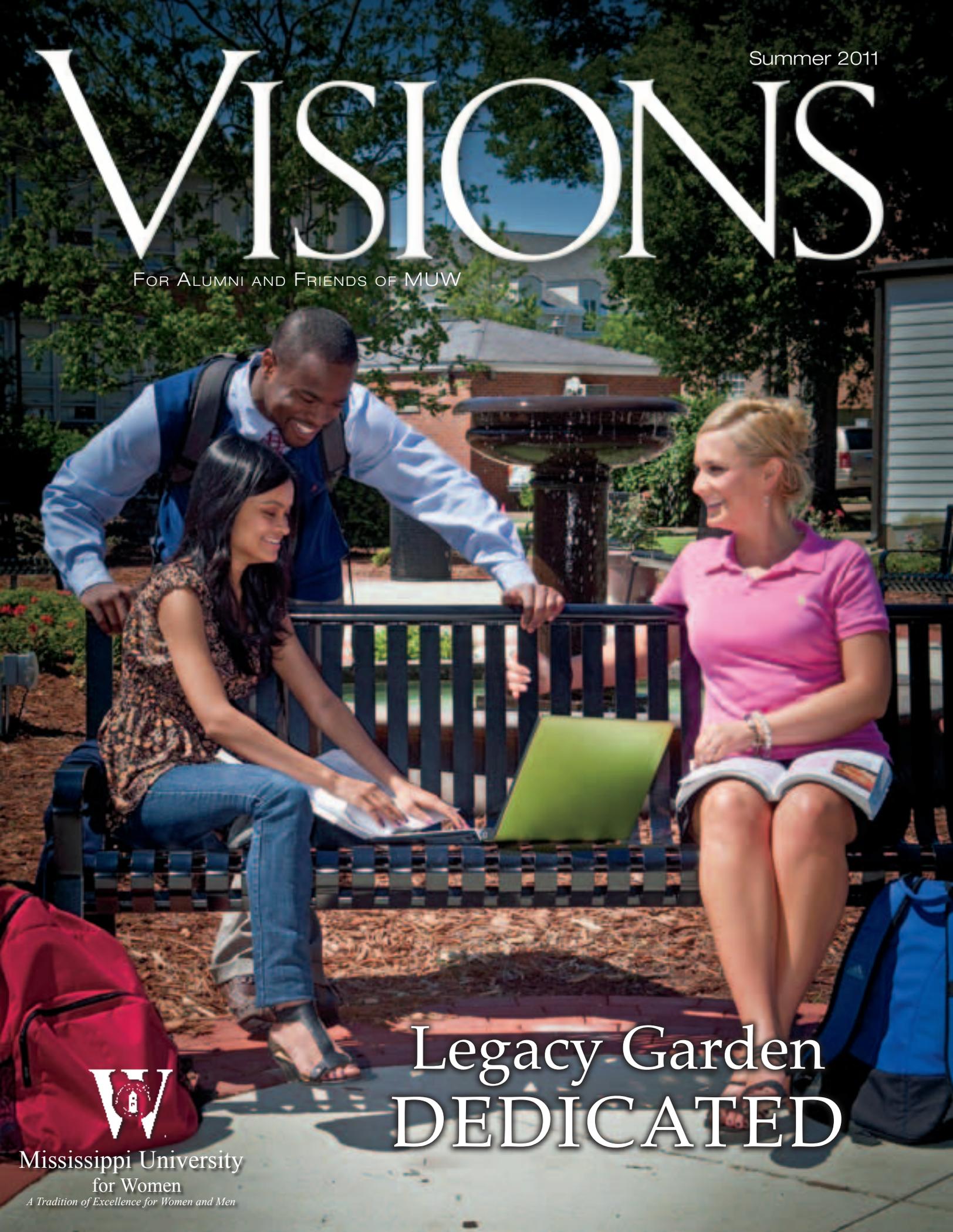


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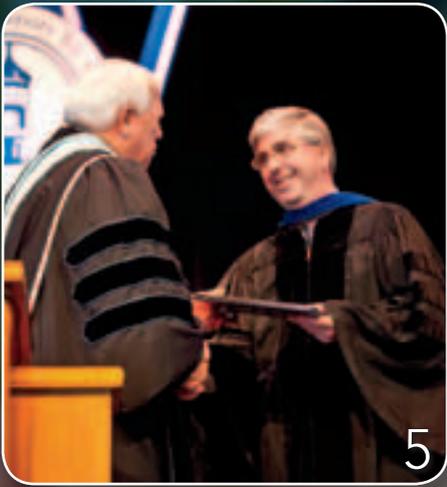
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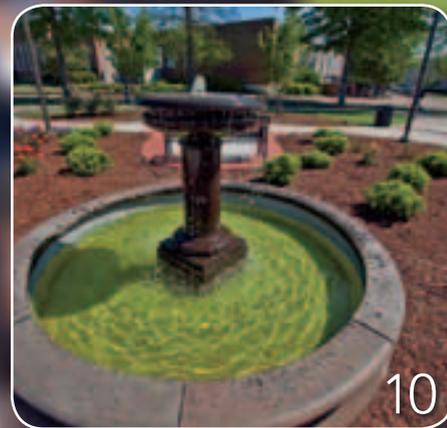
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## 'What's Best For MUW?' – Theme for Future

It's a great day to be a "W" alum!

MUW and the MUW Alumni Association have reconciled with Mississippi's First Alumnae Association, the original alumnae association disaffiliated in 2007. During Homecoming the board of directors for both alumni entities approved a plan of merger, including new bylaws and a revised alumni affiliation agreement with the university, which must be approved by the Board of Trustees of the Institutions of Higher Learning. Presently, both alumni associations are working on final preparations to officially and legally merge.

**On July 1, MUW will have a unified MUW Alumni Association. This will help move MUW toward a brighter future!**

Thank you to the leadership of both associations for their perseverance to make reunification a reality. Working on reconciliation from MFAeA were Lillian Wade, Elaine Evans, Wanda Ray, Lenore Griffin, Betty Lou Jones, Deborah Hodges and Judge Mary Libby Payne. Representing the MUWAA were Mitzi Green, Pat Ainsworth and Renee Nick Flynt.

As the two organizations begin the blending process, we must always keep in mind, **"What's best for MUW?"** We, as alums, must focus on MUW's future and put our time, energy and efforts into moving our University forward. In launching our new association, we must create a vibrant, 21<sup>st</sup> century alumni association with a clear vision of purpose. No doubt, we will see the image of MUW and its alumni improve, along with student recruitment and financial support. We must become a real TEAM, speaking with one voice and realizing that, "Together Everyone Achieves More." We must support the University's leadership as it strives to navigate difficult times and chart the course for the future of this wonderful institution – a gem to be cherished.

And speaking of gems, the next time you are on campus, make time to visit the Dorabel Moore Craig Legacy Garden. The Legacy Garden, established in memory of Mrs. Craig ('38), was made possible by a generous gift from Mrs. Craig's three children: Mary Craig Kennamer ('68), Laurie Craig Gwaltney ('69), and John Moore Craig. This beautiful addition to campus, located where the Mable Ward residence once stood, was dedicated April 15 during Homecoming.

The newest Golden Girls – class of '61, were honored at Homecoming, with about 70 class members in attendance. They enjoyed a great weekend and made an incredible gift of nearly \$81,000 for the Class of '61 scholarship fund.

