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Alumni News

- **Gary Jackson, LLB '62**, received the 2015 Lindale ISD Distinguished Alumni Award. Jackson has served as city judge of Arlington, TX; a trial attorney for the U.S. Justice Department; and as an attorney in private practice in Dallas and Lindale. He also served his country in the U.S. Army Reserve, retiring after 30 years as a Colonel.
- **Diane Porter Patrick '66** has been honored for her years of public service in education by having the new Diane Patrick Elementary School in Arlington, TX, named in her honor. Patrick is leaving the Texas House of Representatives in January after eight years and previously served on the Arlington ISD Board of Trustees for 11 years (four of them as president) and Texas State Board of Education for four years.
- **Karen Crouch '82** was elected judge of Bexar County Court #10 and is now hearing primarily civil cases. She is completing her 22nd year as a judge, having served in Bexar County Court #8 and as a visiting judge.
- **Rogers Pope Jr. '89, JD '92**, was installed as 2015-16 Chairman of the Independent Bankers Association of Texas during the association's 41st annual convention in Galveston. Pope is vice chairman and CEO of Texas Bank and Trust Company in Longview, a \$2.2B community bank operating in 21 locations throughout northeast Texas.

- **Jennifer Packard Pratt '89** has joined Carolina One Real Estate Services in Charleston, SC, as a sales associate. Pratt, who received her degree in Fashion Design, also owns a jewelry-manufacturing business.
- **Amy Leigh Tarter '93** will open Yoga Pod, a spa-like studio concept founded in Colorado, later this year. A part-time lecturer at Baylor, Tarter's partner in the venture is long-time Waco businessman **Don Moes**.
- **Dr. Paul Sands, PhD '01**, has been named the new lead pastor at First Baptist Church of Midway in Waco. He will join First Woodway later this month from Spring Hill Baptist Church in Mobile, AL. Dr. Sands succeeds Dennis Michael "Mike" Toby, who passed away Dec, 30, 2012, of brain cancer.
- **T.J. Turner, JD '04**, has been reappointed to the Texas Real Estate Commission by Gov. Greg Abbott for a term set to expire Jan. 31, 2021. T.J. is a partner at Cain & Skarnulis PLLC in Austin.
- **Lauren Bagwell '15** [delivered a TEDxKids talk at SMU](#) in October called "Let's Flip the Golden Rule" about her struggles with binge eating disorder since seventh grade.
- **Isaiah Austin** has been named National Walk Ambassador for the Marfan Foundation in Houston. Austin was diagnosed with Marfan syndrome, a potentially fatal genetic disorder, days before he was projected to be a first-round NBA draft pick in 2014.
- **Senior Laura Lonardi** was the first female recipient of the Tom Cousins Award, which recognizes the male and female collegiate golfer who excels in academics. Lonardi was named the Big 12 Women's Golf Scholar Athlete of the Year, recorded three top-10 finishes during the 2014-15 season, and organized a youth caddie program in her hometown of Verona, Italy, to raise funds and awareness for Dravet syndrome, a rare form of epilepsy.
- Four Baylor interior design students won awards at the American Society of Interior Designers Texas Chapter Student Design Competition in October. The following students received awards: **Chelsea Millan, Kristina Scott, and Mary Catherine McKnight**, first place in the Collaborative Design category; **Natalia Vazquez**, first place in the Hand Rendering category and third place in the Hand Drawn Perspective category; and **Kristina Scott**, second place in the Multi-Family/Group Living category.
- Sophomore **Aleena Garcia** is one of the nation's few female high-school coaches, serving as an assistant at Waco's Live Oak Classical School. [Read the BaylorProud article here.](#)

University News

- Baylor received an A from the **American Council of Trustees and Alumni (ACTA)** in its new rating of whether schools require seven key subjects: Composition, Literature, Foreign Language, US Government or History, Economics, Mathematics, and Science. Baylor requires six of seven; Rice got an F (0 of 7), while SMU got a C (3 of 7).
- **Baylor Regent William "Bill" Simon** received national attention on Nov. 3 after crash-landing a plane on a highway in front of an Arkansas high school after the aircraft's oil system failed. Simon, who led Wal-Mart's U.S. operations from 2010 to 2014, was flying from nearby Bentonville to Waco,

where he was scheduled to teach a business class at Baylor that day.

- **Nathan Alleman**, an assistant professor of higher-education studies, was [featured in a Chronicle of Higher Education article](#) about research that a team that include Alleman and **Cara Cliburn Allen, MSED '15**, did asking full-time, non-tenure-track instructors about their experiences with workplace collegiality.
- A land-swap proposal that would give a cleared Floyd Casey Stadium site to the city and give Baylor University a site near McLane Stadium for a new sports-medicine “center of excellence” is on track for approval in early 2016, [according to an article in the Waco Trib.](#)
- ESPN College Game Day is in Waco this weekend, broadcasting live from McLane Stadium from 8-11 a.m. and then during a prime-time matchup against No. 12 Oklahoma.
- **Distinguished Professor of History Philip Jenkins** has written a new book, “The Many Faces of Christ,” which refutes many basic assumptions about the Lost Gospels. He argues that dozens of alternative gospels not only survived the canonization process but in many cases remained influential texts within the official Church.

