Welcome Student Foundation
Class of 2007-2008

As the Fall 2007 semester began, Student Foundation recruitment began as well. This year, Student Foundation sought out the best and brightest that Texas State has to offer. In our quest to find the best leaders on this campus, Student Foundation inducted the current ASG President, the 2006-2007 IFC President, the 2007-2008 IFC President, a Texas State cheerleader, two IFC Executive Council members, two Panhellenic Executive Council members, the current Mitte Laureate and several Associated Student Government Senators.

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Kemble named Distinguished Alumnus of Texas State

Life is fabulous for Steve Kemble. No, on second thought, better make that FABULOUS! Kemble never does anything by half measures. Since founding Steve Kemble Event Design two decades ago, the 1982 public relations graduate has built his Dallas-based firm into one of the most successful special events operations in the nation.

Kemble has received Event Solutions magazine’s Event Planner of the Year and the International Special Event Society named him their International Volunteer of the Year. Steve received the Special Event GALA Lifetime Achievement Award in 2002. He has received the Meeting Professionals International Planner of the Year Award and has been inducted into the Event Planners Hall of Fame.

Steve has numerous television appearances to his credit, ranging from CBS’ “Early Show” to “Extreme Makover: Wedding Edition to the TLC reality series “Sheer Dallas”. He has doled out fashion advice in formats ranging from ESPN’s “Cold Pizza” to E! Online to the “Great Domestic Showdown”, earning him the title “America’s Sassiest Lifestyle Guru” from ABC Primetime.

“I started doing a lot of media stuff about five years ago. My event business has always been fabulous with blue chip clientele, but to really take it to [the] next level I chose to start doing television,” Kemble explains. “I’m so involved with the growth of the industry, there’s no way to avoid it,” Kemble says. “Before, we were just ‘party planners,’ but now, with our success, this industry’s become legitimatized. And this,” he says “is exactly what I’ve always wanted to do.”

The Distinguished Alumna/Alumnus Award is the Texas State Alumni Association’s most prestigious award. The first Texas State Distinguished Alumni Award was presented in 1959 to then Senator Lyndon B. Johnson, who later served as thirty-sixth President of the United States of America. Visit our website at http://sffoundation.dos.txstate.edu/gallery/video2.html to see Steve Kemble’s video and acceptance speech at the Awards Ceremony during Homecoming.
This year’s induction took place on September 23rd in the oldest building on campus, Old Main, in the once hidden room on the third floor, the Jack C. Cates room. This room was a place where former Texas State student and United States President Lyndon B. Johnson once had class and held meetings of the ‘White Stars’. The significance of this room has a direct correlation with the values of Student Foundation, as the organization is responsible for not only the future of Texas State but also the past. For the future, we recruit the best and brightest from the university to promote the institution in the community, the state and the nation. For our past, we honor our alumni and invite each and every former member of Student Foundation back to campus, whether for a mentoring opportunity with a current student or simply for the opportunity to cherish old memories and offer advice and wisdom learned outside the classroom. The Latin phrase inscribed on the Student Foundation crest translates to ‘Ambassadors, Leaders, Loyal.’ This applies to all members of Student Foundation, both past and present: we are ambassadors to this university, leaders on this campus, and loyal to Texas State. This year’s class of inductees is no exception. They are:

Brett Baker  Meghan Groom  Antonio Pena
Brittany Bowden  Caleb Hudgens  Summer Perwien
Ben Crockett  Rachel Johnson  Deborah Rivera
Alexis Dabney  Katherine Kasprzak  Emily Sheppard
Sara Darby  Calynn Kutter  Gary Sims
Brittany Bowden  Tommy Luna  Ariana Vargas
Tyler Ferguson  Lauren Magdalena  Sean Wardwell
Michael Flowers  Jason Moore  Holly Watson
Stephen Gates  Britni Myers  Ryan Whitley

This year, Student Foundation relived memories of years past during our annual retreat at University Camp on the banks of the Blanco River in Wimberley, Texas. Not only were nearly forty current Student Foundation members on hand for the festivities, but also in attendance were alumni Bill Poston, Kathi Haralson and Jay Hiebert. Dean of Students and Founder of Student Foundation, Dr. John Garrison also joined us Saturday morning and even helped cook breakfast!

In addition to team building, fun-filled activities and a bonfire, the group did much of its planning for the upcoming events. SFAAB President Bill Poston also challenged the organization to do the following:

1. Build a relationship with every single former member of Student Foundation.
2. Execute programs on campus that create memorable new traditions.
3. Be very selective in future recruitment to maintain the exclusivity of the group.
4. Have fun and invest the time to build lasting relationships with each other.

