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BELHAVEN UNIVERSITY EARNS PRESTIGIOUS CARNEGIE CLASSIFICATION FOR DOCTORAL PROGRAMS

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Letter From The President

Five milestone years chronicle the academic growth and expansion of Belhaven University throughout our 139-year history.



1883 | Founded in 1883 through the merger of Mississippi Synodical College and McComb Female Institute, Belhaven College for Young Ladies opened in the former mansion located on Boyd Street in Jackson of business leader and state senator, Jones S. Hamilton. The College took the name of the house, Belhaven, in honor of Hamilton's ancestral home in Scotland.

1910 | After Belhaven was destroyed by fire for the second time in 1910, the

small proprietary school was donated to the Presbyterian Church. First Presbyterian Church in Jackson advocated on Belhaven's behalf with the Synod to establish the school on an undeveloped section of Peachtree Street, around which the Belhaven neighborhood later grew. The Board of Trustees changed the school's name to Belhaven College.

1946 | After three decades of effort strengthening academic programs and faculty credentials, building financial stability, creating a library of academic stature, and meeting a host of other standards demanded by the accreditors, unconditional accreditation was granted to Belhaven College in 1946.

2010 | In 2010, Belhaven's Board of Trustees again changed the name—from College to University—better representing the institution's breadth of academic programs and reach. Today the University offers 70 areas of undergraduate study, nine masters degree programs, and two doctoral degree programs—education and business.

2022 | This year, 2022 will mark the pinnacle of our academic progression as Belhaven University achieved the highly-sought Carnegie Classification "Doctoral/Professional University."

This momentous achievement is built on the shoulders of dozens of presidents, provosts, and deans, hundreds of faculty and board members, and thousands of donors and churches committed to our mission, "to prepare students academically and spiritually to serve Christ Jesus in their careers, in human relationships, and in the world of ideas."

Serving Him always,

Dr. Roger Parrott
President of the University

DOCTORAL DEGREES

Business Administration (DBA)
Education - Educational Leadership (EdD)

MASTER DEGREES

Biblical and Theological Studies
Business Administration
Education
Education - Educational Leadership (EdS)
Entrepreneurial MBA
Health Administration
Information Technology Management
Leadership
Public Administration
Sports Administration

UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES

Accounting
Actuarial Sciences
Art
Applied Psychology
Biblical Studies
Biological Sciences
Business Administration
Chemistry
Classical Education Studies
Computer Information Systems
Computer Science
Creative Writing
Criminal Justice
Dance
Digital Media
Elementary Education
English
English (Applied English)
Film Production
Global Mathematics
Global Psychology
Graphic Design
Health Administration
History
Intercultural Studies
Interdisciplinary Studies
International Studies
Leadership and Coaching
Mathematics
3/2 Mathematics Engineering:
Chemical Engineering
Civil Engineering
Mechanical Engineering
General Engineering
Music
Music Education
Nursing
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Public Relations
Sales Management
Social Work
Sports Management
Sports Medicine: Exercise Science
Supply Chain Management
Theatre (General, Performance, and Production)
Traditional Studies

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BELHAVEN EARNS PRESTIGIOUS CARNEGIE CLASSIFICATION

Belhaven University is now in an elite group of institutions that have earned a “Doctoral/Professional University” status by the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education.

This ranking included 472 doctoral institutions that award at least 20 research/scholarship doctoral degrees each year.

“The rapid growth of our doctoral programs far exceeded our expectations,” said Belhaven University President Dr. Roger Parrott. “Earning this prestigious Carnegie Classification status is wonderful recognition of our commitment to engage students at the highest academic level. I’m thankful for a gifted group of faculty and academic leaders who have created programs for doctoral students that are flexible, accessible, and high-quality.”

The Carnegie Classification has been the leading framework for recognizing and describing institutional diversity in U.S. higher education for more than four decades. This framework has been widely used in the study of higher education, both to represent and account for institutional differences, as well as in the design of research studies to ensure adequate representation of sampled institutions, students, or faculty.

The new classification recognized Belhaven University’s two doctoral programs, the Doctor of Business Administration and Doctor of Education in Educational Leadership.

“We are delighted that the Carnegie Classification for Belhaven University now recognizes that we are a doctoral granting institution,” said Vice President for Adult, Graduate, and Online Studies Dr. Audrey Kelleher. “This celebrates our growth, as an institution, to offer advanced degrees.”

The Carnegie Classification categorizes all accredited, degree-granting institutions in the U.S. and updates the classifications every three years. The released list goes under a six-week public review period before becoming official.

Highly ranked Belhaven University offers 70 areas of study including academic majors and concentrations across a full spectrum of disciplines. The University offers undergraduate and graduate degrees at its Jackson residential campus, as well as an array of online, graduate, and adult degree programs. 🍀

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NATIONAL RECOGNITION

IT WAS A GOOD YEAR FOR BELHAVEN AS THE UNIVERSITY CONTINUED TO RECEIVE ACCOLADES FOR ITS CHRISTIAN ENVIRONMENT, SUCCESSFUL PROGRAMS, SCHOLASTIC RIGOR, AND MUCH MORE.



Belhaven Softball Finishes 7th IN THE NATION and WINS NCAA REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

It was an incredible season for the Belhaven softball team. Head coach Kevin Griffin's squad was ranked in the top 10 the entire year and ended the season as the No. 7 ranked team in the country, barely missing out on a trip to the NCAA Women's College World Series.

The Blazers were 41-8 on the season and recorded a 26-4 record in the American Southwest Conference to claim their second consecutive regular season title. Belhaven won the ASC Tournament by defeating another top 10 team, East Texas Baptist, twice in one day. Early on, Griffin thought the season could be special. In the opening weekend, Belhaven took two out of three games from East Texas Baptist. The Blazers went 6-0 in the prestigious NFCA Leadoff Classic, defeating four ranked teams including then-No. 1 DePauw

and two teams—Trine and Berry—that would end the season at the NCAA Women's College World Series.

After playing one of the toughest schedules in the country, Belhaven was rewarded with a No. 1 seed in the NCAA Tournament. However, the Blazers would have to face two top 10 teams—Linfield and East Texas Baptist—in regional play. After an 8-2 win over Fontbonne to open the NCAA Tournament, Belhaven defeated East Texas

Baptist 4-3 and Linfield 5-3 to earn the university's first appearance in an NCAA Super Regional.

Although Belhaven fell short on the road to Texas Lutheran, this edition of Blazer softball will be remembered as one of the best. Pitcher Kennedy Carruth was an All-American and ASC Pitcher of the Year after posting a 26-5 record and a 1.32 ERA. Third baseman Allie Gordon was the ASC Player of the Year and picked up All-American honors. Gordon started every game for Belhaven and hit .384 on the season. Ellie Jones was the ASC Freshman of the Year and was named an All-American after hitting .399 with 44 runs batted in.

Griffin, assistant coach Courtney Fairley, and graduate assistant McKenna Gillespie were honored by the ASC as the Coaching Staff of the Year for the second consecutive season. 🍀



Kennedy Carruth



Creative ENDEAVOURS

Major Collaboration Leads to Maker Movement at Belhaven University

Belhaven University joined the maker movement through a major collaboration between Belhaven's Art and Design Department and Mathematics and Computer Science Departments.

This partnership, known as Belhaven Creative Labs, brings together students of all disciplines to work on physical projects that foster technical education and creative exploration.

The new program encourages students to seek out connections between disciplines, and ultimately, foster an autonomous maker culture at the University.

Students have opportunities to learn and work on projects of their own interests, as related to STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics).

Projects involve 3D printing, design software, coding, circuitry and micro-processors, sculpting, data science, wood crafting, robotics, virtual reality, and more.

University professors introduced Belhaven Creative Labs to prepare students for careers, develop creativity and critical thinking, and provide an outlet to engage society in meaningful ways.

“The future of science is not full of Newton-under-the-apple-tree moments, but rather teams of varying specialties,” said Dr. John Estes, Belhaven's Chair of Mathematics and Computer Science, Professor of Mathematics, and Director of Engineering Partnerships.