Congratulations to the three MUW Alumni Award recipients announced at Homecoming: **Phillip 'Flapp' Cockrell** ('03), Young Alum Award; **Renee Nick Flynt** ('81), Alumni Service Award; and **Dr. Shirley Graves Modell** ('57), Distinguished Achievement Award. All three have made a difference in our world.



MUW Interim President Allegra Brigham is pictured with Jill McCoy, Lynda Billingsley Thomas and Beth Grisham Barnes following the reunification announcement during Homecoming.

In addition, the class of '86 reached a new milestone for MUW with the announcement of their class scholarship of \$100,000 during Homecoming!

Sincerely,

*Allegra Brigham*

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# MUW Announces Unification of Alumni Organizations

By Anika Mitchell Perkins

This year's Homecoming celebration went down as one to remember with the announcement of merger of the alumni organizations on the 127-year-old campus.

The Mississippi University for Women Alumni Association, under the leadership of Mitzi Green of Columbus, and Mississippi's First Alumnae Association, under the leadership of Lillian Wade of Columbus, announced that the board of directors for each respective organization has voted to merge. The vote included the approval of a plan of merger agreement, bylaws for the new organization, which will be the MUW Alumni Association, and an affiliation agreement between the new organization and the university, which must be submitted to and approved by the Board of Trustees of the Institutions of Higher Learning.

Wade said, "The crowning achievement for this Association was the vote taken today to approve the merger plan. We look forward to working together with you and all alums to lift The W to new heights of success. You can count on us."

The new organization provides an avenue for enhancing alumni engagement with the university and helps serve as a resource to the university.

Green, who has worked diligently through the reunification efforts, said, "We have been looking forward to reuniting our alumni. We are happy that the university can move forward with this reunited effort. We want MUW to be the strongest it can possibly be, and reuniting is a primary key to the university's future."

"I want to commend the leadership of both alumni organizations, along with the university staff, for their commitment and dedication to this reunification process and for their renewed focus on the long-term best interests of this university," said Allegra Brigham, MUW's interim president who is also an MUW



From left, Brandon Newsome, Mitzi Green and Lillian Wade

alumna. "While there were many issues that served to divide us before, everyone worked very hard to find common ground and forge a path to the future. Working together, we can help the university reach new heights, which is something we all want."

The officers of the new alumni organization will include representatives from both organizations and will take office on July 1, 2011. The charter of the original alumnae organization will serve as the surviving entity, keeping intact the 122-year-old organization history; the name of the current affiliated association – Mississippi University for Women Alumni Association, which was created in 2008, will serve as the name of the new organization.

Brigham held a conference call with all past presidents to update them on the reconciliation/merger of alumni organizations; they voiced their support for the consolidation.

"Any university needs a vibrant alumni organization to help it reach its goals," said Brigham. "MUW graduates are certainly passionate about their university and are an integral part of its success. I appreciate all the time and effort that members and leaders from both organizations gave to bring the two together. It's time for us all to get back to the future of MUW and demonstrate our love by helping our university meet its needs and achieve its goals. This is a great day for The W."

Former SGA President Brandon Newsome of Jackson, said, "I am so happy the alumni associations have been bridged and that we are moving toward reconciliation. This is the best gift that any student, especially a graduating senior can ask for. I want to thank the leadership of both organizations along with Interim President Brigham. This will be a Homecoming to remember and rejoice for many years to come." Newsome graduated in May. 📍



## Campus Has Access to Latest Standard of Wireless Offerings

Not only do Mississippi University for Women students have wireless access campus-wide, it's now also available through the latest wireless standard, which means maximum speeds.

"Though many other universities have a campus-wide wireless network, we are probably among the few universities who have implemented a full campus-wide wireless network based on the recently ratified wireless standard known as 802.11n," according to Rodney Godfrey, MUW network administrator.

The new standard can provide a five-fold increase to wireless speeds depending on coverage and reception.

There are many applications that can be used with wireless networking including laptops, projectors, smart phones and other wireless peripherals to support lectures, give instructions, present demonstrations and connect to network resources.

While portions of campus have had access to wireless for a few years, ITS was given the green light to move forward and acquire a campus-wide wireless solution in the early part of September 2010.

"Finding funds for a large project of this size is always a difficult challenge especially when all campus departments and services are already operating on thin budgets," Godfrey said. "Nonetheless, a decision was made by MUW's Interim President Allegra Brigham and the current administration to commit funding for a campus-wide wireless network and to move forward with implementation as soon as possible."

Approximately \$150,000 was set aside at the end of last year's budget to fund the initiative.

Godfrey said, "MUW's investment in a campus-wide enterprise wireless solution will help provide students, faculty and staff with the technological resources to promote and complement a more positive learning environment and workplace." 



*Rodney Godfrey, MUW network administrator, configures network switching equipment which is used to operate the new wireless network.*

## Storm Drainage and Street Repair Projects Under Way

Getting around the campus of Mississippi University for Women after a heavy rain will be a lot easier after current storm drainage and street repair projects are completed.

"Damaged and undersized drainage pipe is being removed and replaced with new correctly sized piping," according to Dewey Blansett, director of facilities management.

In addition to the drainage repairs, the project encompasses re-paving most of the streets on campus, he said.

Jody Kennedy, assistant director of facilities, added, "The goal is to eliminate flooding in the areas that historically have had standing water during and after moderate to heavy rain events. Also, we hope to increase the rate in which water is channeled off campus as well as improve the comfort and aesthetics of the university's vehicular thoroughfares."

Repairs began in the fall and are expected to be finished mid-July.

The project costs about \$1.6 million and is being funded through state general obligation bonds. 

## New Ethics Line

Individuals on campus are now able to report improper activities and remain anonymous while doing so.

The Ethics Line, operated by EthicsPoint, provides a 24/7/365 reporting of improper activities and offers protection for whistleblowing.

"MUW is committed to being responsible and ethical and maintaining the highest standards of integrity in its daily operations. In an effort to promote transparency, Ms. Allegra Brigham approved an agreement with EthicsPoint to establish and independently operate a reporting website and a telephone hotline," said Lesia Bryant, director of internal audit.

Anonymous reports may be made online at [www.muw.ethicspoint.com](http://www.muw.ethicspoint.com) or by calling 1-877-310-0424. 

# Bunnell Named Faculty Member of the Year



Bunnell

Todd Bunnell, instructor of English, was named Faculty Member of the Year at Mississippi University for Women.

MUW's Mortar Board Honor Society and Alumni Association co-sponsor the award. Nominations were accepted from students, and the faculty member with the most votes was selected for this honor.

Bunnell currently serves as coordinator of composition and director of the TESL Certificate Program and the Writing Center. He developed the TESL (Teaching English as a Second Language) program in 2003 and started and opened the Writing Center in January of 2010.

In 2010, he was named the Mississippi Humanities Council MUW Teacher of the Year.

Bunnell also served as sports information director at MUW from 2001 until 2003.

After teaching overseas, Bunnell joined MUW in 1996 where he was an adjunct instructor and taught full-time as a lecturer at Mississippi State University. He is originally from Urbana, Ohio.

His degrees include a master's degree in English with a creative writing emphasis and a TESL Certificate both from Mississippi State University and a bachelor's degree in English from Wright State University (Dayton). 



## Bean Receives Kossen Faculty Excellence Award

Dr. Mark Bean, chair of the Department of Health and Kinesiology at Mississippi University for Women, was honored with the 2011 Kossen Faculty Excellence Award.

