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ROBERT KHAYAT NAMED OLE MISS CHANCELLOR

Robert C. Khayat, professor of law and executive director of the Sesquicentennial at The University of Mississippi, today was named the 25th chief executive officer of Ole Miss by the Mississippi Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning, Announced after a series of meetings last night and earlier today with faculty, staff, students, alumni and community members, the appointment is effective July 1.

As chancellor, Khayat, 57, will oversee the Oxford campus, Medical Center in Jackson and a degree-granting center in Tupelo. He replaces R. Gerald Turner, who became president of Southern Methodist University in Dallas June 1.

"Robert Khayat is the quintessential consensus builder and he truly cares about The University of Mississippi and its people. In various roles, he has already helped move this institution forward, and we're confident that he will continue to do so," said IHL board member and search committee chair Frank Crosthwait of Indianola.

"I appreciate the opportunity to serve this great University and am humbled by the outpouring of support that I've received. I will commit 100 percent of my energy and talent to making this University we know and love even greater," Khayat said.

A respected academician and administrator, Khayat is a former Ole Miss associate law school dean and vice chancellor, and served as the University's interim athletic director last fall.

While he was vice chancellor, the University completed its highly successful Campaign for Ole Miss, which raised \$40.7 million to create endowed faculty positions and student scholarships, and enhance facilities essential for teaching, research and service. He also was vice chancellor when Ole Miss undertook its Drive for Athletics, which netted \$10.2 million to bring the University's sports facilities up to SEC standards.

Many in the Ole Miss community attribute much of the success of both campaigns to Khayat, who helped take the fund drives into every corner of Mississippi and cities across the country where there were groups of Ole Miss supporters.

"Both fund drives brought out the best in people, and I enjoyed my involvement in them," Khayat said. "There was never a dull moment, and each week was a new adventure. But most importantly, the drives showed me just how much people care about the University and each other."

A native of Moss Point, Khayat received his bachelor's degree in education from Ole Miss in 1961 and graduated third in his Ole Miss law school class in 1966.

An Academic All-American and Academic All-SEC in 1959, he was an All-SEC baseball player at Ole Miss and a star kicker for the Rebel football teams that won the Sugar Bowl in 1957 and

1959. Khayat's kick-scoring led the nation in 1958 and 1959, and he was on the College All-Star football team. He later played for the Washington Redskins from 1960-1964 and was selected to play in the National Football League's Pro Bowl in 1961.



Robert C. Khayat was named the 25th Chancellor of The University of Mississippi.

Khayat joined the

Ole Miss faculty in 1969 as a law professor. He has six years of experience in private law practice in Oxford and Pascagoula, and has served as a municipal judge in both cities.

While on leave from Ole Miss during 1980-1981, he earned his master's degree in law from Yale University on a Sterling Fellowship. He returned as a law professor in 1981, advancing to the position of associate dean. He was tapped to serve as Ole Miss vice chancellor for University Affairs in 1984, then left in 1989 to become president of the NCAA Foundation. He returned as law professor in 1992 and also is now chairing the University's 150th anniversary celebration.

In 1993, the former Ole Miss athlete was inducted into the University's Athletic Hall of Fame, and Rebel football fans selected him as the kicker on Ole Miss' Team of the Century. The Law School Student Body chose Khayat as their 1993-1994 Outstanding Law Professor of the year, and the school's Mississippi Law Journal staff established a scholarship in his name earlier this year.

Khayat has served as Oxford-Lafayette County Chamber of Commerce president and was named Oxford's Citizen of the Year. He received the Distinguished American Award from the National Football Foundation in 1987 and 1989. He also was featured in the 1987-1988 and 1988-1989 NFL yearbooks for achieving success after football, and was cited as "one of the NFL's best examples of a successful scholar-athlete."

Khayat is married to the former Margaret Denton of Memphis. They have two children, Margaret D. Khayat Bratt, 28, who is pursuing a Ph.D. in renaissance studies at Yale University in New Haven, Conn.; and Robert C. Khayat Jr., 22, who received his bachelor's degree in English from Ole Miss this year.

OLE MISS HONORS U.S. SEN. THAD COCHRAN, CREATES MISSISSIPPI CONGRESSIONAL ARCHIVES

The University of Mississippi is establishing the Mississippi Congressional Archives on its Oxford campus to house the papers of U.S. Sen. Thad Cochran and those of other distinguished public servants from Mississippi.

"With its collections of government documents and papers unrivaled by any in the state, the Congressional Archives at Ole Miss will offer access to information about Mississippi statesmen that never before has been available," said then Chancellor R. Gerald Turner.

Held during March, a black-tie dinner in Washington, D.C., honored Cochran for his more than 22 years of service and raised \$700,000 toward a \$1 million goal needed for the Congressional Archives. A who's who of politicians and business professionals from Mississippi and Washington attended the gala. Senate Majority Leader Robert Dole (R-Kan.), Majority Whip Trent Lott (R-Miss.), Mtel Chairman and Chief Executive Officer John N. Palmer, LDDS Communications President and CEO Bernard J. Ebbers and Chancellor Turner served as hosts for the evening. Best-selling author John Grisham, and actress and former Miss America Mary Ann Mobley provided entertainment.

Palmer was chairman of the Dinner Committee, with Ebbers as the co-chairman. Dedicating their energies to the event as vice chairmen of the Dinner Committee were J. Kelly Allgood, president of Mississippi South Central Bell; Edward O. Fritts, president and CEO of the National Association of Broadcasters; and George W. Bryan, senior vice president of the Sara Lee Corporation.

"For some time the Ole Miss family has wanted to honor Sen. Cochran, who is one of our most distinguished graduates and Mississippi's senior senator," said Chancellor Turner, when welcoming guests to the gala. "Those of you here tonight — leaders from political, business, literary and entertainment arenas — reflect the respect and admiration held for Sen. Cochran."

Cochran, who earned his undergraduate and law degrees from Ole Miss, was elected to the U.S. Senate in 1978, following three terms in the U.S. House of Representatives. He is chair of the Senate Republican Conference, which makes him the third-highest ranking Republican leader in the Senate. He has served on a number of committees, including Appropriations, Agriculture, Rules, Governmental Affairs and Indian Affairs.