Overall, the retreat was a great opportunity for new members of the organization to learn more about the history and purpose of Student Foundation. It also allowed returning members of the group to get to know the newly inducted members. This retreat has set the ‘foundation’ for a very promising year.
The Alumni Advisory Board met in Waco, Texas on September 15, 2007 at the Texas State vs. Baylor Football game. Board members in attendance were Allen Johnson ('80), Jeff Jones ('81), Melinda Keller ('88), Corey Wheeler ('99), Bill Poston ('88), Susan Clock ('97), Brett Baldwin ('87), Roland Hernandez ('92), Mark Mayad ('79). Others in attendance were Dean of Students Dr. John Garrison, Student Foundation Advisor Shannon FitzPatrick, Student Foundation alumni Sheila Bustillos, Brenda Bustillos and Jay Hiebert, Kevin Gilley and Dorothy Evans from the Alumni Association, and Elizabeth Denton from University Advancement.

The meeting was held at Baylor Student Foundation’s Ed Crenshaw Student Foundation Center (below). Following the meeting, current members, board members and alumni attended the Texas State vs. Baylor football game where the Bobcats held their own with a final score of Baylor Bears 34, Texas State Bobcats 27.

Veterans Day 2007

Student Foundation helped host Veterans Day in the Quad on Thursday, November 8th at 10:45 AM. The ceremony included remarks by ASG President and SF member Reagan Pugh, University Attorney and Vietnam Veteran Bill Fly, a representative from Senator John Cornyn’s Office, University President Dr. Denise Trauth and Student Foundation President Matthew Priest. The Commemorative Air Force highlighted the event with a flyover of the quad.

Following the ceremony was the unveiling of the new World War I Memorial and a new plaque on “The College Bell” in the Veterans Memorial Garden.

The new World War I memorial joined others in the Veterans Memorial Garden. It bears the names of six students who died in the war, among them the son of popular professor, M.L. Arnold. His poem about the loss of his son, Jack, in 1918 is featured on the monument.

Dan Bates of San Antonio, the president of Southwest Research Institute and a 1966 Texas State graduate, funded the World War I memorial in honor of his father Jess Bates, who passed away in 1991.

On Monday, November 5th, Student Foundation accepted a proclamation from the Mayor and City Council of San Marcos honoring their work on this year’s annual Veterans Day celebration. (See photograph on page 5.)

The Etiquette Dinner is held in the fall semester of every academic year following new member recruitment. This is a formal event exclusively for Student Foundation members where they are educated in dinner and workplace etiquette. They learn about the proper handshake, appropriate dinner conversation, interacting with the host or hostess, general table manners and much more. This year, the Etiquette Dinner was hosted by Kevin Gilley of the Alumni Association.
Honorary Member, Dr. Perry Moore

Student Foundation officers were pleased to present Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. Perry Moore with a Student Foundation polo and grant him status as an honorary member of Student Foundation.

Dr. Moore came to Texas State in July 2004 from Wright State University, Ohio, where he served as university provost and senior vice president.

Since coming to Texas State, Dr. Moore has assisted significantly in expanding the faculty and graduate programs, including several new doctoral programs.

Dr. Moore, a native Texan, holds a bachelor’s degree in history and government and a master’s degree in government from Midwestern State University and a doctorate in government from the University of Texas at Austin. Dr. Moore has recently been named an outstanding alumnus from Midwestern State University. He is married to Marianne Moore, recently inducted into the San Marcos Women’s Hall of Fame. They reside in San Marcos.

Dr. Moore has been to several Student Foundation events, including speaking at last year’s Bobcat Pause Memorial ceremony. We are excited to have him as an honorary member and look forward to working with him in the future.

Welcome Dr. Moore!

ASAP CONFERENCE—Columbus, Ohio

Association for Student Advancement Programs (ASAP) is an association of student organizations at more than 300 higher education institutions in North America, all with the common goal of enriching student advancement programming. ASAP is run by students, for students.

Texas State Student Foundation has a long running tradition of attending and presenting at these conferences. This past summer, Student Foundation officers traveled to Columbus, Ohio for the 2007 ASAP Network Convention on a quest to better not only this organization, but also raise the bar in leadership for all Texas State students.

The next conference will be held in Salt Lake City, Utah, July 31—August 2, 2008.

Student Foundation In the News

Student Foundation members receive a proclamation from the City of San Marcos on Monday, November 5th for their work on the annual Veterans Day Celebration.

Members Haley Hudson, Brittany Bowden and Katie Kasprzak assist the Alumni Association at the Official Ring Ceremony.

Members honor Dr. Marty Juel as ‘Dean for Life’ at Homecoming 2007.