The award, which includes a \$5,000 stipend, recognizes the role of faculty as the heart of the university. It was established in 2004 by Connie Kossen, a 1964 alumna of MUW, and her husband Tom.

Criterion for the award is based on three fundamentals: excellence in teaching, excellence in scholarly or artistic achievement and excellence in service, preferably both on campus and in communities throughout MUW's service area. Further, to be considered for this award, a faculty member must exhibit a commitment to student success in each of these three areas of responsibility.

Nominated by MUW faculty, students and administrators, Dr. Bean is known as a leader with integrity, vision, diplomacy and dedication to MUW, his community, his church and his family. In a nomination letter, one of his students said, "Dr. Bean is the main reason I chose MUW and he has personally impacted my life in more ways than I can explain." A faculty member in the Department of Health and Kinesiology stated, "Mark is an extraordinary educator who is committed to student success and he has been an outstanding mentor to me."

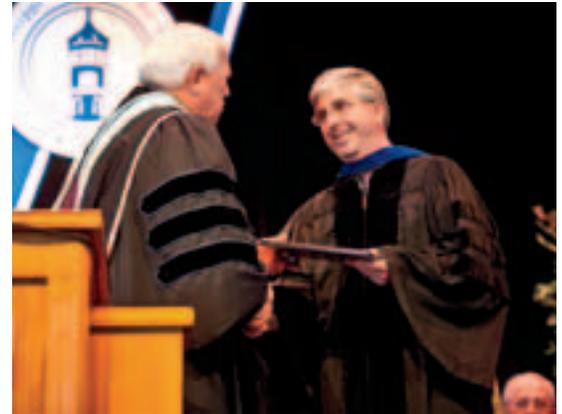
Dr. Bean, who joined MUW in 1991, has been department chair since 2005. He also has served in other roles on campus including special assistant to the president for planning and institutional effectiveness and interim director of the Office of Continuing Education.

He has served on many university committees. Highlights of his service include proposal of the B.S. in public health education program, implementing university-wide strategic planning processes and developing the majority of exercise courses now offered by MUW.

Dr. Bean is active and involved in the community, most recently serving as president of the Town & Tower Club. He is a member of the Columbus Rotary Club and has served on the board of directors for the United Way of Lowndes County and Annunciation Catholic School.

In 2006, he received the Mississippi Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance Presidential Citation.

He earned a doctorate in exercise physiology from the University of Southern Mississippi and master of education in physical education from the University of Louisiana at Monroe. Dr. Bean obtained his bachelor of science in physical education from Mississippi State University. 



Dr. Hal Jenkins, retired interim provost and vice president for academic affairs, presents the Kossen Faculty Excellence Award to Dr. Mark Bean.



## Graduates Heading to Impressive Opportunities

By Jill D. O'Bryant

An education at Mississippi University for Women provides the way to a bright future for its graduates. Just ask Elizabeth “Bess” Toyama from California and Eve Certhoux from France.

Toyama, a third generation W student, has been accepted into Teach for America, which provides a critical source of well-trained teachers who are helping break the cycle of educational inequality. Toyama’s mother is Carol Wilbanks Toyama ’73 of Sacramento, Calif., and her grandmother is Frances Spruill Jutman ’48 of Columbus.

Following rigorous pre-service training during a summer institute, teachers commit to teach for two years in one of 39 urban and rural regions across the country. They are provided one-on-one coaching throughout the two-year teaching commitment and an extensive bank of online resources to help them succeed in the classroom.

She will receive her summer training in Los Angeles and then spend two years teaching in Kansas City, Mo.

“Reports in the last few years have indicated that Teach for America positions are becoming increasingly competitive,” said Dr. Brian Anderson, chair and professor of political science. “In 2009, their acceptance rate was a little over 15 percent, so it is all the more laudable that Bess was accepted this spring.”

Toyama, a history major with secondary teacher’s certification in political science, feels her education at MUW has prepared her for Teach for America.

“The professors here have really taught me how important personal relationships with students are to the classroom,” she said. “On a bigger campus, I would not have been able to fully



*Elizabeth “Bess” Toyama and Eve Certhoux*

understand the importance of it. Also, the school has encouraged me to pursue my goals.

“The curriculum at MUW gave me the classes necessary to teach social science. Similarly, my experience in education classes and during my political science internship taught me professionalism and how to conduct myself during interviews and while with supervisors. Those lessons really helped me during the final interview for Teach for America.”

Certhoux, who graduated from high school in Essonne, France, participated in an

exchange program in Washington, studied in Paris at La Sorbonne IV and earned an associate’s degree from Spokane Falls Community College (Wa.) before enrolling at MUW, has been accepted into the master’s program in international public management at SciencesPo’s Paris School for International Affairs in France.

She will take courses to move her toward her goal of working for a non-government organization or government agency to specifically advocate for vulnerable populations such as immigrants, refugees and children.

Certhoux believes MUW’s political science program which encompasses all the subjects she enjoys has helped her in taking this next step toward her future goals.

“My education at MUW has greatly strengthened my knowledge of the world and has confirmed that I have found my passion.”

She said the high point of her work at MUW was a summer 2010 internship in Washington, D.C., at The World Service Authority, a non-governmental organization protecting human rights and promoting the idea of a world community. 🌍



## Junior-Freshman Wedding Tradition Revived by Class Council



*A unity candle is lit by junior bride Jessica Baker, left, and freshman bride Quinterra Wright. Looking on are freshman groom Dustin Vance and junior groom Preston Veal.*

A tradition that has not been held on campus since 1948 was revived by some Mississippi University for Women students. The Junior-Freshman Wedding, which originated in 1909, was held by members of the Class Council, an elected group of class officers charged with promoting class unity and maintaining campus traditions.

According to Dr. Bridget Pieschel, director of the Center for Women's Research and Public Policy, by 1920 the ceremony was transformed by Emma Ody Pohl into "a beautiful symbolic ceremony illustrating the unity of the sister classes: the freshman and the juniors." This unity was supposed to carry into the next year.

When the freshmen became sophomores, they were supposed to make the magnolia chain for their sister class' graduation. In turn, the juniors when they became seniors, were to protect their sister class from any tricks or pranks during pledging or class rivalry.

"The ceremony was a way to remind the classes of their unity with each other and to stress that their connection should last long after they had left MUW. Traditions such as this one connect alumni with each other beyond their class years, which I think is very important."

A part of graduation since 1890, Magnolia Chain is the oldest tradition at MUW. The sophomore class weaves a chain of magnolias that is carried by the senior class on the morning of graduation.

Elizabeth "Bess" Toyama, who graduated from MUW in May, said the wedding was important because the sophomores would be making her magnolia chain.

"There are so many people on campus who do not understand the role of sister classes, supporting each other, building the magnolia chain for seniors and maintaining friendships even after graduation," she said. "My hope was to really cement the understanding so we will have more class unity and strong traditions while we face the struggles ahead." 🕯️



## Mother and Daughter Moving Miles Apart after Being College Roommates

By Anika Mitchell Perkins

For the past three years Shirley and April Boudreaux have had to learn how to live with each other in close quarters. Now the two will have to get used to being miles apart.

Both mother and daughter earned degrees in May from Mississippi University for Women after being roommates in Callaway residence hall on campus. Shirley graduated cum laude with a degree in studio art, and April, a degree in general studies.

“It’s not for everyone,” said April, who said it was not a big adjustment. “Me and my mom have always had a good relationship.”

However, “I made her stop making my bed because it was driving me crazy.”

