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# IN YOUR WORDS

## Not Just a Number

I transferred from the University of Georgia, Athens, Ga., to BCC for my senior year. Compared to the three years I spent at the University of Georgia, BCC was exactly the opposite. I felt like a person again. I had small classes where teachers knew my name and cared that I understood the lesson content. Even in the larger classes I did not feel that I was just a number.

Old and New Testament were required courses to graduate. Being raised with the OLD TESTAMENT only, I felt very comfortable in that class. But the NEW TESTAMENT class was a different story. I had never read the GOSPELS ever before. I was Jewish. I guess my parents had no idea that I had to learn about JESUS. We were all assigned to write about the PASSION WEEK. I made an A on the paper with an extra comment written under the grade. All it said was "YES!" So, I guess the teacher must have felt that I understood the main point. After all these years, my memories of my education at CSU are good.

Marilyn Silver-Williams '71  
Ladson, S.C.

*Marilyn is the winner of the best submission prize this issue.*

Submissions for In Your Words for the winter issue of the magazine are due by Aug. 29. Are you a former Buc athlete? Tell us about your memories. Or, just write and tell us about your college memories.

Keep submissions to 300 words or less and include photos if you have them. When sending photos electronically, please save them in JPEG format at 300 dpi. All submissions should be sent to Jan Joslin at [jjoslin@csuniv.edu](mailto:jjoslin@csuniv.edu) or mail to: CSU Magazine, University Relations, P.O. Box 118087, Charleston, SC 29423-8087.

Don't forget to include your name and year of graduation.

CSU LYRIC THEATER

announces the fall 2005 production of

*Meredith Willson's*

# *The Music Man*



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## ON THE COVER

Collin Drafts, a rising junior from Beaufort, runs the ball against North Greenville. Drafts is majoring in history with a minor in secondary education and is quarterback for the Bucs.

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No matter what sport they compete in, all of CSU's student-athletes are running to win. In Paul's letter to the Corinthians, he writes, "All good athletes train hard. They do it for a gold medal that tarnishes and fades. You're after one that's gold eternally." (The Message, I Corinthians 9: 25)

*Photo by Brandon Johnston*

## Winning with technology



When you consider that today's traditional-age college student has never known life without computers, you begin to understand how essential it is for college IT departments to be frontrunners in computer technology.

CSU's IT team has racked up some pretty impressive firsts for the campus and gained national recognition in their efforts to keep CSU in the technology game.

In a recent issue of "Campus Technology," CSU and The University of Tennessee at Knoxville shared the spotlight in "Wireless Technology in Higher Education." The article compares the move to wireless networks at CSU and UT and the unique problems faced by small and large universities.

Also, CSU was the first in the U.S. market to deploy a unique "in the wall" switch with a fiber uplink.

When CSU needed an economical way to deliver wireless connectivity to its students and faculty, it turned to a cost-effective solution offered only by 3Com Corporation. The 3Com® IntelliJack™ Switch NJ225 FX transforms a single fiber connection into four 10/100 switched ports. The system allows CSU to distribute its network to wireless access points without buying and installing expensive, higher density fiber switching platforms that exceed the school's present and future needs. Although the device was previously available only in European markets, 3Com is providing the IntelliJack Switch NJ225 FX to U.S. customers on a limited basis.

"We were the first university in South Carolina to provide wireless Internet access to every campus building, but we only need a handful of network ports in each facility to link our access points," said Rusty Bruns, chief information officer. "Before 3Com, we would have paid for stand-alone switches with more ports than we require. The 3Com IntelliJack Switch NJ225 FX is the perfect alternative to this approach. The four-port switch fits simply into a wall or a wiring closet and is far more cost-effective."

The solution allows the school to use one Fast Ethernet fiber connection in a building to link its wireless 3Com access points. Moreover, administrators can map and centrally manage the device like other switches, ensuring optimum performance and reliability.

CSU recently received an honorable mention in Cisco Systems' contest in the Innovators in Nonprofit category for its use of wireless technology and the adaptation of security measures in order to meet increasing federal regulations on dissemination of personal information.

## SCIENCE BUILDING UPDATE

The dedication of the Science Building is scheduled for Oct. 14, 2005.



## College Republicans attend presidential inauguration

By Maribeth Kellenbenz '08

After a long absence on campus, the College Republicans are making news again. Determined to attend the second inauguration of President George W. Bush, the club's leaders worked arduously and obtained tickets just days before the ceremony.

The College Republicans departed campus on Jan. 19, and Washington, D.C., bound, took on one of the first major snowstorms of the year.

"You can only look so great after waking up at 3 a.m.," said publicity chair Jessica Swallen. After two hours of bundling up and layering the long johns, the humble group of 15 took the first steps of a journey unique to the Average Joe, but, worth the entire experience tenfold.

"We made a stop for coffee, and then the group split in half, because our tickets were for two different standing sections," said Amanda Hobson, president of College Republicans. "We decided the night before who would go to which section.

"We had tickets for the gold section and the green section," said Hobson. "The gold tickets were farther back, but everyone enjoyed themselves just as

much. I was with the group with the green tickets.

"After walking a few blocks, we went through security and found the perfect spot to see the president after trying several locations. JoBeth and I, both being under 5'4", flirted our way past all the tall people until we were three rows behind the fence," said Hobson. "The green section was the closest standing section available.

"President Bush's speech was amazing, and it was remarkable taking part in such an event. After campaigning for President Bush it was very satisfying to realize that College Republicans helped in his reelection," said Hobson.

After the inauguration, the College Republicans received a tour of South Carolina Senator Lindsey Graham's office.

"It was eye-opening to see how different life can be, just a few hundred miles away," said JoBeth Banas. "I gained a new appreciation for other cultures through this trip, even if it was just D.C.," she said.

To top off an eventful year, the CSU chapter received the Outstanding New Chapter award at the S.C. College Republican State Convention in April.



Photo by Elaine Myslik

The College Republicans pause for a picture on the way to the presidential inauguration.

"You've got to have something to work towards, to go to work for every day."

– Keith Hewitt '71, speaking to the M.B.A. capstone course on the importance of having a strategic business plan. Hewitt is president of Keith Hewitt Insurance Agency Inc. in Orangeburg and is a partner in Gateway Hospitality Inc., which is based in Columbia.

"Intellectual property and trade secrets should be handled as an addendum, not in your business plan. This is a common, common error."

– Steve Gravely, speaking to the M.B.A. capstone course on the biggest mistake he and his colleagues see in their clients' strategic plans. Gravely is a consultant assisting companies in helping them to lower their costs and put together business plans. He is a former director of operations for AT&T's computer division.

"Instead of being angry at Britney Spears, be worried about Britney Spears wannabes in your church."

– Dr. Russell Moore, in an address on campus concerning Christ in the public square. Moore is dean of the School of Theology and senior vice president for academic administration at The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

"I am the last of four children to graduate. My parents say they are graduating too. Your generosity to us has meant so much."

– Maisha Dicks '05, speaking at the annual donor appreciation luncheon. Dicks is the recipient of the Mason Family Endowed Scholarship.

"We don't work very hard on mission statements. We work hard on execution."

– Thomas Hood, speaking to the M.B.A. capstone course on his company's philosophy. Hood is president and CEO of First Financial Holdings Inc.

"They give you the plans to the land mines out there, so you won't step on them."

– Wayne Outlaw, speaking to the M.B.A. capstone course on the importance of finding a mentor. Outlaw is an author, speaker and management consultant. He worked for Xerox Corp. for 13 years and held the record for quickest promotion to branch marketing manager.

## CSU Awards Degrees to 258 Students

By Sarah Huxford

Photos by Ashley Adams

Charleston Southern University conferred 229 undergraduate and 29 graduate degrees at its spring commencement exercises, held May 7. Three CSU graduates were commissioned as officers in the United States Air Force over the weekend upon successful completion of the AFROTC program.

**1** Commencement speaker James C. Furman received an honorary doctor of pharmacy degree. Furman, CEO of Tar Heel Capital Corporation, is a member of the University's board of visitors. He has served that group as vice president and president and has been a faithful donor to the University for many years.

Furman spoke to the graduates about success in life. He said, "Before the day is over, thank your family for all the sacrifices they've made so you could get a college education." Furman donated Bibles to each graduate. He said, "The Bible is the best management tool you'll ever need. If you'll follow it and read it everyday, you'll be successful."

**2** Dr. Joe R. Wren, pastor of Summerville Baptist Church, received an honorary doctor of religion degree. Wren is immediate past president of the University's board of trustees. **3** Donald M. Kirkland, editor of South Carolina's Baptist newspaper, "The Baptist Courier," received an honorary doctor of letters degree.

Distinguished Service Awards were presented to **5** Phyllis Evans and posthumously to **4** Edward R. Dickerson III, accepted by his wife, Linda Dickerson. Evans, of Mt. Pleasant, has served the University as president of the Women's Auxiliary Advisory Council. She and her husband, trustee Ken Evans, have established several endowed scholarships to benefit students attending CSU. Dickerson, owner and operator of the Chick-fil-A restaurant in Easley, was a member of the CSU board of visitors and was active in many other community activities, including the Rotary Club.

**6** Christina Schultz gave the senior class statement.



## “Little Women” is big hit

By Julie Sprankles '05

Photos by Brandon Johnston



Lynnsey Reed, as Amy, listens to Meg, played by Amanda Harwood.



Katherine Allen as Beth, Shelby K. Busey as Jo, Lynnsey Reed as Amy, and Amanda Harwood as Meg carried the leading roles in the spring production of “Little Women.”

“Little Women” proved to be a huge success. The play evoked the virtues of a lost time...a time when people sat around a piano instead of a television and communicated through conversation instead of text messaging. Ripples of excitement and laughter spread through the audience throughout the production.

The message of the play was a simple and profound reminder of the importance of family and the redeeming power of love. The actors were very convincing in their roles, each portraying their characters with a striking likeness. As Beth, Katherine Allen gave a subtle and quietly moving performance perfectly on par with her character’s sweet and fragile nature. Michael Clayton skillfully played

the nervous suitor turned henpecked husband Mr. Brooke. Jamie Alutius was so convincing as the prissy and ever antagonistic Aunt March that people approached her after the curtains closed to inform her of her misdeeds. Standout performances, however, must go to Shelby Busey for her passionate role as Jo and Allan Stone for his comedic turn as the jittery Professor Bhaer.

Technically, the play was impressive as well. The set design was incredibly crafted. The March family living room came equipped with a bay window, a window seat, stenciled “wall paper” (courtesy of Liz Morris) and an ivy trellis outside the window. The doorways and fireplace were complete with crown molding!

The women wore period-appropriate modest, somewhat dowdy, dress of floor length A-line skirts and blouses. The men looked dapper in sports coats and top hats. With scarce sound effects and simple, no-frills lighting, little existed to take away from the play’s main focus: the family.

Overall, this production garners an A for its creativity (in particular the horse scene of the Christmas play), sincere performances and effective conveyance of the message of “Little Women.”

*This article previously appeared in the April 15 edition of the Buc 'n Bugle, a special class project of English 301, Community Journalism, and is reprinted with permission.*

John Arce, on right, is commissioned as an ensign in the U.S. Navy Nurse Corps at the School of Nursing recognition ceremony on May 6. Arce is CSU’s first nursing graduate to be commissioned as a naval officer. During his senior year as a nursing student, Arce was president of the National Student Nurses Association. He and his wife have three daughters.

Photo by Jan Joslin



## QUOTES FROM THE ANNUAL VALUES AND ETHICS SERIES

# BIOMEDICAL ETHICS

*Compiled by Sarah Huxford*

“From its earliest form to its most incapacitated form,  
**the person, the soul, exists.”**

– Dr. Steve Suits, lecture on April 4

“**Disability**  
has nothing to do with  
**personhood.”**

– Dr. Steve Suits, lecture on April 4

“**Our culture**  
is predominated by functional  
**importance.”**

– Dr. Steve Suits, lecture on April 4

“Physicians are **given the gift**  
of being able to help other human beings  
**heal themselves.”**

– Dr. Christian Grattan, faculty panel on April 5

“**God created the earth** out of nothing.  
Man doesn't have that luxury.  
We have to use what we already have.”

– Dr. Christian Grattan, faculty panel on April 5, in reference to stem cell research

“Being removed from a ventilator is different from having a gastric feeding tube removed. When most people say, ‘I don't want to be kept alive by artificial means,’ they mean they don't want to be put on a ventilator.”

– Dr. Amy Nolan, faculty panel on April 5, in reference to end-of-life issues and living wills

“My hope is that it will give us all something to think about in terms of our own lives, and our families' lives. Whatever came of the situation, whether we agreed or disagreed, my hope is that we'd all do some reflective thinking.”

– Dr. Marian Larisey, faculty panel on April 5, in reference to Terri Schiavo case

“Our society is living in a  
**terrible fog of lies.**

The only way to correct those lies  
is with the truth – which brings us  
to a biblical worldview.”