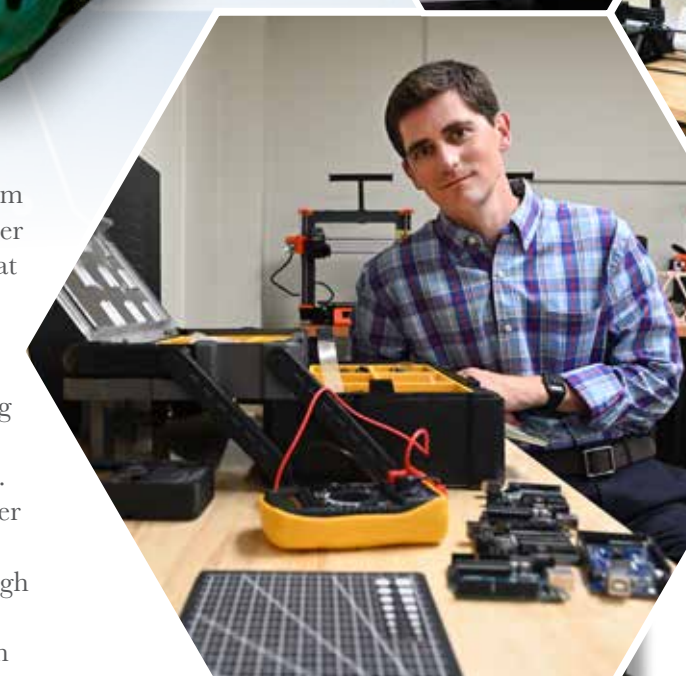
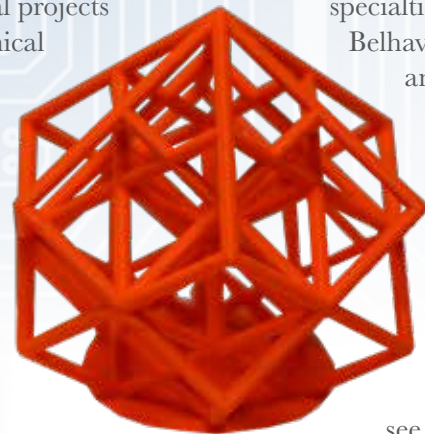
“Maker culture helps young computer science students learn to work with chemistry students, and for engineering students to see the design process carried out so well by art students. In an increasingly connected world, maker culture assists students to understand and thrive in connections of other disciplines,” said Estes.

Belhaven Creative Labs are unique because its footprint spans several lab spaces around the campus. Fitzhugh Hall includes labs for design, circuitry, and bots. The Warren Hood Library is home to the coding lab that covers simple circuits and machine learning to data science. Bitsy Irby hosts the 3D digital fabrication lab and sculpture studio.

Belhaven's maker program has the versatility to be strong in the arts and the sciences, something that is uncommon in the maker community. Most universities are missing an art component to their programs, but Belhaven leaders understood the importance of including art.

“We are invested in the idea that design and aesthetics play a fundamental role in physical production,” said Nate Theisen, Belhaven's Co-Chair and Professor of the Art and Design Department. “Learning starts with curiosity, and solutions originate from critical thinking and creativity. Maker culture provides an environment that fosters these important ingredients to learning.”

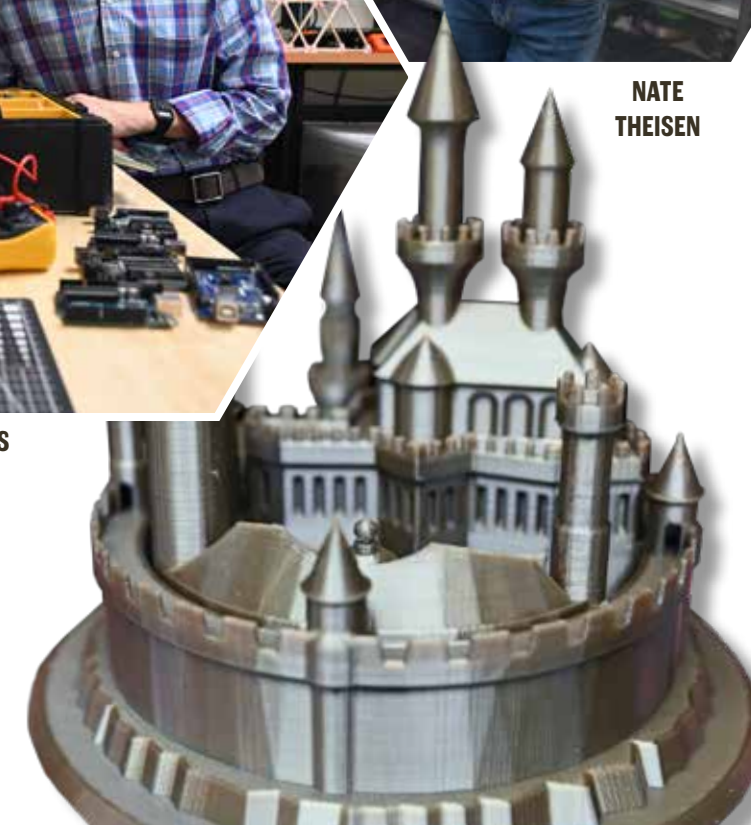
Theisen also believes that cultivating a maker culture could have long-lasting effects that impact the world. He observed, “The mission of higher education is to create responsible leaders that change the world through the application of knowledge and technical abilities. Similarly, through physical production, maker culture provides a response to human needs by generating communities that develop solutions to local and global problems. Put another way, both higher education and maker cultures produce culture-makers.”



DR. JOHN ESTES



NATE THEISEN



ALUM BUILDS SUCCESS WHILE STRENGTHENING COMMUNITIES

Belhaven is about more than an education; it is about finding purpose. Scripture calls us to follow Christ in seeking “To Serve, Not To Be Served.” You might be excused for overlooking the head of an investment company to find that being modeled. CEO and President of PraCon Global Investments Gabriel Prado ’11, ’13 models both an ambitious business know-how and compassionate service to better impact the world around him.

To be sure, Prado has a competitive streak. He, his brother Daniel, and his sister Myra all played tennis at Belhaven University, with Daniel adding soccer to his resume. It was their father who insisted both brothers attend Belhaven after their older sister transferred from Liberty University. Gabriel said that his dad, who he is named after, told him, “You can go wherever you want, but I’m paying for you to go to Belhaven.” It was the Christian worldview that gave his dad, a businessman based in Morelia, Mexico, such a favorable view of the University.

Prado won numerous recognitions including 2011 SSAC All-Academic Team and 2012 Champions of Character Award. After graduating from Belhaven, Prado worked in international trade and sales in Brazil and out of Mississippi. This work led to five years of working first as the Latin American Trade Manager and then Special Projects Officer for the Mississippi Development Authority. His fondest memory of this time was multiple international trips with former Governor Phil Bryant.

During this time, he earned an M.B.A. from Belhaven University and Master in Management from Harvard University. Prado is insistent that he didn’t get anything from Harvard that he didn’t get from Belhaven in content or quality. Rounding out his experience, he served the City of Clinton, Mississippi as Director of Economic Development.



After visiting India and United Arab Emirates and working in Latin America, he had a wide range of options and opportunities. Instead, he joined the ranks of many fellow alums who have felt God calling them to serve not only Mississippi, but Jackson.

He and his family have recently launched their investment company with the purchase of the Woodland Hills Shopping Center, the oldest shopping center in the state of Mississippi and home of famous Brent's Drugs.

Prado understood how this historic shopping center could impact the neighborhood. It was his commitment to maintaining its unique character that convinced the seller to select Prado’s offer.

Prado’s recent town hall meeting in February further showed his continued desire to serve his community. He held a town hall to inform and build support for their next major project, and it was well received by many.

This new project involves the old McRae’s Department Store on Meadowbrook Road that has long been an eyesore and problem for residents and business owners in North Fondren.

Their plan for a \$60 million multifamily/lofts project will do much to change the area. The Prados had clearly listened to and understood the impact of this project. The optimism expressed by the attendees must have been mirrored by city leadership as he moved cleanly through the approval process.

Prado’s development philosophy is driven by a focus on their projects’ impact on quality of life and social impact. His love of Belhaven is centered on the opportunities he was given here to compete, the development of his Christ-centered view of work, and the nurturing of an attitude of persistence. Prado has plans for even larger projects in the future. ●





Making Mississippi Home

The Matveyev Family, uprooted from Ukraine, found a new beginning in Mississippi and a future at Belhaven University.

