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Pascagoula Couple Commits \$25 Million for Liberal Arts Faculty Support

ack in the ninth grade, Richard Scruggs was called before a faculty meeting on the subject of detention slips. His coach and homeroom teacher came to his rescue, saving him from "cruel and unusual punishment."

Scruggs, now a prominent attorney who lives in Pascagoula, came before another faculty meeting Aug. 18, this time at The University of Mississippi. He and his wife, Diane, announced that they were committing \$25 million in support of faculty salaries.

"My coach and homeroom teacher...was Robert Khayat (now Ole Miss chancellor). Coach, this makes us even. Twenty-five million dollars later, I wish I'd taken the extra detention," Scruggs joked.

Mr. and Mrs. Scruggs formalized their gift-which is earmarked for liberal arts faculty—in time for the first installment to be utilized in the fiscal year that began July 1. They will give Ole Miss \$1 million annually for 25 years.

"We have been blessed with gifts for scholarships, lectureships, the library, buildings and equipment," Khayat said, "but the salary needs of an entire school have never been met with such a generous, visionary gift. Mr. and Mrs. Scruggs have made this extraordinary commitment to meeting these needs because they fully understand the crucial role of the College of Liberal Arts and the importance of faculty salaries in retaining and attracting the very best professors available."

The Scruggs' gift is expected to strengthen the University's chances for a prestigious Phi Beta Kappa chapter—which, if

granted, will be the first at a public university in Mississippi. "This gift should be received positively by the Phi Beta Kappa site team, which will be on our campus in early 1999," the chancellor said. "This gift reflects the generous spirit of

Dick and Diane Scruggs and reinforces our commitment to being one of America's great public universities."



Mr. Richard Scruggs of Pascagoula (left) receives a standing ovation from the faculty after he announced a \$25 million commitment to Ole Miss in support of liberal arts faculty salaries. Scruggs' wife, Diane, and their son, Zach, also were on hand for the presentation. The gift will have a major impact on Ole Miss' quest for a prestigious Phi Beta Kappa chapter.

Mr. Scruggs is an Ole Miss alumnus who earned both an undergraduate degree from the College of Liberal Arts and a

juris doctor degree from the School of Law.

"My wife and I wanted to help ensure that Ole Miss was able to attract and keep the best teachers available; universities operate in a very competitive world," said Scruggs. "Enhanc-

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Hollingsworth Field:

Football Gridiron Named

for Longtime Ole Miss Supporter

hen Dr. Gerald M. "Jerry" Hollingsworth of Ft. Walton Beach, Fla., walked to the field in The University of Mississippi's Vaught-Hemingway Stadium Sept. 5, reality finally dawned.

The gridiron for legions of Rebel football players officially became Hollingsworth Field in pre-game ceremonies honoring the 1951 Ole Miss alumnus and longtime supporter.

Two weeks prior to the event, Hollingsworth confided that the honor was so overwhelming he had not shared the news. "I haven't even told my family and closest friends," he said with a chuckle. "It's a tremendous honor, something I'll cherish all my life, but it feels like a dream. I still can't believe it."

Hollingsworth should be something of an expert on dreams. He's been making them come true for Ole Miss by providing more than \$5 million in support.

"It's difficult to find words to express adequately our gratitude for the tremendous support Dr. Jerry Hollingsworth continues to give to academic and athletic programs of the University. We simply would not have the Vaught-Hemingway Stadium expansion and the indoor sports facility without his help," said Chancellor Robert C. Khayat.

Head Football Coach Tommy Tuberville concurred, saying, "It is only fitting that the field at Vaught-Hemingway Stadium be named for Dr. Hollingsworth. In the short time I have known him, it is evident to me just how much he loves The University of Mississippi. We appreciate the way he continues to support our total athletic program."

At a crucial phase in plans to attract private funds for the \$13 million football stadium expansion, Hollingsworth stepped forward with a gift of \$3 million, which brought his contributions to more than \$5 million.

"We are very honored to name the field at Vaught-Hemingway Stadium for Dr. Jerry Hollingsworth. He has always been a generous supporter of The University of Mississippi, and because of his love for Ole Miss athletics, it is very fitting that we are able to honor his name and his commitment to Ole Miss," said Director of Intercollegiate Athletics John Shafer.

Hollingsworth said his close relationship in the Ole Miss family prompted him to provide resources to the University. Among friends, he named legendary coach John Vaught, the late John Cain, Warner Alford, Eddie Crawford and Chancellor Khayat. "These people treat me like family," Hollingsworth said.

A native of Smith County in Mississippi, Hollingsworth has been involved with youth and athletics most of his life. He was the team doctor for Choctawhatchee and Ft. Walton Beach high



Chancellor Robert C. Khayat (left) applauds Dr. Gerald M. Hollingsworth (center) of Ft. Walton, Fla., at the unveiling of a bronze sculpture of Hollingsworth at the recent dedication of Hollingsworth Field at Vaught-Hemingway Stadium. Hollingsworth was accompanied by his mother, Erma Hollingsworth (right).

schools for almost 35 years and helped found the All-Sports Association of Northwest Florida, which honored him with its Community Service Award for helping youngsters in athletics.

The Ole Miss chapter of the National Football Foundation and Hall of Fame honored the physician with the Amateur Football Award for contributions to the collegiate athletic world.

Hollingsworth earned his bachelor's degree in chemical engineering from Ole Miss and then attended two years of medical school at the University. He went on to earn his medical degree from Harvard University in 1955 and completed his surgical residency at Duval Hospital in Jacksonville, Fla.

From 1957-59, he was a Navy flight surgeon and then started his private medical practice in 1959 in Ft. Walton Beach.

"I feel undeserving of this honor but very proud," Hollingsworth said of the field being named in his honor. "Ole Miss has come so far with both academic and athletic programs. I'm so happy to be a Rebel."



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Message from the Chancellor The Margin of Excellence



Throughout this edition of The Foundation News, you will enjoy stories that reflect the abiding affection alumni and friends have for the University. Nearly 18,000 of us made gifts to this wonderful school in 1997; we expect that number to increase in 1998 and in future years.

The private support you are providing is enabling us to achieve the margin of excellence to which we all aspire. Traditional revenue sources will sustain a good university, but we will not settle for being good. Our commitment is to be recognized as One of America's Great Public Universities.

Our quest for a chapter of Phi Beta Kappa is one measure of our academic reputation. Support for the Library, scholarships for the brightest and best students, and salary supplements for our finest faculty must come from private gifts. The McDonnell-Barksdale Honors College, the Croft Institute for International Studies, and the Gertrude Castellow Ford Center for the Performing Arts have all been made possible by alumni and friends who share our commitment to excellence.

This is truly an extraordinary time in our history — one of those rare moments when a number of forces converge to provide opportunities previously unknown to the University, This is our time, and each of us can make a difference. We can assure that The University of Mississippi will enter the 21st century as One of America's Great Public Universities.

The faculty, staff, and students join me in thanking you for all you have done and will do as we work together to achieve the margin of excellence.

Officials Name Interim Dean of Liberal Arts

longtime faculty member has been named interim dean of The University of Mississippi's College of Liberal Arts following an unsuccessful external search.

Dr. Glenn W. Hopkins, chair and professor of mathematics, has assumed the post, pending approval by the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning.

The appointment was announced by Provost Gerald Walton. "While the search committee located a number of persons interested in the position and interviewed three persons with

extremely good credentials and experience, for a number of reasons, it was decided not to offer the position to any of the three," he said.

"Dean Hopkins has compiled an outstanding record at The University of Mississippi, including extremely effective



Dr. Glenn W. Hopkins

service as associate dean of the College of Liberal Arts and exemplary leadership as chair of the Department of Mathematics. He is recognized widely for his outstanding teaching and his sincere interest in students."

Hopkins joined the Ole Miss faculty in 1977 as an assistant professor of mathematics, soon earning associate then full professor status. He served as associate dean of the College of Liberal Arts from 1987-92, and since that time he has been chair of the Department of Mathematics. He has received international recognition for his research in graph

theory. He has provided leadership on numerous university and regional committees.

Hopkins holds bachelor's and master's degrees in mathematics, both from the University of Texas at Arlington. His doctorate is from Purdue University.

Remembering the Perfect Team

Walk of Champions Arch, Dedication Pays Tribute to 1962 Football Coaches, Players

1962...

The year stands as a benchmark of change in the life of The University of Mississippi.

nd legendary Rebel Head Coach John Vaught and his football team seemed destined to provide a rallying point for the University community. Not only did they put together the only perfect season in the history of Ole Miss football, but they also captured the Litkenhous Ratings national title and their fifth Southeastern Conference championship.

Those associated with the 1962 team donated funds for a "Walk of Champions" arch which was dedicated at noon Sept. 12 at the entrance to the Grove near the Student Union plaza. The names of the coaches, players, trainers and managers who won the hearts of Rebel fans with their spirit and tenacity are listed on plaques.

The site of the Walk of Champions is the route of the football team's traditional "walk through the Grove" on game days. The 1962 team members that were present Saturday passed through the arch first and then led the 1998 Rebels in their march across campus through faithful, cheering fans, arriving finally at the field house.

The purpose of the arch is to remind athletes in all sports that they play for national championships, SEC championships and Ole Miss pride, said Samuel W. Owen, a member of the 1962 team and a Nashville businessman, who spoke at the dedication ceremonies, along with Chancellor Robert C. Khayat and Director of Intercollegiate Athletics John Shafer.

"Joe Wilkins, Larry Leo' Johnson and I first discussed the idea of an arch last fall while we were visiting in the Grove, and we agreed to pursue it," said Owen. "We want the arch to stand as a symbol of what can be accomplished with teamwork, loyalty and trust. Our team stuck together and accomplished some unbelievable achievements under the most trying of times. If we didn't love Ole Miss, of course, we couldn't have done it."



On hand to look at the Walk of Champions were (from left) Samuel Owen of Nashville, Ole Miss Chancellor Robert C. Khayat, former Rebel Head Coach John Vaught, and Sam Seay and Joe Wilkins, both of Jackson.

The 1962 season consisted of victories over Memphis (21-7), Kentucky (14-0), Houston (40-7), Tulane (21-0), Vanderbilt (35-0), LSU (15-7), Chattanooga (52-7), Tennessee (19-6) and Mississippi State (13-6). The season came to a sparkling climax on New Year's Day when Ole Miss defeated Arkansas 17-13 in the Sugar Bowl. Quarterback Glynn Griffing's 257 total offensive yards set the bowl record. Serving as co-captain with Griffing was wingback Louis Guy.

Chancellor Khayat said the Walk of Champions and the team of 1962 will forever stand as symbols to present and future Ole Miss students of what can be accomplished — not only in athletics but also in life — when people come together with common goals. "These men illustrate what can happen when there is teamwork, loyalty, dedication and sacrifice," Khayat said.

"Theirs was an unforgettable season during an unforgettable time in the life of this University.

We are thankful for their extraordinary example and for the Walk of Champions arch, which will enhance the student-athletes' popular walk through the Grove," said the chancellor. "The team of 1962 will always hold a very special place in our hearts and memories."

Head Football Coach Tommy Tuberville said, "This structure is an excellent addition to what has become one of college football's finest traditions. The 1962 team holds a special place in our history. It is only fitting that members of this squad have chosen to provide the University with such an important symbol that can be enjoyed for years to come."