Members brainstorm with Student Foundation Alumni Advisory Board member Allen Johnson at his lake house in New Braunfels.

Officers Matt Priest, Bonnie Cole and Michael Welch show their Bobcat Pride at the National Conference in Ohio.

SF President Matt Priest poses in front of a display of Student Foundation alumnus Clint Swindall’s book, Engaged Leadership at the Chicago O’Hare airport.
LEADERSHIP LUNCHEONS

The Leadership Luncheon program grew out of a visit last spring by Student Foundation Alumni Advisory Board member Allen Johnson to San Marcos. He treated 7 members of Student Foundation to a lunch at Grin’s restaurant. Members were given an opportunity to introduce themselves, discuss ideas to improve Student Foundation and received invaluable career advice. This visit made a huge impact on the members and a unanimous decision was made to continue the program. It is really a great opportunity for students to network and allows alumni to reconnect with the Texas State campus.

Since then, two other alumni, Robert Rendon and Kerri Quenell, have hosted Leadership Luncheons with current members.

Robert Rendon graduated with a BBA in Management and is the current Executive Director of Policy Development and Standardization for Ironwood Communications corporate office in Denver, Colorado. During college he was a member of Student Foundation, an Admissions Ambassador, founder and first president of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity, Texas Sigma Chapter, and a member of the Interfraternity Council.

Kerri Quenell graduated with a BA in Journalism and a specialization in Public Relations. She is the communications director for the Capital Area Food Bank of Texas in Austin. She and her husband Jason are active community volunteers and have a three year old daughter. During her time at college she was a member of Student Foundation, involved in the Chi Omega Sorority, and worked on the Pedagog yearbook.

If you are interested in hosting a Leadership Luncheon, please contact Corey Wheeler at swtwheeler@yahoo.com or call 512-392-0378.

HOLIDAY DINNER

Student Foundation Advisor, Shannon FitzPatrick, hosted the annual Holiday Dinner at her home on November 30, 2007. It is a huge treat for members to dine on her patio deck and see a beautiful view of San Marcos. This year’s potluck dinner included lasagna, jambalaya, chicken and rice, green bean casserole and too many desserts to count! Bill Poston and Dr. Garrison joined us for the festivities. This dinner is always a great time for members to socialize and relax before finals begin.

JOIN THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION!

You may have heard that the Student Foundation Alumni Network is currently conducting a campaign to reach out to every Student Foundation alumni. This campaign is raising money for Foundation scholarships and re-engaging folks who have a desire to get involved with many new and exciting Foundation alumni programs that are now being offered.

With Foundation preparing to celebrate its 30th anniversary next fall, the organization is as amazing as ever! If you have been reading the newsletter, you know that the members are an incredibly talented group of student leaders who are continuing the organization’s long tradition of service.

The main goal is to get 100% of the more than 700 former members of Student Foundation to join the university’s Alumni Association and to designate their membership fees to TSFAN. By joining the Alumni Association through Student Foundation, you will receive all the benefits of membership, including a subscription to the newly redesigned Hillviews magazine, and you have the satisfaction that all of your money will go to Student Foundation! If all Student Foundation alumni simply kept their annual Alumni Association membership active, even at the basic membership level of $50, and designated those funds to Student Foundation, we would have over $35,000 per year for student scholarships!

The response to our campaign thus far has been incredible. Thank you to everyone who has joined in our efforts. You can find links to the official Alumni Association membership form in this newsletter and online. The form can easily be completed online and submitted electronically with a credit card. If you prefer, you can print it out and mail it in. Please consider activating your membership today at the basic level or higher. Also keep in mind that you do not have to be a former Student Foundation member to designate your membership fees to Student Foundation or the Bill Hogue Memorial Scholarship, so feel free to forward this message to other Texas State alumni.

Student Foundation continues to make significant contributions and produce great leaders. Your support is greatly appreciated. We would love to have you back on campus to see all the great things Student Foundation is doing for the university and the students. Don’t forget that next year is the 30th anniversary of Student Foundation! For more information on the many exciting Student Foundation alumni programs and ways in which you can re-engage with the current student chapter on campus, please contact Laramie McWilliams at 512-245-8397 or e-mail her at lm41@txstate.edu.

The Alumni Association membership form can be accessed by visiting our web site at http://sfoundation.dos.txstate.edu/alumni/forms.html.
MEET THE SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Please visit http://sfoundation.dos.txstate.edu/gallery/video.html to view video clips of the 6 scholarship recipients seen below. QuickTime is necessary for viewing.