More than 14 million people have fled Ukraine since the Russian invasion on Thursday, February 24, 2022. Families have been divided and scattered to countries around the world. Although thousands of miles away, the Ukrainian/Russian conflict touches close to home. In fact, one Ukrainian family not only found themselves in Mississippi, but also on the campus of Belhaven University.

The Matveyev family is originally from Donetsk, Ukraine, but have resided in Kyiv, Ukraine since 2014. Max and Yana Matveyev have three children: Mark, Yeva, and Emma. Max is an entrepreneur and runs his own website, while his wife Yana is an interpreter at the Reformed Seminary in Ukraine.

After Crimea and parts of Donetsk and Lugansk regions were annexed and occupied by Russia in 2014, the Matveyevs were forced to leave Donetsk. As a result, they were never able to return.

In 2022, their family had to be on the move once again. Russia was invading, and the bombing had begun. This would be the second time the Matveyev family would have to flee their home because of Russia.

After the bombing started, Max and his wife loaded their children and a few possessions in their car and headed towards the western border of Ukraine. They were able to cross the Ukrainian-Hungarian border.

In only a few days, they found themselves on a flight to Mississippi. “Our good friends from Brandon, Mississippi, Dr. Michael Albert and his family, reached out to us and

offered to bring us to the United States,” said Max. The Matveyev family arrived in Mississippi on March 4.

“When we arrived, we experienced a warm welcome and helping hand from many people, most of whom we never knew before,” observed Max. “Park Place Baptist Church shared their mission house with us, where we've been staying until this day.”

Max and Yana had more connections with Mississippi than just Park Place Baptist Church and Dr. Albert. This is where Belhaven University alum Dr. Clay Quarterman comes into the story.

Dr. Quarterman '74 is the founder and former president of the Evangelical Reformed Seminary in Kyiv. He and his family moved to Kyiv in 1993. During his time there, he and his wife Darlene attended the



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same church as the Matveyev family. They became friends and remain good friends to this day.

While the Matveyev family was in transit, plans were made by Belhaven University to have a special campus-wide discussion and time of prayer for Ukraine on March 22. President Dr. Roger Parrott had already invited Dr. Quarterman to speak at this event, but it was Dr. Quarterman who suggested his friend Max join the conversation.

During the Pray for Ukraine event, Dr. Parrott interviewed both Max and Dr. Quarterman for the full hour, with pauses in the discussion to pray for Ukrainian children, refugees, defenders, Russian people, world leaders, and protection from a wider war.

Still in shock, Max shared his thoughts about the conflict with those in attendance.

He said, “We couldn't believe that this was happening to us, to our country. We couldn't believe that anything like that was at all possible in this modern day and age. We were aware of the evil intentions of Russia and their leader because we experienced it firsthand in 2014. Our hearts and worries remain with our country, family, and friends both in Ukraine and those scattered around Europe.” Fleeing Ukraine had a tremendous impact on the simple routines of

life for the Matveyevs. Everything that was known and planned had changed around them. Mark, Max's oldest son, experienced this as well.

Mark was in his senior year when his family fled Ukraine. He began applying to a number of colleges, and he had his sights on universities in America and Germany. By January, he had decided to study computer science in Germany. Only a few months after his decision, the unspeakable happened, and war broke out. “The war not only took away life as I know it, but it took away my last option for college,” said Mark.

Without an option for college, this only added to the Matveyev's growing burdens. The leadership at Belhaven University heard about Mark's dilemma and decided to act. At the end of the Pray for Ukraine event, Dr. Parrott announced to all in attendance that the University would give Mark a full-tuition scholarship.

“Such a heavy burden was lifted off our shoulders that day,” exclaimed Mark. “Finally, after a year of suffering, I was finally set.”

Mark plans to major in both business and computer science at Belhaven University, and he hopes to one day work as a software engineer

or developer. He will also lend his athletic talent to the Blazers Tennis team in the fall.



Mark Matveyev

“To say that life hasn't been fair to my family and me when compared to other people would be an understatement,” observed Mark. “However, when I look at all the possibilities and opportunities and just swallow my bitter past, I see that God is in control, and with that I can say that life is good.”

Max adds, “Things like this prove that God is powerful and true to his word. He can make all things work for good—even disasters—for the wellbeing of His people.”

This war may be far from over, but Dr. Quarterman provided some insight for those who think they are unaffected by a conflict thousands of miles away. He observed, “We are living in a bubble of peace within a world of war. Even though we are not involved as a country, doesn't mean we can't be involved as individuals. All of us should understand the importance of showing support to those who are hurting and discouraged. I believe what Ukrainians need the most is encouragement and prayer.”

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BLAZER FOOTBALL Celebrates 25 YEARS

After posting one of the best seasons in school history in 2021, the 2022 edition of Blazer football will celebrate its 25th season on the gridiron. With a new slate of conference opponents and the opening of the new Operations and Media Center at the Belhaven Bowl Stadium, the highly-anticipated season will soon begin.

Head coach Blaine McCorkle is entering his fifth season as head coach. The two-time American Southwest Conference Coach of the Year will help navigate Belhaven in the USA South Conference.

The season opens on Thursday, September 1 at Millsaps College, nearly 25 years to the day that Belhaven started its football program with a game against Campbellville. The Blazers' first home game of the season will be on September 10 against Southwestern before opening up conference play at defending USA South Champion Huntington in Montgomery, Alabama.

Belhaven is a founding member of the newly formed Collegiate Conference of the South (see page 16), although football will compete as an affiliate member of the USA South Conference.

Homecoming is scheduled for October 22 when the Blazers face Southern Virginia. Events are planned throughout the season to honor former coaches and players during the 25th Anniversary season. ♥



A Look Back: MEN'S SOCCER NATIONAL CHAMPIONS

1992 / 2012

30th & 10th ANNIVERSARY

The 2022 soccer season serves as anniversary seasons for two national championship teams at Belhaven. The 1992 squad will be celebrating its 30th anniversary, and the 2012 team will be honoring 10 years since claiming the University's last national championship.

The 1992 Blazers set a university record with 21 wins and went 21-2-2 overall, defeated Lynn University 2-1 to claim the NAIA National Championship. The 2012 Belhaven team entered the national tournament ranked No. 20, but outscored its postseason opponents 13-3, including a 1-0 upset over Lindsey Wilson and a 2-0 win in the national championship game against Mobile. ♥



BELHAVEN JOINS COLLEGIATE CONFERENCE of the SOUTH

Nine member institutions of the USA South Athletic Conference (USAS) have officially formed and were approved by the NCAA as a new Division III athletic conference, following a planned separation of USAS.

This new conference, the Collegiate Conference of the South (CCS), will include Agnes Scott College, Belhaven University, Berea College, Covenant College, Huntingdon College, LaGrange College, Maryville College, Piedmont University, and Wesleyan College.

“The creation of the Collegiate Conference of the South provides an ideal grouping of schools who all share our similar characteristics—private institutions, commitment to prioritizing academics, and balanced quality athletic programs,” said Belhaven University President Dr. Roger Parrott. “I’ve especially been impressed with the outlook of this wonderful group of member presidents who have a deep commitment to assuring a high quality athletic and academic experience for our student athletes.”

The USA South is currently the nation’s largest NCAA Division III

conference, with nineteen member institutions. After years of internal discussions, a two-conference separation strategy emerged, and more recently, the USAS Presidents Council formally committed to the establishment of two viable conferences. The new CCS was officially incorporated in the State of Georgia on January 12, 2022, and application materials for conference membership were officially approved on Thursday, February 17 by the NCAA Division III Membership Committee.

The CCS Presidents Council and Executive Committee are led by Dr. Bryan F. Coker (President, Maryville College), Chair; Dr. Susanna L. Baxter (President, LaGrange College), Vice-Chair; and Rev. J. Cameron West (President, Huntingdon College), At-Large Representative. CCS schools are being supported in forming this new conference by Dr.

Kurt Patberg, who is currently serving as CCS Acting Commissioner.

Dr. Bryan F. Coker, CCS Chair, stated of this news, “We are grateful to our USA South colleagues for the productive and collegial manner in which this separation has been approached, and we are immensely excited about the possibilities which lay ahead for the new Collegiate Conference of the South. In addition, we are thrilled that the NCAA has supported our application for membership as we move toward full competition in the fall of 2022.”