To complement the arch, Alumni Affairs is coordinating a project to replace the sidewalk used by the football team — across the heart of the Grove to University Avenue — with one created from engraved red bricks. Approximately 17,000 bricks will be needed to complete the project. Ole Miss students, alumni and friends can purchase bricks for \$250 each, with net proceeds earmarked for student academic and athletic scholarships, as well as for academic enrichment. Interested individuals can contact Alumni Affairs at (601) 232-7375. ■

Six Mississippi Seniors Tapped to Receive Prestigious Carrier Scholarships at Ole Miss

he Robert M. Carrier Scholarships at The University of Mississippi — among the Mid- South's oldest and most prestigious scholastic honors — have been awarded to six Mississippi high school seniors with outstanding leadership and academic records.

The 1998 scholars, who each receive \$24,000 for four years of study at Ole Miss, are Samantha K. Denmark, a graduate of Pascagoula High School; James H. Hamilton IV, a graduate of Long Beach High School; Keyana Mitchell of Clarksdale, a graduate of the Mississippi School for Mathematics and Science; Amanda Lee Nettles, a graduate of Carthage High School; Amelia Arwen Purser, a graduate of Madison Central High School; and Stewart Watkins Rutledge of Brandon, a graduate of Jackson Preparatory School.

Mississippi philanthropist Robert M. Carrier endowed the scholarships in 1955 to identify and bring the state's future leaders

to Ole Miss for maximum scholastic and personal development.

The Carrier Scholar trustees seek individual students from high schools across the state of Mississippi with top records of leadership and academic ability. Students cannot apply for the honor; they must be nominated by a principal, teacher or counselor.

Denmark, daughter of Ernie and Dianne Denmark, is a 1998 Star Student and first in her class of 241 at Pascagoula High School. She has



Denmark

been selected for numerous academic honors including the Greek Mythology, Botany, Academic Excellence, Honors English, Advanced Algebra II, Chemistry I, World History, Presidential Academic Fitness, Creative Writing, Calculus and Advanced Government awards. She scored 32 on the ACT.

Denmark has been active in the Beta Club, National Honor Society, Mu Alpha Theta, Teen Connection and IDEAS, while



Hamilton

holding a part-time job. She also has been a volunteer for the March of Dimes and with the Mississippi Gulf Coast Beach Clean Up Project. At Ole Miss, Denmark plans to major in political science with her future set on a law career.

Hamilton is a standout in the classroom and on the playing field, where he is an accomplished soccer player. Son of James and Carrolyn Hamilton, the Carrier Scholar is the

president of the student body, drum captain of the band, captain of the soccer team and a member of Long Beach High School's Hall of Fame. He garnered an array of subject awards and was active on the Quiz Bowl Team and in Mu Alpha Theta and the Interact Club. He scored 31 on the ACT and 1350 on the SAT.

Hamilton, who plans to pursue a degree in engineering or pre-medicine, was selected as one of eight student presenters for

the Junior International Sciences and Humanities Symposium. His science fair projects have won research trips twice: The first was a four-week marine science course at the Dolphin Island Sea Lab; the second a four-week trip to Italy, Sicily and Tunisia aboard the USNS Wyman. Hamilton conducts research at the Stennis Space Center and does volunteer work for the Long Beach Food Pantry.



Mitchell

Mitchell, daughter of Clinton and

Macretta Booker, is a National Merit Finalist and National Achievement Finalist. She attended Clarksdale High School before being selected for the Mississippi School for Mathematics and Science in 1996. She has served as an Emissary for MSMS, which selects students through a rigorous application process to act as ambassadors for the school. Mitchell scored 32 on the ACT and 1370 on the SAT, and plans to major in biology or pre-medicine.

The Carrier Scholar has received numerous subject awards and was a member of the Sony Student Project Abroad, which involved a unique trip to California and Japan with Sony Corp. employees to study advanced technology. At MSMS, she is active in the Student Government Association, Beta Club, Mu Alpha Theta, dance team and the orchestra. She also served on the Vision newspaper staff and as co-director of the Voices in Harmony Gospel Choir. She volunteers as a tutor for the Columbus Boys and Girls Club.

Nettles is a 1998 Star Student and National Merit Finalist, and scored 32 on the ACT (a perfect 36 on the reading portion). Daughter of Dexter and Lisa Nettles, the student has been the captain of the Academic Quiz Bowl Team, president of the Gifted Students Club, vice president of the Beta Club, captain of the varsity cheerleader squad and co-editor of the yearbook. Named to the Scholar's



Nettles

List throughout high school for making all A's, Nettles has been a member of the school's Mississippi Future Problem-Solving, Math, Omniscience, and Mississippi College Math and Science Tournament teams. She plans to major in English with an eye on law school.

As Leake County's Junior Miss this year, Nettles was named a Scholastic Achievement Winner at the state pageant. She also has been involved in the Carthage High choir, student government, Girls State and community theater. Through Beta Club projects, Nettles has volunteered her time to work with youngsters and senior citizens, as well as to help with school enhancement.



Purser

Purser, the daughter of Gale Purser and Christopher Purser, is a 1998 STAR Student, scored 34 on her ACT (a perfect 36 on the reading portion) and was inducted into MENSA. Active in the Beta Club, Junior Classical League, Astronomy Club, Latin Club, Key Club and Fellowship of Christian Athletes, the student will pursue studies in biology and pre-medicine. Purser served as the captain of Madison Central High School's Academic Team, vice presi-

dent of the Student Government Association, vice president of Mu Alpha Theta and captain of the varsity cheerleader squad.

She was voted a class favorite, homecoming maid, Most Likely to Succeed and Most Intellectual, and named a school beauty. Purser attended Girls State and is a graduate of Youth Leadership Madison County. She has volunteered her time for Habitat for Humanity, Sunnybrook Children's Home, Salvation Army, The University of Mississippi Medical Center, and school and community beautification projects.

Rutledge, a 1998 STAR Student and National Merit Finalist, scored 35 on the ACT (a perfect 36 on the reading portion) and 1540 on the SAT. Son of Dr. and Mrs. Gary Benson of Brandon and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Rutledge of New Albany, he has been active in the Cum Laude Society, Mu Alpha Theta, Junior Engineering Technological Society, Key Club, Chi Alpha Mu, the Academic Betterment Competition and Sentry newspaper staff. He plans to pursue an engineering degree.



Rutledge

The Eagle Scout and senior class favorite was vice president of the Science Club. He received a Summa Cum Laude Medal from the Junior Classical League and a silver medal for performance on the Classical Derivative Test, as well as Academic Achievement and School Service awards and a High Achievement Award in a state physics competition. He lettered in football, tennis and swimming. The Carrier Scholar also has been an active volunteer with Habitat for Humanity, Midtown Daycare, Gateway Mission and other organizations.

Former Ole Miss Political Science Chair Charles N. Fortenberry Remembered with Scholarship

efore the May 10 death of Dr. Charles Nolan Fortenberry

— The University of Mississippi political science chair who
guided the department through the turbulent civil rights era

— a former student endowed a scholarship in his name.

Dr. Robert N. Leavell, a professor of law at the University of Georgia, provided funds for the Howerton-Fortenberry Award in the Study of Government. In addition to Fortenberry, the scholarship recognizes the influence of Huey B. Howerton on Leavell's life.

Fortenberry pursued his educational degrees during the Depression and therefore had to work his way through college to earn undergraduate and graduate degrees from Ole Miss. Prior to joining the Ole Miss faculty, he taught at a number of institutions.

At Ole Miss, Fortenberry served as associate professor and professor of political science. Administratively he served as director of the Department of Research in business and public administration. He also provided leadership as acting dean of the Graduate School.

Fortenberry became chair of political science in 1958, a post which he held for a decade until he was summoned by his former colleague — Dr. Edward H. Hobbs, then the new dean of

the Auburn University Department of Political Science.

The professor accumulated numerous honors over his academic career and held memberships in an array of professional and service organizations. As an Ole Miss student, he was selected to the Hall of Fame and was active in the Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity. He also was involved in Tau Kappa Alpha, Blue Key DAKS, the Debate Team and YMCA Council. As a faculty member, he belonged to Pi Sigma Alpha, American Political Science Association (member of its executive council), Oxford Rotary Club and Oxford-Lafayette Chamber of Commerce (director).

Fortenberry was preceded in death by his son, Joseph E. Fortenberry. He is survived by his wife, Mary Edwards Fortenberry, son, Charles Nolan Fortenberry, daughter-in law, Mrs. Joseph E. Fortenberry and granddaughter, Dorothy Ashley Fortenberry.

Contributions to the Howerton-Fortenberry Award in the Study of Government can be made to The University of Mississippi Foundation, P.O. Box 249, University, MS 38677. Memorial contributions also can be made to the Friends of the Library through the University Foundation. "These programs will help perpetuate the memory of a great academic leader," said Dr. Donald S. Vaughan, professor emeritus of political science.

Frugé Becomes UM Foundation's First Full-time President, CEO

phenomenal the growth of The University of Mississippi's endowment - from \$8 million in 1984 to more than \$204 million in 1998 — Dr. Don L. Frugé has become the first full-time president and chief executive officer of its Foundation.

Frugé has served as a vice chancellor since 1989 and executive vice president of the University Foundation since 1984. He retired from Ole Miss on July 31.



"University of Mississippi alumni and friends have been so generous in their support that the time has come to have a president who devotes his total energies to the University Foundation," said Ole Miss Chancellor Robert C. Khayat. "As executive vice president, Don Frugé has been an exemplary steward of the contributions the University has received through this incredible, yet critical, growth period, thus making him the perfect choice for the Foundation's first full-time president."

Under Frugé's leadership, the Foundation won the prestigious Circle of Excellence Award in 1997, presented by the Council for Advancement and Support of Education to applaud overall fund-raising performance and improvement.

Frugé joined the University as an assistant professor of law in 1971, after earning a master of laws from New York University. He received both undergraduate and juris doctor degrees at Ole Miss. By 1979, Frugé had become a full professor.

He became the executive director of University Development and of the Foundation in 1984 and was named vice chancellor for University Affairs in 1989. In 1995, he became vice chancellor for University Advancement.

Gloria Kellum Named **Interim Vice Chancellor For University Relations**

r. Gloria D. Kellum — executive director of The University of Mississippi's Sesquicentennial and longtime faculty member — has been named interim vice chancellor for University Relations.

Kellum will oversee the Offices of University Advancement, and Development Services, and the Department of Public Relations and Marketing, which includes Publications, Printing,

Teleproductions Resource Center and the University News Service. She is directing final Sesquicentennial events and will guide the major capital campaign to provide funds for academics.

"Gloria Kellum has made a tremendous impact on the life of this University first through her teaching and now through the extensive programs and outreach efforts of the Sesquicentennial," said Ole Miss Chancellor Robert



Dr. Gloria D. Kellum

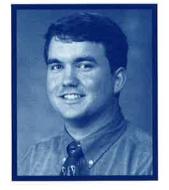
C. Khayat. "The 150th anniversary has provided a unique vehicle to plan for the 21st century, and Dr. Kellum has utilized this opportunity to gain a comprehensive understanding of the University. Coupled with her vision and commitment, she is more than prepared to take on the challenges and opportunities of University Relations."

Kellum earned undergraduate, master's and doctoral degrees from Louisiana State University in the fields of speech pathology, audiology and instructional technology. She joined the Ole Miss faculty in 1966, serving as assistant and associate professor before becoming a full professor in 1991. She also provided leadership as acting chair of communicative disorders and as the department's director of clinical services.