As people took the podium throughout the evening to pay tribute to Cochran, two words were used repeatedly: statesman and friend. Sen. Dole, who is campaigning for a term in the Oval Office, praised the idea of the Mississippi Congressional Archives after being greeted with a standing ovation, and called Cochran his best friend in the Senate. "Now and then someone comes into public life — some man or some woman, some Republican or some Democrat — and he has almost instant credibility. ... Thad is one of those. Whether it's agriculture, defense or whatever, he's deeply involved and represents his state."

Mississippi Gov. Kirk Fordice joked about Cochran's party



John N. Palmer, Senator Thad Cochran and Chancellor R. Gerald Turner

affiliation. "I've got to tell you that I knew Thad when he was a Democrat. Then he switched over and became a Republican, and that made two of us. Thad's something special. He really has the esteem of more people in this city (Washington) than anyone I know of. Thad honors Mississippi in everything he does."

Grisham almost brought the house down with some humorous comments, but on a serious note, he said, "I've watched Thad be the calm voice of reason in the U.S. Senate when others are extreme and seeking attention. I've watched Thadbecome literally adored by the folks back home. I think it's a great credit to him that the people in his home state hold him in such high esteem that nobody wants to run against him — because everybody likes, even loves, Thad Cochran."

Sen. Lott, who was introduced by Ebbers, talked of the friendship and working relationship he and Cochran share. "If it had not been for the attitude and position that Thad Cochran takes and the way he serves as chairman of the Republican Conference, I could not and would not have been elected Majority Whip last year after the election. You know there's a special relationship when two of the five elected leaders in one political body are from the same state."

As Cochran approached the podium he was greeted with an enthusiastic standing ovation and seemed almost overwhelmed at the outpouring of support from Washington and Mississippi friends, and from others across the country. He thanked Ole Miss' Robert Khayat and Gerald Turner for being the leading influence behind the dinner and



Sen. Thad Cochran Dinner...

Congressional Archives, and recognized his wife, Rose, and son, Clayton.

"Now at The University of Mississippi there will be a unique opportunity for researchers, scholars, students and others to learn about public service and government in an environment conducive to scholarly research," Cochran said of the Congressional Archives plan.

Mississippian Haley Barbour, chairman of the Republican National Committee, closed the evening with a toast to Cochran...

Plans for the Cochran dinner were spearheaded in Mississippi by cochairs Jack Reed of Tupelo and Billy Van Devender of Jackson. Serving on the Mississippi Committee were Don Waller, Howard L. McMillan Jr., Frank Day, Wirt A. Yerger Jr., John H. Geary, William F. Goodman Jr., James C., Hays, Preston Hays, Dudley Hughes, J. Kelly Allgood, Wiley Carter and Bernard J. Ebbers, all of Jackson; Aubrey B. Patterson and L.F. "Sandy" Sams of Tupelo; Leo W. Seal Jr. and Paul Franke Jr. of Gulfport; Johnny Crane of Fulton; Joe Frank Sanderson Jr. and Julius W. King of Laurel; George Bryan of Cordova, Tenn.; Jerry St. Pe' of Pascagoula; Warren Hood Jr. of Hattiesburg; Harry L. "Sandy" Williams, Jr. of Corinth; and Edwin A. Lupberger of New Orleans.

Fritts chaired the Washington Committee comprised of Haley Barbour, Richard M. Bates, Wayne Boutwell, Ken Crosby, Macon Edwards, John Ford, Lanny Griffith, R. L. "Mickey" McGuire, Manly Molpus, Charles Overby, Bill Simpson, Cindy Stevens and D. Scott Yohe.In addition, over 200 U.S. senators and representatives joined this effort as members of the Honorary Dinner Committee.

Along with Cochran's papers and selected ones of Sen. Lott, the Congressional Archives will house papers of U.S. Rep. Jamie Whitten, Sen. James Eastland, Sen. Pat Harrison, Rep. Tom Abernethy, Rep. John Rankin, Rep. Will Whittington and House Door Keeper William "Fish Bait" Miller.

The University has set a goal of raising \$1 million to renovate and furnish a campus building in close proximity

of the John Davis Williams Library to house the Archives chronicling more than 200 years of service by Mississippians to their districts, state and nation. Plaques in the building will recognize sponsors, patrons and benefactors of the Congressional Archives.

Donations to the Mississippi Congressional Archives can be made through the University of Mississippi Foundation, P.O. Box 249, University, MS 38677; Telephone (601) 232-5944.

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Kimberly Smith of Hattiesburg Selected as 13th Newman Scholar

The 1995 recipient of the largest undergraduate scholarship offered by any university in the state—the \$26,000 Newman Scholarship at The University of Mississippi—is Kimberly Rose Smith of Hattiesburg.

A Hattiesburg High School senior with a 99.5 grade-point average, Smith is the 13th Mississippi student for this honor, which entitles her to \$6,500 for each of four years of study in any of the more than 75 undergraduate programs offered at Ole Miss



Kimberly Smith (second from right) was named the 1995 Newman Scholar at The University of Mississippi during a luncheon at the University Club in Jackson. On hand for the announcement were (from left) the Hattiesburg High School student's parents, Dr. and Mrs. Larry Dearman Smith; and W. Richard Newman III of Jackson. As Newman Scholar, Smith will receive a \$26,000 scholarship to study at Ole Miss. The announcement was made by Chancellor R. Gerald Turner and Newman, who is the son of W.R. "Buck" Newman Jr., the Ole Miss alumnus in whose memory the scholarships were endowed by the W.R. Newman family and the Standard Life Insurance Company. The award is the largest undergraduate scholarship offered by any university in the state.

The daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Larry Dearman Smith of Hattiesburg, she holds the first-place ranking in Hattiesburg High School's (HHS) senior class, which numbers 288.

Announcement of this year's recipient was made by W. Richard Newman III of Jackson, son of W.R. "Buck" Newman family and the Standard Life Insurance Company. The endowment was a gift to the Campaign for Ole Miss.