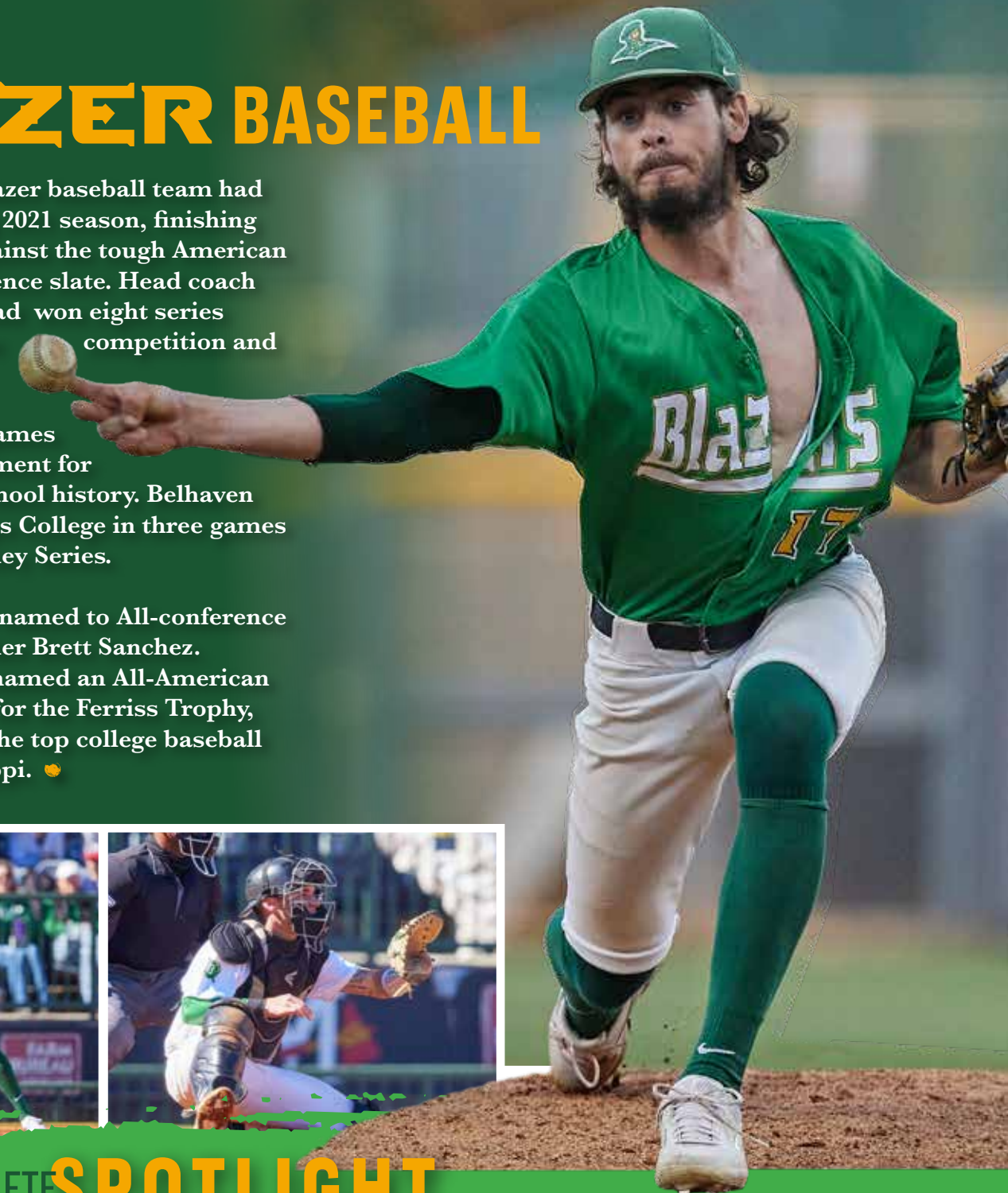
Belhaven University’s Vice President and Director of Athletics Scott Little stated, “The launch of the Collegiate Conference of the South provides an even more refined geographic footprint and allows our student athletes additional competitive opportunities with non-conference opponents. We are excited to see this dream become reality.”



BLAZER BASEBALL

The Belhaven Blazer baseball team had an outstanding 2021 season, finishing 28-16 and 19-11 against the tough American Southwest Conference slate. Head coach Kyle Palmer’s squad won eight series against conference competition and finished third in the ASC. The Blazers won two games in the ASC tournament for the first time in school history. Belhaven also swept Millsaps College in three games to claim the Maloney Series.

Nine Blazers were named to All-conference teams, led by pitcher Brett Sanchez. Sanchez was also named an All-American and was a finalist for the Ferriss Trophy, given annually to the top college baseball player in Mississippi.



STUDENT ATHLETE SPOTLIGHT

BENJAMIN ADAMS of the Belhaven Men’s Track and Field team wrapped up his spring season at the highest level competing in the men’s javelin at the NCAA DIII Outdoor Track & Field Championships on May 26-28.

The Louisiana native finished 19th at the NCAA Championships with a best distance of 48.71 meters, coming in the third round of the first flight after distances of 44.11 meters and 42.54 meters in the first two rounds respectively.

Adams earned a spot in the national competition with a season best distance of 58.10 meters which landed him among the 20 best individual performances in the event this season and across the country.



GRADUATION CELEBRATION

Belhaven University Celebrates Graduating Class of 2022

Belhaven University's 2022 Spring Commencement was on Saturday, April 30 at 9:30 a.m. and celebrated the Class of 2022. All traditional, adult, graduate, and online students gathered for one graduation event at the Mississippi Coliseum. A total of 600 graduates were awarded their diplomas.

Broadcaster, seminary professor, author, and founder and president of Key Life Network Dr. Steve Brown was the commencement speaker. Belhaven University President Dr. Roger Parrott awarded him an honorary doctorate before he spoke to the packed coliseum.

Brown previously served as a pastor for over 25 years and now devotes much of his time to the radio broadcasts, Key Life and Steve Brown Etc. He serves as Professor Emeritus of Preaching at Reformed Theological Seminary, teaching at the campuses in Atlanta, Orlando, and Washington, D.C.

He sits on the board of the National Religious Broadcasters and Harvest USA. Brown is the author of numerous books, and his articles appear in such magazines and journals as Christianity Today, Leadership, Relevant, Leadership, Decision, Plain Truth, and Today's Christian Woman. Traveling extensively, he is a much-in-demand speaker. He and his wife Anna have two daughters and three granddaughters. ♥

ONLINE DEGREE PROGRAMS

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DOCTORAL PROGRAMS

- Business Administration
- Education - Educational Leadership (EdD)

MASTER DEGREES

- Biblical and Theological Studies
- Business Administration
 - Finance Concentration
 - Health Administration Concentration
 - Human Resources Concentration
 - Leadership Concentration
 - Project Management Concentration
 - Public Administration Concentration
 - Sports Administration Concentration
- Education - Educational Leadership (EdS)
- Education - Curriculum & Instruction
 - Educational Technology
- Education in Reading Literacy
- Education - School Leadership & Administration
- Education - Teaching (MAT)
- Entrepreneurial MBA
- Health Administration

- Information Technology Mgmt.
- Leadership
 - Human Resource Concentration
 - Ministry Concentration
 - Public Administration Concentration
- Public Administration
 - Finance Concentration
 - Human Resource Concentration
- Sports Administration

BACHELOR DEGREES

- Accounting
- Applied Psychology
 - Christian Ministries Concentration
 - Criminal Justice Concentration
 - Human Services Concentration
- Biblical Studies
 - Human Services Concentration
- Business Administration
 - IT Management for Business Leaders Concentration
- Human Services
 - Christian Ministries Concentration
 - Criminal Justice Concentration
- Hospitality Management
- Health Administration

- Interdisciplinary Studies
- Management
 - Criminal Justice Concentration
 - IT Management for Business Leaders Concentration
- Nursing: RN to BSN

MASTER CERTIFICATES

(Must have a Bachelor's Degree)

- Finance
- Health Administration
- Human Resources
- Leadership
- Public Administration
- Sports Administration

BACHELOR CERTIFICATES

- Accounting
- Biblical Studies

ASSOCIATE DEGREES

- Associate of Arts
- Biblical Studies
- Business



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BELHAVEN INTRODUCES THREE NEW HIGH-DEMAND DEGREES

Students Can Now Earn Degrees in Actuarial Science, Sales Management, and Supply Chain Management

Belhaven University is now offering three high-demand, skill-focused majors through a partnership with an innovative nationwide consortium of over 75 colleges and universities. Students can now earn degrees in actuarial science, sales management, and supply chain management.