UM Foundation Welcomes New Staff Members

Matthew Deming, Advancement Associate, earned his Bachelor of Arts degree from Ole Miss in 1997. He joins the Advancement Staff after working in the semiconductor industry in Austin, Texas. His current responsibilities include fund-raising and alumni relations for the School of Engineering.

Anne Mueller, Development Associate/Research Coordinator, received a Bachelor of Arts degree in History from Bennington College. She was previously employed by the Echoing Green Foundation in New York. Her current responsibilities in Development Services include prospect research and coordination for the entire University community.





Grisham Writer-in-Residence Brings Author Darcey Steinke to Campus

ords we often take them for granted, but for writers they are the very bread of life, the focal point of their careers.

Darcey Steinke, the newest recipient of the Renee and John Grisham Southern Writer-In- Residence Award at The University of Mississippi, recalls being "interested in words ever since I was a small child."

"Growing up in a family full of ministers, the written word became my whole life. My father, a Lutheran minister, would write out his sermons, and then I'd hear him

practice them over and over," the 35-year-old Virginia native said.

"I stuttered when I was a kid and couldn't talk very well. I think I was looking for fluency and grace in written words, so I fell in love with books and began writing my own," she said.

Beginning her writing career at the age of 7, Steinke wrote of a vampire who likes chocolate milkshakes instead of blood and a ferris wheel that flies to Mars, leaving its riders stranded. Little did she know that as an adult, she would be the author of three books, co-editor of a series of New Testament essays and a contributing writer to magazines and newspapers including *George*, *Spin* and *The Washington Post*.

"Mrs. Steinke came to us highly recommended as an exceptional teacher in the classroom," said Dr. Daniel Williams, chair of the Ole Miss Department of English. "She is uniquely qualified and one of the most creative and innovative of contemporary writers. We are thrilled to have her."

The Southern Writer-in-Residence Program brings a writer in for one or two semesters to be a resource to the community and to teach in the English department. The author is usually nominated by a four-member committee and has his/her salary and living expenses paid by the Renee and John Grisham Endowment.

Support for Steinke's nomination for the award came from Barry Hannah, writer-in- residence for Ole Miss and an admirer of her work. "Darcey has the good ear of a poet and is a risky and brave writer who combines modern punk with religion," he said. "She establishes her own world and does it very thoroughly and convincingly."

After graduating from high school in Roanoke, Steinke received



During a meeting of the creative writing workshop, Darcey Steinke, the newest recipient of the Renee and John Grisham Southern Writer-In-Residence Award, discusses essays with her students. Steinke moved to Oxford in August and will be living here for a year as she teaches at the University and works on her two latest books.

a bachelor's degree from Goucher College in Baltimore and a master's degree from the University of Virginia, where she was a Hoynes Fellow. She then went on to Stanford University and completed a postgraduate Wallace Stegner Fellowship.

During her year-long stay at Ole Miss, Steinke will teach a writing workshop as well as work on her two latest books *Milk*, a short erotic novel, and *The Great Disappointment*, a long historical novel about the Seventh Day Adventist Church.

"I hope to help my stu-

dents become better readers and writers," said Steinke. "I want them to catch themselves thinking and become more lucid in their prose writing. It is a process of knowing yourself and knowing a variety of people and combining that knowledge with empathy," she continued. "You really have to get into your life as well as theirs."

"Darcey really emphasizes the five senses in writing to help us (the workshop class) become more aware of our surroundings," said Jennifer Murchison, a senior political science major. "Her class is a totally open forum, and she has respect for our ideas as much as we have respect for hers."

During her stay, the Southern author also hopes to really "get going" on her own work. "I want this to be a productive time, so I will be working hard to get a large chunk of prose done," she said.

After being in Oxford for about a month, Steinke has noticed many differences from her New York way of life. "Everything is different, but I like all of it," she said with a smile. "I have felt very warmly received, and everyone has been so friendly. When I go to (the grocery store), I actually see people I know; that doesn't usually happen in a larger city.

"I think the other thing I really like here is the nature," Steinke said. "The birds here look happy, healthy and are so colorful, and Abbie loves to go chase rabbits at Rowan Oak (home of the late author William Faulkner)."

Abbie, Steinke's 2-year-old daughter, also noticed a difference. "No peoples heres," she said in comparing Oxford with her Brooklyn Heights home where her father is living. Steinke and her husband take turns flying back and forth to visit.

MEDICAL CENTER NEWS

New Instrument Freezes Tumor Without Surgery

A University of Mississippi Medical Center radiologist is using the latest weapon against cancer. He's done five procedures since July 16 when he destroyed a secondary tumor in a 49-year-old lung cancer patient without major surgery, chemotherapy or radiation.

r. Patrick Sewell, assistant professor of radiology, is the only physician in the United States performing MRI-guided cryoablation. Sewell got FDA approval to use the new freezing device one day before he did his first operation—the first procedure of its kind in the United States.

The new instrument, manufactured in Israel, is made of metals that make it suitable for use with the powerful magnet in the interventional MRI—one of only three in operation in the United States. The two others are at Stanford University in California and Harvard University in Massachusetts.

The first patient, Willie Henderson, underwent surgery at the Medical Center in March to remove the lemon-sized tumor in his left lung. Radiation treatments followed, but in May, one month before his last treatment, Sewell said Henderson began having severe pain in his right thigh.

Henderson himself says he "can't describe how bad the pain was." Sewell said Henderson was in constant, excruciating pain, even while taking the maximum doses of pain medication.

Sewell used the new interventional MRI to get a sample of the lesion. The new MRI allows physicians to look inside the patient while they're doing a procedure.

Sewell's biopsy confirmed what oncologists suspected: the tumor in Henderson's thigh had spread (metastasized) from his lung. His only options were chemotherapy and more radiation. Conventional surgery wasn't a good option. "The tumor was growing fast, and surgery would mean another major wound and delayed pain relief."

Sewell told the oncologists he wanted to try to remove the tumor in Henderson's thigh by freezing it with a new instrument that was still awaiting approval from the Food and Drug Administration (FDA).

During the three weeks it took the FDA to approve the use of the new instrument, Henderson developed another secondary tumor deep in his right shoulder very near his right lung. This time, the pain was so intense Henderson could not even lift a fork to feed himself.

The cryoablation tool is guided by the interventional MRI. Sewell made a small incision in Henderson's skin and threaded



Dr. Patrick Sewell

the tube—with the freezing tip at the end to the tumor, all the while tracing its path on the MRI screen.

When the sheathed freezing tip reached the tumor, Sewell removed the sheath and activated the tip. The tip reaches a cold temperature of negative 186 degrees Celsius.

The time it takes to freeze a tumor depends on the size of the tumor and the amount of blood flow. In Henderson's case, it took Sewell about 30-40 minutes to freeze the tumor and two minutes to thaw it. Using pressurized helium, the temperature in the tip reaches 80 degrees Celsius during the thawing phase. Sewell went through the freeze-thaw cycle several times.

By imaging the site while he works, Sewell knows when the tumor is frozen and when it has thawed. And he minimizes the possibility of destroying normal tissue.

"When water freezes, the crystals rup-

ture the cell membrane of the tumor. It just explodes," Sewell said. "There is also some evidence that freezing stimulates the immune system to marshal the body's own defense mechanisms against the tumor."

The interventional MRI is crucial to this process, Sewell said. "Without it, there is no way we could visualize exactly what we're freezing."

After Sewell successfully removed the tumor in the thigh, Henderson asked if he could do the same for the one in his right shoulder. In a five-hour procedure July 16, Sewell froze the shoulder tumor. The four procedures Sewell has done since have all been done with the goal of pain relief. "Some have had significant pain relief, and others moderate pain relief."

So far, his patients have been those for whom all other treatments have failed. "When this ceases to be a new therapy, and when it's determined that it can significantly reduce tumor growth, I think we'll start seeing it used on tumors at an earlier stage."

"And if we catch the mass soon enough when it is small, cryoablation will be even faster and more successful. My hope is that this technology will provide a long-lasting method of pain relief not achieved by other methods and possibly lead to contributions to a cure for those metastatic lesions for which we have no cure at this time."

MEDICAL CENTER NEWS

Commitment to Excellence Campus Drive

he campus drive for the University's Commitment to Excellence campaign was held September 21-26, according to campaign chair Mike Lightsey, University of Mississippi Medical Center associate vice chancellor for financial affairs. "The goal for the campus campaign is \$100,000. With more than 8,000 faculty, staff and students here, we believe this is a realistic goal. We hope all who can will take part in the drive and help assure the continuing excellence of the Medical Center," said Lightsey.

The contributions raised for the School of Medicine will be used to establish five new scholarships for outstanding medical students; to endow scholarships designated to attract and retain superior African-American students; to establish endowed chairs in surgery, physiology and biophysics, gynecology, nephrology and hypertension, and internal medicine; to complete the Robert R. Smith Fellowship in Cerebrovascular Research and the Orlando Andy Research Lectureship; and to complete the endowment for the Center for Excellence in Cardiovascular and Renal research.

Contributions will be used in the School of Nursing to establish an endowment for graduate student scholarships; to establish a chair in nursing; to initiate a fund for nursing research; and to initiate a fund for junior faculty development.

Campaign contributions made to the School of Dentistry will be used to establish an endowment to support student scholarships and development activities; to initiate a fund to purchase 20 simulation units for clinical skills laboratory; to establish the John H. Hembree, Jr., Chair of Restorative Dentistry; and to initiate a fund for dental research.

The School of Health Related Professions will use gifts to establish an endowment to fund student scholarships and student development activities, and to establish a visiting professorship in the name of Neva Greenwald who has served 25 years as chairman of the school's Department of Physical Therapy.

Gifts to the University Hospital and Clinics will be used to establish an endowment for the Blair E. Batson Hospital for Children; to establish an endowment for the Mississippi Children's Cancer Clinic; to establish an endowment for the Wiser Hospital for Women and Infants; and to establish a Cancer Center in Mississippi.

The Rowland Medical Library will use contributions to complete the Endowment for the Rowland Medical Library to



Chair, Mike Lightsey (center), associate vice chancellor for financial affairs; Co-Chair, Sally Self, (left) assistant director of social work; and Co-Chair, Elwin Williams, (right) assistant director of human resources.

assure that the library has added money necessary to continue collection enhancement and technology development.

Other members of the University of Mississippi Medical Center campaign steering committee are co-chairs Elwin Williams, assistant director for employment, and Sally Self, assistant director of social work; Joe Amato, administrator, Batson Hospital for Women, and Women and Infant services; Dr. Alan Freeland, professor of orthopedics; Jack Gordy,

assistant dean, School of Health related Professions; Dr. John Hall, Guyton Professor of Physiology and Biophysics and chairman of the department; Pamela Helms, assistant professor of nursing; Dr. James Hughes, Howorth Professor of Orthopedic Surgery and chairman of the department; Susan Shands Jones, staff attorney;

Dr. Frank Serio, professor of periodontics and chairman of the department; Primus Wheeler, director of ambulatory services; H. Leland Mizelle, Associated Student Body; Kelly McNeil, School of Dentistry; Marcus Ueltschey, School of Medicine; Mann Conrad, School of Health Related Professions; Brandon Zagst, School of Nursing; and Katherine S. Barker, graduate program.