Created in 1983, the Newman Scholarship is one of the most lucrative in the United States and was established to attract young men and women of outstanding academic standards and leadership ability to Ole Miss, rather than let them leave the state to pursue higher education. One scholar is selected each year by a University committee, solely on basis of merit.

Smith — who plans to major in math with a long-range plan of using applied math in medical research or pursuing a medical degree — scored a perfect 36 on the ACT and 1430 on the SAT, and is a National Merit Finalist. She is HHS's Star Student and first alternate in the state, who has served as president of the National Honor Society, Key Club and Advanced Science Club; and captain of the Speech and Debate, Math and Science, and Beta Club Quiz Bowl Teams.

The Newman Scholar has captured over 20 first-place awards in speech competitions, including being named a semifinalist in the Wake Forest University Invitational Speech Tournament. She has served as director of the Hub

City Classic, an invitational speech and debate tournament, as well as president and secretary of the National Forensic League. The senior was treasurer of the Student Body and has held memberships in the Beta Club, Mu Alpha Theta, Chi Alpha Mu Spanish Club and the Teenage Republicans.

Smith, who has participated in numerous leader-ship programs, has been recognized with an impressive list of academic honors, including being named HHS's Outstanding Undergraduate and presented the Mississippi

Governor's School Award of Excellence. She was the attorney for the HHS Mock Trial Team, which won the state title and will appear in national competition in May,"

Participating in the Mississippi College Math and Science Competition, the student earned a first-place award in math and was listed in the top 6 percent in chemistry. She has been listed in "Who's Who Among American High School Students" and served on the Superintendent's Committee/Student Council.

The scholarship winner's list of accomplishments outside HHS academics is equally outstanding. An accomplished pianist and dancer, Smith competed in the Forrest County Junior Miss pageant, where she was named first alternate, and presented awards for both her scholastic achievements and for talent presentation. The senior has appeared in Hattiesburg Civic Light Opera productions for five years and won a wealth of awards from the Mississippi Music Teachers' Association. She will play the lead role of Laurey in HHS' upcoming musical production of "Oklahoma."

Smith is a member of the adult handbell and sanctuary choirs at First Presbyterian Church in Hattiesburg, where she has served as a pianist for choir rehearsals and Wednesday night services. In the community, the HHS student has volunteered her time with the Pine Belt Boys and Girls Club, Bay Street Convalescent Home, and Helping Hands Mission and Christian Services Center.



A MESSAGE FROM: Don L. Frugé,

Vice Chancellor for University Affairs and Executive Vice President/CEO of The University of Mississippi Foundation

The ribbon-cutting ceremony for our new home, Memory House, on May 26 was the realization of a long-awaited dream for many of us at the University. I would especially like to thank again the Foundation Board of Directors and the Past Presidents for their support of this project and for their help in hosting the first reception held in Memory House honoring Gerald and Gail Turner.

Private support continues to grow. For the first six months of this fiscal year ending December 31, 1995, private gifts totaled \$11.1 million as compared to \$9.7 million for the same period the previous year. Similarly, the total University Endowment grew to \$71.9 million. Thank you very much!

Finally, it is a special pleasure for me to welcome colleague, former Board member, and friend Robert Khayat in his new capacity as Chancellor of the University. I am sure that most of you are already very familiar with Robert's contributions to Ole Miss. He has been a law professor, interim athletic director, vice chancellor of University Affairs and is currently serving as the executive director of the Sesquicentennial Celebration. He also served as president of the NCAA Foundation from 1989-1992. All of us associated with The University of Mississippi Foundation and the Office of Development look forward to working closely with Robert as he leads the University into the 21st century.

LARGEST BUSINESS SCHOLARSHIP IN STATE: Ole Miss Names Academic/Athletic Standout to \$24,000 Day Award

Brian Smith of Madison has been a light that shined bright in the classroom, on the football field and in his community.

As the latest recipient of the \$24,000 Christine and Clarence Day Business Scholarship, Smith will get to test his talents at The University of Mississippi starting this fall.

Established in memory of Christine Rogers Day and Clarence Cearns Day of Aberdeen, the Day Business Scholarship — which increased from \$20,000 to \$24,000 this year — is the largest scholarship at any Mississippi university designated solely for a business major. Smith, the fourth recipient of the scholarship, represents the high standards the scholarship has established, said Dr. W. Randy Boxx, dean of the Ole Miss School of Business Administration.

"The purpose of establishing the Christine and Clarence Day Business Scholarship Endowment was to retain future business leaders in Mississippi to pursue their education," Boxx said. "Mr. Smith is exactly the kind of student we want in our business program. He excels academically, yet is a very well-rounded individual with proven leadership abilities."

Former winners of the scholarship include Kendall Bowlin of Florence, Laura Koon of Brandon and Christopher Patrick Jones of Jackson.

Smith, the son of Rosemary Stovall of Madison and Paul Smith of Moorhead, scored 32 on the ACT test and a 1240 on the SAT test. His list of accomplishments in the classroom and in such sporting activities as football, basketball and track are impressive.

Elected Star Student for St. Joseph Catholic High School in Jackson, the Day Scholar held the highest average in biology, geometry, civics, chemistry, U.S. history, Algebra II, French II, trigonometry/precalculus and physics during his sophomore

and junior years. His many high school athletic honors included being voted Most Valuable Defensive Back for 1994-95, named USA Today Top Performer and Clarion-Ledger Student Athlete of the Week, and placing third in the 1994 state triple jump competition.

"One of the most significant experiences I have had up to this point in my life has been my participation in sports," Smith said. "Sports have shown me the rewards of hard work and have taught me how to win in whatever I do."

The Day Scholar's activities stretched beyond the classroom and took him into the community to work with the elderly and handicapped. During his senior year, he logged 80 service hours at the Magnolia Nursing Home, Willowwood Development Center (helping mentally and physically handicapped children under five), and Magnolia School for Hearing Impaired Children.

"More than anything, my community service work taught me to be thankful for the gifts I have and helped me keep things in perspective," Smith said. "I also learned a lot about patience, which is a characteristic I'm constantly working to improve."