The University partnered with Rize, a higher education company that works with the Lower Cost Models for Independent Colleges (LCMC) consortium. Rize/LCMC allows member institutions to adopt high-demand majors, minors, and certificates that get students ready for careers in the fastest-growing fields.

Belhaven students will still enjoy the traditional college experience and have a strong Christian worldview dimension through courses taught by Belhaven faculty. Depending on which degree students pursue, they will take two or three virtual classes through Rize's industry experts.

"These new degree programs provide special opportunities we hope students will utilize at Belhaven," said Belhaven University Provost Dr. Bradford Smith. "Our desire is to help each student thrive in their career and calling. A partnership with the Rize/LCMC consortium puts our students on a focused trajectory toward success. Students will be learning from top industry experts who will teach some of the core courses in their major. All classes are small so they will get to know their consortium professor as well as work closely with faculty mentors at Belhaven."

Belhaven University's unique Bachelor of Science in Actuarial Science gives students all of the mathematics,

business, and computer science courses needed to become an actuary. An actuary calculates the probability of risk for insurance companies. Belhaven's Actuarial Science majors will take four upper-level online classes through Belhaven's Rize partnership to address high-level courses specific to this field. To be a successful actuary, one must have advanced knowledge of mathematics, business, and some computer sciences, and one must also pass exams offered by the Society of Actuaries.

The Bachelor of Arts in Sales Management will prepare students with skills necessary for success in a sales career, and more broadly, needed skills for building professional relationships. Sales is the backbone of any business and how companies generate revenue. The ability to effectively communicate the value of an idea is vital to success in a wide variety of positions and career options, including for-profit industry, non-profit organizations, government, and more.

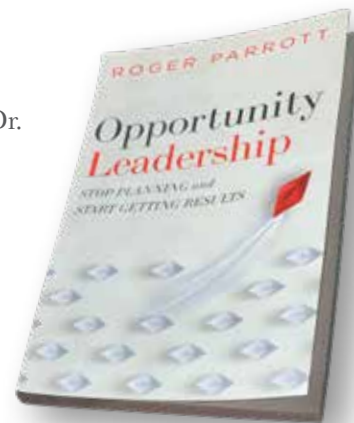
A Bachelor of Arts in Supply Chain Management will give students the skills to manage the flow of goods and services related to moving a product from raw materials to its delivery and then its final destination. A total of 1.4 million new jobs in Supply Chain and Logistics were created from 2014-2018, and this growth is likely to continue as more companies recognize the importance of optimizing their supply chain. Because the importance of this role has grown so rapidly in recent years, the labor market is currently experiencing a lack of supply chain professionals. Students who secure jobs in this field will be able to have a real impact, as global supply chains continue to proliferate and impact economies throughout the world. 🍀

Our desire is to help each student thrive in their career and calling.

Campus News

UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT AUTHORS BOOK DEFINING A FRESH MODEL OF LEADERSHIP

Declared “one of the most radical and thought-provoking books I’ve read in a long time,” Jordan Raynor, Executive Chairman of Threshold 360, along with a host of significant Christian leaders, are praising a new book released by Belhaven University President Dr. Roger Parrott.



“Opportunity Leadership: Stop Planning and Start Getting Results” was released in February 2022 by Moody Publishers through nationwide booksellers in paperback, Kindle, or Audible formats. Parrott’s book was also published in Korean and distributed throughout South Korea.

“This is an incredibly important book that flies in the face of almost everything you’ve been taught about the importance of strategic planning,” said Richard Sterns, President Emeritus, World Vision U.S. “Roger wants you to forget for a moment all of the tedious and all-consuming planning that leadership gurus want you to do and cut yourself loose to see and embrace the opportunities right in front of you.”

In the book, Dr. Parrott challenges leaders to develop an “Opportunity Leadership” mindset, in which they see God-directed results like never before. In plain language, he guides readers in developing traits to focus their leadership outlook on untapped opportunities. Further, he provides a step-by-step plan for ministry organizations and churches to create organization-wide tendencies that enable them to respond to opportunities with expediency, adeptness, and energy.

Crediting the Belhaven University trustees, faculty, and staff, Dr. Parrott said, “The insights shared in ‘Opportunity Leadership’ are due to the gifts of a marvelous university that has learned to abandon traditional planning to capture God’s best future.”

The book defines opportunity leadership as “being grounded in anticipation of God-given opportunities that mesh seamlessly with our mission, gifting, and capacity—propelling us to destinations that are heavenly ordained.” The book provides a detailed path for creating a ministry culture focused on capturing new opportunities and paradigm-shifting challenges, such as:

- Leading without a plan is the plan
- Making decisions that don’t just solve the problem
- Practicing future-focused evaluation
- Emulating baseball managers instead of football coaches

- Embracing speed
- Getting comfortable with risk
- Learning to love roadblocks

“During my 33 years as a university president, the most important decision I made was to let go of traditional long-range planning and instead create a culture and outlook prepared to capture God-given opportunities,” said Dr. Parrott. “After too many years of wrestling with the inflexibility of planning structures, I found that the best plans we could imagine around conference tables pale in comparison to what God would like to do through us.”

Former President of Krispy Kreme, Jim Morgan, reflected on the book saying, “During my time at Krispy Kreme, I would have loved having Dr. Parrott’s ‘Opportunity Leadership’ as a guidebook for our 2008–2016 corporate turnaround. If we bury our heads in planning, we are likely to miss the greatest of God’s opportunities! At last, someone has written a leadership book for both today and tomorrow!”

ABOUT DR. ROGER PARROTT

Dr. Roger Parrott is one of America’s most experienced university presidents, leading Belhaven University, a doctoral level institution, and one of only 36 schools in the world working at the highest level of collegiate Arts programs. Belhaven was named in 2021 to “Best University to Work For” by the Chronicle of Higher Education, and Parrott was recognized as one of “The 10 Most Visionary Education Leaders of 2021” by Education Magazine.

For a quarter-century he served in board leadership roles with Lausanne Movement and The Mission America Coalition and was chairman of the 2004 Forum for World Evangelization. This is Dr. Parrott’s second book, with royalties donated to Christian education. His first book was entitled “The Longview: Lasting Strategies for Rising Leaders.”



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STADIUM OPERATIONS AND MEDIA CENTER COMPLETES BELHAVEN BOWL STADIUM

There is a flurry of activity happening behind the scenes of any Blazers’ home game.

On a typical game day, there are two people recording stats, one person on music and directing the flow of the pregame, one game announcer, two broadcasters who are steaming for television and radio, three to four people on cameras, one camera switcher/director, one person streaming the games, and two referees to control the scoreboard and run the game-clock.

These vital people produce the home game experiences Blazer fans have come to love. The Belhaven University Stadium Operations and Media Center will be the home of game day operations for the upcoming 2022-2023 season.

“The new facility functionally and visually completes the Belhaven Bowl Stadium design,” said Vice President and Director of Athletics Scott Little. “The operations center provides professionally designed, dedicated spaces for event management including video and audio presentation, coaches’ box, camera bays, broadcast suites, and statistical support.”

This new addition is an important one for the University because the stadium is located in the heart of



the campus and is used for many games, summer camps, and popular events.

The stadium is a historic venue and has undergone a \$4 million transformation, including installation of a custom turf playing surface, comfortable chairback seating for 1200, and a state-of-the-art Daktronics video board.

“When we built the Belhaven Bowl Stadium, we lacked the funds to build the press box,” said Belhaven President Dr. Roger Parrott. “We had a cluster of four shipping containers that we used. They did the job but didn’t look very good.

The new operations center is almost complete, and it will transform the Belhaven Bowl Stadium. The design both meets the variety



of needs we have for event operations and does so in a way that seamlessly blends into the aesthetic of our campus.”

BELHAVEN ANNOUNCES WINNER OF 2022 ANGIE THOMAS SCHOLARSHIP

Author and producer Angie Thomas surprised an unsuspecting high school senior with news that she won a full-ride scholarship to Thomas' alma mater, Belhaven University.