The two made the decision to attend MUW because Shirley wanted to pick a school that was close to home--Blue Mountain. Both earned scholarships to MUW and transferred from Northeast Community College.

“She put herself into a world where there are typically 18 to 20-year-olds. I was her safe zone.”

Shirley admitted that she had some moments of fear and thought “I cannot compete with these people.”

Despite those fears, April and Shirley’s husband, Paul, were always there to cheer her on.

“My dad was our best support system,” April said. “He is probably one of the most selfless persons I have ever encountered.”

The two also had a host of family members including parents/grandparents and children/siblings as a support system.

Both were very grateful of the support provided by MUW faculty and staff as well.

Shirley said, “They were very supportive. Faculty and staff know you by name.”

April added, “I love MUW. It’s a family.”



Shirley Boudreaux, MUW Interim President Allegra Brigham and April Boudreaux after the Magnolia Chain ceremony.

The mother and daughter team were very involved in campus. Shirley was a member of the Rho Chapter of Kappa Pi International Honorary Art Fraternity, vice president of the Star and Scepter chapter of the Mortar Board National Honor Society, a member of Epsilon Class of the Aristos Honors Society, president of the Art Students League, Interclub, Student Alumni Association ambassador, Hearin Leadership Program, Hearin Leadership Council, MUW High School Leadership Conference, D’Belles’ social club, Welcome Week Corps, Kids to College and an art men-

tor. She also competed in many art competitions, garnering awards last year and this year in the Mississippi Collegiate Art Competition.

April participated in Rogue and Blacklist social clubs. She served as president for Interclub, Mortar Board and the Gay-Straight Alliance, which she also started. She was a Student Alumni Association ambassador and member of the National Organization for Women, Art Students League, Kappa Delta Epsilon, D’Belles Big Brother and Welcome Week Corps.

In the fall, mother and daughter will be headed their separate ways. “We tried to go to the same school, but it didn’t work out,” April said.

Shirley has been accepted to the University of Missouri in Columbia to get her MFA in fiber art. Her husband will make the move with her where they will live in graduate housing. Paul, who has a degree in aviation management, will pursue his passion of history and English.

April will continue her studies in education with a specialization in education leadership at Washington State University in Pullman, Wash.

“I’ve always been independent in a sense. I’m excited. I’m young. It’s an adventure—a place I have never been before,” she said. “I think I will adjust better than she (Shirley) will. I’m getting a cat.” 🐱



Dear Alumni and Friends of MUW,

As chairman of the MUW Foundation Board, I wish to say a heartfelt “Thank you” for your generous contributions to the Foundation. Even in difficult economic times, many of you have found a way to continue giving and I commend you for that. As this year closes, we are excited that reunification of the alumni/alumnae associations seems eminent, and when it happens, our University will greatly benefit. United, we can boost support to MUW which is so essential in these times of reduced funding at the state level.

Many of you contribute both to the Annual Fund and to your Class Scholarship. Our Golden Girls Class of 1961 eclipsed their original goal and presented a class scholarship check for more than \$80,000 “and continuing” as announced at Homecoming! We also had the Class of 1986, who on their 25th anniversary presented a class scholarship check for \$100,000! What marvelous gifts and ones that set the bar high for the classes who will follow. They are all determined alumni who set a goal and found a way to meet it! Congratulations to both classes for their hard work! Since we have no team mascot, I’ll say to the class of 1961--Go Girls! and to the class of 1986--Go Girls and Guys!

The purpose of our Foundation is “to solicit, invest, manage, administer and recognize private gifts which support the educational research and service missions of Mississippi University for Women.” As members of the MUW Foundation Board, this is our charge and what determines the business and actions we take at each Board meeting. These officers and directors, both alumni and friends of MUW, agree to the time, travel and responsibilities because they are committed alumni and good friends of MUW. I want to express my appreciation to all Foundation Board members who are currently serving. A special thank you to the officers and committee chairs: Renee Flynt-Foundation vice chairman and chair of the Development Committee; Dr. Barbara Garrett-secretary; Shay Eubanks-treasurer and chair of the Finance Committee; Charles “Tex” Ritter Jr.-chair of the Investment Committee; Ruth Jones-chair of the newly created Strategic Planning Committee, and Dr. Eddie Betcher-immediate past Foundation chairman and chair of the Nominating Committee. I appreciate your willingness this past year to devote extra time prepare for and conduct your committee meetings and then report the results to the full Board. Many thanks also go to the four members who have completed their term on the Board: Dr. Dorothy Burdeshaw, Major Junie M. Coursey, Charles “Tex” Ritter Jr. and Dr. Alma W. Turner.



I now want to encourage all of you to make a donation to the Annual Fund if you haven’t already done so. Class scholarships are very important, however those are restricted funds and cannot be used to fund other aspects of the Foundation’s work to assist the University. The current fiscal year ends June 30th, so there is still time to make a gift.

My last thanks goes to all of you. I have been honored to serve as your Foundation chairman this past year. It has given me an opportunity to, once again, give back to my University for all the many opportunities I received while a student at The W. As a past chairman, I won’t go away, but will remain always a member of the Long Blue Line.

A Loyal Daughter,

Jo Anne Arnold Reid, Class of 1960

Chairman

MUW Foundation Board of Directors



## Dorabel Moore Craig's LEGACY LIVES ON



A beautiful garden that encompasses a water fountain and perennial plantings is the newest focal point on the campus of Mississippi University for Women.

Family, friends and members of the extended community gathered during Homecoming weekend to dedicate the Legacy Garden in honor of Dorabel Moore Craig, Class of 1938. The garden is located south of McDevitt Hall, where the Mable Ward House once stood.

For more than 60 years, Mrs. Craig was a loyal supporter of MUW. She served as a member of the MUW Alumnae Board of Directors for three years. Mrs. Craig fostered support for The W as president of the Jackson Metro MUW Alumnae Chapter and the Golden Girls Club of MUW in the late 1980s. She shared her special gift of arranging flowers for nearly every function for the Jackson chapter.



*The Legacy Garden is funded by the Dorabel Moore Craig Endowment established by her children John Moore Craig, Mary Craig Kennamer and Laurie Craig Gwaltney.*



“If there was one thing that mother was consistently passionate about during her life, it was The W.”

—*Mary Craig Kenamer*

It is the combination of those two loves, flowers and MUW, that led Mrs. Craig’s three children to suggest a garden in her honor after she passed away in 2002. All three of her children, Mary Craig Kenamer (’68), Laurie Craig Gwaltney (’69) and John Moore Craig, were on hand for the ceremony.

“If there was one thing that mother was consistently passionate about during her life, it was The W,” said Kenamer. “My sister and I both received our college education there in the late 1960s.”

The quarter of an acre common space is at the heart of MUW’s inner campus, bordered on one side by the Mary Wilson Home and winding along I.I. & C Lane and MSCW Drive. A perpetual fountain is at the center of the garden, surrounded by walkways and ringed by Amur Maple trees and Leland Cypress. Perennial plantings include holly, dwarf yaupon, encore azaleas and knockout roses.

“I think mother would be happy,” said Kenamer, who noted it was her first time seeing the garden. “It’s something the campus did not have. It is a pretty spot on campus. It’s nice to be able to do this.”

Gwaltney added, “I think she (mother) would want to be out there working on it. I like the water sound.”

Craig said the family was involved with the process and ultimately wanted an area that “would be mostly used by students.” Those design elements included the fountain and benches and some of their mother’s favorite plants.