Ten Garner Inaugural \$32,000 Croft Scholarships

Awards Part of New International Studies Institute











len top scholars from Mississippi and the Southeast have been chosen for the inaugural scholarships from The University of Mississippi's Croft Institute for International

The inaugural Croft Scholars will each receive \$32,000 for four years of undergraduate study at Ole Miss. They will be among 100 students accepted into the prestigious first class of the Croft Institute, which was created in 1997 by the largest gift in the state's higher education history — the equivalent of \$60 million from the Joseph E. Bancroft Charitable and Education Fund.

The Croft Institute will ensure that students are prepared for leadership in business, public service, education and other fields with a deeper knowledge of an increasingly interdependent world.

"It is with profound gratitude that we extend the first Croft Scholarships to these extraordinary students, who already have accomplished great things in their young lives," said Ole Miss Chancellor Robert C. Khayat. "They obviously recognize their generation's critical need to be equipped for active, successful participation in a global community. Through our new Croft Institute, The University of Mississippi will maximize the depth and intensity of their educational experiences. We welcome these Croft Scholars and thank the Bancroft Fund for the generous resources that made this possible."

Those selected for the 1998 Croft Scholarships are: Kathryn Luise Bock of Brandon, Mississippi School for Mathematics and Science; Carson Michael Chittom of Clinton, Clinton High School; Stephanie Sage Egger of Ridgeland, Madison Central High School; Lydia Elaine Hailman of Oxford, Oxford High School; Shay Alan Hitchcock of Blytheville, Ark., Gosnell High School; Steve Eli Jellenc of Meridian, Lamar High School Kathryn Hunter Jordan of Germantown, Tenn., Evangelical Christian School; Alysson Leigh Mills of Fulton, Itawamba Agricultural High School; Courtney Kathleen Riddell of Tupelo, Tupelo High School; and Anna Blair Thomson of Jackson, Tenn., University School of Jackson.

Bock, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Georg Bock, served as an MSMS Emissary, an ambassador of the school chosen through a rigorous selection process based on academics, attitude and faculty recommendations. She was elected senior class secretary and was active in the Beta, Key and Science clubs, as well as Mu Alpha Theta and SADD.

Since 1995, Bock has been listed in Who's Who Among American High School Students, and the math and geometry award winner was also a 1997 finalist in the National Hispanic Scholar

Chittom, son of Michael Bruce and Gayle Chittom, is a National Merit Finalist who has been a member of the CHS Academic Team and co-captain of its U.S. Decathlon Team. Chittom has been involved in the Junior Classical League and captured gold and silver medals for outstanding performance on the National Latin Exam.

A student in advanced placement classes, Chittom also served as general editor of the Laurel Leaves creative writing magazine and led the CHS Orchestra for two years as concertmaster. He has been accepted into Ole Miss' McDonnell-Barksdale Honors College.

Egger, daughter of Steve and Becky Egger, is a National Merit Finalist who has been active in MCHS' Mu Alpha Theta, SADD, and the Beta, Stock Market, Government and French clubs. She will be in Ole Miss' Honors College.

Music has been an integral part of Egger's life. She was section leader for the MCHS marching, symphonic and concert bands and was chosen to participate in honor bands at Ole Miss and the University of Southern Mississippi, as well as the 1998 Mississippi All-State Lions' Band.

Hailman, daughter of John and Regan Hailman, served as vice president of the National Honor Society and French National Honor Society, president of the French Club, senior







Jordan



Mills

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the first Croft Scholarships to these



Riddell



Thomson

class representative for the Student Council, treasurer of the Anchor Club and a member of Mu Alpha Theta.

The award-winning student journalist also has received recognition in the academic fields of French, biology, math, history and English. Hailman has been accepted into the Honors College.

Hitchcock, son of Perry and Ann Hitchcock, has served as president of the GHS Student Council, Key Club and Future Business Leaders of America, captain of the Quiz Bowl and editor in chief of the school newspaper. Throughout his high school years, he garnered awards for best grade-point aver-

ages in English, math, history, science, journalism and Spanish.

Hitchcock has been listed in Who's Who Among American High School Students for four years, as well as named an All-American Scholar.

Jellenc, son of Sharon Smith Jellenc and Steve Jellenc, has provided leader-

ship at LHS as president of the French Honor and the History societies, and vice president of Mu Alpha Theta. The academic Competition Team member also has been active in the National Honor Society, Beta Club and Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

Croft Scholar was a charter member of his school's literary magazine and a two-year member of the annual staff. Jellenc ran track and cross country and played tennis.

Jordan, daughter of Tom and Karen Jordan, was National Merit Commended, as well as active in the National Honor Society and the Beta Club and listed in Who's Who Among American High School Students. She was a Principal's Award honoree for three years.

The Student Council officer and Furman Scholar also was involved in Mu Alpha Theta, Quill and Scroll, French and Key clubs, newspaper staff and school theater. Jordan played varsity basketball and tennis. She has been accepted into the Honors College.

Mills, daughter of Mississippi Supreme Court Justice and Mrs. Mike Mills, has provided leadership as president of the Student Council and Future Business Leaders of America, vice president of SADD and editor of the yearbook. She attended the Rotary Youth Leadership Conference, Mississippi Governor's School and Girls' State, where she was elected a senator. While in Junior Leadership Itawamba, Mills was involved in restoring a landmark sign in Fulton.

The Croft Scholar was active in the National Honor Society. At Ole Miss, she will be enrolled in the Honors College.

Riddell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tally Riddell Jr., was a

founder and president of the THS Writer's Guild and has captured an array of writing awards. She was named an All-American Scholar, an ACT Achievement Award winner and a Rotary Scholar

extraordinary students, who already have accomplished great things in their young and was listed in Who's Who Among American High School lives,"—Chancellor Robert C. Khayat Students. Riddell will be an Honors College student at Ole Miss. The student has been active in Junior Civitans, the Shakespearean Literary, National Honor and French Honorary societies; Mu Alpha Theta; French, Anchor and Debate clubs; and

> ticipated in THS honors classes for four years. **Thomson**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard M. Thomson, provided leadership as vice president of the French Honor Society and treasurer of the Student Government Association. The award-winning artist and pianist was involved in the National Honor Society, National Art Honor Society, Mu Alpha Theta and Math Team. She placed in the National French Exam. She has been accepted into the Honors College at Ole Miss.

> Thespians. A PACE Scholar at Ole Miss, Riddell also has par-

The Croft Scholar attended Girls' State, where she was the election commissioner, and has served as a peer tutor in French and math. Thomson went to state competition as a varsity basketball player two years and as a cross-country par-

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ticipant three years.

Dr. Michael F. Metcalf Tapped to Lead New Croft Institute for International Studies

ne of the nation's recognized leaders in the field of international studies — Dr. Michael F. Metcalf of the University of Minnesota — became the first director of the new Croft Institute for International Studies at The University of Mississippi.

Metcalf was assistant vice president for international education and director of the Institute of International Studies and Programs at the University of Minnesota, where he has served on the faculty since 1977 and was honored with a Distinguished Teaching Award in 1990.

"Dr. Metcalf is a visionary, who has a proven talent for building and creating," said Dr. Carolyn Ellis Staton, Ole Miss associate provost and associate vice chancellor for academic affairs, concerning the University's selection from an extensive search. "He brings a tremendous background in international studies and strong experience in all the areas we want the Croft Institute to address."

The Croft Institute welcomed its first students to the campus this fall, and almost 100 students have been accepted in the inaugural class. With the largest gift in the state's higher education history — \$60 million from the Bancroft Charitable and Educational Fund — Ole Miss created the Institute in 1997 to ensure that students prepare for leadership in business, law, taxation, accountancy, public service, education and other fields with a deeper knowledge of our increasingly interdependent world.

The Croft Institute also is helping with the introduction of international studies to Mississippi schoolchildren and plans to assist the state's businesses and industries in preparing for increased global ventures.

"What attracted me to this position was the wonderful opportunity to build a new program focused not only on the University but also — right from the very beginning — on the role of the Institute in the state as a whole," Metcalf said. "The Croft Institute's mission includes a holistic approach that puts at the forefront the fact that Mississippi — like every other region of the world — must take into consideration the changing circumstances of a global economy, global environmental issues, etc. It is very exciting that the Croft Institute is in Mississippi, which is not as economically advantaged as some areas of the country, and that it is in the Southeast, which is not well-represented nationally when it comes to international studies."

The new director continued, "The funds provided by the Bancroft Fund give the University a unique opportunity to build



Dr. Michael F. Metcalf

a program at the turn of the century, which will be different from programs across the nation that saw their beginnings in the 1940s, '60s and '80s. The Croft Institute will reflect current thinking and address problems and opportunities of the early 21st century."

While the first order of business for Metcalf is to work with the Ole Miss faculty to ensure that a strong international studies undergraduate degree program is in place, he already is exploring how students in other disciplines can be given the space and time to develop international competencies. "All of our students need to be cognizant of the ways in which global issues have an impact on their futures as professionals and as citizens. Everything has become so intertwined that students increasingly need the knowledge base to make them feel comfortable as actors and players in a global setting, as well as in national and local settings."

The Croft Institute is offering several workshops this summer to help K-12 teachers internationalize curricula. Metcalf plans to expand those offerings to community college and higher education faculty, and to host programs and workshops on and off the Oxford campus for business, industry and government professionals to address issues concerning globalization.

Metcalf first became interested in international studies in high school and began traveling abroad in college. He graduated cum laude from Harvard University with a degree in history, before going on to earn master's and doctoral degrees in history from Stockholms universitet. Fluent in Swedish, German, Danish and Norwegian, and with a working knowledge of French, Russian and Spanish, he also is an expert on early modern Scandinavian history, with a concentration in Swedish political institutions. He has authored a number of books and articles, and translated four scholarly books from Swedish into English.

A well-known proponent of using foreign languages across the curriculum and of articulating instruction in foreign languages across the secondary-postsecondary divide at Minnesota, Metcalf has directed three grants from the National Endowment for the Humanities and one from the Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education in these areas.

At the University of Minnesota in 1988, he became director of the College of Liberal Arts' Institute for International Studies, which now houses the Area Studies Programs, Center for European Studies, Foreign Language Across the Curriculum

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Computer Lab Puts Ole Miss Freshmen on Cutting Edge of Biology Research

reshman biology students will have access to cutting-edge technology in a new computer facility that recently opened at Ole Miss.

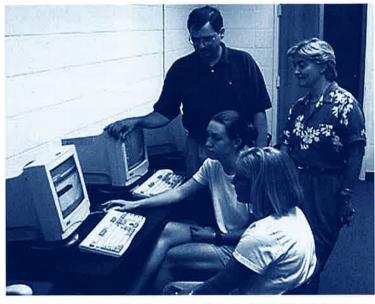
The Walker Freshman Computer Laboratory, located in 310 Shoemaker Hall, will be used for class projects, demonstrations and individual research.

Ygondine W. Sturdivant of Glendora donated \$10,000 to Ole Miss for the laboratory in honor of her late father, Dr. James P. Walker, a longtime physician in Quitman County and 1923 graduate of the University.

"We're extremely proud of this new facility because it complements a very innovative and exciting biology lab program for biology major

and non-major students," said Dr. Gary L. Miller, chair of the Ole Miss biology department. The Walker Freshman Computer Laboratory boasts a network of 17 workstations with Internet connections and statistical, word processing and spread sheet software.