– Dr. Bozman Reeves, convocation  
on April 6

“I don’t want to lead you to  
believe that living with a biblical  
worldview is not a challenge.  
It’s a challenge for me, and  
**it will be a challenge for you.”**

– Dr. Bozman Reeves, convocation  
on April 6

“The biblical worldview isn’t situational.  
**There are absolute truths.”**

– Dr. Bozman Reeves, convocation on April 6

“**God’s estimate of human worth**  
is not based upon the qualities we display.”

– Dr. Bozman Reeves, convocation on April 6

“With all of this, you get into  
issues of things that are  
**legal versus**  
things that are in line with  
**our own beliefs.”**

– Dr. Marian Larisey, faculty panel on  
April 5, in reference to such issues as stem  
cell research and abortion

“I think the only  
**irresponsible thing**  
for us to do is to  
**not consider**  
these issues.”

– Dr. Jamie Probin, moderator of the faculty  
panel on April 5, in reference to controver-  
sial bioethical issues

“One of the things we hope to get you guys to think about is  
**if you have an opinion, why you have it.”**

– Dr. Stan Perrine, faculty panel on April 5

“**You have to question,**  
if you do use those,  
**what could it lead to**  
down the road?”

– Dr. Amy Nolan, faculty panel on April 5, in reference to using  
embryos that would otherwise be destroyed for stem cell research



Dr. Bozman Reeves

“We can easily fall down a  
**slippery slope of**  
**man-made ethics,**  
or what we call a secular worldview.”

– Dr. Bozman Reeves, convocation on April 6

#### **Participants in the Values & Ethics series:**

Dr. Steve Suits, member of the board of vis-  
itors and physician practicing in Lexington,  
S.C., and speaker at Monday’s lecture

Dr. Jamie Probin, mathematics professor  
and moderator of Tuesday’s faculty panel

Dr. Stan Perrine, mathematics professor  
and member of the faith and learning  
committee, as well as a member of  
Tuesday’s faculty panel

Dr. Christian Grattan, chemistry profes-  
sor and member of Tuesday’s faculty  
panel

Dr. Marian Larisey, dean of the Derry  
Patterson Wingo School of Nursing and  
a member of Tuesday’s faculty panel

Dr. Amy Nolan, biology professor and  
member of Tuesday’s faculty panel

Dr. Bozman R. Reeves, cardiologist  
practicing in Charleston and speaker at  
Wednesday’s convocation

## “The Music Man” marching onto Lightsey stage

by Jan Joslin

Photo provided by Jennifer Luiken



This fall’s production of “The Music Man” is close to Dr. Jennifer Luiken’s heart for several reasons.

“This is the first show that I have cast, and it’s set in my home state of Iowa,” said Luiken, assistant professor of voice and director of the CSU Lyric Theater. The Lyric Theater will also kick off the Club of 100 with the fall series.

Meredith Willson’s “The Music Man,” is set in fictional River City, which is based on Mason City, Iowa. Luiken describes Iowans as stoic and stubborn.

The lyrics to “Townpeople” back this sentiment up with lines such as, “There’s an Iowa kinda/Special chip-on-the-shoulder attitude/We’ve never been without that we recall.”

In his note to the director, Willson wrote, “The humor of this piece depends upon its technical faithfulness to the real small-town Iowans of 1912 who certainly did not think they were funny at all.”

Luiken, who directed last fall’s “South Pacific,” said the cast will number more than 40. She said a musical of this magni-

tude requires the support of the entire campus. “It’s an example of our own small-town campus community coming together,” she said.

“The Music Man” first opened on Broadway in 1957, and the cast album won the first Grammy Award presented.

In the musical, Professor Harold Hill arrives in River City with the intention of scamming the town with the idea of a boy’s marching band. Crowd favorites from the musical include “Till There Was You,” “Gary, Indiana” and “Seventy-Six Trombones.”

“The Music Man” opens Friday, Oct. 21 at 8 p.m. in Lightsey Chapel. Additional performances are Saturday, Oct. 22 at 8 p.m. and Sunday, Oct. 23 at 3 p.m.



Dr. Jennifer Luiken

## JOINING THE CLUB OF 100 BENEFITS MUSIC STUDENTS

The CSU Lyric Theater invites music lovers to join the newly formed Club of 100.

“Each member will donate \$100 to the program and will receive a ticket to both the fall and spring productions and a gala reception on opening night,” said Dr. Jennifer Luiken. “Membership is renewable on a yearly basis,” she said.

Membership will guarantee director’s circle tickets, which Luiken says are the best seats in the house.

“The Club of 100 will provide scholarship assistance to students and help produce future musicals,” she said.

If you are interested in joining the Club of 100, or would like further information, contact Dr. Luiken at 843-863-7958, by e-mail at [jluiken@csuniv.edu](mailto:jluiken@csuniv.edu), or by mail, Dr. Jennifer Luiken, CSU Horton School of Music, P.O. Box 118087, Charleston, SC 29423-8087.

## FACULTY PROMOTIONS

*Spring 2005*

**DR. NANCY BARENDSE**  
*professor of English, tenure*

**DR. AMY NOLAN**  
*to associate professor of biology*

**MRS. JO ROBINSON**  
*to assistant professor of business administration*

**DR. CHRISTINA SINISI**  
*to professor of psychology*



## WORDS TO LIVE BY

A B A S I C W O R L D V I E W V O C A B U L A R Y

By T.M. Moore

*As obedient children...be holy in all your conduct.*

*1 Peter 1:14*

Understanding all the ins and outs of the biblical worldview can be, as Solomon called it, a “difficult task” (Eccl. 1:13, Hebrew). Biblical worldview is as large as the world and everything in it. Only God Himself can exhaustively know all that is involved in the world, its creatures, and their ways. Our attempts to penetrate His knowledge and understanding, so that we might think His thoughts after Him, is limited by our creatureliness and our sin (Eccl. 3:11). At best, we can only mirror God’s view of the world, and that in only relatively small sectors of the grand and glorious whole (1 Cor. 13:12).

Still, God has called us to this difficult task, this noble work of biblical worldview (Eccl. 1:13). But understanding biblical worldview is not the greatest challenge facing believers in these increasingly postmodern times. Living the biblical worldview is a much taller order. It’s one thing to gain insight into the divine order of things. Far more demanding is conducting our lives according to the laws and patterns God reveals in His Word and works.

We need all the help we can get in gaining greater consistency between the things we profess and the way we live. Trust Peter, with his simple, practical outlook, to give us a basic vocabulary of worldview living on which to build consistent lives in Christ. In the first chapter of his first epistle to a group of Christians caught up in the midst of persecution, Peter did not bother to develop the fine details of what is involved in understanding biblical worldview. Instead, in the space of four short verses, he provided for his readers not only a concise summary of the argument of his entire letter, but also a fundamental vocabulary we can adopt for pursuing a consistent course of living biblical worldview.

Five words make up this fundamental worldview vocabulary. They’re not the kind of words many Christians might hope for – words like “fun,” “easy,” or “neat.” Peter’s worldview vocabulary is more realistic and demanding.

### ObEDieNT

The first word in Peter’s worldview vocabulary is obedient (v. 14). Now there’s a word to chafe against. This word clearly implies that, in the biblical worldview, there is something to obey as well as something to deny. What is to obey is the Law of God, indeed, all His Word. What is to be denied are the passions that ran us around when we were ignorant of the salvation we have in Christ (cf. 1 Pt. 4:3). We are no longer to be controlled by obedience to selfish desires, sinful lusts, covetous inclinations, angry outbursts, and the like. Instead, we are to submit to the Word of God and find there the truth that renews our minds, reorients our hearts, fortifies our consciences, and guides us in the path of righteousness.

Obedient reminds us that living the biblical worldview is a struggle, and involves us in a continuous conflict between the ways of the flesh and the world and those of the good and righteous standards of God’s Word. It keeps us mindful of the need to prepare for this struggle every day, to resist the draw of the world, the flesh, and the devil, and to give ourselves wholly to God and His Spirit. Peter puts this word first in his worldview vocabulary for the simple reason that if we are not willing to obey God rather than our sinful passions, it’s “game over” before we even get started.

**The whole idea of assessing the state of our spiritual development probably seems so foreign to most of us that we wouldn’t know how to do so.**

CHILDREN

The second word is children (v. 14). Again, not exactly the way we like to think of ourselves. But Peter wants to remind us that, in this life of struggle to live out the demands of a biblical worldview, we'll never be the fully mature grown-ups we like to think we are. There will always be room for growth. So important was this concept to Peter that his last word in his final letter to these churches was to remind them of the need to grow in grace (2 Pt. 3:18).

When I was a child my parents frequently took me to our family doctor to check up on my health and progress toward adulthood. He would take various measurements, perform certain tests, look in my eyes, ears, and mouth, and then pronounce to my parents that I was, for my age, a normal, healthy boy. Why don't we do the same with our spiritual growth? Why do we so seldom take the time to examine where we are with the Lord – in our vision of those unseen things in which our faith is grounded (Heb. 11:1)? Our practice of spiritual disciplines? Our fruitfulness for Him? The whole idea of assessing the state of our spiritual development probably seems so foreign to most of us that we wouldn't know how to do so. But without knowing where we are in the life of faith, how can we ever set goals and work intentionally toward a more mature future? If we could accept the idea that we are children, who are on a growth-curve toward maturity, we might take more time to examine our progress and chart our future course more consistently, and with greater effects.

The third word is holy (v. 15). There is no getting around the idea that God expects us to make progress in holiness. As adulthood is the goal of children's physical development, holiness must be the goal of spiritual development. Holiness is nothing other than becoming God-like in outlook and life. Happily, God gives us both His Word, a handbook on holiness, and His Holy Spirit to work in us according to His will and power so that we might be transformed into the very image of Jesus Christ (2 Cor. 3:12-18). Holiness is an all-pervading state, catching up our thought lives, priorities, and practices and shaping them increasingly to be like those of Jesus. Peter calls us, as obedient children, to devote ourselves to holiness in every area of our lives.

It's time for us to get serious about being made new in Jesus (2 Cor. 5:17). The Christian life and biblical worldview are not about being all that we can be. Rather, they are about holiness, about being transformed into the image of Jesus Christ, in holiness and righteousness of the truth (Eph. 4:17-24). Day-by-day we are either consciously pursuing this holiness, or we are disobedient children suffering from "failure to thrive" syndrome.

HOLY

JUDGMENT

Ouch! Why do these words in Peter's worldview vocabulary sting us so? Who likes to think about judgment (v. 17)? How often do we look up to God in our prayers and thank Him because one day He is going to judge us for what we have done in the flesh?

But this is the testimony of both Christ and the apostles (cf. Jn. 5:28, 29; 1 Cor. 3:12, 13). Knowing that the holy God will one day stand in judgment of our works (Ps. 62:11, 12), we should be motivated to hear "Well done" when our record is reviewed in His hearing. Our goal must be to shed as many "dead" works as possible so that our time before His judgment throne and amid the purging fires that purify us for eternal glory will be brief. Now is the time to be living as though we expect to stand before the Judge of all the earth one day and give an account of what we have done. John tells us that, if we truly expect to see Jesus face to face one day, we will devote ourselves to becoming pure, even as He is pure (1 Jn. 3:1-3). And Peter tells us that, in the light of God's coming, all-consuming judgment, we must judge our present lives carefully and pursue holiness with all zeal (2 Pt. 3:11-13). Thus we shall confidently expect to enter the Kingdom of righteousness and live eternally with Christ in glory (2 Pt. 1:5-11).

Fear? You betcha (v. 17). Peter calls us to conduct our lives in the fear of God, mindful at all times that we are undeserving of His love, and that all He really owes us is wrath and destruction (Rom. 6:23). We need to remember what God Almighty is capable of when His power is turned against recalcitrant sinners. And, as we cultivate fear of Him, this will strengthen the love we bear Him as we realize that this all-powerful and all-holy God is nonetheless our Father and loves us with an everlasting love.

The fear of the Lord is the beginning both of knowledge and wisdom (Prov. 2:1-5; Ps. 111:10). The fear of the Lord keeps us mindful that He will discipline those He loves, and that discipline can be most unpleasant for those who require it (Heb 12:7-11). God our Shepherd guides us with His chastening rod and loving staff (Ps. 23:4). The more we fear His rod the more readily we will be led by His staff as He guides us in paths of righteousness for His name's sake. The fear of the Lord is the final word in Peter's worldview vocabulary. Perhaps we ought to practice up on it.

Peter's basic worldview vocabulary may strike some as a harsh regimen. In fact, it marks out the path of freedom, power, and joy. The alternative to taking up Peter's worldview vocabulary is to remain slaves to sin and self, cut off from the presence and blessing of God, and without hope of ever knowing the peace that passes understanding and the joy that nothing can ever take from us. As obedient children, committed to holiness, with our eye on the coming judgment of God and conducting ourselves in the fear of the Lord, we tread a path of freedom from sin, power for following Christ, and joy in the presence of the living God.

So let us take up Peter's worldview vocabulary. Memorize 1 Peter 1:14-17. Make a personal motto out of it. Post it where you'll see it every day. Then build the rest of your worldview understanding around these five words, and you'll know a freedom, power, and joy for living that you won't find anywhere else.