MUW Interim President Allegra Brigham, said, “MUW is so honored to have this wonderful garden memorializing Mrs. Craig, an alum who supported this university in so many ways. It is also significant that her daughters, Laurie and Mary, followed in their mother’s footsteps and graduated from MUW. And now, together with their brother John, have chosen to preserve their mother’s love of this unique university in this beautiful garden, which is quickly becoming a favorite spot on our campus.”

Dr. Gary Bouse, vice president for institutional advancement added, “Dorabel Craig was a gracious and loyal supporter of MUW. For years, she also gave her time and her enthusiasm. This garden will allow our students, faculty and alumni to enjoy her spirit for years to come.”

An avid gardener, Mrs. Craig served as president of Lakeview Garden Club and chairman of the Fragrance Garden at Mississippi School for the Blind. Her knack for flowers and floral styling took her from the Governor’s Mansion to the sanctuary at Leavell Woods United Methodist Church, where her skills were often in demand.

Dorabel Craig was married to the late James W. Craig. Together they established Forestry Suppliers, Inc. The two grew the company from a small room in their home to a world-wide mail resource company. 🌱



**Scenes from Homecoming**

Marlin Van Landingham Ogden and the rest of the Golden Girls file into Pope Banquet Room for their commemorative luncheon during Homecoming. She and her husband drove across country from Sacramento, Calif., to attend the event.



MUW Interim President Allegra Brigham and Senator Nancy Collins, both members of the class of 1969, visit before the Golden Girls program.



Brigham is ecstatic as she holds up the check from the Class of 1961. Members raised \$80,000, exceeding their goal of \$61,000.



A golden moment--members of the Class of 1961.



Diane Rodgers Claybrook '61 and Jo Anne Arnold Reid '60 re-connect after many years. Claybrook was the president of the Class of 1961 and was at this year's Homecoming to receive her Golden Girl medallion.



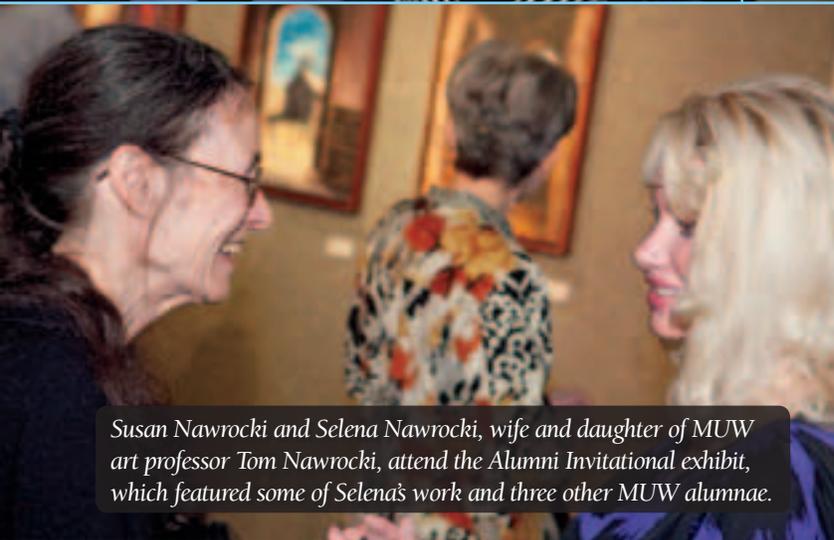
Members of the Class of 1986 present their scholarship fund in the amount of \$100,000 at their 25th reunion.



*Dr. Barbara Garrett '56 and Elizabeth Spann Smith Gwin '30 sing the Alma Mater during the program.*



*Roger Busby, general manager of Dining Services at MUW; Mary Margaret Roberts, executive director of alumni relations, and Macaulay Knight Whitaker, assistant director of alumni relations, at the Homecoming fish fry event.*



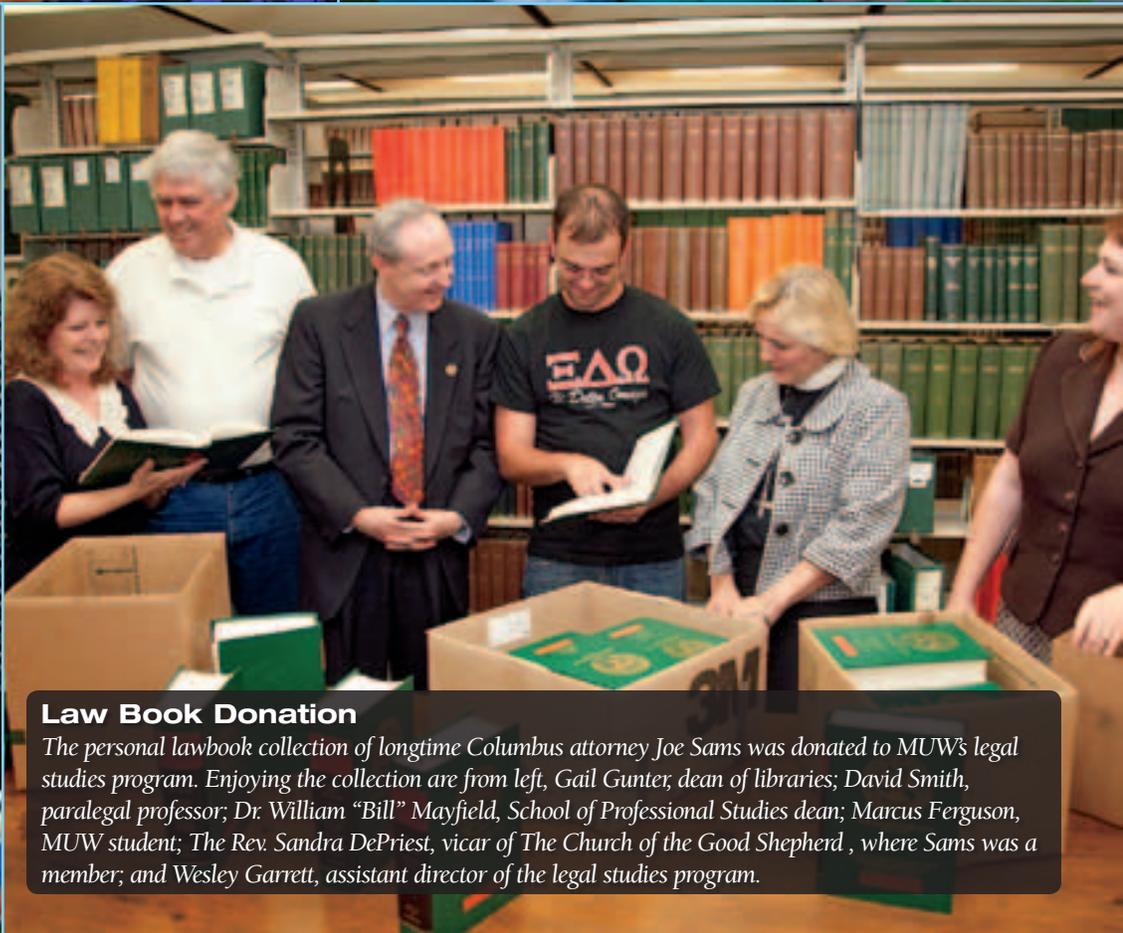
*Susan Nawrocki and Selena Nawrocki, wife and daughter of MUW art professor Tom Nawrocki, attend the Alumni Invitational exhibit, which featured some of Selena's work and three other MUW alumnae.*