It includes 13 PCs and four Macintoshes. "With this facility we're able to provide more computer access for our students, particularly those who otherwise don't have access to such technology," said Dr. Gail Stratton, coordinator of laboratory programs and an instructor in biology. "It will be more convenient for everyone." Between 1,200 and 1,300 students take freshman biology lab each semester, Miller said.



Biology students Jennifer Henderson (from left) of Mandeville, La., and Meghan Lees of Mobile, Ala., access cutting-edge technology in the new computer facility. Also on hand are Chair and Professor of Biology, Dr. Gary Miller, and Assistant Professor Dr. Lucile McCook.

"Our non-major program in biology is particularly important to us because it represents the only science most University students take.

Our goal is to instill a curiosity and excitement about science that will impact students' decisions about important scientific issues in society." Learning biology still requires dissecting frogs and conducting laboratory experiments, but computers take lab projects to the next level, Miller noted.

A few keystrokes can yield enormous amounts of scientific data for analysis and interpretation.

In addition, many biological processes, such as cell division, can be depicted via computer animation for

detailed study. "Using this technology, we're rapidly moving toward discovery-based learning, where we don't tell the students everything they need to know but, rather, show them how to discover it for themselves," Miller said.

"That's the only way to wade through all this information about the natural world, and the new computer laboratory will help tremendously in this approach."

"It is nearly impossible to express the depth of our gratitude to Ms. Sturdivant for her generous gift to the department," Miller said.

"The Walker facility is a testament to her deep concern for biology education and for freshman undergraduate students."

Metcalf continued...

Program, Foreign Language Immersion Program, International Relations Program, MacArthur Interdisciplinary Program on Peace and International Cooperation, and Modern Greek Studies Program. His role expanded in 1993, with the creation of a university-wide Institute that includes International Student and Scholar Services, the Global Campus, the China Center, the Center for Advanced Research on Language Acquisition and the Refugee Studies Center.

The new Croft Institute director has consulted widely in the field of international studies at such institutions as Rice University, the University of Iowa and Michigan State University, as well as for the American Council on Education.

Metcalf is married to German-born Eva-Maria Metcalf, who will join the Ole Miss faculty as an assistant professor of children's literature and German. Since earning her doctorate in 1989, she has taught at Grinnell and Carleton colleges, Hamline University and, most recently, the University of Minnesota. The Metcalfs are the parents of two children, 24-year-old Jessica and 22-year-old Thomas, who both were born in Sweden and are bilingual in German and English.

Ole Miss Names 10 Honors College Scholarship Recipients

Scoring a perfect 1600 twice on the SAT exam and placing third in the nation for a project that looks at Persian Gulf Syndrome are just some of the achievements of two freshman scholars at The University of Mississippi's McDonnell-Barksdale Honors College.

ustin Keeling of Jackson took the SAT exam and scored a perfect 1600. Thinking it was a fluke, he took the test again and scored a 1600 the second time. John Ke Ma of Ridgeland placed first in Mississippi for the Department of Defense's 36th National Junior Science and Humanities Sympo-



Keeling

sium for his entry in the environmental biology and toxicology section. His project was an investigation of the mechanism of Persian Gulf Syndrome, and it won him third place on the national level of the Symposium.

Keeling and Ma are two of 10 students recently named as recipients of \$24,000 Honors College scholarships, which are among the most prestigious at Ole Miss. The scholarship winners' ACT scores average 33.

In 1996, with the aim of keeping

the brightest Mississippi students in state, Netscape President and Chief Executive Officer James L. Barksdale and his wife, Sally McDonnell Barksdale, made what was then the largest gift

ever to Ole Miss, when they donated \$5.4 million to fund the Honors College. Both are Ole Miss alumni.

"My dream is for The University of Mississippi to offer the richest educational experience available, which will enable it to attract the brightest students. In turn, I hope its graduates will be a force that will impact Mississippi's educational, economic and cultural life as they invest, create and produce in the context of their native state," Barksdale said of his gift.



Ma

The Honors College's Barksdale, Pichitino and Parker scholarships are attracting top-notch students to Ole Miss, which helps in the University's quest to attract a Phi Beta Kappa chap-

ter, a prestigious academic honor society. Ole Miss hopes to become the first public institution of higher learning in Mississippi with a chapter.

Students in the Honors College study interdisciplinary courses not offered elsewhere in the University — classes that expose them to the highest form of critical thinking in the sciences, humanities, arts, mathematics and social sciences.

The scholarship winners started fall semester early, when they joined other incoming honors students for a retreat sponsored by Delta Psi fraternity and its St. Anthony's Educational Foundation and the St. Anthony Club of Mississippi. The Foundation contributed \$3,600 for the weekend which featured a visit by noted novelist Tim O'Brien. The students were required to read his novel *In the Lake of the Woods* beforehand.



Axelrod

During the first year, required

Honors College courses focus on the humanities and social sci-



Faulkner

ences. In the second year, they concentrate on literature and are organized around Euro-American, African, Asian and Meso-American modules. During their junior and senior years, students each work under the guidance of one professor on a significant research project that produces an honors thesis in their senior year.

The 1998 scholarships recipients are: Barksdale Scholarships. The four annual Barksdale Scholarships are

specified for Mississippi residents.

David Matthews Axelrod of Natchez attended Trinity Epis-

copal Day School, where he was a high school football player (best defensive lineman in the 12th grade) with a bent for math and science. His recent honors include the Tandy Scholar Award and the Sewanee Award for Excellence. Axelrod also is a National Merit Finalist.

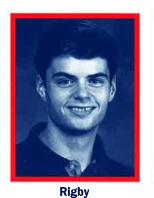
Angela Carol **Faulkner** of Aberdeen, an Amory High School graduate, is a student of Spanish with a passion for acting, music and cre-



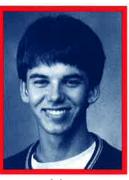
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ative writing. The National Merit Finalist's honors include membership in the National Honor Society and the National Spanish Honor Society.

John Clark **Henegan** Jr. of Jackson attended Jackson Preparatory School. He was a member of the Quill and Scroll Society, a 1997 delegate to Boys State and a National Merit Finalist. He also played and coached basketball.

Austin Charles **Keeling** of Jackson graduated from Jackson Academy and was a member of the National Honor Society, Mu Alpha Theta and the national Junior Classical League Latin Honor Society. The Eagle Scout with Palms is a National Merit Finalist, a Jackson Academy STAR student and a 1997 delegate to the Mississippi Governor's School.

Pichitino Scholarships

The Pichitino Scholarships were made possible by a \$4.5 million gift from the estate of Eugenia Pichitino of New Orleans in memory of her son Donald Pichitino, who was a 1956 graduate of Ole Miss. The scholarships are open to all top high school scholars.

Morgan Elizabeth **Currie** of Jackson attended Jackson Preparatory School and was a member of the Quill and Scroll Society. She won first place in the Media Professionals High School Journalism Contest and earned magna cum laude recognition on the National Latin Exam. The National Merit Finalist was editor and copy editor of the school literary magazine Earthwinds.

Nicholas Brent **Hammond** of Lexington, Ala., went to the Mars Hill Bible School where he graduated with a science and mathematics honor diploma. He was a member of the Debate Team and a delegate to the Alabama Boys State, where he was elected to the City Council. He was active in the National Honor Society and a member of the Science Club.

John Ke Ma of Ridgeland attended Jackson Academy and won first places in the functions test and senior ciphering at the state Mu Alpha Theta Convention, a second in trigonometry at a state math and science tournament and second in chemistry at the State Academic Betterment Competition. He also received a first in The University of Mississippi Medical Center's research poster competition.

James Robert **Rigby** of Madison graduated from Madison Central High School, where he was a National Merit Semifinalist. He attended Ole Miss' PACE program and received A's in both college courses. He is a member of the Beta Club and Mu Alpha Theta. He is also a guitarist, having taken classical guitar classes with Giovanni DeChiaro, Rick Foster and Randy Pyle.

Parker Scholarships

In 1996 the estate of Katharine L. Parker provided Ole Miss with \$1 million for the Harold Parker Jr. Memorial Scholarship Endowment, named for her brother. Students from all majors are considered for the scholarships, which are based on academic performance, leadership and need.

Pamela Eugenia **Hamilton** of Raleigh attended Raleigh High School where she was a National Achievement Finalist. She was varsity cheerleader captain, dance captain and class president. She won first place in the State History Day competition and first place in the NAACP Creative Writing contest. Hamilton was elected homecoming queen, Miss Raleigh High School and Most Likely to Succeed.

Walter Gary "Gy" **Odom** of Jackson graduated from St. Andrew's Episcopal School in Ridgeland, where he was an honor scholarship recipient. He has won numerous awards in science and math, as well as 26 awards in speech and debate competitions. Odom placed first in the state's American High School Mathematics Exam and scored 1560 on the SAT.

The University of Mississippi Foundation

The University of Mississippi Foundation is a nonprofit corporation duly chartered by the State of Mississippi to operate exclusively for the benefit of The University of Mississippi. Its purpose is to receive, solicit, accept and hold, administer, invest, and disburse any and every kind of property for such educational, scientific, literary, research and service activities.

The goal of the Foundation is to provide The University of Mississippi with a margin of excellence by supplementing funds received from the State of Mississippi with private financial support.

Honors College Dedicated to Netscape's James Barksdale and Wife, Sally McDonnell-Barksdale

...Businessman says family is 'delighted' with results of gift

he Sept. 24 dedication of the McDonnell-Barksdale Honors College at The University of Mississippi was a student-driven affair. "It is customary to have a luminary speak at a dedication," said Dr. Elizabeth Payne, director of the Honors College and professor of history. "But to have the ceremony based around the students is very much in keeping with the two people for whom the college is named."

The Honors College was dedicated to James L. Barksdale and Sally McDonnell Barksdale, both of whom are 1965 Ole Miss graduates. Mr. Barksdale is president and chief executive officer of Netscape Communications Corp., a California-based software company with more than eight million customers. He joined Netscape in 1995, after working as an executive at Federal Express Corporation and AT&T Wireless Services.

In 1996 the Barksdales made what was then the largest private gift ever to the University when they donated \$5.4 million to fund a unique college aimed at keeping Mississippi's brightest students in state. Chancellor Robert C. Khayat said the gift would provide "people with extraordinary abilities with extraordinary opportunities."

"Often, when you make a gift, you are uncertain of where the money is going. With the Honors College, we can see real results, and we are delighted. We can tell it is making a difference, and that's what we wanted to do. It is most gratifying," said Mr. Barksdale.

The Barksdale endowment provided Ole Miss with a permanent Honors College building and funds to support four annual scholarships of \$24,000 each (\$6,000 per year) for top students attending the college.

The Honors College has four multimedia classrooms, an interactive learning center, a seminar room, a social room, reading rooms and a state-of-the-art computer lab with 20 work stations.

There are 352 students enrolled in the Honors College this fall, mostly from Mississippi and the surrounding states. Students in the Honors College study interdisciplinary courses not offered elsewhere in the University — classes that expose them to the highest form of critical thinking in the sciences, humanities, arts, mathematics and social sciences.

During the first year, the required honors courses focus on the humanities and social sciences. In the second year, they concentrate on literature and are organized around Euro- American, African, Asian and Meso-American modules. During their junior and senior years, students work under the guidance of one professor on a significant research project producing an honors thesis in the senior year.