Why not take an evaluation of where you stand in relation to each of these five words? Rate yourself on a scale of 1 to 5 (5 being the highest) to see just how much these words are part of your own life at this time. Then make plans to improve around each of these terms.

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Heather Turbeville, Lindsey Blanton, Melissa Gore and Stephanie Keast enjoy a balmy evening while serving with Campus Crusade for Christ in Daytona Beach, Fla., during Spring Break.



SPRING break? As snow flurries fall, Kevin Sheridan, John Nettles and Campus Minister Clark Carter install a new porch.



Making all things new. Sara Armstrong works to remove five layers of peeling wallpaper while on mission in Tennessee.

## Spring Break Servitude: Students Minister in Tennessee

*By Ashley Rudolph '07*

When surveying college students on spring break plans, most individuals use the reprieve from schoolwork to engage in common activities: road trips, visits with friends, extra hours on the job, or time with family. But for the nine students committed to the spring mission trip, the week was anything but commonplace.

Traveling to Irwin, Tenn., the students worked with Fishery Community Church to repair an elderly woman's home. The local church arranged housing for each student with host families, who provided room and board for the grateful workers. The students report that the hospitality and generosity of the families struck them as the most memorable part of the trip.

The mission team included students Drew Boyter, John Nettles, Fred Connor, Frederick Gambrell, Kevin Sheridan, Amber Straub, Sara Armstrong, Elisa Deffendall, and Amanda Hobson, led by Campus Minister Clark Carter.

Amanda Hobson said, "We arrived in Irwin with open arms waiting for us. Everyone at Fishery Community Church was awesome, and they were all very giving to us. The CSU bunch started to work on Monday in Miss Kate's home. We were able to scrape off five layers of wallpaper, repair the walls, and start painting during the course of the week."

Despite all the work to be done, the group made plenty of time to engage in leisurely activities together, "We also went

to the mall, movies, relaxed, and tested a bunch of the restaurants," said Hobson. "On the last day we played paintball, visited a fishery, and observed a Billy Graham phone center...I felt God's amazing love both through the beautiful scenery and through the people He put in our path."

Frederick Gambrell reports having taken away an even greater lesson from the trip, "Even though God taught me many things that week dealing with patience, humility, hard work, and a few other things, the main thing I learned was how awesome and important friendship is to us all. From going on this mission trip, I have gained friends that I will love and cherish for the rest of my life."



## GLOBAL MINISTRY

From left, Alumni Emmett Dupree '80, and Steve Edgington '79, who are currently ministering in the Middle East in oil companies, discuss their work with Dr. John Duncan, dean of the CSU School of Business, and Dr. Russell Moore, dean of the School of Theology and senior vice president for academic administration at The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Dupree and Edgington were on campus to hear Dr. Moore's lecture on "Christ in the Public Square: How Kingdom Theology Transforms Christian Witness."

## Extreme makeover—Elevate edition

By Jamie Alutius '05

## SAMUEL THOMAS ENCOURAGES CAMPUS TO MINISTER

By Sarah Huxford



Mark Rhodes and Tam Odom '03, campus ministries assistant, work on kitchen repairs.

The word Elevate has been posted all over campus. Formerly known as HalfTime, Elevate is the weekly campus worship service under the Baptist Collegiate Ministry's department.

Elevate represents the need for us to elevate our worship to God, and it is a time to come together and meet with God and fellow students.

Students put their faith into action recently when Elevate held what they called their own "Extreme Makeover" experience. When it came to the attention of members of the Elevate staff that a CSU employee was in need of help with home repairs, they realized this would be a great opportunity for service.

Starting at noon on April 13, students were shuttled back and forth between CSU and the work site. Students were divided into five groups: interior design/painting, plumbing/carpentry, landscaping, clean up crew and hospitality crew.

Campus Minister Clark Carter said the practical goal for the project was to install a new bathroom, kitchen sink and stove, and the overall goal was that they wished to "minister to someone in Jesus' name."

The students were given a budget of \$800, which was divided among the five groups. The hospitality committee whisked away the homeowner after a long day at work so she could enjoy a nice dinner.

Although the students did not go as far as breaking windows and ripping down entire walls like people see on the TV show that airs on ABC, these students were determined to get the work done.

Why did these students go out of their way to do so much? Carter answered that by referencing Jesus' words found in Matthew 25:35-40, "...whatever you did for the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me."

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Stephanie Odom, Amanda Hobson and Melissa Gore get ready to paint during campus ministries' Extreme Makeover weekend.

Samuel Thomas of Hopegivers International spoke to students, faculty and staff on Feb. 9 at convocation. Hopegivers, a ministry in India, has planted more than 11,130 churches since its founding in 1960. Hopegivers has started 192 Christian schools with a combined enrollment of more than 88,000 students; 49 Bible institutes; 100 colonies of lepers; and orphanages housing 9,800 children. Ninety-seven percent of those children will go on to enter full-time Christian ministry.

Thomas began his message by pointing out a major difference between the United States and India – population density. There are 1.2 billion people in India, compared with 293 million people in the United States. India, by contrast, is only a little bigger than the state of Texas. Some things, however, the two nations share in common: "Just like India needs the gospel, the United States needs the gospel," Thomas said.

Thomas rejected the idea that Christian ministry requires advanced degrees. "Jesus isn't looking for degrees, he's looking for temperature," Thomas said, "a zeal that says 'for me, to live is Christ and to die is gain.'" He listed Bible figures who overcame their own hardships or sins to minister for Christ, such as David, who was an adulterer and murderer. Thomas continued, "Lazarus was dead. What's your excuse? God has heard them all."

"It is not you that wins people to Christ," Thomas explained. "It is His Holy Spirit working through you. We are only an instrument to proclaim the truth."

For more information on Hopegivers International, visit [www.hopegivers.com](http://www.hopegivers.com).





## PARENT'S PERSPECTIVE COMING SAFELY THROUGH

By Sherry Atkinson

There are no embossed emblems, no CSU blue and gold, no shiny sleek finish.

I was taken aback a little when I saw the cover of the Cutlass 2005. It doesn't look like your typical college yearbook. With its faded fabric appearance and dark edges, it looks more like an old, worn book.

There's a black and white photograph of the Lightsey Chapel taken right before a thunderstorm. Layers of dark clouds surround the steeple, and beneath the picture is the one-word inscription, Weathered.

Inside the yearbook, powerful words frame student pictures. Words like Seasoned, Proven, Persevering, Lasting, Toughened, Come Safely Through. These words are testimonials of students describing their life journeys at Charleston Southern.

As a parent of a student at CSU, I am so encouraged by the ideals expressed by these students. They convey what every parent desires for their child: for him or her to leave college prepared, not only academically, but equipped with life skills to make it in the world we know is waiting for them.

We enjoyed watching our son grow and develop through every stage of life (the Little League years were my personal favorites), but these past three years have been especially satisfying. He has a sharpened sense of who he is and who he is in Christ. He's more focused and purposeful, more aware of the world around him and how he fits in it.

Thinking back, I realize developing life skills begins that first day on campus.

Orientation and special events help students feel more at ease in their new surroundings. When classes actually begin, it's all about basic survival: finding food, finding reasonably clean clothes, finding classrooms. Learning how to share a dorm room and a bathroom is a major accomplishment in itself. But each day becomes more comfortable, and soon a daily routine is carved out.

Once academic schedules are in place, students can choose from many opportunities available on campus, including clubs, sports, sororities and fraternities, and musical groups, just to name a few. Becoming involved in these activities fosters confidence and a sense of

belonging. When our son joined Baptist Collegiate Ministries, he quickly found his place. He was challenged to strengthen his gifts and talents as well as his leadership skills. At a recent worship time on campus, his dad and I were in a group where he was leading in worship. During the singing I thought of all the times we had "led" him to worship and how we've come full circle, being blessed by his leading us. Nothing compares to that.

Besides being active and involved on campus many students also hold down jobs. Arranging schedules and priorities is a constant balancing act for all students. Their life lessons must include consistent time management to be able to stay on top of things. But even with busy academic schedules, jobs, and outside activities, students still find time to be involved in ministry and service opportunities to others. Recently a group of 30 students found out about a need in the

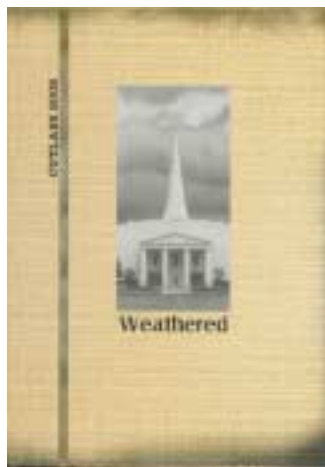
community. It was near the end of the semester when time is especially precious. Rotating teams committed to working two full days renovating a home and renewing the owner's heart. It was a lesson in giving made possible only by their willingness to give of themselves and their time to make a difference in someone else's world.

Many of these ideals develop under the guidance of CSU professors and mentors as students are encouraged to strive for their personal best. Professors teach in the classroom, as well as out. Many take time to sit down with students and talk with them about their futures, their choices, and about life in general. These seasoned folks have come through similar passages and help students find the way on their own unique paths.

Behind every face in the yearbook is a story; a story of a student being encouraged, challenged, loved, tested, and tried. They are the faces of our children. Our children have survived their first weeks on campus, taken risks forming new relationships, found their niche in campus life and will eventually find their niche in life outside the campus.

Throughout their journey, our prayer is that our children will Come Safely Through to the other side, Seasoned, Proven, Toughened, having learned how to Persevere and Last. As parents we can pray for them with confidence knowing that "...He who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus." Philippians 1:6.

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# ***RUNNING*** > > >



## > > > **TO WIN**

**N**o matter what sport they compete in, all of CSU's student-athletes are running to win. They work hard to be winners on and off the playing field and as they prepare for life after college. In his letter to the Corinthians, Paul writes, "All good athletes train hard. They do it for a gold medal that tarnishes and fades. You're after one that's gold eternally." (The Message, I Corinthians 9:25)



# Ekberg grows as player and person during four years

By David Shelton, Sports Information Director



Amanda Ekberg

**A**manda Ekberg's career goals have changed quite a bit since she was a senior at Harlem High School in Roscoe, Illinois, four years ago. She credits the changes entirely to her four years at CSU.

As she was finishing up her senior year of high school, Ekberg had plans to attend the Air Force Academy with hopes of becoming a pilot. That all changed when she began to explore other options, with one of those options being Charleston Southern.

Ekberg gave up the dream of flying for the smaller atmosphere of CSU and, despite some growing pains early on, has never regretted her decision.

"Charleston Southern will always be a special place for me for so many reasons," said Ekberg, who recently graduated with a degree in business. "I grew so much spiritually during my four years, and I truly believe that playing here at CSU has allowed me to understand what God's plans for me have been all along. I have learned so many life lessons, and the people here at CSU have helped me understand so much about life.

"I knew this was a Christian school when I came here, but I wasn't sure of the exact atmosphere. I was attracted to the smaller classes and the weather and also to the basketball program. Once I got here, I knew I had made the right decision."

College life was not always a bed of roses for Ekberg. Like most college freshmen, Ekberg says the transition to being away from home presented her with some tough decisions. Not all of the decisions were the correct ones.

"That first year was very trying for me, and I kind of fell away from my walk," she admits. "But by the end of that freshman year, through the guidance and love from some special people, I started to commit myself to God."

Ekberg, a 6-2 center, enjoyed her time as a basketball player so much that she is now pursuing a goal to play professionally or become a coach. She has an opportunity to play in Portugal next fall, or she can become a graduate assistant coach at Rockford College while she pursues her master's degree.

"I know now that I want to teach and coach," she said. "I want to be in a situation where I can pass on the things that I've been learning here, things about basketball and things about life."

Ekberg's career at CSU was a solid one. During her four seasons, CSU played 112 games, and Ekberg played in 110 of those games. She averaged 6.1 points per game as a freshman and was named to the Big South Conference All-Rookie team. She ended up averaging right at six points per game for her career with a career-high 22 points in a win over Southern Virginia in her junior season.

Her most shining moment on the court came near the end of her senior season when she and her teammates overcame a 29-point deficit against Radford, all in the final nine minutes of the game, to win, 72-69. Ekberg scored 21 points in that game, which was the largest second-half comeback in school history.

"There is no way I will ever forget that night," said Ekberg. "Everyone who stayed around to watch the last 10 minutes will never forget it. I have had so many people

tell me how unbelievable it was, and if I had not lived it, I wouldn't believe it possible. It's proof positive that one should never give up."

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**"Charleston Southern will always be a special place for me for so many reasons,"**  
- Amanda Eckberg

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# HAAR, DONOVAN RECEIVE TOP AWARDS AT ATHLETIC BANQUET

Sports teach us all so much about life, about competition, about facing adversity and finding a way to persevere. For Ekberg, basketball and academics brought the total picture into focus.

“It all connects,” she said. “Basketball has taught me so much, and having the opportunity to play here with such a diverse group of players, from all backgrounds, has helped me understand so much about people. I have met and become friends with so many people, not only on the court but in my classes as well.