*Gloria Easom Richardson, Nancy Vegors Martin and Flo Wamble Wills, all members of the Class of 1961, attend the Golden Girls dinner at the President's Home.*



*Jim Borsig, associate commissioner for external relations and public policy for the Mississippi Institutions of Higher Learning, visits with Brigham.*



**Law Book Donation**

*The personal lawbook collection of longtime Columbus attorney Joe Sams was donated to MUW's legal studies program. Enjoying the collection are from left, Gail Gunter, dean of libraries; David Smith, paralegal professor; Dr. William "Bill" Mayfield, School of Professional Studies dean; Marcus Ferguson, MUW student; The Rev. Sandra DePriest, vicar of The Church of the Good Shepherd, where Sams was a member; and Wesley Garrett, assistant director of the legal studies program.*

**Magnolias and Mortarboards**

*Diana Murray and Arleen Weatherby, both of Columbus, show off their magnolia blossoms acquired during the Magnolia Chain ceremony.*



*Dr. Hank M. Bounds, commissioner of higher education, delivered this year's commencement address. He urged graduates to become "caretakers" of their university.*



*Lauren Ferguson of Columbus is congratulated by MUW Interim President Allegra Brigham.*



**So Hard to Say Goodbye**  
*After more than 12 years of service to the university, Dr. Hal Jenkins, interim provost and vice president for academic affairs has retired. A host of guests were on hand at his retirement reception.*



*Sarah Howell is pictured with her granddaughter Adley Howell, who was 15 months at the time. She is retiring as assistant professor of nursing after more than 33 years.*



*Carol Newell, a longtime staff member of the Office of Alumni Relations, enjoys her rocker on the front porch of Stovall House. Newell devoted 26 years to the university.*



Hello to All!

As we move forward, MUW has a stronger than ever opportunity to continue the long tradition that we all know well—academic excellence. I repeat my past Visions messages to you by emphasizing how fortunate we are to have the very best faculty, well-known, highly-ranked and unique academic programs, beautiful campus facilities and innovative technology—all in a setting with individualized attention. I was reminded for the zillionth time of how special this university is during Homecoming. The front campus setting always reminds me of the perfect postcard photo, the spirit is upbeat with students, faculty, staff, and alums, and history continues. With persistence and determination, we can all contribute to MUW's future with our financial support and spreading the good word to potential students about the excellent education and opportunities waiting for them.

During our reunification process, we have all agreed that MUW deserves the opportunity to be stronger than ever in the coming years. The institution has prevailed time and time again. I have been so impressed with the MUW administration and so grateful for their steadfast efforts to keep us moving forward. Allegra Brigham, Perry Sansing, Mary Margaret Roberts, Gary Bouse and Nora Miller have provided tremendous support to make the reunification efforts successful.

The MUW Alumni Association board members and general membership have provided excellent leadership and support during recent years, and their expertise and endless commitment to the best interests of the university will always be remembered.

Lillian Wade and Mississippi's First Alumnae Association have dedicated a tremendous amount of time, work and proven love for MUW to make the reunification happen. With renewed strength and our unified effort, we are looking forward to greater and greater days ahead working together.



MUW has a world of opportunities to offer current and future students. To all alums and friends, we greatly appreciate you and your commitment to MUW's past and future.

Sincerely,  
Mitzi Chandler Green, Class of 1977  
President, MUW Alumni Association Board

P.S. Please do all that you can to support the current \$2 million campaign! Thank you so much for your financial support to date!



# Classnotes

## 1960s

**Dr. Terrell Ann Ford '61** is working as a model in New York.

**Linda O'Bannon '69** has served as Senior Counsel to the law firm of Dillon & Findley and owned her own alternative dispute resolution practice since 1997. Today, she is in private practice, handling mediations, arbitrations and hearing officer work. She considers herself semi-retired.

## 1970s

**Alice Jackson '75** had two of her stories published in anthologies published by Tyrus Books. The story "Cuttin Heads" is in Delta Blues and "A Tampa Man" is in Florida Heat Wave. Later this year, she will have a third short story published in the Oracle Fine Arts Review at the University of South Alabama where she is pursuing a master's degree in creative writing after a successful career in journalism.

**Joyce White '75** is Tishomingo Elementary School's Teacher of the Year. She has taught first grade for 36 years.

**Lillie Shelton '76** is Teacher of the Year at Wilson Elementary in the Noxubee County School District.

## 1980s

**Kim Jobe '85** of the Corinth School District won awards from the Mississippi School Public Relations Association. She won: first place, Finance Publications & Presentations; second place, Excellence in Writing; first, second and third place, Excellence in Photography; and second place, Internet/Intranet.

## 1990s

**Heidi Elizabeth Austin '99, '00** received a doctor of education degree in educational leadership from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro at the December 2010 commencement ceremony. Dr. Austin is currently employed by the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services and

works with the North Carolina Infant-Toddler program in Coastal Carolina.

## 2000s

**Emily Baggett Prater '00** is the city prosecutor for her hometown of Decatur, Ala. She became the city prosecutor in January 2010.

**Todd Liddell '02**, a health teacher at Oxford High School, received Teacher of the Year for the Oxford School District.

**Mona K. Vance's '02** article "Mississippi University for Women and the Battle over Coeducation" was recently published in the latest edition of the Journal of Mississippi History. An extract of her masters thesis "Fighting the Wave of Change: Cultural Transformation and Coeducation at Mississippi University for Women, 1884 to 1982" explores the case of Joe Hogan v. Mississippi University for Women and its long term impact on the school. Vance is the archivist at the Columbus-Lowndes Public Library.



# Remember....

*Laundry Service*

*Family-Style Dining*

*House Mothers*

*Caring Professors*



It's fun remembering the past, and the good times you and your classmates had at MUW. Those were the days. The "W" nurtured and protected you. Steadfast. Constant. Dedicated. Your alma mater cared for you as you grew from a child into an adult. MUW was truly your "nourishing mother."

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During estate planning, remember how much the "W" meant to you. Your gift will mean that much to the "W."

For more information on including MUW in your will, please contact Brandy Williams, Development Officer, at 662-329-7151 or [bwilliams@dev.muw.edu](mailto:bwilliams@dev.muw.edu).



## Girl Scouts Honors Gwin

By Anika Mitchell Perkins



Elizabeth Spann Smith Gwin



Gwin is pictured with Angela Woods, Girl Scouts Heart of the South CEO, and MUW Interim President Allegra Brigham, who has been named to the Girl Scouts Heart of the South Board of Directors.

The Girl Scouts will celebrate 100 years next year and one of Mississippi University for Women's own will serve as honorary chair for the anniversary.

Girls Scouts from near and far were on hand for the kickoff alumnae fellowship and reception held at the President's Home of MUW Interim President Allegra Brigham.

At the center of attention was Elizabeth Spann Smith Gwin '30 who celebrated her 102<sup>nd</sup> birthday in May.

"We could not think of anyone who exemplified the history and tradition of Girl Scouts," said Angela Woods, Girl Scouts Heart of the South CEO. "She is a huge role model for Girl Scouts and she was gracious enough to accept."

Jenny Jones, Girl Scouts Heart of the South director of marketing and communication, added, "We wanted to reconnect with MUW. Girl Scouts and MUW have a very long history."

Gwin's involvement with Girl Scout began when her daughter May was a Brownie Scout and she became a troop mother. In 1953, Prairie Area (as it was then known) asked her if she would be willing to take a temporary part-time job as executive director. She did, and three years later was offered the job on a permanent basis.

