus. We would love to show you all the new and exciting changes, and we are sure you can give us some lively stories from the past and maybe even a few words of advice for the future. Our group looks forward to hearing from each of you with questions you might have regarding the group, events taking place on campus, or perhaps just to say hello!

Sincerely Yours,
Ashley Krejci
Student Foundation President
2006-2007

Student Foundation forms an Alumni Advisory Board

The Texas State Student Foundation has been sponsored by Dr. John Garrison since its inception and his active involvement has ensured that the organization has always been comprised of “the best of the best” at Texas State. In an effort to ensure the long-term viability and value of the organization, Dr. Garrison has convened a group of former members to form a permanent Texas State Student Foundation Alumni Advisory Board.

The purpose of Student Foundation Alumni Advisory Board (SFAAB) is to provide guidance and direction to the active Student Foundation organization. The SFAAB will ensure continuity in the organization through the eventual changes in campus sponsorship and potential expansion of its mission. The board is dedicated to improving the value of the Student Foundation experience for its members and to increasing the positive impact of the organization on the University and its students.

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Ashley Krejci Named 2006 Bill Hogue Memorial Scholarship Recipient

The Bill Hogue Memorial Scholarship was established following Bill’s tragic death, which came just six weeks after his graduation from Texas State in December 1987. Bill loved the university and served it as a Student Foundation officer, Cheerleader, and Orientation Assistant. He was also an active member of Kappa Alpha Fraternity and taught classes for the Catholic Student Organization. The $1,000 scholarship is presented in Bill’s memory every year to a member of Student Foundation who exhibits the enthusiastic pride in SWT that characterized Bill’s college life.

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Selecting a recipient every year from among the “best of the best” is usually a challenge, but this year one application stood out. All the basics that are expected from Student Foundation members were there - leadership, service, hard work, and academic success – but this year’s recipient also displayed a set of personal characteristics that make her unique.

While not explicit in the selection criteria, it is inevitable that candidates are compared to the fine qualities and attributes of Bill Hogue. He was from a small town, without a father from a young age, school was not easy, and he had to work multiple jobs to make ends meet. Yet no one could deny his enthusiasm, energy, sincerity, humility and pride for the university.

Bill would be very proud of this year’s scholarship recipient, Ashley Krejci. She is a senior Criminal Justice major and a true ambassador of Texas State. Her passion for the school is apparent in her service as a volunteer on campus and in the community, as an ASG Senator, and in her work with Student Foundation.

Her peers validated the selection by electing Ashley to be the President of Student Foundation for the 2006 - 2007 academic year.

Where she finds the time to be this wonderful and still work to support herself is a mystery. Her leadership “presence” is unmistakable and she is a great Texas State “character with character”. We expect great things from Ashley.

The Bill Hogue Memorial Scholarship Fund is always looking for the support of Student Foundation alumni, especially those that knew and respected Bill as a fellow Foundation member and friend. Please contact Bill Poston at bill.poston@kalypso.com or 830.446.9366 if you are interested in making a contribution to this valuable program that helps wonderful people like Ashley Krejci have an even bigger impact on the University.

— Dr. John H Garrison
Associate Vice President
and Dean of Students