“You hear people talk about stuff like this all of the time, but until you experience it, you just cannot feel the total impact of it all. CSU gave me that experience.”



CSU held its annual athletic awards banquet on April 25 with baseball player Jordan Haar and women’s golfer Erica Donovan taking home the top honors as the school’s Senior Male and Female Athletes of the Year.

Haar is wrapping up a record-setting career as CSU’s all-time leader in hits, homeruns and runs batted in, while Donovan was the top performer on the 2005 women’s golf team, earning all-con-

ference honors with a seventh-place overall finish.

Women’s senior tennis player Kim Kennedy received the R.L. Wynn Christian Leadership Award, and senior baseball player Billy Dalton received the Mike Frost Award for Christian Leadership.

Following is the list of award winners, by sport, as presented by their respective coaching staffs:

## WOMEN’S BASKETBALL

Lakeshia Bryant (MVP), Amanda Ekberg (Sportsmanship)

## WOMEN’S SOCCER

Miki Wilson (MVP), Ann Basom (Sportsmanship)

## FOOTBALL

Collin Drafts (MVP), Harry Seabrook (Sportsmanship)

## VOLLEYBALL

Tori Owens (MVP), Erin Wicker (Sportsmanship)

## WOMEN’S INDOOR TRACK

Lacoya Jones (MVP), Octavia Best (Sportsmanship)

## WOMEN’S CROSS COUNTRY

Cheryl Ewing Jones (MVP), Heather Koziel (Sportsmanship)

## MEN’S CROSS COUNTRY

Jose Aleman (MVP), Jonathan Horton (Sportsmanship)

## MEN’S INDOOR TRACK

A.J. Scott (MVP), Nathan Breland (Sportsmanship)

## MEN’S OUTDOOR TRACK

Nathan Breland (MVP), Joshua Williams (Sportsmanship)

## MEN’S BASKETBALL

Kurtis Rice (MVP), Mario Williams (Sportsmanship)

## ATHLETIC TRAINING

Elizabeth Uczekaj and Matthew Steele (Student Trainers of the Year)

# Faith leads Billy Dalton through trying times

By David Shelton, Sports Information Director



Billy Dalton #4

## PICTURE THIS, IF YOU WILL.

On his way to a game as the starting shortstop for the Charleston Southern baseball team, Billy Dalton is involved in a car accident. He arrives in time to play the game but finds that his glove has been stolen. Early in the game, trying to leg out an infield single, Dalton rolls his ankle on the base and tumbles to the ground in pain. After the game, Dalton arrives home on crutches to his wife, Heather, who tells him that the couple is expecting their first child.

While hard to believe that all of this can happen to one college baseball player in a single day, the story is true. Many a man would simply throw up his hands in despair, but not Dalton. Due to his strong

faith in God and a level head, Dalton takes everything in stride and moves on to a brighter day. Such is the life of Billy Dalton.

Dalton, a native of Vero Beach, Florida, graduated from Charleston Southern with a degree in religion on May 7, completing an odyssey that few have experienced in their college life. He came to Charleston Southern with hopes of improving his craft as a shortstop and one day playing professional baseball. He leaves CSU on his way to seminary in August, with wife and child in tow.

One will never hear Dalton complain about the curveballs that life throws him. He sees each setback or obstacle as an opportunity to learn and grow. His strength and commitment to God is evident in everything he does, on and off the field.

Dalton recently received the Michael Frost Christian Leadership Award at CSU's annual athletic awards banquet. His coach, Jason Murray, can think of no other athlete who is more deserving.

"His leadership ability at such an early age is amazing," says Murray. "His character on and off the baseball field separates him from the rest because his actions represent his words. People are attracted to someone who loves life and loves others and Billy has such a passion for helping others. He gives hope to people; he shares himself with others, and gives his time to others."

Dalton's baseball career at CSU will not be remembered for statistics. In fact, his baseball career almost ended before it started. Dalton came to CSU as a great defensive middle infielder and earned the

starting nod at second base in his freshman season. That season, however, was cut short after only nine games with a shoulder injury.

Heather, Dalton's high school sweetheart and then a student at the University of North Florida, decided to move to Charleston, and she and Billy were married.

"Heather made a huge sacrifice in coming here to be with me, and she has held everything together," said Dalton. "It's funny how things happened. My plan was to come here and get better and hopefully be drafted and play professionally. But God had different plans for me, and it took that injury to slow me down and make me look at what His plan in my life was going to be."

The sophomore season in baseball was another disappointment as the shoulder injury flared up and ended Dalton's season after only eight games. Though disappointed, Dalton pressed on.

His injury cut short his playing time, but Dalton continued as a major part of the team. He says it was at that time of his life that he began to see a bigger picture.

"I took the chance to be around the team and used it as an opportunity to minister to my teammates," said Dalton. "I began to see that I could still make an impact on the team, and we saw several guys accept Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior that season. I saw that God's plan for me was to minister to others."

After earning a medical redshirt waiver from the NCAA, Dalton had three years left to play, and a healthy Dalton became a productive player on the field. In 2003,

**"His character on and off the baseball field separates him from the rest because his actions represent his words."**

**- Jason Murray,  
CSU Baseball coach**

playing in 51 games at shortstop, Dalton batted .259. The newest member of the family, daughter Leianna, was born in November of 2003.

“The summer after the 2003 season I really thought about quitting baseball because my major concern was providing for my family,” said Dalton. “I had to decide if playing was worth it all, and I prayed so hard for God to show me the way. As it turns out, God wanted me to keep playing and to keep using my testimony as a witness to my teammates.”

Dalton responded on the field in a big way during the 2004 season, posting a career best batting average of .304, picking up 56 hits and 14 stolen bases. His 2005 season started slow, but by May, Dalton had upped his batting average over the .250 mark.

All along, Dalton continued his work as a team leader and minister to others, though he says competition can test one’s faith.

“Maintaining your witness is tough when you’re playing because the competitive nature takes hold and really tests you,” said Dalton. “You don’t want to be hypocritical because others are watching you. They watch how you handle disappointment and failures. I learned that your batting average was not as important as how you witnessed to others in your daily life.”

In addition to his role as a father, husband and teammate, Dalton became employed as a part-time youth minister at Holmes Avenue Baptist Church. He also spent last summer coaching a 15-year-old AAU traveling baseball team and earned extra money by giving hitting lessons at Pro Level Sports, an indoor baseball training facility near the campus. All of these things kept Dalton busy, but for a good reason.

“It was allowing me to continue to minister to young people,” he said. “I had two players on my summer team accept

the Lord, which to me is more important and more special than any games that we won. Making an impact in someone’s life is a very special feeling.”

Dalton says he cannot imagine how life would be different had he left Charleston Southern after the disappointments of his freshman and sophomore years. He feels the family at CSU kept him afloat during the roughest of times.

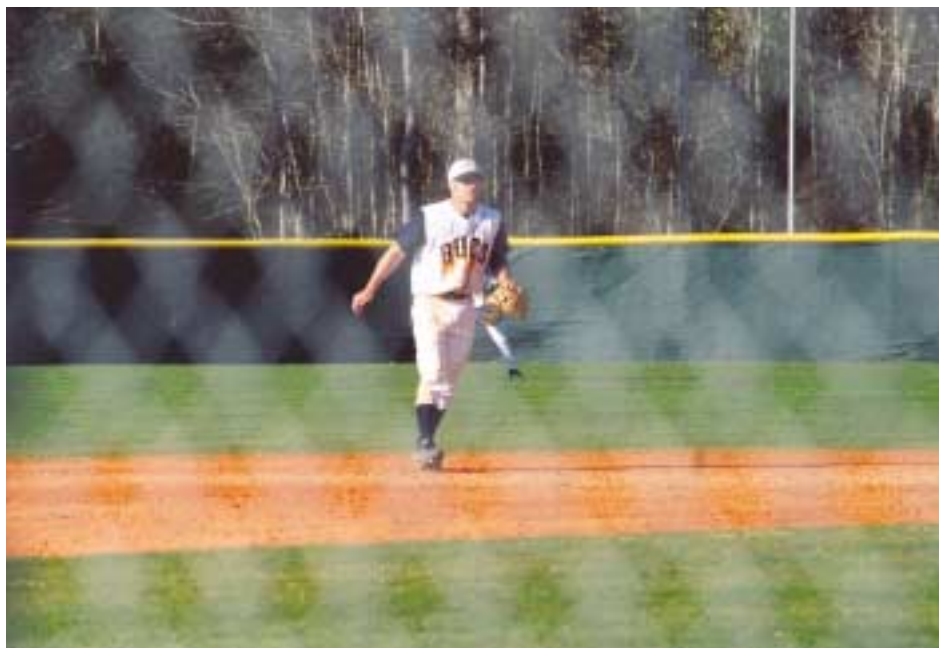
“This is a special place indeed,” says Dalton of CSU. “It has been an unbelievable experience for me, and I have learned so much from so many people here. The opportunity they give you at CSU to be so open about your faith really made a difference in my life. There are a lot of people on campus who care about you and never did I not have someone there for me when I needed them. The years here at CSU have definitely shaped who I am and who I will become in the future.

“There have been plenty of disappointments on the field. We had some tough seasons and didn’t win as much as we had

hoped, but going through the battles with my teammates has created a special bond. At a bigger school, I would have been written off when I hurt my shoulder but the people here at CSU always gave me the opportunity to come back. I’m very thankful for that.”

So, this August, Billy, Heather and Leianna Dalton embark on a new adventure in Fort Worth, Texas. With a scholarship to seminary in hand, Dalton is planning for a future in the ministry, either as a pastor or a teacher. Still, there are questions but Dalton has learned not to sweat the small stuff.

“God has a plan, I know that in my heart,” said Dalton. “He has told us, ‘this is the next step.’ I love baseball and hopefully God has plans for me to continue in the game as a coach and teacher and allow me to minister to young men. I don’t know what the future holds, but I know that God will use me and my family in the best situation.”



Billy Dalton #4

# CSU grad-turned-coach knows records are made to be broken

By Blake Freeland, CSU Sports Information



Tosha Ansley

**M**ost of the time athletes break records with dreams of their name being in the record books for years. That's not the case with women's track and field coach Tosha Ansley '99. In fact, it would suit Ansley just fine if her name was erased completely from the CSU record books, especially now that she is coaching the athletes who are aiming at her records.

"It's OK if they are broken by my girls," said Ansley. "I had the conference record in the 100-meter hurdles, and it was broken by someone from another school and that hurt pretty bad. I want my girls to break all the records."

Ansley came to CSU as coach three years ago hoping to score points by placing in meets. The track and field teams

were small in numbers when she arrived, but recruiting quality athletes has brought the program to the point where they are one of the top four programs in the Big South Conference.

Between her time at CSU as an athlete and now as a coach, there have been a lot of memories made by Ansley. The coach says the fondest memories are the relationships she made as an athlete.

"Our teams were like a big family," said Ansley. "We all looked out for each other and cheered for each other during meets. All of my best memories involve the people I've dealt with and my teammates."

Going from athlete to coach at your alma mater is not very common and is not always an easy transition. There are a lot of differences in the mentality of athletes and coaches.

"The biggest thing is that now I see what my coaches had to go through," joked Ansley, who coached at Summerville High School and Winthrop University before coming back to CSU. "Athletes assume that things will get done, but as a coach you have to look at what's best for your athletes. We have to do whatever possible to make them better athletes and better people."

Ansley has watched proudly as one of her athletes, junior Audrika Gadson, has broken her school records in the long jump and triple jump this year, which is proof positive that the program is improving. Ansley still holds the school record in the 100-meter hurdles in outdoor track. She also holds the 55-meter hurdles, 60-meter hurdles, and the 4X400 meter relay, all set during the indoor track season.

"Hopefully all of those will fall and be broken by young women that I am coaching," said Ansley.

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# CSU BASEBALL



Members of the baseball team present President Jairy Hunter with a team cap.

*Photo by Ashley Adams*

## ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME WEEKEND

SET FOR SEPTEMBER 30

Charleston Southern's athletic alumni and Hall of Fame weekend will be on Sept. 30 and Oct. 1, the weekend of CSU's home football game against Howard University.

Festivities begin with the induction of the 2005 Hall of Fame class at a banquet on Friday night. Saturday will bring alumni games in various sports, leading up to the football game at 1:30 pm. At halftime of the football game, the 2005 Hall of Fame class will again be recognized, with alumni games in basketball taking place following the football game in the CSU field house.

Charleston Southern moved the annual Hall of Fame inductions from the spring to the fall last year with the campus hosting alumni games in softball, basketball, volleyball and tennis. CSU athletic director Hank Small expects an even bigger response this year.

"Last year was sort of the trial run for this event, and it went off very well," said Small. "We really expect a lot more of our athletic alumni to come this year as the word continues to spread. It's a big weekend for the entire CSU community and an opportunity for our former athletes to visit us and see firsthand all of the great things that are happening here on campus."