The annual Day Business Scholar selection is based on criteria that includes academic records and leadership activities. Applicants eligible for the scholarship must be incoming freshmen and graduates of a Mississippi high school. Once at Ole Miss, the Day scholar must maintain a 3,5 grade-point average and a commitment to earn a degree from the business school.

The first in his family to attend Ole Miss, Smith also hopes to attend the University's School of Law. "But whatever career route I choose," he said, "I know a degree from the Ole Miss business school will be the best start I could hope for."

Sophisticated Plan Saves Many Types of Taxes

by Brad Walsh - Director of Planned and Deferred Giving

Even in times of economic growth, many stocks continue to pay low dividends. At some point, investors need to depend on their stocks for retirement or education expenses. Low dividends become unacceptable. The investor thinks about diversification, but diversification gives rise to capital gains taxes.

The investor needs a device that:

- Provides a stable source of cash flow;
- Increases cash flow;
- Avoids capital gains taxes to the maximum extent possible.

There is a planning method that meets all of these goals. Additionally, this method provides a donor with a current federal income tax deduction and allows assistance to Ole Miss. Congress often tries to influence behavior by changes in the Tax Code. Congress particularly encourages gifts to colleges and universities. This support serves as the basis for using devices which benefit colleges and universities in a complete estate plan. Called the "last remaining tax shelters," Charitable Remainder Trusts (CRTs) fit this bill and enjoy great popularity among sophisticated tax professionals.

A CRT allows a donor to retain an income interest in his or her property. The donor retains the interest for the donor and/or his or her spouse, or other loved ones. The interest can be for life or for a term of years. On the expiration of the retained interest, the property passes to Ole Miss. To compute the value of the interest that passes to Ole Miss, the IRS provides tables based on current census information. A current federal income tax deduction is available for the value of the gift to Ole Miss. Depending on the term of the retained interest or the age of the holder(s) of the retained interest, this deduction can be substantial.

The donor can choose between an Annuity Trust and a Unitrust. An Annuity Trust makes fixed payments to the holder of the retained interest regardless of the value of the assets in the Trust. A Unitrust pays a percentage of the value of remaining trust assets computed at the beginning of each trust year. The donor establishes the pay-out amount or percentage upon establishing the Trust.

Because they share in asset appreciation, Unitrusts provide a hedge against inflation for the donor. Annuity Trusts provide the safety of fixed payments, but do not

protect against inflation. Payments from each type of trust are at least partially tax free. The Donor, an independent Trustee, The University of Mississippi Foundation, or any combination of any of these can serve as Trustee and manage the assets of the Trust.

Because of the Charitable estate tax deduction, upon the death of the donor (or his or her designee), the value of the interest which will pass to Ole Miss is not subject to federal estate taxes. (Any other remaining interest passing to a spouse is not in the donor's estate either.) Federal and state estate tax rates can exceed 55%. Therefore, a Charitable Remainder Trust is a good device for estate tax savings as well.

Despite all the benefits CRTs provide, a donor may be hesitant to establish a CRT if the he or she wants to make post death provisions for family members. An option is the establishment of a second trust — The Wealth Replacement Trust (WRT). When used in conjunction with the CRT, a plan with a WRT provides for other loved ones as well as Ole Miss.

Often funded with "second to die" insurance, a WRT is an Insurance Trust designed to be exempt from the Donor's taxable estate. Second to die insurance is payable upon the death of the donor and his or her spouse or other insured. This Insurance is much cheaper than insurance on the life of one person. Additionally, such insurance may be available even if one of the people insured cannot get insurance alone.

The donor's taxable estate does not include property held in a properly planned WRT. Gift taxes on the transfer in trust to family members can also be avoided. The income tax deduction for the CRT offsets (sometimes completely) the cost of the insurance.

Good estate planning is essential to saving current income, gift and future estate taxes. Assisting members of the Ole Miss family in ways most beneficial to our donors is the goal of the Planned and Deferred Gifts program. If you would like further information on the aforementioned techniques, or other information on estate planning or tax-wise giving, please call Brad Walsh at (800) 340-9542.

PROJECT LEAP WINS TOP AWARD AT INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

The Mississippi Department of Human Services (MDHS) has captured the "Oscar" of distance-learning programs for the satellite-delivered adult literacy program Project LEAP (Learn, Earn and Prosper), headquartered at The University of Mississippi.

MDHS and University officials were on hand in Washington, D.C., to accept the "Best Program of the Year" award for Project Leap from the International Distance Learning Conference and the U.S. Distance Learning Association.



Project LEAP—which captured the "Best Program of the Year" award from the International Distance Learning conference and the U.S. Distance Learning Association—continues to receive support from business and industry. Kim White (center), spokesperson for Whirlpool, talks to project LEAP personnel about a \$38,333 grant the company has awarded the program for educational computer software. Project LEAP personnel include (from left) Pam Hakim, curriculum coordinator; Linda Bennett, project coordinator; Merre Dorman, evaluator; and Dewey Knight, site services coordinator.

"LEAP has shown the nation that technology can empower all of us. Mississippi is doing something that most people think is impossible," said Dr. Linda Roberts, director of the Office of Educational Technology in the U.S. Department of Education.

The prestigious award annually recognizes a program that uses a distance-learning format to instruct new skills, and provide information about health and society, as well as give students a feeling of their own self-worth through individual achievements.

In 1992, Mississippi became the first state in the nation to establish a statewide literacy and job skills training program using satellite communications and a new network, the Mississippi Cable Training Network. The mission of Project LEAP — which MDHS founded in cooperation with the Governor's Office of Literacy and Mississippi Cable Television Association in response to a federal mandate that states provide literacy training — is to reach individuals receiving public support under Aid to Families With Dependent Children legislation.

"This award reinforces what we at MDHS have believed all along: Project Leap is right on target as far as an innovative approach to solving one of the nation's most pressing needs," said Gregg Phillips, director of MDHS. "The use of satellite technology is allowing us to reach some of the most rural areas of the state and a group of students for whom traditional education methods seem to have failed. While receiving this award is exciting, it is even more gratifying to see LEAP students earn their GED's and either continue their educations at the college level or become members

of the work force."