During her 20 year tenure as executive director, she refused

any pay raise because it was more important to her that the money support the program than go into her pocket.

After she retired in 1976, the council had grown from 400 girls in four counties to more than 5,000 in 19.

Gwin said the program is needed now more than before. "Times are so different and there are so many broken homes. This organization holds them to certain goals and ideas.

"Girl Scouts gives the basis of living. It also gives self confidence, the ability to make decisions and take responsibility," she said. "What you give to Girl Scouts, you get back 100-fold."

Gwin added that volunteers make the program remarkable. "People don't do Girl Scouts by themselves."

And speaking of giving back, Gwin continues to be involved in the organization today.

She always had a dream of providing the same quality camping experience to children with special needs. As a result, she founded the Elizabeth Gwin Session for Special Children, which is a six day, co-educational camp for youth ages 6-21 held at Camp Tik-A-Witha, where activities such as swimming, canoeing, fishing, hiking, crafts, outdoor cooking, horseback riding and singing are held. 🏠



**Manda Griffin '03** was recently appointed to the Mississippi Board of Mental Health as a lay representative for the Second Congressional District. She is a registered respiratory therapist, a licensed social worker, registered nurse and a board certified family nurse practitioner.

**Christopher Lowe '04** has signed a contract with Stephen F. Austin State University Press to publish his linked short story collection, "Those Like Us." He has an MFA in creative writing from McNeese State University, where he is currently an instructor.

## Weddings

### 2000s

**Whitney Jennings** and **Jeremiah Blackston '06** of Caledonia were married Nov. 13, 2010.

**Leigh Ann Winters '07** and **Romaro Corsell Barksdale** were married March 5, 2011.

**Caitlin Turner Rogers '08** and **Will Lawshe** were married Nov. 26, 2010.

**Leah Beth Norris '10** and **James "Thad" Gunter** were married April 9, 2011.

**Hannah Grace Weaver '10** and **Ryan Christopher Thorn** were married Nov. 20, 2010.

## Births

### 1990s

**Inger M. Hampton '95** of Spring, Texas, announces the birth of her twins, Margaret Ellis and William Shelby, on Sept. 1, 2010.

### 2000s

**Rebecca Gillon Ulrich '04** and **Bruce Ulrich** of Brandon announce the birth of their son, Alan Overton, on June 6, 2010.

## Deaths

### 1900s

**Mary Virginia Potts '01** of Kosciusko, Oct. 27, 2010.

### 1930s

**Mary Katherine McPherson Scruggs '31** of Athens, Ala., March 13, 2011.

**Azalia Boyce '34** of Brandon, Jan. 5, 2011.

**Virginia Rogers Webb '34** of Florence, Dec. 17, 2010.

**Katherine Ellis Thomas '35** of Pheba, Jan. 14, 2011.

**Eunice Simmons '35** of Florence, Ala., Jan. 24, 2011.

**Mildred Carter Newman '38** of Cleveland, March 23, 2011.

**Margaret Gullede Rush '39** of Lexington, Nov. 27, 2010.

**Pauline Bright Miles '39** of Millington, Tenn., Jan. 27, 2010.

### 1940s

**Ellaine Scott Faulk '40** of Preston.

**Henrietta Anne Taylor Gibbes '41** of Learned, Dec. 25, 2010.

**Catherine Hunter Sadler '42** of Nashville, Tenn., Jan. 27, 2009.

**Frances Traylor Noble '43** of Port Gibson, Jan. 4, 2011.

**Annie Shows Gunter '43** of Little Rock, Ark., Jan. 3, 2011.

**Verlon Glenn Honeycutt '43** of Austin, Texas, Jan. 22, 2011.

**Ursula "Sue" Stauff '43** of Ashland, Ore., Jan. 7, 2011.

**Jean Cauthen Benson '44** of Batesville, March 25, 2011.

**Alice Clements Wade '44** of Grace, Jan. 9, 2011.

**Evelyn Claire Melton Bolding '45** of Memphis, Tenn., Jan. 27, 2011.

**Ruth Thigpen Morrow '46** of Germantown, Tenn., Jan. 3, 2011.

**Doris B. Perry '46** of Philadelphia, Feb. 24, 2011.

**Carolyn Caffey Masterson '47** of Jenkintown, Pa., Sept. 7, 2010.

**Julia Kochtitzky Franklin '47** of Columbus, Jan. 21, 2011.

**Ruth Rodgers Stringer '48** of Louisville, Feb. 8, 2011.

**Edith Stephens Sparkman '48** of Huntsville, Ala., Nov. 8, 2010.

**Yvonne Hajj Lowe '48** of Vicksburg, April 30, 2010.

**Chebie Gaines Bateman '49** of Columbus, Dec. 10, 2010.

# Tell Us Your News or News About a Friend!

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# Alumni Association Announces Award Winners

By Anika Mitchell Perkins

The Mississippi University for Women Alumni Association recognized three deserving individuals for contributions to their respective fields and the university.

Award winners were announced at the annual meeting of the Alumni Association during Homecoming.

Phillip “Flapp” Cockrell, who currently serves as director of student life, was presented the Recent Graduate Award, which recognizes alumni for outstanding contributions in their careers and to the university within 15 years of their graduation from MUW. Cockrell graduated from The W in 2003.

He is an active member of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity and serves as the chairperson for the Pan-African Network, which is one of five networks associated with the American College Personnel Association’s Standing Committee for Multicultural Affairs. In this role, Cockrell is responsible for working with student affairs practitioners of color across the nation to promote scholarship, professionalism, research and advocacy. He also is a charter member of the Professional Leadership Alliance of Columbus, and he has been named to Who’s Who in Black Mississippi. Currently, he is in the midst of obtaining his doctorate at Jackson State University.

Mitzi Green, president of the Alumni Association board, said, “Flapp considers working at MUW a personal achievement because he is able to give back to the institution by offering programs and services to enhance the development of future alumni of MUW.”

The Distinguished Achievement Award is presented to alumni and friends of the university who have achieved professional distinction and made significant community service contributions at the local, national and/or international level, bringing distinction and honor to the university.

The recipient of this year’s award was Dr. Shirley Graves Modell, a member of the Class of 1957. Dr. Modell received her M.D. from the University of Miami School of Medicine in 1966. Following her internships and residencies in pediatrics and anesthesiology, she began her very distinguished career in medicine. She currently serves

as professor emeritus at the University of Florida College of Medicine’s Department of Anesthesiology and Department of Pediatrics. Modell has been named twice as one of the Best Doctors in America from the Southeast Region, and a pediatric intensive care unit at Shands Hospital at the University of Florida in Gainesville has been named in her honor. Dr. Modell has served on both the American Board of Anesthesiology and the American Board of Pediatrics. In addition,

she has been published extensively in numerous books, journals and other professional publications.

Green said, “Her record of service in the medical field is truly outstanding. We are very proud of Dr. Modell for what she has accomplished during her career and for her commitment to MUW and its future.”

The Alumni Service Award was presented to Renee Nick Flynt for consistently demonstrating outstanding commitment, dedication, leadership and service to the advancement of the university and Alumni Association.

A member of the Class of 1981 and a former Miss W, Flynt began her career as an admissions recruiter at MUW. She then moved to Washington, D.C., where she served on the staff of United States Senator Thad Cochran for 11 years. She dedicated her attention to raising two daughters and serving as a volunteer leader in her communities and for her alma mater. Her leadership ability, high energy and commitment to educational excellence have served her well in her many roles. Flynt is a past president and current member of the MUW Alumni Association Board of Directors, a member of the MUW Foundation Board of Directors, president-elect of the Applause Friends of the Arts program at Jackson Preparatory School and a member of the Board of Directors for the Mississippi Craftsman Guild.