More information on the weekend will be made available over the summer on the school's athletic Web site, [csusports.com](http://csusports.com). Any questions can be directed to the school's sports information office at **843-863-7688**.

## NCAA announces athletics certification decisions

INDIANAPOLIS – The NCAA Division I Committee on Athletics Certification announced decisions May 19 concerning the certification status of 16 Division I member institutions that have undergone the Association's second cycle of athletics certification.

Charleston Southern University was one of 13 universities certified.

The purpose of athletics certification is to ensure integrity in the institution's athletics program and to assist institutions in improving their athletics departments. NCAA legislation mandating athletics certification was adopted in 1993.

The certification process, which is a self-study led by an institution's chief executive officer, includes a review of these primary components: governance and commitment to rules compliance; academic integrity; equity; and student-athlete welfare.

A designation of certified means that an institution operates its athletics program in substantial conformity with operating principles adopted by the Division I membership.

# Hitting the books

By Blake Freeland, CSU Sports Information



Marvin McHellon #26

## McHellon balancing life as Division I athlete and student

Now a junior, Marvin McHellon has enjoyed success on and off the field as a football player and student-athlete.

As a freshman, McHellon made an immediate impact, playing in 10 games for the Bucs and recording 27 tackles. Last year, he was fourth on the team in tackles with 52, including 21 solo tackles.

"Marvin is such a solid player," said defensive backs coach Darrell Perkins, McHellon's position coach. "He gives you a consistent effort every day. His success is because of who he is, and it's important to him to do well at whatever he attempts to do."

McHellon's success is not limited to the playing field. In high school, he was a member of the National Honors Society and has followed his high school achievements with academic excellence at the college level. He came to CSU majoring in business with a minor in finance, making the most of his time with a 3.14 grade point average. He hopes to use his education to work in an investment firm back home in Florida after graduating.

Schools such as Hofstra, Lafayette, and Cincinnati recruited the 5-9 defensive back out of Jacksonville, Florida. McHellon chose CSU and has never regretted the

decision. According to McHellon, he has enjoyed the relationships with students as well as faculty, though the biggest impact has been in his faith.

"The biggest difference has been how much I've grown in my faith here at CSU," said McHellon. "There has been a huge difference since coming to this campus, especially in the last year and a half."

Success in one area of your life is tough enough, but success in the classroom as well as on the football field is almost impossible.

"It takes a lot of discipline to be a student-athlete," said McHellon. "You have to prepare well, and this is something that I've been doing since high school because I knew it would take a good education to get into college and get a scholarship."

His discipline has paid off being named a CSU scholar-athlete in the fall of 2003 and 2004, as well as making the Dean's List in the fall of 2004. In case he has too much free time, McHellon will also serve as the secretary/treasurer for student-athlete advisory committee during the 2005-06 school year.

"Marvin has been a pleasure to coach," said Perkins. "I wish everyone did what he does, on and off the field. From what he's already accomplished, I think the best is yet to come for him."

## Four-year baseball player enjoys academic success

Hitting a baseball is one of the toughest things to do in sports. Succeeding at baseball while posting a perfect grade point average is nearly impossible. Not for Jeff Kolhagen.

After graduating summa cum laude with a 4.0 cumulative GPA and a degree in business administration with emphasis in accounting and a minor in economics, Kolhagen was awarded the Christenberry award by the Big South Conference. The award honors the top scholar-athlete from among the league's nine institutions.

As if that is not enough, Kolhagen also completed the Honors Program and went on to begin his M.B.A. degree during his senior season as a Buccaneer. The list of academic accomplishments seems infinite but there is more to Kolhagen than a brain. He also is a five-year member of the baseball team.

During his junior season with the Buccaneers, Kolhagen batted a .247, while starting 20 of 28 games. He tallied 77 at-bats, 18 hits and 12 runs. He was also credited with four homeruns in 2004. His 2005 numbers were similar from his designated hitter position. Kolhagen had 21 hits on 69 at-bats, scoring 13 times. His .304 batting average is good enough for fourth on the team in 2005.

"Being a student-athlete is a lot of responsibility," says Kolhagen. "You have to work hard and put in the effort so that you can succeed on and off the field. You have to have good time management so that you know when you have to work and when you can just enjoy life."

Those are easy words to say from someone who has been awarded the John A. Barry Scholar Award from CSU in 2004 and has been on the Dean's List since his freshman year in 2000. Kolhagen is a six-time Top Scholar-Athlete for baseball, as well as an eight-time member of the Big



Jeff Kolhagen

South Conference President's honor roll. He also won the departmental award for economics in 2004.

"The awards are great, and obviously I enjoy getting them," says Kolhagen, "but I came to school to get an education and because I want to make a contribution after college. I would feel like I was letting people down if I didn't study and get the education that I am paying for."

### **The Lord worked in mysterious ways for Bowe Butler**

On his way to play football at the Air Force Academy, something tugged at the heart of Bowe Butler and told him that there was a better place for him. He sent a tape of his football exploits to CSU, and a few months later was on the football field in a Buccaneer uniform.

"Because it was so late in the recruiting process, I planned to go to Air Force for a year and then transfer out," said Butler. "The coaches at CSU called me on the day I was supposed to sign with the Academy and told me they had a scholarship available immediately."

After coming here on blind faith, having never seen the campus, Butler figured out just why he had been given that uneasy feeling. Soon after his arrival, he found the Lord and decided to major in religion and go to work in the ministry. He got involved in a Bible study with the football team through Campus Outreach, figured out what life meant, and dedicated his life to the Lord. Now, Butler is going to work full time for the Campus Outreach program on the CSU campus.

"It's amazing how God has worked and brought my life full circle," commented Butler. "I was looking at a tape from the Air Force the other day and realized how different my life would be if I had gone there instead of CSU."

A four-year letterman out of Big Spring, Texas, Butler was the heart and soul of the CSU defense from his linebacker position. During his time at CSU, he not only recorded over 200 career tack-

les and was second on the team in tackles his last two years, but he also did well in the classroom.

Butler graduated in May with a career 3.02 GPA and a degree in religion and a minor in business administration. He was named to the Dean's List in the fall of 2004 and was a five-time CSU scholar-athlete. Butler also served as the student-athlete advisory committee representative for football during the 2003-04 school year.

Butler was regarded as one of the top linebackers in the Big South (earning second-team all-conference honors three times) and will use the toughness he learned at CSU in all of his endeavors, starting with a mission trip to South Africa with Campus Outreach this summer.

"Being a student-athlete is hard work," said Butler. "Athletes are taught to persevere though, and I have become more disciplined in everything that I do."



Bowe Butler

# Buccaneer athletes helping other athletes as part of athletic training program

By Blake Freeland, CSU Sports Information



Erica McCoy

Most college athletes barely have time for classwork and practice, not to mention the demands of a social calendar.

The same can be said for athletic training majors, especially those athletes who also participate in the difficult athletic training program.

Athletic training is a major that athletes are discouraged from taking on because of the time that it involves. Each student-athlete in the program is required to help out with a sport as a student trainer on top of being a full-time student and full-time Division I athlete.

Erica McCoy, a rising senior member of the women's basketball team, is one who has willingly taken on the extra time commitments to do something that she loves to do.

"There are times that I have to forfeit sleep to get everything done," said McCoy. "After being injured and spending a lot of time in the training room, I realized the importance, and athletic training is a great way to be involved with sports after college."

In the classroom, McCoy is a double major in biology and athletic training and carries a 3.68 GPA. She's been on the

Dean's List three times and the Big South Conference Presidential Honor Roll eight times. On the court, McCoy was CSU's third-leading scorer, averaging 8.6 points per contest. Her 5.2 rebounds per game were good enough for second on the Lady Bucs' squad.

"She just began the athletic training program," said trainer Emily Hickenbottom. "She's done a great job during her observations and has done a great job of making time for everything. It's definitely a sacrifice, but she is willing to make it."

There isn't much free time left in the day for McCoy after studying and practice, but she tries to make the most of it with her teammates. Road trips for games and the team's summer missions trip to the Dominican Republic provide good opportunities to bond with the other athletes.

"I think one of the most important things is the relationships you have with individuals," says McCoy. "After basketball is over, those friendships are what you are going to remember."

McCoy came to CSU partially because of the Christian atmosphere and says that her faith has helped in all of her endeavors.

"Philippians 4:13 has been very helpful

in my life, especially when it comes to injuries," says McCoy. "Being at CSU has been great because you know that the coaches are Christians and that remains something that is very important to me."

Women's soccer player Elizabeth Uczekaj has not only overcome a major injury but also involved herself in the athletic training program. What could have been a career-ending back surgery early in her college career has only made her stronger and more determined to succeed in life. She graduated cum laude in May.

"It's very difficult to come back after surgery your freshman year," said Hickenbottom. "Liz came back after the doctors told her she'd never play again, and she played above and beyond all expectations."

Her comeback is due in large part to her dedication, but Uczekaj contributes part of it to the support of her coaches.

"Eric [Terrill] and then Tatum [Clowney] were a very big part of my being able to come back," said Uczekaj. "I got very discouraged, but the coaches were very supportive and taught me how to stick it out. It meant so much to me to know that the coaching staff actually cares about you as a person."

Uczekaj, who studied biology and athletic training, as well as completing the premed program, won the departmental award for athletic training in 2005 and twice was the top scholar-athlete for the women's soccer team. She was on the Dean's List five times, was a CSU scholar-athlete five times, and made the Big South Conference President's Honor Roll all eight semesters that she was at CSU.

"Liz is an outstanding student," said head coach Eric Terrill. "She came in as a Parade All-American and was the only freshman that first year to start every game. She worked so hard for two years to come back and worked hard in the classroom to finish both of her majors on time."

## DEGRAFFENREID AND CRONA NAMED BIG SOUTH SCHOLAR-ATHLETES OF THE YEAR

*By Blake Freeland, CSU Sports Information*

On the field, Uczekaj scored three goals from her defensive position during her career, including two in her senior year. From scoring goals, to earning a 3.64 GPA with a double major, Uczekaj could not have had the success she's had without excellent time management.

"It has been a struggle to get everything done," said Uczekaj. "There have been a lot of nights I've stayed up late to stay on top of my schedule, but it has all been worth it."

Uczekaj is headed to the University of Virginia next semester to earn her master's degree from one of the best athletic training programs in the country, and then will look at possibly going to medical school. No matter where her life takes her, she vows to never forget CSU.

"My experience at CSU was such a good one," says Uczekaj. "I grew so much as a person and met so many great people here."



Adam DeGraffenreid



Katie Crona

Juniors Katie Crona and Adam DeGraffenreid each earned the Big South Scholar-Athlete of the Year awards for their respective sports, as voted on by the league coaches.

DeGraffenreid not only acted as a leader along CSU's defensive front but also carried a perfect 4.0 grade point average as a biology major. On the field, the 6-1, 265-pound junior had six sacks and 10.5 tackles for loss. He finished third in the conference in tackles for loss and third in sacks. His six solo sacks were tops in the league.

DeGraffenreid also was named to the Division I-AA Athletics Directors Association Academic All-Star team. The 36-member team was chosen in Chattanooga, Tenn., from a field of 86 nominees. All nominees were required to have a minimum grade point average of

3.2 and must have been a starter or key player with legitimate athletic credentials.

Crona, a business administration major with a 3.73 grade point average, was named the Scholar-Athlete of the Year for women's soccer. In addition to her academic success, Crona was named a first-team all-conference selection after leading the Big South with 15 goals and 34 points during the season.

Crona also was recognized outside of the conference, as she was named the Metro Sports Council's Scholar-Athlete of the Year. This was the first year that the award was given out and was one of only five individual awards given by the council at their annual banquet in Charleston.

Both athletes will be back on the field and in the classroom next fall as they continue to build on their successes.



Elizabeth Uczekaj

# Barclay Radebaugh named men's basketball coach

By David Shelton, Sports Information Director



Barclay Radebaugh

**T**he University announced the hiring of Barclay Radebaugh as men's basketball coach at a press conference on May 17.

Radebaugh comes to CSU from the University of Miami where he spent one season as a member of Frank Haith's coaching staff. Radebaugh replaces Jim Platt, who resigned his position at CSU to become an assistant at Army in April.

"Barclay Radebaugh's extensive experience as a Division I assistant in highly successful programs makes him a perfect candidate for our head coaching position," said athletic director Hank Small. "Most of his coaching career has been in South Carolina, and the relationships that he has developed over the years will certainly aid in his ability to attract the very best players to CSU."

"In addition to his ability to recruit and develop players, Barclay is a tremendous Christian leader and a man of high integrity. We look forward to having him lead our program for many years to come."

Radebaugh brings with him an impressive coaching resume in a career that began in 1986 as a student assistant coach at East Tennessee State under Les Robinson, now the athletic director at The Citadel. After stops at Wofford and Furman, Radebaugh began a seven-year stay at South Carolina.

While at South Carolina, the Gamecocks won the SEC regular season title and received a number two seed in the 1997 NCAA tournament. In 1998, the Gamecocks finished the season ranked 14th and received a number three seed in the NCAA tournament. At South Carolina, Radebaugh was the position coach for USC's all-time leading scorer B.J. McKie, all-time three-point scorer Jamel Bradley, and all-time steals leader Chuck Eidson.