Funded by MDHS' **Job Opportunities** and Basic Skills (JOBS) program, Project LEAP enables people with poor literacy skills to improve their education and employability by watching classes (20 hours per week) broadcast by satellite from the Ole Miss campus in Oxford, About 3,000 students now watch the broadcasts at 62 rural sites throughout the state. Telephones allow students to interact with their Ole Miss instructors. while on-site teachers assist individuals and groups in followup activities.

"Project LEAP provides an excellent opportunity for The University of Mississippi to extend its campus to fellow Mississippians who, for one reason or another, did not finish their high school degrees, putting them at a distinct disadvantage in finding employment," said then Chancellor R. Gerald Turner. "The IDLCON Award recognizes, as we did, that technology can be used as an affordable and effective tool in achieving functional literacy for adult learners. The University sees even beyond that, however. The impact on the state's economy can be tremendous, and even further, I think of the children of these students who will have a better life."

The award is not the first for the program. Project LEAP also drew praise from the Congressional Office of Technology Assessment in Washington, which cited the project in 1993 as a model for a literacy program using technology to reach adults. In addition to helping students prepare to earn their General Educational Development diplomas GEDs, Project LEAP provides students with "life skills" through instruction in good work habits, balancing a career with family, communications in the work place, parenting, and health and consumer issues.

"This program represents a partnership between education, private industry and government — the formula needed to combat such a serious problem as illiteracy," said Dr. Ed Meek, Ole Miss' public relations and resource development director, who oversees Project LEAP. "A number of groups across the nation are looking to this program for solution, and I see Project LEAP as the model that will indeed make the difference."

UNIVERSITY BIDS FAREWELL TO CHANCELLOR R. GERALD TURNER

When Dr. R. Gerald Turner became Chancellor of The University of Mississippi in 1984, he faced declining enrollment and diminishing state appropriations, and minimal federal and private support.

The second youngest chancellor in the University's history, Dr. Turner immediately began traveling the length and

breadth of the state, sharing the value of a strong university system with legislators, business executives, civic clubs, and Ole Miss alumni and friends. Eleven years later, the University community and State of Mississippi have said farewell to the energetic leader, who has become president of Southern Methodist University in Dallas,

The University of Mississippi Medical Center recently honored the Chancellor and his wife, Gail, with a dinner in Jackson. "We called this dinner honoring the Turners a 'Vision for Tomorrow' because the achievements of the Turner years have laid the foundation and prepared this University to meet the challenges of a new century," said Dr. A. Wallace Conerly, vice chancellor for health affairs and dean of the School of Medicine.

An ice cream social in the Grove on the Oxford cam-

pus followed, providing an informal setting for a large crowd of faculty, staff, students, alumni and Oxford-area residents to pay tribute to both Gail and Gerald Turner. Another reception was hosted at the Medical Center on May 18 for faculty, staff and students to say good-bye to the Turners, and a final dinner May 25 in Oxford was held in their honor by the University of Mississippi Foundation. The Chancellor was invited to address graduates in commencement services on both campuses.

When reflecting on the past 11 years, the Chancellor pointed to the Campaign for Ole Miss as the first highlight of his career at the University. The fund-raising drive amassed more than \$41 million and provided the University with the

state's largest endowment for student scholarships, academic programs and faculty positions.

"People said it couldn't be done, so celebrating that accomplishment was a high point," he said, referring to the fact that the original goal of \$25 million was not only met but far surpassed, "With this achievement, we were able to cre-

ate a can-do attitude, one that provided the foundation for other things to come."

Challenges, accomplishments and people make the move to SMU a difficult one, said Dr. Turner. "One of the first things that attracted me to this University 11 years ago was its legion of devoted students, faculty, alumni and friends. I could see then that Ole Miss inspired a rare spirit. After more than a decade as its helm, Gail and I, too, have a deep, abiding love for this great University. A day won't go by that we won't wonder what's going on here."

Five administrators on Dr. Turner's staff have become university presidents. Dr. J. Leslie Wyatt, vice chancellor for Executive Affairs, will take the helm of Arkansas State University in Jonesboro on July 1 as its 10th president, Others include Dr. Morris Marx, president of the

University of West Florida in Pensacola; Dr. Tom Meredith, president of Western Kentucky University in Bowling Green; Dr. Ray Hoops, president of the University of Southern Indiana in Evansville; and Dr. Rex Cottle, president of Lamar University in Beaumont, Texas.

Dr. Wyatt indicated that his association with Chancellor Turner was one of the main reasons Arkansas State University called on him.

"It has been a treat to work for a person with his degree of integrity, vision and outright optimism for our industry. Gerald Turner has let me do things I like to do and have the capability to do well. Many of us in higher education owe him a great deal."



Chancellor and Mrs. R. Gerald Turner, with their family, Michael Wilson, Angela Turner Wilson, and Jessica.

OLE MISS SINGLES OUT BILLY BARRIOS AS 1994-95 OUTSTANDING TEACHER



Dr. Billy Barrios, Teacher of the Year

Dr. Billy Barrios, a 14-year teaching veteran in the Department of Psychology, has been named The University of Mississippi's outstanding teacher for 1994-95.

As recipient of the Elsie M. Hood Outstanding Teacher Award, Barrios received \$4,000 and a plaque, presented by Chancellor R. Gerald Turner during Honors Day ceremonies. His name also will be included on a separate plaque, which hangs in the Chancellor's Office and lists the award's previous recipients.

Students, faculty and alumni submit nominations for the annual University-wide award, and a committee of former award recipients selects the winner. The prize was increased by \$2,000 in 1994, with The University of Mississippi Foundation and the Ole Miss Alumni Association each contributing \$1,000.

"This is a marvelous way to honor Billy and this department, and I am really very pleased and thrilled about the award. He has been doing wonderful things here for a long time, and it is good to finally see those contributions recognized in this way," said Dr. Scotty Hargrove, Chair of Psychology.

Barrios received his doctorate in clinical psychology from the University of Utah, a master's in clinical psychology from Mississippi State University and a bachelor's in psychology from Louisiana State University. His professional affiliations include the American Psychological Association, Mississippi Psychological Association, American Association for the Advancement of Science and the New York Academy of Sciences.