Thomas delivered the news to a shocked Dee Holden during a Zoom meeting on Monday, April 25. Holden, who lives in Yantai, China, was selected winner of the Angie Thomas Writers Scholarship for her creative writing submissions.



“As I read Dee’s writing samples, I immediately fell in love with her craft,” said Thomas. “Her talent and skill blew me away, and I know that the creative writing program was created with a student like her in mind.”

The scholarship is designed and funded by Belhaven University to help young aspiring writers who need the extra support to make their dreams of authorship a reality.

“By giving Dee this scholarship, she can focus more on her studies and writing, which will allow her gift to thrive,” observed Thomas. “It’s an honor to know that this scholarship could play a key role in the journey of yet another exceptional writer.”

Holden is the third student to win the scholarship, which covers tuition, room, and board at the University for four years. Thomas will also purchase a new computer for Holden to help her in her studies.

“I was shocked when the news was delivered, especially when Angie

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appeared on screen,” said Holden. “Being awarded for something that is in a way so deeply personal is really encouraging and gave me new light, guiding me toward the path of a writer.”

Professor and Chair of Creative Writing Dr. Randall Smith said, “Dee demonstrated the qualities we look for in an Angie Thomas Writer’s Scholarship candidate: passion for writing, a distinct voice, the ability to realize complex and nuanced characters on the page, and gutsy determination to pursue creative transparency.”

The Angie Thomas Writers Scholarship is awarded to only one incoming freshman each year, but other applicants received partial scholarships.

The scholarship was named in honor of Belhaven University alumna Angie Thomas ’11, author of New York Times best-selling novels “Concrete Rose,” “On the Come Up,” and “The Hate U Give.” “The Hate U Give” was developed into a major motion picture, and Thomas is also working as a producer on the film version of “On the Come Up.”

Watch the moment when Angie Thomas told Holden she was the winner of the Angie Thomas Writers Scholarship. 📺



Scan the QR Code to Watch The Angie Thomas Scholarship Announcement on YouTube

MISSISSIPPI HUMANITIES AWARD PRESENTED TO DR. JONATHAN KOEFOED

Associate Professor of History and Director of the Honors Program Dr. Jonathan Koefoed was awarded the prestigious 2022 Mississippi Humanities Council Teacher Award. This special honor recognizes the expertise of professors who teach humanities at each of Mississippi's colleges and universities.



Each honoree is required to deliver a public lecture of their choosing and relevant to their expertise.

Koefoed gave his presentation March 8. His lecture, entitled “The ‘Instructor and Inspirer’: Christian Romantic Contributions to Nineteenth-Century American Art and Education,” streamed on Zoom.

Koefoed’s talk highlighted an alternative discourse, American Christian Romanticism, and explained how certain nineteenth-

century American artists and intellectuals self-consciously fused Romantic ideals with Trinitarian Christianity. These professors, writers, and artists created an underappreciated Christian intellectual movement that contributed much to the dissemination of Romantic ideas in America. They also provided timeless reflections on the nature and purpose of art and education. These latter contributions were explored with a view toward a wide and multi-disciplinary university audience.

Koefoed received his B.A. from Arizona State University, M.A. from Saint Louis University, and his Ph.D. from Boston University.

All award recipients were recognized at the Mississippi Humanities Council's annual awards banquet. The Mississippi Humanities Council is a private nonprofit corporation funded by Congress through the National Endowment for the Humanities and provides public programs in traditional liberal arts disciplines to serve nonprofit groups in Mississippi. 📺

NURSING PROFESSOR SELECTED FOR LEADERSHIP FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

The American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN) selected Associate Professor Dr. Tina D. McDyess to participate in the 2022-2023 Elevating Leaders in Academic Nursing Program (ELAN).

McDyess was the first nursing professor to represent Belhaven University as an ELAN fellow and joined only two other Mississippians to represent the state.



ELAN is a highly-competitive program, designed for aspiring deans and senior faculty in leadership roles. The fellowship provided participants with a focused assessment experience, a range of content and exercises related to successful executive leadership. It also gave participants the opportunity to establish a peer network that fosters long-term partnerships and collegial support.

“We at Belhaven University are so proud Dr. McDyess was selected in a competitive national process to join this exclusive group of leadership fellows,” said School of Nursing Dean Dr. Amy Rex Smith. “Her selection is a great honor for Belhaven University. The development of high-level leadership skills honed for schools of nursing is vital to the success of nursing programs. We all expect to benefit from the results of Dr. McDyess' training.” 📺

School of Business Excels with Doctoral Program

Belhaven University continues its trajectory toward the highest degree of academic excellence. The Doctor of Business Administration (DBA) is the University's second doctoral program and is the only degree of its kind in Mississippi.

This doctoral program is dissertation-based and prepares candidates for high-level positions in the business sector. "It's exciting to see the Doctor of Business Administration take its place alongside our fast-growing Doctor of Education (Ed.D.) program as the second doctoral degree offered at the University," said Belhaven University Provost Dr. Bradford Smith.



DR. CHIP MASON

Harter, graduates with a DBA can transition into jobs as corporate executives, consultants, business professors, entrepreneurs, market research analysts, and corporate education and training.

Harter believes the new degree can open a new world of job opportunities for students. "I've always shared with prospective candidates that earning a DBA provides multiple paths, similar to a decision tree with endless individual branches," said Dr. Harter. "The employment market can quickly change, businesses can close without notice, and technology can become obsolete, but this degree can provide career-flexibility and success."

"The DBA is a flagship program for the Belhaven School of Business," said School of Business Dean Dr. Chip Mason. "Belhaven had been offering a MBA for over 25 years, and many alumni wanted to continue their education to the doctoral level. After successfully launching a doctoral program in education, a DBA was the logical next step to meet the market demand for graduates who are educated with a Christian worldview."

"With all the challenges and opportunities in the current national and global scene, this is the perfect time to pursue a DBA that will develop skills and prepare our candidates to move ahead in the business world," said Dr. Smith.

This 60-hour DBA program incorporates a 12-credit hour research dissertation along with a blend of online learning and face-to-face residencies. According to Director of DBA and Professor of Business Administration Dr. Eric

Alumni News

SAVE THE DATE
for Homecoming and
Family Weekend
for October 21-23.

MARTHA HOOEY NAMED NEW ALUMNI RELATIONS DIRECTOR

Martha Howell Hooey '10 took the lead as Belhaven University's Director of Alumni Relations. Prior to joining Belhaven's Office of Advancement, Hooey spent the past six years working as senior development officer for Baptist Health Foundation at Mississippi



Baptist Medical Center and was integral in raising hospital funds. "I couldn't be more excited to have Martha join our team," said Vice President for University Advancement Jeff Rickels. "She is a breath of fresh

air that completes our team in the advancement department. Martha brings a wealth of experience and talent from her previous role as senior development officer at the Baptist Health Foundation. Her appointment is critical as it allows us to connect with and serve our alumni with the care they deserve."

Hooey earned two degrees from Belhaven University, a B.A. in History in 2008 and an M.S. in Business Management in 2010. She served as event director for the Hearts & Clubs Golf Tournament and Cyclists Curing Cancer Century Ride. In 2021, Hooey earned her Certified Fund Raising Executive (CFRE) credential and became one of only 15 individuals in the state of Mississippi to hold this designation.

Hooey is a member of the Junior League of Jackson and was selected as Corporate Sponsor Co-Chair for 2023 Touch-A-Truck. Hooey and her husband, Brad, live in Clinton and attend First United Methodist Church. They have two children, Asa and Jane Wren.❤️

ALUM ELECTED VICE PRESIDENT OF MISSISSIPPI YOUNG BANKERS COUNCIL

Belhaven University alum Gage Walker '98 was elected to serve as vice president of Mississippi Young Bankers (MYB), a section of the Mississippi Bankers Association (MBA).

Walker serves as Rankin County division president for Renasant Bank

in Flowood. He started his career at Community Bank in 1998. He remained there until 2009 when he moved to Merchants & Farmers Bank, which was acquired by Renasant Bank in 2013. He is a graduate of Belhaven University, Mississippi School of Banking, and the Graduate School of Banking at LSU.