Radebaugh continued his success as an assistant at Winthrop University, helping the Eagles to back-to-back Big South Conference titles and an NCAA tournament berth in 2002.

Prior to taking the position at Miami, Radebaugh spent one season as the head coach at Queens University in Charlotte, guiding the Royals to a 21-8 record overall and a 14-4 record in the Carolinas-Virginia Athletic Conference.

CSU is coming off a 13-17 season in 2004-05, advancing to the finals of the Big South Conference tournament before losing to Winthrop. The Buccaneers lost three seniors and one full-time starter from that squad.

"This is a wonderful opportunity for me and my family, and we are looking forward to this next step in our lives," said Radebaugh. "I sincerely appreciate the

support and confidence that CSU has shown me, and I will work hard everyday to represent this great institution with integrity and class."

Radebaugh says Charleston Southern fans can expect his teams to play with "great poise, passion and energy. We will defend the basketball, and we will play unselfishly. Our teams will compete every minute that we're on the floor."

A native of Lincolnton, North Carolina, Radebaugh received his master's degree in physical education from the University of South Carolina in 1996 and earned his bachelor of science degree in business administration at East Tennessee State in 1987.

Radebaugh and his wife, Hope, have three children: Anna, 13, Reid, 9, and Sophia, 7.

## COACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2004-05 Assistant Coach  
University of Miami
- 2003-04 Head Coach  
Queens University of Charlotte
- 2001-03 Assistant Coach  
Winthrop University
- 1998-01 Assistant Coach  
University of South Carolina
- 1996-98 Administrative Assistant Coach  
University of South Carolina
- 1994-96 Tutor Coordinator  
University of South Carolina
- 1990-94 Assistant Coach  
Furman University
- 1989-90 Assistant Coach  
Wofford College
- 1987-88 Graduate Assistant Coach  
East Tennessee State
- 1986-87 Student Assistant Coach  
East Tennessee State

# What others are saying about **BARCLAY RADEBAUGH**

“Barclay and his family will be a perfect fit for Charleston Southern. He is a spiritual man and a devout family man. He’s committed to his student-athletes, and he understands his role as a coach. He will work hard to develop them off the court and prepare them for after college as well.”

## **EDDIE FOGLER**

*Former Head Coach  
University of South Carolina*

“Barclay is an extremely positive person, not to mention a terrific coach. He has been preparing for a while to be a Division I head coach, and I think he’s very ready. He was very mature as an undergraduate student and knew exactly what he wanted to do and worked hard at it. He has a solid foundation in coaching and has worked with some terrific coaches. While with them, he listened and learned from them. He is a model for young people who want to coach. Charleston Southern got a great coach, and I wish him a lot of success.”

## **LES ROBINSON**

*Director of Athletics  
The Citadel*

“Coach Radebaugh has incredible energy and enthusiasm for the game. He has a tireless work ethic and will coach with class, integrity and dignity. CSU hired a good coach and a very good man.”

## **JEFF LEBO**

*Head Coach  
Auburn University*

# Former Buc Quincy Boyd enjoying life as professional baseball scout

*By David Shelton, Sports Information Director*

**G**rowing up in the small town of Prosperity, South Carolina, Quincy Boyd had dreams of playing college and professional baseball. Boyd realized those dreams later in life, first as a member of the Charleston Southern baseball program and later as a professional player with the Dodgers and Mets.

Boyd never made it to the “big leagues,” ending his playing career after reaching the class AA level. However, his life in professional sports continues as he works his eighth year as a professional scout in the New York Mets organization.

Boyd attended Charleston Southern from 1990-94 and was a starting member of the Buccaneer baseball team for all four years. He credits Charleston Southern for laying a solid foundation during his formative years as a young man.

“Attending Charleston Southern was definitely an enjoyable experience for me,” said Boyd recently from his home in Chicago. “Coming from a small town, CSU was perfect for me because it was small enough to where I felt I was more than just a number, yet big enough for me to make a lot of great friends. I had some

great times as a baseball player, but I also learned a lot about how to live life.”

Boyd married Holly Collins, a 1993 graduate, and the couple have a four-year old son, Jeremiah, and a baby on the way. Life is good for the soft-spoken Boyd.

“I had always planned to be a teacher and a coach,” said the physical education major. “I got into scouting after playing and figured I would try it for a few years, but I have grown to really enjoy it. I still may end up as a coach someday but right now I like what I am doing.”

Boyd is able to keep up with the goings on at CSU through alumni e-mails and following the school’s Web site and admits he often thinks of his days as a college student.

“Looking back 10 years now, Charleston Southern was a big part of the puzzle that is now my life as an adult,” he said. “CSU will always be a special place for my wife and I. The players I played with, the coaches that I played for, and all of my professors and other people who led us on a daily basis have all had a positive impact on my life.”



# The Green Monster

By Bob Trenor, Associate Director of Athletics



Say farewell to our  
“green monster,”  
and hello to our  
“dream machine.”

When you hear someone mention the “Green Monster” what do you think about? Fenway Park and the Boston Red Sox, right?

Well, CSU has had its own green monster – the football stadium scoreboard. That’s right, the small, loveable, outdated and somewhat-hard-to-read scoreboard. Well, the days of the monster are numbered.

Sometime this summer the green scoreboard, which has been around for decades, will be replaced by a state-of-the-art Daktronics scoreboard complete with a matrix information panel and graphic animation board.

The new scoreboard will dwarf the old scoreboard by more than 600 square feet and will be located on the south end of the stadium rather than the present northern site. No longer will fans have to squint to see the score or to tell how much time remains in the game.

The new “monster” will feature animated results, updates, entertainment and game-time ads as well as visually highlight many area businesses by displaying their sponsorship logos and messages.

The total cost of the project is approximately \$150,000 and is being financed by the business sponsors. Additionally, the highway side of the scoreboard will host a matrix information board which will be used for announcing upcoming University events.

All in all, the new scoreboard will be a large enhancement to the stadium area and will allow Buccaneer fans to enjoy Saturday afternoons just a little more. So, say farewell to our “green monster,” and hello to our “dream machine.”



## Is a living will right for you?

By Lisa Connell

Director of corporate relations and planned giving

As director of planned giving, I have spoken with several people recently who all seem to have an interest in and want more information about setting up a living will. The following information is provided to the friends and alumni of CSU to aid in this process.

### Living Will: Pros and Cons

The living will is more popular than ever. When former President Richard Nixon died, people who heard about his living will swamped professionals with calls. A 1991 law requires most health facilities to inform patients of their rights to spell out if they want life-sustaining care should they be unable to speak for themselves. Almost all states now recognize a living will.

### What is a Living Will?

A living will is your legal declaration of your personal wishes about extraordinary medical treatment in the event you become terminally ill or permanently unconscious. You may want to be kept alive by artificial means or heroic measures, or you may not – and your living will states your preference.

### Why You Need it

A living will allows death with dignity – for example, to keep you from being hooked up fruitlessly, perhaps painfully, to life-support machines because of state law, custom or because you have no one to speak on your behalf.

Having your wishes expressed through a living will can avoid the extraordinary costs of futile treatments if you are terminally ill or in a coma and cannot communicate your desires.

### Dealing With a Living Will's Flaws

While a living will is a key health document, it also has serious limitations.

Generally, a living will comes into effect upon the certification by two doctors that you are terminally ill or permanently unconscious and cannot make your own decisions. Even then, doctors may ignore a living will or disagree on whether or not a patient is terminally ill.

Doctors are not obligated to follow the directives of a living will if they disagree with them. If the language in a living will is too vague or too specific, doctors may not be able to honor your wishes.

The solution? Prepare another document – a health care proxy or directive. It designates a close family member or friend to make medical decisions on your behalf after doctors have determined that you are unable to do so – not just if you

are terminally ill or permanently unconscious. Some documents are designed so that you can provide guidance on how those health care decisions should be made, depending on specific medical situations and common treatments.

### Play it Safe

Though these declarations may never be used, having them as a standby is comforting. Your attorney can advise you what is required in your state and draft suitable documents.

A living will can alleviate the burden of decision-making for your loved ones during a highly stressful time.

*The Stelter Company has provided this information. For questions, please contact the office of planned giving at 843-863-7517 or by e-mail at [lconnell@csuniv.edu](mailto:lconnell@csuniv.edu).*



## Strocks Pledge \$1,000,000 to CSU

By Sarah Huxford

Dr. and Mrs. Otto and Kathryn Strock of Charleston have announced a commitment of approximately \$1,000,000 in donations to Charleston Southern University. The first \$200,000 is a challenge gift, encouraging the University to raise additional funds for the Christian Leadership Center. The Center will serve to promote a Christian worldview, both at the University and in the greater community. The balance of the commitment is set aside in a deferred giving plan and will be used to establish the Otto M. and Kathryn M. Strock Endowed Scholarship.

The Strocks are members of First Baptist Church in Charleston. Both graduated from Auburn University in 1941. Dr. Strock practiced as a veterinarian for more than 11 years in Orangeburg before beginning his practice in Charleston in

1952. He has been practicing for 63 1/2 years, making him the longest-practicing veterinarian in South Carolina history. The Strocks' extended family joined them for the gift announcement, including their daughters Ellen Durrence and Amelia Burkholder and granddaughter Ann Durrence, a current CSU student. Their other daughter, Sue Wise, was unable to attend.

Speaking to the University's board of trustees, Dr. Strock said, "I'm so proud that our family can provide financial support for CSU, because education provides solutions to the problems in today's society." Dr. Jairy Hunter, president, added, "The Strocks' gift of \$1 million will greatly impact the University's growth and the advancement of our mission."

**"I'm so proud that our family can provide financial support for CSU, because education provides solutions to the problems in today's society."**

*- Dr. Strock*



*The University was saddened by the death of Dr. Otto Strock on May 26. The generous gift from Otto and his wife, Kathryn, will live on for generations. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Strock family.*

President Dr. Jairy C. Hunter Jr. with Hugh and Ellen Durrence and their daughter Ann, a CSU student; Otto and Kathryn Strock; Bob and Amelia Burkholder; and family friend David Thiem.



“I saw what a wonderful job CSU was doing and recognized a great opportunity to be a part of what was going on,”

– *Jim Southern*

When Jim Southern of Columbia retired from college administration, his desire to be involved in higher education continued. He first came into contact with CSU after a friend submitted his name as a potential member of the Board of Trustees. Once on the board, he began to look around at the University and saw the great things going on all over the campus and also the needs at CSU. “I saw what a wonderful job CSU was doing and recognized a great opportunity to be a part of what was going on,” said Southern.

Since his days as a trustee, Southern and his wife, Pat, have been an integral part of the CSU family. They continue to be involved with the University through the Board of Visitors program and the Women’s Auxiliary Advisory Council.

An enthusiastic supporter of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes organization, Southern says, “I have seen the great impact Christian colleges have on athletes.” Southern, and his brother, the late Bill Southern, established the Southern Family Athletic Endowed Scholarship at CSU to support future coaches.



**For more information on how you too can get involved, call the CSU development office at 843-863-7513.**



By Danny Johnson '81

## GET INVOLVED and make a difference

As the new president of the CSU Alumni Association Board, I would like to take this opportunity to thank each of you for your support and trust. The fall of 1975 seems like yesterday when I was just a 17-year-old freshman at BCC. Who would believe then that I would be the president of the CSUAA today?

Thirty years have passed, and innumerable changes have taken place. But, one thing remains the same, the high quality education in a Christian environment. The mission of CSU has stood the test of time, which was echoed during the celebration of our 40th Anniversary with the theme of "A Foundation of Faith."

I am excited about being the president of CSUAA. I will be responsible for supervising the implementation of the policies and decisions of the Alumni Board and the enforcement of the newly updated bylaws. This will be my primary objective for the next two years. The Alumni Board has worked hard in developing a strategic plan to govern our board effectively, to increase alumni participa-

tion at annual events and to operate fundraising projects more efficiently.

We realized one thing as a board. If we expect changes, we cannot continue to do things the same way. Change is hard, but it's necessary to achieve our goals that support the mission of the University. The main goal of my term as president is to improve the visibility of the Alumni Association and make it an integral part of the University. To do this, I am asking all members of the Alumni Board and each alumnus of this University to be faithful to the mission. CSU alumni can be a key factor in the success of this University, but only if you are willing to support her. I am calling upon all alumni of BCC and CSU to take part and make a difference.

We have several new ideas, special events, and challenges ahead in the next two years, and as your new Alumni Association president, I am hoping you'll give the Alumni Board your support and your prayers.

*Change is hard, but it's necessary to achieve our goals that support the mission of the University.*

*— Danny Johnson*

# ALUMNI CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**AUGUST\*** CSUAA Networking event for Columbia & Greenville, S.C., area alumni is being rescheduled for sometime in the fall. Watch the Web site for details.