Trained and groomed as a researcher, Barrios said at first he reluctantly accepted the role as teacher. "I discovered I was ill-prepared as a teacher because I could not communicate with students. I did not know how to translate complex notions into concrete, intelligible ones. After four or five

years of this tension, I finally decided to commit myself wholeheartedly to teaching."

And this commitment has paid off for students. Chancellor Turner stated during the award presentation that Barrios has been nominated by students for this honor over the past 10 years. Such persistence is only one of the qualities the Ole Miss professor tries to impart to his students; others include openness, respect and compassion.

"Teaching is very humbling and clarifying," Barrios said.
"Humbling in that it makes very apparent the limits of one's knowledge, influence and means of communication. It is clarifying because it allows us to identify what our core values are and to pass them along to other human beings."

Winning the award was a big surprise to Barrios, and he said the most gratifying aspect of this honor has been the outpouring of good feelings expressed by others. "We do not see this sympathetic joy much in our professional world, and I have seen it almost everywhere as a result of this award. My deepest wish is that we would stop and pay tribute to teaching every day. Teaching seems to be short-changed, and we all know we would not be where we are if it weren't for teachers."

Barrios plans to continue teaching in his current manner with his unchanging goals — to refine and enrich the lives and minds of his students.

His teaching interests are focused on behavioral assessment, psychopathology, single-case methodology, and tests and measurement. His clinical interests include behavioral prevention of anxieties and fears, behavioral treatment of eating disorders, and coping skills training for anxiety management.

Former RIPS Director Honored For Donations to UM Pharmacy School

Dr. Coy W. Waller, former director of the Research Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences (RIPS) at The University of Mississippi, recently was honored with a luncheonfor his numerous contributions to the School of Pharmacy.

His monetary gifts to the pharmacy school, alone, exceed \$250,000.

After stepping down as RIPS director, Waller established a \$100,000 trust in 1989 in the name of his wife, Beverly, to benefit the Ole Miss pharmacy school. A member of the Galen Order, the school's prestigious academic support group, Waller also

donated numerous medicinal chemistry books and journals to the pharmacy library. They are valued at approximately \$150,000.

"Coy Waller has contributed to the growth and development of the Research Institute in many significant ways. As its first full-time director, he initiated programs that are now the nucleus of our research enterprise," said the School of Pharmacy's dean, Dr. Kenneth Roberts. "These contributions continue, as the Wallers have made our school a principal recipient of their benevolence."

While director, Waller and RIPS scientists concentrated on studying plants as a source for pharmaceuticals and other products when chemical synthesis was the preferred method of their peers. Because of their foresight and perseverance in natural products research, Ole Miss now boasts the National Center for the Development of Natural Products — the country's only research center dedicated solely to the discovery, development and marketing of plant-derived pharmaceuticals and agrochemicals.

"Coy's early interest, training and commitment to natural product research carried over into his development of programs within the Research Institute that focused upon natural products as a means of finding new pharmaceuticals," said Dr. James McChesney, director of RIPS and acting director of the new Natural Products Center. "The foundation laid by those research programs was critical to the School of Pharmacy's credibility, as it went to the United States Department of Agriculture with its proposal for the center."

McChesney credits two of the Institute's most advanced pharmaceutical products — a potential immunization against poison ivy and an anti-nausea drug for cancer



Presenting Dr. Coy Waller (second from left) and his wife, Beverly with a certificate of appreciation for the many gifts they have given to The University of Mississippi School of Pharmacy are Dr. Kenneth Roberts, the school's dean (second from right); Dr. Don Fruge', vice chancellor for university affairs (left); and Dr. Gerald Walton, interim vice chancellor for academic affairs.

patients — to early research conducted under Dr. Waller's direction.

In 1993, RIPS dedicated a newly completed laboratory complex on the southwestern corner of campus in Waller's honor. The Coy Waller Laboratory Complex is comprised of three office and research buildings, the famous marijuana gardens, the Maynard Quimby Medicinal Plant Garden, and two greenhouses.

Having graduated from the University of North Carolina with a bachelor's degree in pharmacy, Waller began a career in pharmacognosy that led

to numerous awards and more than 50 patents in 150 different countries. While director of Chemical Research at Lederle Laboratories in New York early in his career, he synthesized the vitamin Folic Acid with a method chemists still refer to as the "Waller Reaction." He and his Lederle colleagues then developed a number of Folic Acid antagonists, some of which are still in use in today. They also discovered the first tetracycline.

Waller received his master's degree in microanalytical chemistry from the University of Minnesota with its Outstanding Achievement Award in 1959 and the University of Buffalo with its Citation for Outstanding Achievement in 1960.

Waller left a position as vice president of Pharmaceutical Research and Development at Mead Johnson Chemical Co. In 1968 to become associate director of RIPS and professor of pharmacy at Ole Miss. In 1970, he became director, a post he held for nine years.

During his tenure, Waller helped publish a series of books annotating the world's medical literature on both marijuana and cocaine. He also reorganized the Institute, hiring several full-time scientists to work solely on pharmaceutical research and development. The internationally renowned marijuana research program was one of several initiated under his leadership.

"Dr. Coy Waller has a legacy as a scientist who has improved the lives of millions of people throughout the world. How fortunate the University has been to benefit from this great man's accomplishments," Roberts said.



Mississippi Law Journal Establishes Award Honoring UM's Robert Khayat

he Mississippi Law Journal staff has established a scholarship at The University of Mississippi School of Law to honor Robert C, Khayat — longtime professor and Ole Miss administrator,

Each spring, the Law Journal staff member who exemplifies attributes similar to the honoree will receive the Robert C. Khayat Scholarship

"The award will recognize the individual who has come closest to living up to the example set by the scholarship's namesake;" said Bill Walter of Dumas, editor-in-chief of the Law Journal. "That our staff should be integrated with so noble a set of ideals as Mr. Khayat represents kindles an enduring sense of pride and humility."

The publication currently presents two annual awards, Best Case Note and Best Comment Awards, but according to Walter, the Robert C. Khayat Scholarship "represents the highest award the Law Journal can bestow on one of its members."