Bonnie Cole (pictured with Bruce Brunner)
Hometown: Fort Worth, Texas
Major: Geography
Minors: French & History
Student Foundation Scholarship

Jennie Darst
Hometown: Corpus Christi, Texas
Major: History
Minors: Geography & Political Science
Student Foundation Scholarship

Robert Hensley
Hometown: Georgetown, Texas
Major: International Studies
Student Foundation Scholarship

Haley Hudson
Hometown: San Antonio, Texas
Major: Elementary Education
Student Foundation Scholarship

Laramie McWilliams (pictured with Bill Poston)
Major: Political Science
Minor: Sociology
Bill Hogue Scholarship

Matt Priest
Hometown: Lumberton, Texas
Major: Business Finance
Student Foundation Scholarship

FEATURED BOBCATS

Vanessa Trevino
Vanessa was selected to be the student speaker at the College of Education and College of Health Professions commencement on Friday, December 14, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. She was nominated by Professor Diann McCabe of the Mitte Honors Program and was selected following an interview. In addition to Student Foundation, Vanessa has been involved in intramural sports, University Ambassadors, Golden Key International Honor Society, the Mitte Honors Program and employed by the University Police Department. She has been on the Dean’s List since Fall 2004 and graduated Summa Cum Laude with a Bachelor’s Degree in Exercise & Sports Science and a minor in Honors Studies. Vanessa plans to attend graduate school and obtain a Doctorate Degree in Physical Therapy.

Reagan Pugh
Reagan was selected as this year’s Homecoming King. He is also the 2007-2008 Associated Student Government’s (ASG) Student Body President. In addition to Student Foundation and the ASG, Reagan has been involved with the Student Association for of Campus Activities, the Texas State Common Experience, PAWS Preview, the Student Organizations Council, the University Mentoring Program, Campus Crusade for Christ (CRU) and the Mitte Honors Program.

RECOGNIZING PAST BOBCATS

Michelle Karnes Magness
In 1999, as part of the Centennial Celebration of the university’s founding, the President’s Council for Women in Higher Education commissioned the exhibit ‘Southwest Texas Women: The First Hundred Years, 1899-1999’ to showcase the accomplishments of SWT women, including students, faculty, staff, administrators and friends. The permanent installation of the exhibit was dedicated October 17, 2003.

Michelle Karnes Magness, who received her BS in Education in 1984, was honored in this exhibit. Her accomplishments include: being the first and only SWT mascot for three years (Fall 1982—Fall 1984), named LBJ Outstanding Senior in 1984, named SWT football sweetheart for two years (1982, 1984), elected Gaillardian in 1982, served as Student Foundation Coordinator 1983-84, served as Sports Director for the campus radio station from 1983-84, and was a student worker in the Alumni House and the President’s Office. Her accomplishments following her college career include teaching middle school Reading and Honors English and being named one of the first QUEST teachers (of academic and social skills for adolescents) in Killeen, Texas in 1987.
Bobcat Pause was created to honor and show respect to all Bobcats, students, faculty, staff, alumni and friends of the university, who have passed away within the previous year. The ceremony includes a roll call, a moment of silence during which family, friends and loved ones can bring forward flowers or other mementos, and the playing of TAPS. University President Dr. Denise Trauth will be the speaking at the event this year, along with a member of the Interfaith Chaplains Ministry. Please join us on March 25, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. in the LBJ Student Center Teaching Theatre, 4-16.1. A reception will follow the ceremony.

To learn more about Bobcat Pause or to view a list of those who will be remembered, please visit http://sfoundation.dos.txstate.edu/events/bp.html. Tributes are also welcome in the online guestbook.

Foundations of Excellence has become one of Student Foundation’s traditions and a major honor for chosen professors. Created in Spring 2005, it allows members of Student Foundation to honor faculty who have made a significant impact on their lives.

This year, the 4th Annual Foundations of Excellence will be held on Tuesday, April 8th at 7:00 PM. Each member will have the opportunity to nominate a member of the Texas State faculty and 10 will be chosen by the Foundations of Excellence Selection Committee. A reception will follow the ceremony.

Visit http://sfoundation.dos.txstate.edu/gallery/fe.html to view pictures of previous years and see the professors who have been honored.

Student Foundation’s Spring Banquet will be held on Saturday, May 3, 2008 at Onion Creek Country Club in Austin, Texas. This event is the culminating celebration of all the great things Student Foundation has accomplished.

Last year, Student Foundation scholarships were increased from $1,000 to $10,000. Consequently, the Bill Hogue Memorial Scholarship became a $5,000 award and 5 additional $1,000 scholarships were created. These scholarships will be awarded during the spring banquet, and graduating seniors will be recognized.

We welcome all of our alumni to attend this event and help honor the scholarship recipients. Be sure to save the date!