**AUG. 1** 6:30 p.m., CSUAA full board meeting, Strom Thurmond Center

**AUG. 19** Freshmen & new students move in

**AUG. 23** Fall 2005 classes begin

**SEPT. 3\*** 5 p.m., 2nd annual Alumni & Buc Club Tailgate Party  
7 p.m., Buccaneer football vs. The Citadel Bulldogs @ Citadel stadium, season opening game

**SEPT. 10** 1:30 p.m., Buccaneer football vs. Presbyterian College, home

**SEPT. 17** 1:30 p.m., Buccaneer football vs. Jacksonville University, home

**OCT. 1\*** Athletic Hall of Fame Weekend & Induction Ceremony  
1:30 p.m., Buccaneer football vs. Howard University, home

**OCT. 3** 6:30 p.m., CSUAA full board meeting, Strom Thurmond Center

**OCT. 8** 1:30 p.m., Buccaneer football vs. VMI, away

**OCT. 15** 1:30 p.m., Buccaneer football vs. North Greenville College, away

**OCT. 17-18** Fall break

**OCT. 21-23** 41st annual Homecoming Weekend! All parents, alumni and friends are invited to join our celebration on campus. Buccaneer football vs. Savannah State. Brochures detailing the lineup of events will go out in August.

**OCT. 29\*** Buccaneer football vs. Austin Peay, away

**NOV. 5\*** Buccaneer football vs. Gardner-Webb University, away

**NOV. 12** 1:30 p.m., Buccaneer football vs. Liberty University, home

**NOV. 19** 1:30 p.m., Buccaneer football vs. Coastal Carolina, home

**DEC. 5** 6:30 p.m., CSUAA full board meeting, location TBA

**DEC. 16** 11:30 a.m., fall graduation luncheon honoring the Class of 2005, The Caf  
1:30 p.m., Commencement rehearsal in Lightsey Chapel

**DEC. 17** 10 a.m., Fall commencement in Lightsey Chapel

*\*More event details will be posted to the alumni Web site as soon as they are confirmed, [www.charlestonsouthern.edu/alumni](http://www.charlestonsouthern.edu/alumni).*

# BRING

By Susan Taylor

# IN THE

This is turning out to be a banner year for the Alumni Association! In keeping with the renewed interest from long-lost alumni, and to increase participation among our parents of current students, Homecoming Weekend 2005 and Parents Weekend (usually held in February) are being combined to create one huge, campuswide weekend of fun! CSU Family Weekend 2005 will be held Thursday through Sunday, Oct. 20-23. This year's theme is "Bring In The Noise!" and there will be several events for students, parents, and alumni – most of which are FREE! Detailed brochures will be sent out to alumni, parents and friends in August. Make sure your address is correct by sending your contact information to [alumni@csuniv.edu](mailto:alumni@csuniv.edu).

THURSDAY

OCTOBER 20TH

## 7:15 p.m. 11th Annual Homecoming 5K Fun Run/Walk

Start & finish points are in front of Lightsey Chapel. All students, alumni and parents are invited to participate! A shorter course is available for those walking with children and/or pets. More information will be in the August brochure.

## 9 p.m. Finish Line Pond Party w/healthy snacks and a DJ

All Fun Run/Walk participants are invited to stay and join the party!



FRIDAY

OCTOBER 21ST

## Lunchtime CSU Pep Rally

Join us for an old-fashioned cookout on the lawn in front of the Buc Dome. The CSU Pep Band, Cheerleaders, Football team, and other groups will be on hand to "Bring In The Noise" and get the crowd going!

## 1 p.m. President's Cup Golf Tournament

Alumni, parents and friends are invited to play in this friendly golf tournament. The format is Captain's Choice, so you've got plenty of time to get a team together. Course location, other details, and costs will be included in the August brochure.

## 8 p.m. Fall Musical Opening Night

The Horton School of Music will perform a full-scale production of Meredith Willson's "The Music Man" in Lightsey Chapel. This is the first of three performances and is sure to be one of the highlights of CSU Family Weekend. Advance ticket sales and other details to be announced. See page 10 for more information on "The Music Man."



# HOMECOMING 2005

# NOISE!

**SATURDAY**

**OCTOBER 22ND**

## **9 a.m. Annual Parents Meeting**

This classroom-style setup is the perfect time to ask questions of campus administration, hear about upcoming campus improvements, and mingle with other parents. A complete outline of the hour-long meeting will be listed in the brochure.

## **10 a.m. College of Science & Mathematics Reunion Road Tent**

Stop by the tent for a casual meet & greet with the college faculty and staff, learn about academic improvements and other changes to individual programs, or take a tour of the new science building!

## **10:30 a.m. 7th Annual Homecoming Parade**

Join the entire CSU campus in one of the students' favorite Homecoming events!

## **11 a.m. Bar-b-que Tailgate Party**

## **11:15 a.m. Legacy Luncheon**

A special lunch to honor alumni parents and their children who are current CSU students.

## **1 p.m. Homecoming Football Game vs. Savannah State**

## **3 p.m. Hot Air Balloon Rides**

Courtesy of ReMax Realty (weather permitting)

## **4 p.m. CSU Alumni Association Homecoming Reunion Party**

As soon as the game is over, join us under the big tent outside the football stadium. All alumni, parents and students are invited to attend! We'll have a great band and light refreshments. Other details announced in August.

## **8 p.m. Second performance of "The Music Man"**

**SUNDAY**

**OCTOBER 23RD**

## **10:30 a.m. Campus Worship**

Stay over until Sunday morning and participate in this special worship service led by students and Campus Ministries in Lightsey Chapel.

## **11:30 a.m. Farewell Family Brunch**

The Caf will serve a special menu to say good-bye to alumni, parents and friends.

## **3 p.m. Final performance of "The Music Man"**



# SCHOOLTIES

## { CLASS NOTES }

Compiled by Jan Joslin '82

### 1975

**Joyce Coakley** is authoring a book on Mount Pleasant's sweetgrass basketmakers. Coakley has been director of College of Charleston's Upward Bound program for the last five years. She holds a master's and an education specialist degree from The Citadel.

### 1977

**John C. Welch** has been promoted to senior vice president with South Carolina Bank and Trust. He and his wife, Cissie, live in Harleyville and have two children and one grandchild.

### 1980

**Susie Benjamin** works at Greenwood Christian School where her triplets, Matthew, Mark and Michael, play for the school team. They were recently featured in an article in the "Greenwood Index-Journal."

### 1984

**Edward C. Barnes** writes that his daughter, Kathryn, has enrolled for the fall semester at CSU and will be part of the class of 2009. He says, "Kathryn is planning on a career in secondary education and is a recipient of the S.C. Teaching Fellows scholarship." Barnes is a member of CSU's board of visitors and is the business manager for Williams Technologies in Summerville.



### 1991

**Ronnie Rogers** has just released his newest solo project, "Free Indeed." To purchase a copy of the CD, call 843-464-5121, e-mail [mbcronnie@bellsouth.net](mailto:mbcronnie@bellsouth.net), or check out his Web site: [www.aftergodsownheartministry.org](http://www.aftergodsownheartministry.org). Ronnie is minister of music at Marion Baptist Church.

### 1992

**Michelle McCorkle Lusk** and her husband, Greg, announce the birth of a daughter, Ashley Taylor, born Sept. 28 at Mary Washington Hospital in Fredericksburg, Va. The Lusks relocated to Camp Lejeune in Jacksonville, N.C., in June. Michelle works for SAS Institute as a technical consultant.

**Sgt. 1st Class Jasper E. Cothran Jr.**, recently retired from the Army with 20 years of service. Before retirement, he was stationed at Fort Hood in Killeen, Texas, as a senior mental health/community life program superintendent. He earned a master's degree from Touro University International in 2004.

**The Reverend Paul G. Cowles** has been called as pastor of Friendship Baptist Church in Warner Robins, Ga. He was pastor of Gresston Baptist Church in Eastman, Ga., for 12 1/2 years and served as vice moderator of the Dodge County Baptist Association.

### 1989

**Lisa Adams** has been promoted to banking officer with Community First Bank's new James Island office.



## 1993

**Dr. W. Scott Poole** recently published "Never Surrender: Confederate Memory and Conservatism in the South Carolina Upcountry." The work is a focused and detailed history of Southern conservatism and the ways in which Southerners pass down memories of the Civil War. Published by University of Georgia Press, Poole's book is available in paperback and hardback on the Internet at Amazon.com and Barnesandnoble.com and in stores at The College of Charleston Bookstore, Books A Million and Barnes and Noble. Poole is currently an assistant professor of history at the College of Charleston. He holds an M.A. from Harvard and a Ph.D. from the University of Mississippi, Oxford. He has written for the Journal of Southern History, Studies in Popular

Culture, Civil War History and the Encyclopedia of the American Civil War. He served as a historical consultant for the recent PBS series, "The History of Slavery in America."

**Elizabeth and Kevin '99, Rudy** and their family have moved back to the Charleston area after living in Simpsonville for four years. Elizabeth has returned to CSU as assistant director of financial aid, and Kevin is taking a position with the Charleston Airport Police division. The Rudys are building a new home in Ladson, which will be ready in late summer. Elizabeth writes, "Our children, Danielle, 15, Matthew, 9, and Katelyn, 6, are also glad to be back in the Lowcountry."

## 1996

**Marion "Wally" Baird** was selected as Spann Elementary School and PTA Teacher of the Year 2005 in Dorchester School District II. He and his wife, **Stephanie '95**, live in Summerville with their two boys.

## 1997

**Greg and Chrissy Bubb Atkinson** have relocated to Richardson, Texas, from the Washington, D.C. area. Greg is director of WorshipHouse Media. Greg writes, "We will not be creating media, but selling graphic, animations and video clips from top quality companies." For more information, access their Web site at [www.worshiphousemedia.com](http://www.worshiphousemedia.com).

## GENERAL RETURNS HOME



Two Air Force ROTC alums visited current CSU cadets this spring. **Major General Arthur J. Rooney Jr. '74**, (3rd from left) and **T.D. Williamson '96**, (2nd from left) join Captain Erin Cook, assistant professor of aerospace studies, President Jairy Hunter, and Lt. Col. Patrick Morris, commander of Detachment 772 and professor of aerospace studies for a photo. Rooney was promoted to Major General in February and is presently commander of the Air Force Security Assistance Center at Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio. He was the first CSU ROTC graduate to earn the rank of General. Williamson is also stationed at Wright-Patterson AFB.

**Matthew E. Tillman** has joined the Charleston law firm of Buist Moore Smythe McGee PA. He holds a J.D. from the University of South Carolina School of Law and specializes in product liability, construction, maritime and business litigation.

## 1998

**The Reverend Scott Kierstead** has been named pastor of Temple Baptist Church in Gaffney. He and his wife, Leslie, have a son, Caleb.

## 1999

Tonya Michelle Gibbs and **Sam Antonio Brown** were married April 2 on Wadmalaw Island. He is employed by B2 Unlimited. They live on Johns Island.

**Ulonda Mitchell** is a product testing project manager for the eEnrollment Product Management division at Benefitfocus.com. She was formerly with MeadWestvaco Corp.

## 2001

**Kimberly Ann Friday** and Austin Matthew Rogers were married March 19 in North Charleston. Kim is employed at Devon Forest Elementary, and the couple lives in Charleston.

**Brian McDermott** was recently named cowinner of the South Carolina Athletic Administrators Association Region IV Coach of the Year award. Brian is head coach of Mount Pleasant's First Baptist Church School boys basketball team. He led his team to its first regional championship this year.

**Sandeep Reddy '04**, coordinated a group of young tennis professionals with ties to CSU in assisting in relief efforts for tsunami victims. Members of the Usual Suspects include Reddy, **Rohan Wadehra '02**, **Santiago Falla '04**, **Ariel Furfuro '04**, **Rodrigo Villaruel '03**, and **Lee Withrow '02, '04**. The tennis pros held a clinic at the Family Circle Tennis Center on Daniel Island to raise money for relief efforts.

## 2002

**Deborah Janette Vinson** and Lance Leslie Spencer were married Feb. 12 in Spartanburg. Deborah is a student doctor at the Medical University of S.C. They live in Charleston.

## 2003

**Veronica and Dwayne Boulden** announce the birth of a daughter, Norah Elaine, born Sept. 13. The Bouldens are living in Danbury, Conn. Veronica writes, "Dwayne is an engineer for Preferred Utilities Manufacturing Corporation, and I am no longer teaching school because I am staying at home with our daughter."

**Allison Renee Colson** and Michael Sean Casazza II were married March 12 in Simpsonville. The couple lives in Beaufort.

# KEEP IN TOUCH!

We would love to hear about your career and family. In order for your news to be printed in the November issue of the magazine, we need to receive your information by Aug. 29. Photos are welcome and should be 300 dpi, saved as JPEG format.



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>>> **WE LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING FROM YOU!**

**Capt. Lesley A. Jamison** was recently featured in the “Press and Standard” in Walterboro for her success in the law enforcement field. She oversees the Colleton County Detention Center in her work with the Colleton County Sheriff’s Office.

Tammi Lynn Mills and **Jonathan Galvez** were married June 19 in Goose Creek. He is employed by the United States Secret Service, and they live in Goose Creek.