In addition to his role as vice president of the MYB, Walker will serve on the MBA Education Foundation Board. Walker has previously served on the MYB council as an at-large member from 2017-2019. He is a member of Pinelake Church and serves on the executive board for the Mississippi Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Walker and his wife, Carrie, have three daughters, Cailey, Lainey, and Emmie.

Since 1950, Mississippi Young Bankers has been active in providing leadership development activities and in supporting financial literacy programs of the MBA and its member banks. MYB members are involved in administering scholarship programs for high school and college students, supporting the MBA Education Foundation, and advocating policy positions important to a strong banking industry.❤️

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ALUMNI UPDATES

1960

DEACON EDDIE ENSLEY ('68) is a Catholic clergyman, a permanent deacon, assigned to St. Anne Parish in Columbus, GA. After working on a major evangelical project with his friend, Bob Webber of Wheaton, Eddie began a career as an editor and author. His 19 published works include *The Complete Library of Christian Worship* and *Prayer that Heals Our Emotions*.

1970

DR. STEVEN B. SHUMAN ('74) stepped down as pastor of Covenant Presbyterian Church in Laurel, MS, in September 2021, having served 30 years. Previously, he served pastorates in Leakesville, MS; Hueytown, AL; and Cedartown, GA. Grace Presbytery PCA honorably retired him in January 2022 after 43 years as a pastor. He and **DENISE GOODWIN SHUMAN ('74)** will continue to reside in Laurel, MS.

CECILIA BROOKS DIXON ('76)

In the last Tartan we printed her memorial, but in fact Cecilia is alive and resides in Maitland, FL, with her husband Mike Dixon (1975).

ELMORE "ROD" SCOTT ('77)

released his first album *Galactik Tyde* on April 30, 2022. Creating music with synthesizers for the first time in 2017, he's been listening to and inspired by electronic music, specifically ambient and space music. These inspirations have inspired him to create with his own evolving voice. His album can be found here: <https://aegyre.bandcamp.com>.

1980

LOUIE MEANS ('81) retired from coaching and teaching after 40 years. His wife, Sherri, also retired from education after 32 years as an elementary principal. They reside in Deer Park, TX.

JUDY ANN (SWILLEY) MALOUF ('82)

recently opened Saving Grace Interiors on Lakeland Drive in Jackson, MS selling unique, one-of-a-kind hand-painted furniture and giving furniture and accessories new life. She and her husband Mitchell reside in Jackson, MS.

GEORGIA S. BRADY ('84)

retired in 2017 after six years as an employment lawyer in Baltimore, Maryland, 23 as a Maryland State Administrative Law Judge and, three as Deputy Director of Quality Assistance for the Maryland Office of Administrative Hearings. She is enjoying life in Brandon, MS with her husband, Bill Kreuz. She is grateful to be a grandmother of three wonderful kids. "Many thanks to Belhaven for the scholarships that made this career possible."

1990

LAUREN FLACH BATTISTINI ('94)

resides in the suburbs of Houston, Texas where she is enjoying the final stages before the empty nest and teaching Sunday school at her church, Windwood Presbyterian. She is an architectural color consultant who owns and operates LFB Color Consulting. Lauren has a son (21) and two daughters (18, 16).

BRIAN PERRY ('97)

was appointed by Governor Tate Reeves to serve on the Board of the Mississippi Humanities Council.

2000

DR. EMILY (HENDERSON) WRIGHT ('02)

is pleased to announce the publication of her new book, *Dancing to Transform: How Concert Dance Becomes Religious in American Christianity*. Dancing to Transform is the first book-

length analysis

that situates developments in contemporary Christian dance

in relation to the histories of American Christianity. It

offers scholars and practitioners

richer perspectives on the complex interactions between Christianity and dance as well as more fruitful readings of their choreographic productions.

She resides in Charlottesville, VA and is an independent scholar & artist with Emily Wright Dance, www.emilywrightdance.com.

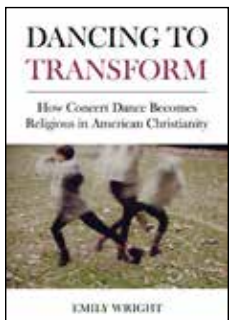
SARAH LINK ('02)

has been appointed the new Executive Director of the Mississippi Optometric Association (MOA). Previously, she was MOA's Associate Executive Director and is the Executive Director of the Mississippi Vision Foundation.

She serves as a Committee Member for the American Optometric Association's Optometry's Fund for Disaster Relief.

Link earned the prestigious Certified Association Executive (CAE) designation in 2018. The CAE is the highest professional credential in the association industry with less than five percent of all association professionals earning that designation.

She is currently a board member of the Mississippi Society of Association



Executives and a member of the American Society of Association Executives.

In 2019, she was named one of the Mississippi Business Journal's Top 40 Under 40 and in 2018, a Visit Jackson Hometown Hero. Link is a volunteer with Mississippi Food Network. She is formerly a juried member of the Craftsmen's Guild of Mississippi in the Metal-Jewelry category and has served as a volunteer coach for third-fifth grade girls with Girls on the Run of Central Mississippi.



DR. MILTON WILCOX ('08) has accepted the Lead Teacher for Humanities position at Kenai Classical, the first accredited classical school in the state of Alaska.

KENITRA (MIGGINS) LEE ('09) accepted the position of Director of Academic, Research, and Service Contracts at the University of Mississippi Medical Center. Kenitra and her husband, Israel, reside in Ridgeland, MS, with their two children, Caleb and Zaria.

2010
ANDREW MIDDLETON ('10) was recently awarded the Distinguished Commissioner Award for his leadership role with the Andrew Jackson Council of the Boy Scouts of America. Middleton served as Council Commissioner from 2018-2021, the highest-ranking uniformed volunteer in the Council. Middleton currently serves on the Andrew Jackson Council Executive Board. He is the President of GoldenCross Financial



Management and an investment advisor with Securities America.

SHELLIE (BROWN) KEMP ('12) won a national audition to become Concertmistress for the Mississippi Symphony Orchestra's (MSO) 2021-2022 season. "Shellie was one of the youngest violin section players with the Mississippi Symphony Orchestra and began her career with the MSO while still attending college at Belhaven," said Mr. Song Xie, professor of violin and Belhaven's orchestra director. "To win the national audition against stunning players from around the country is a significant leap in her career." As concertmistress, Kemp has fulfilled typical duties such as communicating with the conductor,



leading the orchestra, working with principal players, determining bowings, and leads the violin section. She had major solos in symphonic works, playing separate parts from the rest of the section.

JAY LONGMIRE ('12) has been assigned as the Camp Shelby Public Affairs Officer and promoted to Major. He is also the CEO of PEAK Solutions, a technology solutions provider.

ALI JAFFERY ('13) is the Executive Director of Philanthropy at Nemours Children's Health. He resides in Jacksonville, FL.

JESSICA (CURTIS) STOVALL ('15) works as the credentialing coordinator for Methodist Le Bonheur Healthcare. She is so grateful for the Christian education she received at Belhaven. She obtained her MBA with a concentration in human resources from LSU in 2020. She resides in Oxford, MS, with her husband and three (soon to be four) children. She is fortunate to work for an amazing organization that encourages Christian beliefs and



promotes growth opportunities, while most importantly giving her the ability to have a work/family balance.

MIOSHI MARSHALL-SMITH ('15) recently obtained her DBA with a concentration in HR Management from Walden University. The title of her dissertation was "Strategies to Improving Companies' Productivity and Profitability."

CRAIG MCCABE ('15) was selected to pioneer the Boys Soccer Program for grades 6th-9th at Christ Covenant School in Ridgeland, MS, this fall. Coach McCabe also serves as an academy soccer coach with the Mississippi Rush and is the Director for Girls Rec Plus at Jackson Futbol Club.

CASSY ACKER ('15) recently accepted a position with Moore

Media Group as their new Client Strategy Manager.

EDER ESTRADA ('17) accepted a new challenge after managing at Amazon for four years. He is growing operations at a hyper-growth logistic tech startup as their operations manager. He was hired to launch and oversee two new markets that have since grown to six new markets and counting in Florida. Currently, he is the regional operations manager overseeing all operations in Florida.