The Barksdale scholarships, along with the Honors College's



Chancellor Robert C. Khayat (left) visits with Jim and Sally Barksdale before the recent dedication of the McDonnell-Barksdale Honors College. The University presented the Barksdales with a framed souvenir bookmark commemorating the dedication ceremony.

Parker and Pichitino scholarships, attract top-notch students to Ole Miss and enhance the University's quest to attract a Phi Beta Kappa chapter, a prestigious academic honor society. Ole Miss hopes to become the first public institution of higher learning in Mississippi to have a chapter of Phi Beta Kappa.

"We wanted to help the Chancellor and the school get a Phi Beta Kappa chapter and stop gifted students from leaving the state. We see this as insurance for our home state, which we both dearly love," said Jim Barksdale.

For the dedication, Jennifer Fillingim, the student director of the Honors College, served as mistress of ceremonies, welcoming the Barksdales and introducing Dr. Payne. Khayat introduced the Barksdales and spoke about the history of their gift.

Meaghin Burke, a Fenley Scholar and a recipient of the prestigious national Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship, and Markeeva Morgan, a Barksdale Scholar, will give testimonials.

"The Honors College has given me opportunities, like the Goldwater Scholarship, I would never have even dreamed of before," said Burke, one of 316 undergraduate sophomores and juniors around the nation to win a 1998-99 Goldwater Scholarship, which is designed to foster and encourage outstanding students to pursue careers in the fields of mathematics, the natural sciences and engineering.

After the student testimonials, the Ole Miss Gospel Choir and the Concert Singers performed, and Rev. Duncan Gray, rector of St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Oxford, blessed the building.

New Student Services Building Named for Larry and Susan Martindale

Thirty-four years ago this fall, Larry Martindale arrived at The University of Mississippi on a basketball scholarship.

liked the fact that it was a small, close-knit school with a great reputation and a presence in the Southeastern Conference," the Grand Junction, Tenn., native recalled. "What I remember the most are the lasting, genuine

relationships. When I think of Ole Miss, I think of its people.

"When I left the campus, Ole Miss had instilled enough confidence in me that I believed I could accomplish anything," said Martindale, a 25-year partner in W.B. Johnson Properties Inc. "Ole Miss was the launching pad for my career."

W.B. Johnson Properties, a development company based in Atlanta, founded the Ritz-Carlton Hotel Co. and owns and operates the largest Waffle House franchise in the United States. Prior to founding the Ritz-Carlton Hotel Co., W. B. Johnson Properties owned and operated franchises in Holiday Inn and Marriott hotels.

Because of the continuing support that Larry and his wife, Susan, have provided to academic and athletic programs, the Old Gym was named in their honor Oct. 30, with ceremonies that included a recep-

tion and open house. After a recent, complete renovation, the Old Gym is the new Martindale Student Services Center.

The entrance to the Martindale Student Services Center features a three-story atrium with skylights and a massive staircase. The height of the original gym allowed architects to add a third floor. With the addition of a one-story mechanical room, the building boasts 66,000 square feet. The new entrance to the building is located on the south side facing the Turner Center. The renovation was made possible by \$7 million in state funds.

The Martindale Student Services Center will provide Ole Miss students easy, convenient access to a wide variety of services, including Undergraduate Admissions, Orientation, Registrar, Financial Aid, Accounting and Bursar offices. The Career Center also will be located in Martindale.

While the Lyceum is undergoing an \$11 million restoration,

the Martindale Center will provide office space for the University administration, including the Chancellor's and Provost's offices. After the approximate two-year Lyceum project is complete, Martindale will add the Counseling Center, Dean of Students Office and International Programs.

"Our students have busy schedules with multiple demands on their time," said Dr. Richard Mullendore, vice chancellor for Student Life. "Many students juggle full academic schedules, part-time jobs and leadership roles in student organizations. Martindale Center will be student-friendly, allowing students to

> 'take care of business' in an efficient manner. No longer will students have to go from building to building to handle financial matters. Everyone will be in the same building, along with other student services offices.

> "Staff will benefit from the Martindale Center, too," Mullendore continued. "With so many offices in one building, communication and cooperation between departments will be easier and should lead to even better service to students."

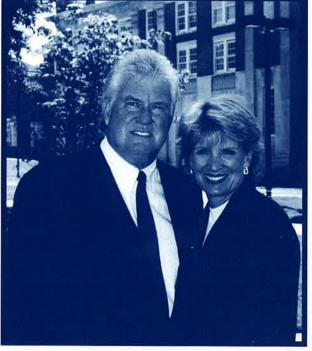
Chancellor Robert C. Khayat said, "Larry and Susan's very generous gifts to Ole Miss have enabled us to strengthen our academic programs and dramatically enhance the teaching and learning environment. It is most appropriate that the gymnasium where Larry played basketball as a student-athlete bear the Martindale name, honoring this loval, caring family."

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"Of all the buildings on campus, the Old Gym has the greatest meaning to me," Martindale reflected. "I have a history with that building. Even if it only seated 2,500 fans, it was my Madison Square Garden."

Eddie Crawford, senior athletic director at Ole Miss and former basketball coach, has been one of the Ole Miss friends who has kept in touch with Martindale over the years. "Larry was one of the hardest working athletes with whom I have ever worked," Crawford recalled. "Larry had a great desire to win and accomplish goals, and he took those characteristics into his professional life. He is a successful businessman and a wonderful person, and we greatly appreciate what he and Susan have done for The University of Mississippi."

Larry and Susan Martindale now live in Atlanta and have two children: Lauren, 16, and Bryan, 14. ■



Larry and Susan Martindale

New Rebel Club Seating Honors Guy Billups Jr. of Gulfport

Jr. of Gulfport wants to be involved in a sport, he does some serious fishing—sailfishing to be exact, on 20-pound lines. He has won numerous tournaments, including the Masters Tournament in the US and a second-place finish in Kenya, Africa. He also held a world record for a 92-pound Pacific sailfish caught on a five-pound test line.

When Billups wants to enjoy a spectator sport, his favorite is Ole Miss football.

On Sept. 12, in pregame ceremonies, the Rebel Club Seating added to Vaught-Hemingway Stadium during the recent expansion project was named in honor of Billups, a successful banker who has provided financial support to the University over the years.

Most recently, Billups contributed more than \$1 million to the Loyalty Foundation for general athletic use. "I feel very positive about the University; there is great leadership in place," he said. "I am absolutely thrilled over the honor of having the Rebel Club Seating bear the Billups name."

Ole Miss Chancellor Robert C. Khayat said Billups is most deserving of the recognition because of his generosity and commitment to providing resources for students.

"Students are the reason The University of Mississippi exists," he said. "Mr. Billups has always been supportive of Ole Miss, and we are truly grateful for this extraordinary gift to our athletic program. Many, many young people are given the chance to attend college through athletics and, as a result, have a whole world of opportunities and possibilities open up for them."

Billups credits his love of Ole Miss to his father, Guy C. Billups Sr., who as an Ole Miss student in 1917 was voted "Freshest Freshman." The younger Billups began attending Ole Miss football games at age 13 with his father. His affection for the school increased during his tenure as a student at the University and as a member of Kappa Alpha Order.

Director of Intercollegiate Athletics John Shafer said, "It is certainly fitting that we name the Rebel Club Seating for Mr.



Guy C. Billups Jr. (second from right) of Gulfport acknowledges the crowd at the recent dedication of Billups Rebel Club Seating at Vaught-Hemingway Stadium. He was accompanied by his wife, Nancy (right). Ceremony participants also included (from left) Chancellor Robert C. Khayat, Director of Intercollegiate Athletics John Shafer and former athletic director Pete Boone.

Billups. Through his gift he has made a tremendous investment in our student-athletes and in our athletic program."

Considering the new seating area and the rest of the expansion, Head Football Coach Tommy Tuberville said, "Anything you do, you have to set your goals as high as you possibly can to shoot at them. I think the Ole Miss family is responding to what we are trying to do."

Billups is one of the Rebel fans who will be enjoying the stadium expansion, as he travels to the Oxford campus from his Gulfport home about three times a year.

The Greenwood native launched his career with Billups Petroleum Co., his family's business which was headquartered in Hammond, La., and lived in that

state after his Ole Miss years. In the late 1960s, he purchased the Merchants Bank and Trust Co. in Gulfport, which was a \$4 million bank at the time. In 1997, with the bank worth \$200 million, Billups sold to Whitney Bank of Louisiana. He now is advisory chairman of the Whitney National Bank of Mississippi Board of Directors and a member of the Whitney Board of Directors, as well as a partner in Billups Farms and a director of Billups Plantation Inc. of Indianola. Billups also is a benefactor of the newly opened Lynn Meadows Discovery Center in Gulfport.

Marine conservation is important to Billups, who provides leadership on the board of the National Coalition for Marine Conservation and was invited to be a trustee for the International Game Fish Association. The civic leader actively supports the American Cancer Society, Salvation Army, Goodwill Industries, United Way, American Diabetes Association, Easter Seals, March of Dimes, and Gulf Coast Society for Retarded Citizens.

Billups is married to the former Nancy Blackmon of Greenville, and he has five children, two stepchildren and five grandchildren. The couple are members of Trinity United Methodist Church.

Ole Miss, You're 150 Years Strong

Birthday Celebration Set Oct. 30-31, Academic Convocation Nov. 6

It will take quite a few people to blow out 150 candles on The University of Mississippi's cake during the birthday celebration Oct. 30-31 on the Oxford campus.

But then it took quite a few people to build Mississippi's first public institution of higher learning back in the 1840s.

he birthday weekend and Nov. 6 academic convocation with a distinguished speaker from Oxford University-will celebrate Ole Miss' Sesquicentennial and the people who dedicated themselves across the years to seeing the

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flagship university grow and develop its recognized environment of academic excellence.

"The University of Mississippi was created by the people of this state, believing that higher education was the key to enhancing the educational, economic, and cultural foundations of Mississippi," said Dr. Gloria Kellum, interim vice chancellor for University Relations and executive director of the Sesquicentennial.

When the birthday party kicks off Friday at 8 p.m. in Fulton Chapel, Ole Miss starsthat is, many alumni, students, faculty, and staff who have musical, dancing, acting, and literary talents-will stage an exciting gala in tribute

CTE CTE to the University's Sesquicentennial. Dr. David Sansing, professor emeritus of history, will deliver the reading "Opening Day of the University" during the gala. His new book on the University's 150 years will be published in early 1999.

The actual birthday candles and cake will be found under red and blue balloon-festooned tents between the Student Union plaza and the Grove stage on Saturday an hour and a half before the Rebels face longtime football rivals, the LSU Tigers, in Vaught-Hemingway Stadium. Pre- game and halftime festivities also will focus on the Sesquicentennial.

The Mississippi Legislature chartered the University in 1844, and the Lyceum doors opened to the first 80 students and four faculty members on Nov. 6, 1848. Today, more than 13,000 students are enrolled at Ole Miss' Oxford, Jackson, Tupelo, and Southaven campuses.

A Nov. 6, 1998, convocation will observe the 150th bench-

mark at 10 a.m. in the Circle. After a full academic procession, an address will be delivered by Sir Peter North of Oxford University in Oxford, England. The city fathers of Oxford, Mississippi—the home of Ole Miss—chose the city's name from Oxford, England, in hopes that their city would become the home of a great university. Mississippians are encouraged to participate in all Sesquicentennial events.