“Renee’s continued commitment to bettering her community and the university is an inspiration to all of us,” Green said.

Nominations for this year’s recipients were open to all members of the Alumni Association, the university Cabinet and deans earlier in the spring. 🗳️



Renee Nick Flynt, Dr. Shirley Graves Modell and Phillip “Flapp” Cockrell



# From MUW to Kathmandu and Kazakhstan

By Anika Mitchell Perkins

Just as Mississippi University for Women graduates can be found making a difference in their communities locally and nationally, they also can be found impacting the lives of others in different countries.

One of those alumni is Diane Holley '81 of Slidell, La., who currently lives in Kathmandu, Nepal, where she is teaching kindergarten at Lincoln School, an international school with an American curriculum.

"I have 17 students of many nationalities," she said, noting that teaching is her profession. "I've been lucky enough to get a job at each of our postings. International schools tend to rotate their teachers as often as their students, so

they often have openings."

Holley and her husband, Peter, who works as a nurse practitioner for the U.S. Department of State Foreign Service, are stationed in Kathmandu until July 2012.

She studied elementary education at MUW because she loved working with children.

"After graduation, I travelled to Sao Paulo, Brazil, to visit and stay with my grandparents for a few months. I started teaching kindergarten in Laplace a couple of years after graduation," Holley said. "In 1984, I married and then had three daughters, and did not teach until the youngest was in kindergarten, so I was a stay-at-home mom for 12 years. Then I went back to teaching in kindergarten and first grade in various schools in Louisiana and have continued teaching from 1997 to present."

When she is not in the classroom in Kathmandu, Holley spends a lot of time sight-seeing as much as possible.

"The people are very nice, but don't speak much English. It is surrounded by the Himalayan mountains, which are very beautiful when you can see them. In the city, it's so polluted that there's a haze obscuring the view during most days," she said, "I've been able to do three treks--to Annapurna Mountain Range, Langtang Mountain Range and to Annapurna Base Camp. These are one week to one and a half weeks of walking in the mountains and staying at small tea houses, which are primitive hotels--no heat or A/C and a wooden cot with a small foam mattress, but gor-

geous views and interesting countryside."

Her husband's career has afforded them the opportunity to travel and



Jessie Powers with English club students and the local teacher she worked with for two years in her apartment when she had them over for American style pizza.



Diane Holley is pictured during a December trip to the Langtang Mountain range. Behind her is a little restaurant tea shop where they could stop for a rest. They trekked for five days--their highest point being at 14,100 feet.

live in many interesting places such as Madagascar, Philippines, Thailand, Czech Republic and India.

"It's been fascinating being able to travel to many exotic places. It's also very difficult to leave our children and extended families behind," she said.

The couple has three children--Arlyn, who is working on her MBA at the University of New Orleans; Anna, a senior in film at UNO; and Aidan a freshman in mass communications at Loyola.

"The girls are allowed one trip to visit us per year until age 23. Unfortunately, it's approaching quickly for two of them. The expense and time frame for that travel is large."

However, she pointed out that if anyone from The W is traveling that way to



look them up.

“The embassy provides us with large housing and rooms for visitors.”

Jessie Powers, who graduated from MUW in 2007, recently completed her service in Kazakhstan as an English teacher.

“I lived in a small northern village of about 5,000-8,000 people and worked with a local teacher and taught fourth through 11th (being the highest) graders English.”

She also conducted after school clubs, summer camps and training for the area’s teachers.

“I don’t know how well I was able to improve the English language skills of my students and teachers, but I was able to present an alternative outlook on life and I believe make my students think,” she said.

The history major added that the knowledge she gained from Dr. Tom Velek’s class, Rise and Fall of the Soviet Union, was very helpful.

“...just the general skills you acquire from The W such as how to write, to think, to conduct research and information like the history and art history I learned and was able to incorporate into my lessons in Kazakhstan,” she said. “I would say the quality of the staff at The W is exceptional, the small classes and passion the professors share with the students was what encouraged me to do this as well as my amazing experience studying abroad at Huron University.”

Powers is still trying to determine what her next career move will be.

“I am considering teaching in America, possibly teaching English abroad, and going to grad school seems inevitable. What I do know is that I love traveling and want to work internationally,” she said. 📍

**Marie Tucker Encke '49** of Franklin, Tenn., Jan. 12, 2011.

### 1950s

**Martha Craig Tays Burress '50** of Erie, Kan., Feb. 1, 2010.

**Lula B. Gholston '50** of Tupelo, March 17, 2011.

**Mary Ellen Riley '51** of Brandon, Dec. 7, 2010.

**Rebekah E. Lusk '51** of Starkville, Jan. 13, 2011.

**Mary Grant Crenshaw '51** of Winona, Jan. 21, 2011.

**Louise “Weezie” Milner Anderson '51** of Gulfport, Oct. 20, 2010.

**Marjorie Backstrom Richardson '51** of Mims, Fla., Feb. 25, 2011.

**Lexie Mary Chism Harbour '51** of Pearl, Dec. 24, 2010.

**Sarah Proctor Rowe '53** of Paragould, Ark., Oct. 21, 2009.

**Emma Catherine Irvin Ellard '55** of Kosciusko, Dec. 15, 2010.

**Mary George Drayton '58** of Daphne, Ala., March 14, 2011.

**Kay Gunter Brewer '59** of Columbus, Dec. 23, 2010.

**Ivanell Harris '59** of Raymond, Dec. 9, 2010.

**Jackie Lantrip Mulvey '59** of Woodlands, Texas, March 20, 2011.

**Janice Langston Mitchell '59** of Bruce, Jan. 6, 2011.

### 1960s

**Mary Charlotte Smith Harris '60** of Jackson, Nov. 16, 2010.

**Marilyn Valentine France '60** of Memphis, Tenn., Nov. 27, 2010.

**Mary M. Hart Thomas '60** of Sartatia, Nov. 26, 2010.

**Helen Reynolds Duckworth Burttschell '60** of Austin, Texas, Jan. 19, 2011.

**Etheldreda Hanway McKee Collins '61** of Memphis, Tenn., March 19, 2011.

**Betty Jagers Stewart '61** of New Albany, March 20, 2011.

**Polly H. Rabalais '62** of Clinton, Nov. 13, 2010.

**Frances Higgins Hudson '62** of Hernando, Oct. 11, 2009.

**Leota Rebecca Perry Bobitt '63** of Columbus, March 1, 2011.

**Mary Priscilla Robbins Booth '63** of Tupelo, Jan. 4, 2011.

**Judith Harrelson Myers '63** of Calhoun City, Feb. 7, 2011.

**Sara Carmichael Bibb '63** of Cabot, Ark., Feb. 26, 2011.

**Evelyn Hays Gordon '68** of Vestavia Hills, Ala., Jan. 20, 2011.

### 1970s

**Sharon Chapman Coats '70** of Booneville, Dec. 5, 2010.

**Camille Summers Wilkinson '70** of Jackson, Feb. 6, 2011.

**Carol Noel McLaurin '76** of Brandon, Nov. 19, 2010.

### 1990s

**Donald Wayne Partridge '95** of Columbus, March 12, 2011.

**Bernice Langford Taylor '99** of Columbus, Dec. 28, 2010.

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