GUILLERMO (BILLY) SALINAS, JR ('17) is the creator and head chef of Just Vanilla, a small-batch bakery local to Jackson, MS. Just Vanilla offers a rotating "weekly bake" of original and classic pastries in addition to a variety of cake and catering custom orders. He combines his classical pastry training with his creative view as a visual artist to bring a truly unique presence to his growing client base.

AMANDA (MULLINS) SUMMEY ('18) graduated in May 2021 with her Master in Social Work from the University of Tennessee-Knoxville.

REED EFFLAND ('19) and his wife, **ABRIANA ('19)** lived in Houston, TX, where she danced for Ad Deum Dance Company in their second company until the lockdowns caused them to reconsider where they were living. They now reside in Springfield, MO, where they both grew up. Reed is the Quality Control Manager of Mother's Brewing Company and an 11U baseball coach. Abri is dancing as well as teaching for local dance companies, starting yoga instructor training, and considering starting a dance company of her own. In September 2021, they



welcomed their first baby girl, Juliette. They are enjoying parenthood and being around family while watching their little one grow.

2020
ROBERT UNDERWOOD ('20) co-authored a book, "In My Father's House: An Anthology." His book is available on Amazon.



JEMARQUISE NEWELL ('21) works as the youth engagement coordinator for Pine Belt Mental Healthcare Resources. He was inducted as the 2021-2022 recipient of the Marquis Who's Who in America on July 17, 2021, for outstanding service in the mental health field.

SHAWN DAVIS ('23) is an Engineering Manager for Nissan and currently on assignment in Japan. God has blessed him and his soulmate Mandy Davis with three amazing kids.



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In Memoriam

THE PASSING OF BELHAVEN ALUMNI & FRIENDS

ELIZABETH (RECORD) STOUT ('43)
6/8/2021

RUTH (EHRENFELD) STRAHOSKY ('43)
2/17/2021

DOROTHY (LAWRENCE) STUBBS ('43)
1/1/2022

ESTHER (OWENS) BUSBY ('44)
12/24/2021

MARY (FIELD) CARR ('46)
9/20/2021

VIRGINIA (RANKIN) CAMPBELL ('47)
10/1/2021

Virginia Johnson Rankin Campbell was born in Columbia, MS, on July 31, 1925. She attended high school in Columbia where she was Miss Columbia High School and head majorette. She graduated from Belhaven University. While in Jackson, she met her future husband, Joseph Cooper Campbell, Jr. They were married October 20, 1948 and had 47 happy years together.



MARGARET (STRIGER) LARUE ('47)
8/2/2021

EVA (GARLAND) MANSELL ('47)
1/3/2022

MARY (BOYD) BLAIBLOCK ('50)
6/28/2021

NAN (CORLEY) BRANTLEY ('50)
2/15/2022

LILLENE (WILLIAMS) CONDON ('50)
5/31/2021

JUNE (ERVIN) LONG ('51)
10/8/2021

LUCY (STONESTREET) KENNEDY ('52)
6/18/2021

BETTY (CHAMBERLIN) KREISEL ('52)
3/31/2021

JAMES MCCALLEN, JR. ('52)
5/15/2021

EUGENIA (HEGWOOD) MUCKELRATH ('52)
11/25/2021

GUYLA (VAUGHAN) DIXON ('54)
10/1/2021

MARGARET (MURDOCK) MARTIN ('55)
1/7/2021

SHIRLEY (ATKINSON) BONDS ('56)
6/19/2021

MAGDALENE (HOWARD) STEWART ('56)
3/9/2021

FRANKIE (ALDRIDGE) HEARD ('57)
2/12/2021

QUAY (HARDY) MILLER ('57)
2/23/2022

BETTIE (FRAZIER) TILL ('57)
11/3/2021

SYLVIA (HOWELL) KREBS ('59)
1/12/2021

LOUISE (LOWRY) LAWRENCE ('59)
2/11/2022

MORRIS TAYLOR ('59)
1/29/2021

JAMES WAGNER ('60)
7/28/2021

ROXANN (COX) BROWNING ('61)
6/19/2021

DON CALDWELL ('61)
2/8/2021

THOMAS MAYNOR ('61)
8/16/2021

Tom, age 82, passed away on August 16, 2021. Tom was a native of Montgomery, AL, and came to Mississippi in 1957 to attend Belhaven University. It was there that he met the love of his life, Ann Mangum of Waynesboro, MS, and they recently celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary. In his senior year, Tom was elected president of the student body and along with his sweetheart, they were elected Mr. and Ms. Belhaven. He served as Belhaven's 50 Year Club President.



MARY (MCDOWELL) ELKIN ('63)
7/6/2021

JACOB DERMOUSHEGIAN ('64)
11/4/2021

DONALD VAUGHAN ('64)
11/25/2021

KENNETH WILSON ('64)
12/1/2021

MARIAN (MOORE) ENGELHORN ('65)
2/1/2022

SANDRA (TREST) SISSON ('65)
4/19/2021

MARTHA (RICHIE) DAVIS ('66)
4/12/2022

ELIZABETH GRANTHAM ('66)
6/23/2021

ROSALYN (FLOWERS) HUTCHINSON ('66)
1/24/2021

MIKE MONSOUR ('66)
3/8/2021

CLYDE SATTERWHITE ('67)
9/14/2021

ELLEN (WHITE) TURNER ('67)
6/17/2021

VALERIE KATZENMIER ('68)
2/25/2021

ANN (KATZENMEIR) SLUDER ('68)
2/25/2021

AL KEVERYN ('70)
3/21/2021

SUSAN (COMFORT) WARD ('71)
1/12/2022

MIKE STEPHENS ('72)
1/21/2021

JAYSON KYLE ('73)
3/19/2022

MARY (BROWN) MOTTOLA ('73)
3/6/2021

RONALD PARRISH ('73)
1/26/2021

RICHARD TOOMBS ('73)
12/18/2021

JAMES ARMSTRONG JR. ('75)
3/1/2022

WILLIAM AVALON ('75)
7/15/2021

PAULA (SMITH) PARKES ('75)
3/19/2022

RANDY BERNAMONTI ('76)
3/21/2021

VIVIAN (TURNER) HURLEY ('77)
9/26/2021

DEBORAH BLAKENEY ('78)
4/23/2022

MARY ANN (HYLAND) PHILLIPS ('80)
3/15/2022

ROBERT AMMONS ('81)
4/17/2021

SHERRILL SMITH ('81)
9/9/2021

JEFFREY WRIGHT ('81)
12/31/2021

T ROBBINS BEARD ('85)
2/1/2022

RUTH (ORR) WILLIAMS ('87)
5/16/2022

SHIRLEY (CUMMINS) HALL ('90)
11/3/2021

ANTOINETTE AUGUSTIN ('91)
10/30/2021

CHARLES CORDER JR. ('95)
8/17/2021

GERALD GAGGINI ('97)
12/11/2021

Gerald "Jerry" Gaggini passed at the age of 66 on December 11, 2021. He was an adjunct professor, having taught law and ethics at Belhaven University for almost 20 years.



ALVIN HOGAN ('98)
1/18/2021

LINDA SUDDUTH ('99)
11/19/2021

MARGOT JENKINS ('00)
12/20/2021

JAMIE JENKINS ('00)
5/11/2022

PETER ROBERTSTAD ('00)
1/19/2021

MARY CANADY ('03)
2/19/2021

MODICE (MITCHELL) CROOM ('03)
5/24/2021

ERWIN WARD JR. ('03)
3/18/2022

PHILLEMEAN SWARTZ ('04)
3/1/2021

JEFFERY JOHNSON JR. ('06)
10/7/2021

JEFFREY RAY ('06)
3/26/2021

EMMA (LINDSEY) THOMAS ('06)
1/7/2021

LENA WILLIS ('06)
5/11/2021

KIMBERLY HOBSON ('09)
6/2/2021

JEROME COOPER ('12)
10/25/2021

LEANNA SMITH ('12)
6/23/2021

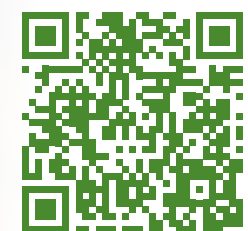
DAVID GREER ('14)
8/22/2021

CHAD KNECHT ('16)
3/19/2021

RYAN DUPREE ('21)
9/4/2021

DAVID REED THOMPSON ('22)
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- SUITE SURRENDER
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