In Memoriam

- **Dr. Stuart Chilton '50** of Stephenville, TX, passed away Oct. 18, 2015 at the age of 88. While at Baylor, Dr. Chilton served as president of the junior class and was a retired university professor and administrator. He served an important role in Tarleton State College (now Tarleton State University) becoming a state-supported, four-year college, and served over the years as Registrar and Dean of Students and Dean of Student Personnel Services. He left Tarleton in 1966 to become a professor in the department of educational administration for what is now Texas A&M - Commerce. He was predeceased by his wife of nearly 53 years, Ann Negy Chilton, who passed away in 2004. Survivors include his son, Dr. Brad Chilton and his wife Caryl; grandson Stuart III and his wife Lauren; and his sister and her family.
- **William Fred Schmidt Jr. '57, MA '63**, of Seven Lakes, NC, dies at home on Sept. 9, 2015, at the age of 80. His high-school teaching career spanned 40 years and four states – Kentucky, Ohio, Illinois, and the last 20 years in Moore County, NC. He specialized in Advanced Placement European History, world history, and world cultures. His wife, Jean, says Baylor history professor Dr. Ralph Lynn was an inspiration for Bill, who combined creative teaching techniques with a strong academic background and won many teaching awards; sponsored the Mariemont (Ohio) HS Environment Group and Key Club at Pinecrest (NC) High School; and coached many athletic teams, including the award-winning golf teams. Bill is survived by his wife Jean; two children (Sorien and Kirk); Sorien’s husband Kirk Brenneman; and two grandsons, Ethan and William Brenneman.
- **W. Clark Campbell '58** of Fort Worth, TX, passed away April 22, 2010, at the age of 73. He was a member of the Taurus Society at Baylor and retired from the First National Bank of Fort Worth in 1990. At the time of his death, he was the world’s longest-living survivor of pancreatic cancer and was survived by his wife, Lori, and one son, Christopher.

Martha Lynne Walker Wetzig '69 of Grapevine, TX, passed away Oct. 30, 2015, at the age of 68. Martha received the Ross Perot Education Award for Excellence from Baylor, taught in the Dallas area public schools for more than 20 years, and was named Teacher of the Year in the Midlothian School District. She is survived by her two children (Lindsey and Leah) and their families, including three grandchildren.

- **Charles Langlotz '70** of Waco passed away Nov. 2, 2015, at the age of 71. Charles worked as a school business administrator for 30 years, continuing to keep books and taxi around his grandkids following retirement. He is survived by his wife, Lisa; three daughters (Melinda, Lori, and Triniti) and a son (Alec) and their families; four grandchildren; and his mother and sister.
- **Retired Professor Elden Barrett** of Lorena passed away Oct. 24, 2015 at the age of 76. Dr. Barrett served as a faculty member in Baylor's School of Education for nearly 30 years, after serving as a principal at Lorena High School, Midway Elementary, Midway High School, and La Vega Elementary. [Baylor Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education \(and colleague\) Wesley Null wrote a lovely eulogy in the Waco Trib.](#) Survivors include his wife, Shirley; son Kevin Barrett and his wife Ly; daughter Krista Barrett, field education program manager in the Diana R. Garland School of Social Work; grandson David Barrett; and two siblings and their families.
- **Linda Stewart**, a longtime administrative professional within the School of Music, passed away on Nov. 8 at the age of 59. She is survived by her husband of 42 years, Steve; sons Chad, Matt, and Andy; two grandchildren; her mother, and six siblings.

BAA News

- [The survey window will close on Monday night](#) for your opportunity to provide feedback on the current issue of the Baylor Line and on our twice-monthly Between the Lines e-newsletter. If you haven't responded yet, please take a few minutes to do so now so we can identify ways to better serve you.
- BAA members can now get two nights free at the [Lake Austin Spa Resort](#) in Austin when they purchase the two-night "Ultimate Package" and provide their BAA membership number. Lake Austin Spa Resort was ranked as the top U.S. Destination Spa in the 2015 Travel + Leisure World's Best Awards and the No. 4 Destination Spa in the world in Conde Nast Traveler's 2014 Reader's Choice awards. [For more information, go here.](#)
- Please forward your Baylor Family news – milestones, accomplishments, weddings, births, or deaths – to BaylorLine@BaylorAlumniAssociation.com. Please also include a high-definition photo where possible. While we run these in both Between the Lines and the Baylor Line, the deadline for the next Baylor Line will be Nov. 28.
- If you're starting to think about your final 2015 donations for tax purposes, please consider a contribution to the BAA Legacy Scholarship Fund. We provided 55 Legacy Scholarships to the children and grandchildren of Baylor alumni for the current school year. [You can read more about our terrific Legacy Scholars here.](#) There's a link to a page within each post that will enable you to make a contribution.

We've seen a big jump in people following us on Facebook, but the frustrating thing about that platform is that updates only go to a small percentage of the people who "Like" you...unless you buy an ad. The BAA has posted 10 updates in November, and have "boosted" them so more of you will see them. If you haven't seen many of them even though you've Liked our page, then you can go to our page, click on the "LIKED" button and select "Get Notifications." That way, if we post something and it does not show up in your News Feed, you will receive a notification. [And if you haven't Liked our page yet](#), isn't this a perfect time to go do that?

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