"This is about our state and our citizens providing opportunities for all Mississippians, as well as those from other states and other countries," said Dr. Brian Reithel, co-chair of the Sesquicentennial. "We need to celebrate 150 years of opportunities and academic excellence at The University of Mississippi."

Some of the celebration's unique projects, which will be on display during the birthday weekend, include a commemorative postal card issued by the U.S. Postal Service and a Sesquicentennial quilt. The University's name is literally being taken around

the globe, as the Postal Service printed 27 million of the ized committee tra commemorative cards with stamps bearing an illus-

tration of the historic Lyceum, the state's oldest public higher education building.

Quilters from Mississippi and beyond created squares from traditional quilt patterns that were paired with an Ole Miss school or college. The squares that surround the quilt's center— which is an appliqued rendition of the Sesquicentennial seal-represent student life, the 11 schools and College of Liberal Arts on the Oxford campus, and The University of

Mississippi Medical Center. Master quilter Nancy Welsch of Jackson completed the seal, and Jean Crawford of Oxford quilted the entire

creation.

The Graduate School currently is enjoying its six-month time in the Sesquicentennial spotlight. Each of the 11 schools and the College of Liberal Arts have been featured throughout the celebration.

A Sept. 21 Graduate School banquet was keynoted by Dr. Jules LaPidus of Washington, D.C., president of the Council of Graduate Schools, and Dr. William E. McHenry, assistant commissioner for academic affairs with the Mississippi Institutions of Higher Learning. An open house at the Graduate School in Old Chemistry followed on Sept. 22.

For gala ticket information, call the Ole Miss Central Ticket Office at (601) 232-7411. For birthday celebration and academic convocation information, call the Sesquicentennial Office at 232-5826 or visit the web site at www.olemiss.edu/~soffice/. For Graduate School information, call 232-7474.

New Barnard Professors Named at Ole Miss' Oxford Campus

Three renowned faculty members at The University of Mississippi have been named Barnard Distinguished Professors for 1998-2003.

The professorships "recognize only our very best scholars those whose careers have enhanced the national and international reputation of the University," said Provost Gerald W. Walton.

The new Ole Miss Barnard Distinguished Professors on the Oxford campus are Dr. Winthrop D. Jordan, the William F. Winter professor of history and professor of Afro-American studies; Dr. William F. Shughart II, holder of the Robert M. Hearin Chair in Business Administration; and Dr. James G. Vaughan, associate dean of engineering and professor of mechanical engineering.

Created by the University in 1988, the professorships are named for Chancellor Frederick A.P. Barnard, who initiated a strong program of scientific instruction and research at Ole Miss



prior to the Civil War. The University of Mississippi Foundation provides resources annually for five years to recipients for research, travel and other professional development. Barnard Professors retain their title until retirement.

Jordan is the first holder of the endowed Winter Professorship of History, which he has held since 1993. A member of the Ole Miss faculty since 1982, he spent most of his previous career (from 1963-82) at the

University of California at Berkeley, where he taught history and served as associate dean for minority group affairs in the graduate school.

The Massachusetts native obtained a bachelor's degree in social relations from Harvard College in 1953, a master's in history at Clark University in 1957 and a doctoral degree in history at Brown University in 1960.

Jordan's many awards include fellowships from the Institute of Early American History and Culture, the Guggenheim Foundation, the Social Science Research Council and the Center for the Advanced Study of the Behavioral Sciences, as well as a Distinguished Alumnus Citation from Brown University's Graduate School.

He has written numerous books and articles. His book White Over Black: American Attitudes Toward the Negro, 1550-1812 won four national prizes in 1968-69: the Society of American Historians' Parkman Prize, Columbia University's Bancroft Prize, Phi Beta Kappa's Ralph Waldo Emerson Award and the National Book Award for History and Biography. His book Tumult and Silence at Second Creek: An Inquiry into Civil War Slave Conspiracy won the Jules and Frances Landry Award from Louisiana State University press in 1992, as well as a Bancroft Prize and the Kayden University Press National Book Award, both in 1993.

Shughart has published six books and more than 100 scholarly articles and book chapters. His books include the two widely used texts The Organization of Industry and Modern Managerial Economics. He is a frequent contributor to the editorial pages of numerous publications, including The Wall Street Journal, The Washington Times, the Journal of Commerce and The Clarion-Ledger.



Shughart serves an elected post on the Southern Economic Association

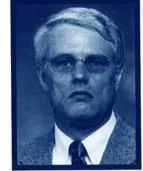
Board of Trustees, as well as an appointment as associate editor of the Southern Economic Journal and book review editor of the scholarly journals Public Choice and Managerial and Decision Economics.

A career highlight for the professor came in 1995 when he was the opening speaker for the high-profile conference De-Taxing America? Alternatives to Predatory Politics, sponsored in Washington, D.C., by the California-based Independent Institute.

During President Ronald Reagan's administration, Shughart served as a senior official at the Federal Trade Commission. He joined the Ole Miss faculty in 1988 as holder of the Self Free

Enterprise Chair in the School of Business Administration and professor of economics. He previously held professorships at George Mason University and Clemson University and a lectureship at the University of Arizona. He also served as a systems analyst at the Center for Naval Analyses.

A native of Pennsylvania, Shughart holds bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees in economics, all from Texas A&M University.



Vaughn

A research scholar in the field of materials science and engineering, Vaughan has been an investigator on numerous contracts and grants to study the pultrusion process — a method of manufacturing graphite, glass and polymeric resins into solid shapes.

Vaughan's studies have generated over \$2.5 million within the past five years to support research for the internationally rec-

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Largest Business Scholarship in State:

Ole Miss Names Academic Standout and

Community Volunteer to \$40,000 Day Award

ary Kylie Lindsey of Tupelo serves as a mentor to a local first-grader through the Big Brother/Big Sister program. Each week they spend time together, and during the school year Lindsey helped her little sister with homework assignments — setting a shining example of a good leader, an excellent student and a well-rounded, caring citizen.

These deeds and other accomplishments have not gone unnoticed, as Lindsey recently was named the recipient of the \$40,000 Christine and Clarence Day Business Scholarship at The University of Mississippi, the largest scholarship at a Mississippi university designated solely for a business major.

Established in memory of Christine Rogers Day and Clarence Cearns Day of Aberdeen, the Day Scholarship honors a graduate of a Mississippi High School who demonstrates academic excellence, personal character and ability.

"The purpose of establishing the Christine and Clarence Day Business Scholarship Endowment was to retain future business leaders in Mississippi to pursue their education," said Dr. W. Randy Boxx, dean of the Ole Miss School of Business Administration.

"Mary Kylie is the epitome of a leader, both academically and through her commitment to community service. Coming from an excellent school such as Tupelo High School, her achievements and community involvement are especially commendable."

Lindsey, the daughter of Eddie and Barbara Lindsey, graduated from Tupelo High School with a perfect 4.0 grade-point average, and was ranked first in a class of 376 graduates. Since both of her parents are Ole Miss graduates, Lindsey said she is

no stranger to the Oxford campus.

"I grew up going to the campus," Lindsey explained. The proximity of Oxford to Tupelo was a big factor in her choice of Ole Miss, as was her dad's influence as a Tupelo businessman.



Mary Kylie Lindsay

"My father, who is an Ole Miss business alumnus, has been an obvious influence without pressuring me," Lindsey said. "I am leaning toward business law as an emphasis, but I want to experience a variety of college classes before I make a final decision."

Lindsey, who scored a 33 on her ACT, excelled in service to the community as well. Along with the Big Brother/Big Sister program, the Day Scholar was an officer in Teenage Republicans and Junior Civitans. A member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, she helps teach a Bible study at her church. She was a batgirl for the Tupelo High School baseball team, a Harvard Model Congress Delegate, and a delegate to Girls State.

Applicants eligible for the Day Scholarship must be incoming freshmen. Once on the Oxford campus, the Day Scholar must maintain at least a 3.5 grade-point average and a commitment to earn a degree from the Ole Miss School of Business Administration.

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ognized advanced composite materials laboratory developed and directed by Vaughan. Projects include those funded by the National Science Foundation, the Air Force, and consumer and aerospace companies.

Vaughan has published over 100 articles in scientific journals, and he has served as a reviewer for several professional journals and trade publications. His advice regarding the pultrusion process is often sought by companies, and he has served on numerous review committees and panels. He and his research associates maintain a widely visited world wide web page on pultrusion.

A native of Bolivar, Tenn., Vaughan earned his bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees at Vanderbilt University. The senior engineer at Bendix Corporation joined the Ole Miss faculty in 1980.

Vaughan received the Ralph R. Teetor Educational Award from the Society of Automotive Engineers in 1986. He has been selected three times by students as the Outstanding Teacher of the Year in mechanical engineering, was chosen for the 1991 campuswide Elsie M. Hood Outstanding Teacher of the Year Award and received the Outstanding Engineering Faculty Member Award three times. His outstanding teaching, research and service garnered him the Burlington Northern Outstanding Faculty Achievement Award in 1989 and the honor of being named a HEADWAE recipient by the State of Mississippi Legislature in 1992.

Business School Names 10 Hearin-Hess Scholars for Fall

Ten recent high school graduates from a tri-state area have been selected as the recipients of the 10th annual Hearin-Hess Scholarships awarded by The University of Mississippi School of Business Administration, a leader in business education whose enrollment continues to climb.

ecipients of the scholarship — created by the late Robert Hearin of Jackson and Leon Hess of New York City — each will receive \$12,000 for four years of study at Ole Miss. The scholarships recognize students with outstanding academic records who plan to pursue careers in business or business-related fields. The scholarships rank among the nation's top business awards.

The 1998 recipients are: John Clayton Allen and Molly Katherine Hogue of Jackson; Justin B. Croft of Madison; Phillip Jarett Underwood of Pope; Rachel Byrd of Louisville; Justin Hall Shows of Laurel; Micah W. Burton of Biloxi; Emily Johns of Jackson, Tenn.; James Manning McPhillips Jr. of Mobile, Ala.; and Matthew M. Cahill of Pinson, Ala.

"This group of scholars is comprised of well-rounded students who have excelled in the classroom and in school leadership positions. We are especially impressed with how these scholars



Allen

have contributed their talents to community service," said Dr. W. Randy Boxx, dean of the School of Business Administration. "Each of these students shares an excitement about pursuing a business degree and a belief that Ole Miss can offer them the skills they will need to be successful in the global business environment."

Allen, son of Benjamin and Susie Allen, is a Jackson Academy graduate who served as senior class president and was chosen as class favorite. The

National Merit Finalist was active in varsity football, soccer and track, annual staff, Student Council, National Honor Society, Young Life and Mu Alpha Theta, for which he served as president.

Hogue, daughter of Phil and Luanne Hogue, graduated from Jackson Preparatory School. She was a volunteer for the Mustard Seed, Vacation Bible School and Mid-Town Day Care Center. Hogue was involved in the National Honor Society, Mu Alpha Theta, the Key and French clubs, Pacer Drill Team and Habitat for Humanity. She was chosen as a beauty and a member of the Homecoming court.



Hogue

Croft, son of Curtis and Cissy Croft, is a graduate of St. Andrew's Episcopal School, where he was a four-year member of the Honor Council, the PSAT High Scorer and a National Merit Finalist. A varsity football player, Croft also was active in the National Honor Society, Latin Honor Society and Boy Scouts of America. He volunteered for Mississippi Hearts Against Aids, Stewpot and Highway Litter Pick-Up. Croft has been accepted into Ole Miss' McDonnell- Barksdale Honors College.