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On receiving the honor, Khayat said, "I've been privileged to have the enriching experience of working with many law students over the years. For the Law Journal staff to establish this scholarship in my name is a very high compliment to my family and me."

A native of Moss Point, Khayat graduated from the Ole Miss law school, where he was a member of the Law Journal. He joined the law faculty in 1969 and, on a Sterling Fellowship, earned his master's degree in law from Yale University in 1981. He served several years as the law school associate dean and was chosen the Outstanding Law Professor in 1994.

Khayat is the executive director and co-chair of the steering committee for the University's Sesquicentennial Celebration, which was kicked off in February 1994 and will continue through 1998. During the fall 1994 semester, he also served as interim athletic director.

His professional affiliations include the Mississippi and American Bar associations, Mississippi Bar Foundation, and American Trial Lawyers Association, as well as Omicron Delta Kappa and Phi Delta Phi honoraries. He is



Robert Khayat (left) talks with Bill Walter of Dumas, editor-in-chief of the Mississippi Law Journal, and Amanda Jones of Smithdale, associate editor for Mississippi cases, about the scholarship the publication's staff have established in his honor at The University of Mississippi School of Law.

also a sustaining member of the Ole Miss Alumni Association's Lamar Order

Founded in 1929, the Law Journal consists of articles by practitioners, judges and professors, as well as student-authored comments and case notes. Each piece published in the virtually student-run publication is selected on the basis of excellence and topical interest to members of the Mississippi Bar Association.

Students at the Ole Miss School of Law compete for membership on the Law Journal staff, and candidates must be second-year students with a minimum grade-point average of 2.8.

The competition — considered one of the most rigorous exercises in the law school experience — is designed with two phases, and usually less than 15 percent of each class are selected for the staff.

Contributions to the Robert C. Khayat Endowment can be made to The University of Mississippi Foundation through the Law Alumni Chapter, P.O. Box 8288, University, MS 38677.

FOUR MISSISSIPPI HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS AWARDED \$22,000 CARRIER SCHOLARSHIPS

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

The 1995 scholars, who each receive \$22,000 for four years of undergraduate study at Ole Miss, are Jennifer Gale Fillingim of Jackson; Ivy Jean Huggins of Southaven; Stephen E. Gent of Gulfport; and Tim Sumrall of Vicksburg.

Mississippi philanthropist Robert M. Carrier endowed the scholarships in 1995 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, so they must be nominated by a principal, teacher or counselor.

Fillingim, the daughter of Frank and Fern Fillingim of Jackson, is a senior at Jackson Academy, where she ranks first in her graduating class. She is a National Merit Finalist, Coca-Cola Scholar and President's Scholar Semifinalist. She has been chosen for the Sewanee Award for Excellence and the National Forensics League Emerald Degree of Honor

The Carrier Scholar is vice president of the senior class, president of Mu Alpha Theta, vice president of National Honor Society and captain of the College Bowl Team. A member of the Accent Drill Team since 1993, Fillingim was nominated for the National Cheerleaders Association's All-Star Award for three consecutive years.

Huggins, the daughter of Arthur and Martha Huggins of Southaven, is a senior at Southaven High School, where she was voted "Most Likely to Succeed." She is the 1995 STAR Student at SHS and has been named to the Hall of Fame. The class valedictorian was chosen for the Memphis

Partners' "Leaders of Tomorrow" and Rotary Student of the Month awards.

The Carrier Scholar serves as the president of the Student Body, National Honor Society, Mu Alpha Theta and

Knowledge Bowl
Team, She also serves
as photographic editor of her high school
newspaper, and won
first- and third-place
honors in Mississippi
Scholastic Press
Association photo
contests. A member
of the tennis team,
she earned the team's
Most Valuable Player
in 1994.

Gent, the son of Edward and Joy Gent of Gulfport, is the STAR Student and valedictorian of his class at St. John High School. He is a National Merit Finalist and recipient of the Bausch & Lomb Science Award, and has made the



1995 Robert M. Carrier Scholars at The University of Mississippi are (from left) stephen E. Gent of Gulfport, Jennifer Gale Fillingim of Jackson, Ivy Jean Huggins of Southaven adn Tim Sumrall of Vicksburg. The scholars will each receive \$22,000 for four years of undergraduate study at Ole Miss.

Superintendent's Honor Roll for four consecutive years.

The Carrier Scholar is editor in chief of the school annual, vice president of the National Honor Society and president of the Spanish Club. Gent also serves as captain of the school's Quiz Bowl Team and led the team in scoring the past three years. Since 1992, he has been a member of the Planning Committee and facilitator of the Kiwanis Leadership Conference.

Sumrall, the son of Tim and Marianne Sumrall of Vicksburg, is a senior at Warren Central High School, where he was voted "Most Likely to Succeed." He is the school's 1995 STAR Student and class valedictorian. The National Merit Finalist earned Student of the Month awards from the Elks and Exchange clubs during his senior year.

The Carrier Scholar is president of the Junior Historical Society, Chess Club and French Club. In addition, he serves as treasurer for Mu Alpha Theta and secretary of the senior class. A volunteer youth soccer coach, Sumrall played on the 1995 state championship football team, lettered four years on the soccer team, and was named to All-County football squads during his junior and senior years.

OLE MISS ANNOUNCES FIRST RECIPIENTS OF FRIST STUDENT SERVICE AWARDS



Mark Kidd, Assistant Dean of Students



Pam Lawhead, Assistant Professor of Computer Science



Sparky Reardon, Associate Dean of Students

The first recipients of The University of Mississippi's new Frist Student Service Awards were named in recent commencement exercises on the Oxford campus.

The honorees are Dr. Pamela B. Lawhead, assistant professor of computer science; Thomas J. "Sparky" Reardon, associate dean of students; and Mark A. Kidd, assistant dean of students.

The awards were established with a \$50,000 gift from Dr. Thomas F. Frist Sr. of Nashville to annually recognize one faculty member and one staff member for outstanding service to students.

Lawhead, the faculty honoree, received a plaque and a \$1,000 check. Reardon and Kidd, who tied for the staff honor, each received a plaque and a \$500 check.