## 2004

**Shelly Davis** is an administrative assistant for Cornerstone Financial Strategies LLC in Charleston.

**Nelda D. Fields** recently received certification from the American College of Medical Practice Executives. She is employed by WebsterRogers, a CPA and consulting firm in Florence.

Jennifer Lynn Hess and **William Ashley Thiem** were married May 7 in Charleston. Ashley is an associate with the accounting firm of Thiem, Jackson & Pace. They live in Charleston.

**Luke Turner** recently joined the Metro North office of Prudential Carolina Real Estate in Goose Creek.

**Kristin June Willing** and Jason Paul Fry were married Feb. 19 in Summerville. She is employed by the Summerville YMCA Gymnastics Center, and they live in Summerville.

# MEMORIALS

**Ava Black Bishop ’80**, age 48, died April 2 in Barnwell as a result of injuries from an auto accident. She was a kindergarten teacher at Barnwell Primary School and had been a librarian at Barnwell County Library.

**Robert Dargan II**, age 64, died March 9 in Columbia. Dargan was a member of the CSU board of visitors and was the retired president and CEO of South Carolina Federal Credit Union. Memorials may be made to First Presbyterian Church, 1324 Marion St., Columbia, SC 29201 or to Palmetto Health Foundation, 9 Richland Medical Park Dr., Suite 600, Columbia, SC 29203, attention S.C. Cancer Tissue Bank.

**George Russell Gibson ’96**, age 31, died March 13 in Clinton, Md. He was a federal air marshal with the Department of Homeland Security. He was also a licensed Realtor and was a part-time agent with Weichert Realty.

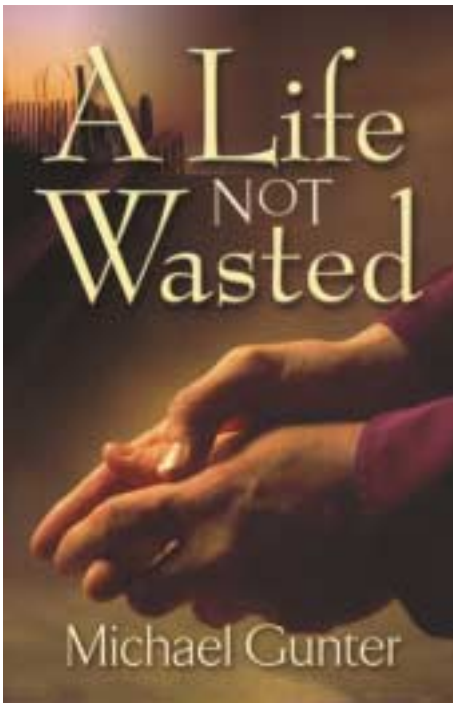
**Michael Thomas Koger ’87**, age 42, died March 12 in Walterboro. He was assistant mill manager at Coastal Lumber. Memorials may be made to the American Diabetes Association or to Bethel Presbyterian Church in Walterboro.

**Deborah Renee Gaines Ramsey ’00**, age 33, died April 26 in Hanahan. She had earned her National Board Teaching Certification and was Teacher of the Year in 2004 at Menriv Elementary School. Memorials may be made to the Hospice of Charleston.

## B O O K R E V I E W

## “A Life Not Wasted”

By Jan Joslin



All of us are prone to wonder at times about life's bigger questions and are we where we need to be. Michael Gunter '89, has written "A Life Not Wasted" out of his search for answers to the really big questions in life.

Promotional information for the book says, "There is hope—a promise, really—of an approach to life that will carry us through to the end and beyond: sparing us the regret of a wasted life. The answer is found in the exploration of four big questions: 1. Why are we here? 2. Where are we going? 3. Is this life all there is? 4. How shall we live? These questions provide the framework of our quest. Their answers are the prize."

Gunter, who is associate pastor/minister of education at North Cleveland Baptist Church in Cleveland, Tenn., leads the reader through each question in "A Life Not Wasted." He shares lessons he's learned on his own journey and discusses difficult spiritual topics in an easy-to-understand manner.

The fact that Gunter confronts these questions with an honest look

at his own life gives the book an added dimension. Instead of preaching at the reader, he shares the discoveries he's made in his Christian walk. At

one point he says, "It never occurred to me that my worldview might not be consistent with that of Jesus... Instead of allowing Jesus to conform all of me to His likeness, I had unknowingly conformed many of His views to my own view of what the world should be."

"A Life Not Wasted" may be small in size, but its message is bigger than life itself.

Gunter is married to the former **Tammi Bush '92**, and they have two children: Erik, 8, and Shea, 3. He's currently at work on another book.

*To order, send check or money order for \$8 payable to: Michael Gunter, P.O. Box 5513, Cleveland, TN 37320. Your order will be shipped upon receipt of payment. Personal checks require five business days to clear.*



# ATTENTION FORMER BAPTIST COLLEGE SORORITY GIRLS THE ALUMNI OFFICE IS LOOKING FOR YOU!

*By Susan Taylor*

The alumni office is trying to locate as many members as possible of the sororities that used to be on campus, and we need your help. We've started a new project this summer to try and identify as many members of 1968-1990 BCC sororities as possible. We are working with yearbook photos, which helps, but many of you have gotten married since graduation, and tracking maiden name changes has been very difficult. Also, not every sorority had their photo made each year, so this list might not be complete. Please send an e-mail if you were a member of the following sororities:

## **DA**

Daughters of Athena (Sisters to Principal Brotherhood Association)

## **ZK**

Zeniths of Knowledge (Sisters to Noble Knights of Achievement)

## **SKA**

Sisters to Knights of Achilles

## **GBP**

Gamma Beta Phi

## **ARO**

Alpha Rho Omega

## **ADO**

Alpha Delta Omega

## **SKA**

Sigma Kappa Alpha

## **AKA**

Alpha Kappa Alpha

## **PDC**

Phi Delta Chi

In the e-mail you send, please include your current name, name at the time of graduation, name of the sorority in which you were a member, the years you were a member, whether or not you were president or vice president of that group, your current address and current e-mail address. Please send all e-mails to [alumni@csuniv.edu](mailto:alumni@csuniv.edu). Also, if you still keep in touch with any of your "old" sisters, PLEASE pass this request along to them and encourage them to contact the alumni office.

The goal is to create a mailing list of sisters, and make those lists available to the presidents of each sorority. We then hope to put together reunions or other events that will bring you guys back together. Thanks so very much for your help!

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**5. CSU Blanket \$29.99**

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White hat with navy lettering

**9. Lightsey Chapel Cards \$10.98**

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**10. CSU Cutlass Hat \$19.98**

Cotton-twill hat with CSU cutlass logo on the front and the school name embroidered on the back  
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**11. CSU Pennant \$8.98**

9" x 24" navy pennant with gold lettering



**12. CSU Pewter License Plate \$26.98**

Pewter license plate with interlocking letters and school name

**13. CSU License Plate \$19.98**

Blue license plate with cutlass logo in gold

**14. CSU Palmetto Moon Mug \$4.98**

Navy mug with S.C. state emblem in gold

**15. Alumni Decal \$4.98**

CSU alumni sticker in blue and gold



**16. CSU Flag \$44.98**

24" x 36" screen printed flag with the S.C. state emblem and school name



**17. CSU Alumni T-shirt \$14.98**

100% cotton t-shirt available in grey  
 Sizes: S-XXL

**18. CSU Sweatpants \$24.99**

Navy CSU sweatpants with white lettering  
 Sizes: S-XXL



**19. CSU Polo \$29.99**

CSU Polo with school name embroidered on left chest  
 Comes in navy, vegas gold  
 Sizes: S-3XL



**20. CSU Hooded Sweatshirt \$34.99**

Hooded sweatshirt with front pocket  
 Comes in navy, grey  
 Sizes: S-XXL



**21. CSU Men's Watch \$49.98**

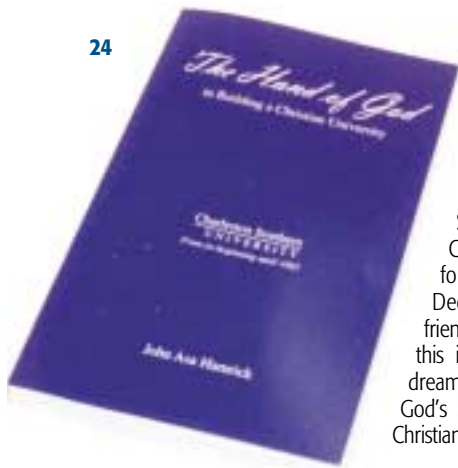
Men's sports watch with school seal on face of watch

**23. CSU Women's Watch \$49.98**

Women's sports watch with school seal on face of watch

**22. CSU Pen \$12.98**

CSU pen with blue grip and the school seal on the clip bar



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**24 "The Hand of God" book, \$12.95** written by the late John Hamrick, founding president of CSU, tells the history of Charleston Southern, formerly Baptist College at Charleston, from its founding in 1964 through December 1983. Alumni and friends will be enlightened on how this institution, which began as a dream, became a reality through God's hands and through dedicated Christian men and women.



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### 28. Commemorative 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Print of Original Oil Painting

*by Mary Arnold*



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Mary Arnold has served for many years as a member of the CSU Women's Auxiliary Advisory Council. The beautiful artist-signed print is a Giclét print, which ensures permanent, nonfade color. Numbered prints and artist's proofs available.

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## JONES CHERISHING LIFE

*By Ashley Adams '98*



Pictures of Iraq and Kuwait are all too familiar for Keith Jones '03 who has served in the military. Jones had to take a leave from his Senior Lab Technician position at Chevron Texaco where he has been for 13 years when he was called into active duty to serve his country.

He and his unit spent most of their time overseas in Iraq and Kuwait with a primary mission of overseeing operations. They coordinated all missions to run supplies in and out of Iraq, encountering hostile fire. "Whenever we traveled we were sure to encounter resistance. In some cases, kids were used to stop the convoys as we rolled through a town," said Jones.

It is always hard to go through an experience like this without coming back with a great deal more knowledge than you left with. For Jones, it was that "there are a great number of people who would do anything for what they believe in and no matter what you do, you can't change their way of thinking." He has been taught that "family and friends are extremely important, and no one should pass by the opportunity to cherish them both while you have the chance."

## Did YOU continue your education at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary?

If so, the South Carolina Alumni Chapter of NOBTS is hosting a statewide alumni meeting in Cayce on Nov. 14 at Trinity Baptist Church from 4:45 to 6:15 p.m.

If you have any questions, please contact their chapter president, Cindy Morris, at [cindymorris@scbaptist.org](mailto:cindymorris@scbaptist.org).

## WHAT'S THE STORY BEHIND THESE PHOTOS?



Send the alumni office the story behind what's going on here, who the participants are, and where they are now (if you know), and we'll send you an alumni t-shirt! E-mail [alumni@csuniv.edu](mailto:alumni@csuniv.edu).

## DEFENDING AMERICA'S CITIZENS

Story and photos by Maribeth Kellenbenz '08



Jason Jurkowski '99 heads to work each day at the Department of Health & Human Services

Unbeknownst to the CSU College Republican group in Washington, D.C., to attend the 43rd Presidential Inauguration, a CSU alumnus kept watch over his fellow countrymen and had spent many hours preparing for the Jan. 2 event.

Rest assured, Jason Jurkowski went to work that morning, and every morning, with the United States of America on his

mind. "I felt that in order to fill my place in this world, I needed to participate. By protecting our nation, I feel that I am accomplishing my mission."

Jurkowski, a 1999 graduate, daily exercises skills and ideals he adapted through study at his alma mater.

As a Lieutenant commissioned in the United States Public Health Service,

Jurkowski has access to technology that most people never fathom. Currently, Jurkowski is the team lead, or director, of the Security Operations Center (SOC), part of the Office of the Secretary, Office of Public Health Emergency Preparedness in the Department of Health and Human Services.

Jurkowski admits, "Rarely is there a 'typical' day." When he is not responding to emergency situations and overseeing emergency operations, he engages with governmental partners, coordinates information management for the Assistant Secretary, and works on policy issues regarding the center.

"The most rewarding aspect of my job is to know that I can serve my country and do my part to protect the millions of people in our nation and the world's public health." Jurkowski supervises diverse efforts ranging from disease outbreaks to terrorist attacks to natural disasters.

With such a wide range of coverage, everything is business for the SOC. "It isn't unusual to see something that I spent hours working on during the day as one of the lead stories on that evening's news."

Jurkowski departed CSU with a degree in physical education with an athletic training emphasis, and a minor in business. He then went on to complete his master's degree in public health from the University of South Carolina.

While at CSU, he participated in men's soccer, Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity, athletic training, and held down the fort as a residence life assistant. "CSU prepared me for government work by helping to teach me about a certain type of political morality," said Jurkowski. "The University showed me that you must combine personal responsibility with social engagement to foster a better society. This led me to my interest in working in the governmental sector."

## JOY OBIDIKE

Joy OBidike '04 is also in Washington, D.C. She is working in Senator Lindsey Graham's office.