Croft

Underwood, son of Thomas and Wanda Underwood, is a graduate of North Delta School, where he was involved in the



Underwood

Student Council, National Honor Society, Youth for Christ, Mu Alpha Theta, Future Business Leaders of America, and the Quiz Bowl and Mock Trial teams. He was a member of the golf and tennis teams, and was a scholar athlete. Underwood also spent three years serving as a state Congressional page. He is enrolled in the Honors College.

Byrd, daughter of Miles and Denise Byrd, is a Grace Christian High School graduate. The National

Merit Finalist was active in Beta Club, for which she served as president; Student Council; Annual Staff; and the volleyball team and cheerleading squad. She received the Daughters of the

American Revolution Good Citizenship Award and the Winston County Junior Miss Scholastic Award. Byrd also will study in the Honors College at Ole Miss.

Shows, son of Winston and Sherrill Shows, is a graduate of R.H. Watkins High School, where he was valedictorian and president of the Key Club and the National Honor Society, yearbook editor, Homecoming coordinator and a Senior Staff Peer



Byrd











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Leader. He also was involved in the Future Business Leaders of America, Future Leaders of Jones County and Mu Alpha Theta, and has volunteered for the Laurel Housing Authority.

Burton, son of Frank and Lin Burton, is a graduate of Biloxi High School, where he was a member of the National Honor Society, Mu Alpha Theta, Key Club and the Student Coalition to Save the Environment. He won the Biloxi Young Writers Award and the Above and Beyond the Call Award. Burton has volunteered for the Loaves & Fishes Soup Kitchen, the Seashore Mission, Habitat for Humanity, the Good Shepherd Food Pantry and the Clothes Closet for the Needy.

Johns, daughter of Hugh and Pamela Johns, graduated from the University School of Jackson, where she was active in the National Honor Society, the French and Fine Arts clubs, Mu Alpha Theta and the Student Government Association. Johns was captain of the cheerleading squad and participated in chorus, the USJ Singers/Show Choir and numerous school musicals. An active member of Young Life, she assisted with Sunday School, Vacation Bible School and Bible studies.

Johns is enrolled in the Honors College at Ole Miss.

McPhillips, son of James and Catherine McPhillips, is a graduate of St. Paul's Episcopal School, where he was involved in the National Honor Society, the Honor Committee, Key Club and the Coastal Conservation Association. He was a member of the football team, Phi Kappa fraternity and Young Life. McPhillips has volunteered for a retarded citizens home, a Title-I elementary school, a homeless shelter and Habitat for Humanity.

Cahill, son of Toby and Kate Cahill, graduated from Hewitt-Trussville High School, where he was active in Mu Alpha Theta and National Honor Society, serving as a tutor for both organizations. He was a member of the Southern Gentlemen's and Science clubs, as well as the varsity basketball team. He is listed in Who's Who Among American High School Students and was invited to the President's Forum in Washington, D.C., and the International Student Ambassadors Studies.

Alum Establishes New Scholarship in Business Administration

tlanta businessman Michael Brady, a 1969 graduate of The University of Mississippi School of Business Administration, wants to share his good fortune. He recently visited the Ole Miss-Oxford campus to present the business school with

campus to present the business school with a \$5,000 check for the newly formed P.M. Brady FOCUS Scholarship in Business, which is designed to benefit a junior, senior or graduate student majoring in business.

For the past 16 years, Brady has owned and operated Telephone Service Network, an authorized BellSouth representative company that sells, installs and services business phone systems. The past year has been his best yet, he said, explaining that he wants students to benefit from his success.

"I am duty-oriented and want to take care of people. I take a win-win approach with everybody," Brady said. He shared this and other advice with Ole Miss stu-



Alumnus Michael Brady (left) of Atlanta presents a \$5,000 check to Dr. W. Randy Boxx, dean of the School of Business Administration, to begin the P.M. Brady FOCUS Scholarship in Business.

dents while speaking on campus.

"It's very important to me that students receive the benefits of an Ole Miss education," he said.

Brady read a section on scholarships in an issue of the University's Sesquicentennial *Visions* magazine dedicated to the School of Business Administration and decided to develop a new scholarship for deserving students.

"Michael Brady has responded to our call to alumni for scholarship assistance in recruiting the best possible business students," said Dr. W. Randy Boxx, dean of business administration.

"His scholarship program will assist the School of Business Administration in its journey to national prominence. Mr.

Brady clearly understands our need to help students develop their business skills to the fullest extent possible," Boxx said.

On Top of the World

Ole Miss Concert Singers Capture International Honors

hree days prior to the start of classes this fall, students were eagerly lined up waiting their chance to become members of one of the best choirs in the world—the University Concert Singers.

The rush to join intensified because of the choir's successes in Europe. The Ole Miss Concert Singers returned from their tour with the choral world's highest honor. The choir captured top (and only) honors in the 10th annual Gran Premio Europeo di

Canto Choral competition in Gorizia, Italy.

The Ole Miss group is not only the first American choir to win the competition—an event that assures it is regarded as the best amateur choir in the world—but it's also the only American choir to have ever qualified.

According to Dr. Jerry Jordan, professor of music and director of choral activities at Ole Miss, the judges indicated that the choir members won because they performed an extremely difficult and diverse program so well.

Not content with this win, the Concert Singers went on to compete in the Giuseppe Verdi Choral Competition in Salsomaggiore Terme, Italy. Again, they won top honors.

These wins can't be chalked up to luck. In 1984, '89, '94 and '97, the Concert Singers took top honors in international choral competitions in England, France and Bulgaria.

In 1994, they won the Recontres Internationales de Chant Choral in Tours, France. At this competition they captured all five top prizes, only the second time this feat has been accomplished in the 23-year history of the competition.

In 1997 during a tour of eastern Europe, the Concert Singers won the Grand Prize of Varna at the 24th International May Choir Competition in Varna, Bulgaria.

"In all, we have now defeated 138 choirs from 32 different countries in competitions we have entered," said Jordan.

It's not just the competition, though, that motivates the choir. In Italy, Jordan said, choir members gave their best performance at a non-competitive concert after the two major wins. "It was the first time the music moved them to tears and hugs after they came off the stage. And it told me they had their own standard for how good they should be. I'm very proud of them."



The Ole Miss Concert Singers compose the best amateur choir in the world.

At the beginning of each academic year, new students audition and returning members must requalify for the choir.

About double the number of music majors auditioned for the choir this year, said Jordan, but not all choir members are music majors. A third is composed of students from other disciplines. From the auditions, 50 students are selected to become members of the Concert Singers.

With this year's auditions, Jordan said the

choir can only improve. "Over the past two years, the choir members have become more uniformly talented than in previous choirs. But the better they get, the more difficult it is to tell the difference between them," he said.

The director should know. He has led the choir for 18 years and holds a record of his own as impressive as that of the choir he leads. In 1989 he was named one of the nation's 10 most highly recommended choral clinicians by the American Choral Directors Association. He also regularly conducts choirs and orchestras from around the country in Carnegie Hall. With the international prominence of the choir has come more frequent invitations to judge international competitions.

This year will be an exciting one for the Ole Miss Concert Singers. Their first major event will be a joint performance with the famed Moscow Chamber Orchestra on Nov. 6 at the North Oxford Baptist Church in Oxford.

In February1999, the Concert Singers will appear as one of the featured choirs at the national convention of the American Choral Directors Association (ACDA). To make the cut for this event, the Concert Singers were selected from a tape they submitted—one of 269 sent by choirs to the association's audition committee.

"It was generally conceded by the committee that The University of Mississippi Concert Singers were one of the two most outstanding choral groups to be heard in the entire auditions," said Milburn Price, dean of the Samford University School of Music.

For Price, the Concert Singers' appearance holds special significance. The ACDA's national president-elect is a graduate of The University of Mississippi and an alumnus of the Concert Singers.



A Message From:

Don L. Frugé,

President/CEO of The University of Mississippi Foundation

aving been chartered in 1973, The University of Mississippi Foundation celebrates twenty-five years of service to our beloved University. This milestone provides a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the significant achievements of our partnership with our alumni and friends.

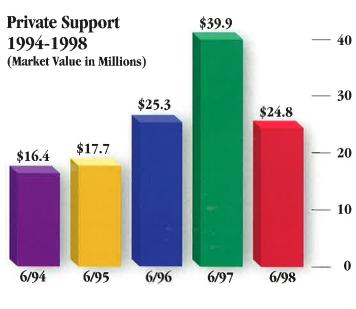
On reaching our 25th birthday, it is important to pause and recognize all those who had the vision to create and to sustain the Foundation. The Foundation is thriving thanks to their foresight and to your generosity. Working together, we have created for the benefit of the University of Mississippi a margin of excellence that radiates across all lines of academic achievement.

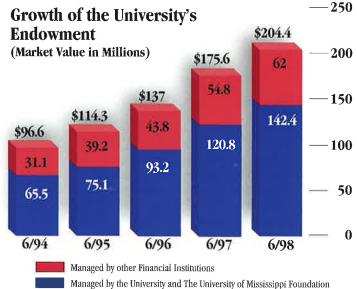
With the maturity and growth of the Foundation, you will see on (page 8) in this Newsletter that the Board of Directors in consultation with the Chancellor, named me as its President and Chief Executive Officer effective August 1, 1998, when I became the first full-time employee of the Foundation. I am honored by this trust, and I pledge to you my best efforts as we continue together to grow the Foundation and its vast support of the University.

As you know, last year we expanded our staff with four new positions to insure fundraising and alumni support for each school, college and the library as we prepared for the Commitment to Excellence Campaign. From that growth and from the changes made with my position, it gave us the opportunity to realign our University operations to better serve you. Gloria Kellum has been named Interim Vice Chancellor for University Relations, Steve Owens is Executive Director of University Advancement, Sandra Guest is Associate Director of University Advancement and Director of Foundation Relations, and Ron Guest was promoted to Director of Development Services.

Steve coordinates the activities of the Advancement Associates and other school based fundraisers. Ron and his staff are responsible for receipting, reporting, stewardship, computer and other support services. In these changes, the Annual Fund processing has also been assigned to Development Services. All of us continue to work closely in partnership with Herb Dewees, Executive Director of Alumni Affairs and his staff; Wally Conerly, Vice Chancellor for Health Affairs, and his staff; Brian Reithel, Co-Director of the Sesquicentennial; Ed Meek, Associate Vice Chancellor for Public Relations, and John Johnson, who has been invaluable in designing our campaign materials and working with our faculty proposals. Donna Patton, Peggy Ivy, and Sondra Davis help to coordinate all of us and do a splendid job.

During fiscal year 1997-98, some 17,639 alumni and friends generously gave a total of \$24.8 million in support of the University. At the same time, the total University and Foundation endowment grew to a record \$204.4 million. With your contin-





ued help, 1998-99 will be even better as we launch the Commitment to Excellence Campaign under the leadership of our charismatic Chancellor Robert C. Khayat and the talented and hardworking National Chairpersons, Stacy Davidson, George Hewes, and Celia Muths and the support committees already in place and functioning. Our desire is that every alumni and friend participate in the campaign. If so, we will continue to strengthen the support base insuring academic excellence at the University of Mississippi, thereby fulfilling its mission of education, research and public service. Thanks for saying yes when asked.

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