Recipients of the awards were chosen from nominations sent to a selection committee comprised of faculty, staff and students. As a computer science professor, Lawhead teaches a course in software engineering and several computer programming courses. She also supervises the computer science students' senior project, the latest of which resulted in their designing a hospital information system for The University of Mississippi Medical Center in Jackson.

Concerned about improving race relations on campus, Lawhead started a weekly race relations group at her home, enabling students to discuss their concerns and feelings. She also reached out to African-American students by starting and sponsoring a student chapter of the Society of Black Engineers, the first organization for African-American engineering majors at Ole Miss. In March, she took members to the society's annual national convention.

"She doesn't see any color, race, religion or gender when dealing with students," wrote one nominator. "If a student is in trouble and needs guidance, Pam is there."

For students who have gotten into academic or legal trouble, Lawhead works out "contracts," whereby she agrees to help them if they promise to study, stop partying and commit themselves to doing their best. She also looks for financial aid and part-time jobs, and co-signs loans to help them stay in school. If necessary, she even provides loans herself.

"Dr. Lawhead goes beyond the classroom to help students," said then Ole Miss Chancellor R. Gerald Turner, "She is close to them, so she knows when students need nurturing or tough handling, and she's able to deliver both."

As associate dean of students, Reardon works with mem-

bers of the Associated Student Body government, in addition to his administrative duties. The numerous letters nominating him for the Frist Award repeatedly applauded his willingness to listen to students' problems and his ability to help solve them. He also received numerous high marks for "concern," "fairness," "friendship," "care" and "devotion" he extends to students.

Students nominating Reardon for the award included several whom he had counseled through the divorce or death of their parents. "He is able to 'connect' with students," one nominator wrote. "He becomes a confidant, adviser, father figure and best friend. Sparky often becomes a disciplinarian, and this, too, he does well."

As assistant dean of students, Kidd oversees judicial affairs and works with many student organizations, such as the University's gospel choir, which he has helped keep going for years. Among those nominating Kidd was a floundering student whom he taught to make decisions aimed at happiness and others for whom he is an inspiration.

Kidd "has been influential in the progress of many students," wrote one nominator. "He has been responsible for my personal success. Through honesty and direct advice, he has opened many doors of opportunity for me and many other students."

"Both these men care deeply about the emotional, spiritual, social and academic development of our students," said then Chancellor Turner. "Because of that genuine concern, they provide whatever a student needs at the time.

"They are also men of honor, courage and compassion. We are very fortunate to have such individuals serving as role models for our students."

Frist received his bachelor's degree in pre-medicine from Ole Miss in 1931. He helped found the Hospital Corporation of America, the largest hospital management organization in the world, and served as its first president until 1970, when he became its chief medical officer.

He created the student service awards to pay tribute to his college experience at Ole Miss.

"One of the things I remember most about my student days was the helpfulness and kindness of its faculty and staff, and quality service has been the guiding force in all my business endeavors," he said. "That's why I'm pleased to recognize and reward those who go the extra mile to be of service to the students of my alma mater."

MEMORY HOUSE RIBBON-CUTTING CEREMONY

Friday, May 26, 1995

fter the Civil War the Afirst community Christmas party was held on the lawn of what was to become known as Memory House to celebrate the end of the war and to provide a sense of Christmas for the children, many of whom had lost their loved ones. It was a time to remember the past and look forward to the future. On Friday, May 26, a similar celebration was held once again on the grounds of Memory House as current University of Mississippi Foundation Board members and past presidents, Mississippi Foundation. alumni, and friends gathered for a ribbon-cutting

Don L. Frugé, Chancellor R. Gerald Turner, Louis Brandt, and George P. Hewes III cut the ceremonial ribbon for Memory House—new home of The University of Mississippi Foundation.

ceremony that marked the end of a year-long restoration and renovation and the initiation of a new era for Memory House, originally built in 1837, as home of the Foundation.

Although owned by a number of individuals throughout the years, Memory House is most remembered as the home of John Falkner, brother of Nobel Prize laureate William Faulkner and a noted author and painter in his own right. The structure, situated on three acres, is bounded on the



Executive Director of Development Steve Owens receives recognition plaque from Don L. Frugé.

south by Faulkner's home Rowan Oak. The strategic juxtaposing of Memory House makes it a valuable addition to the cultural and educational resources of the University. "The location of this property along the east entrance of the campus on University Avenue is critical to the University's future development of the Cultural Center concept since Memory House and the Stark Young House are both adja-

cent to the University Museums, the centerpiece of the planned cultural center," said former Chancellor R. Gerald Turner.

Negotiations for the purchase of Memory House and the surrounding grounds were deliberated by University officials for over a decade, with the final purchase contract being arbitrated by Don L. Fruge', Vice Chancellor for University Affairs. The purchase was made possible through the vision and support of past Foundation President Louis K.

Brandt, whose generous donation provided the necessary resources to purchase the home. Both Fruge' and Brandt along with Henry Brevard, Steve Owens, Ron Guest, and Jim Paterson dedicated countless hours serving on the Foundation subcommittee which oversaw the complete renovation project.

The subcommittee selected McCarty Architects, P.A., of Tupelo, Mississippi, to head the extensive renovation pro-



Former Foundation President Louis Brandt, holds original nail from Memory House.

ject which began in April of 1994. "Our goal was to preserve the Victorian charm of Memory House while providing new and functional work areas for the Office of University Development and Foundation staff members," said L. P. "Buddy" McCarty. M. C. "Chooky" Falkner, son of John and Dolly Falkner, is very pleased with the finished product. "I am excited to have Memory House restored as I remember

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Ole Miss Business School Names Hearin-Hess Scholars

Eleven high school seniors from five Southern and Midwestern states have been selected as the recipients of the seventh annual Hearin-Hess Scholarships awarded for the School of Business Administration at The University of Mississippi.

Recipients of the scholarships — created by Robert Hearin of Jackson and Leon Hess of New York City — will each 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. For some of those receiving the scholarships, it will mean the chance to pursue a field of study that will allow them to make significant contributions.

"My long-term goal is to remain in Mississippi and play a major role in improving the state's economy. This goal can best be obtained by pursuing a degree in business," said Brooks Burnette of Hernando, one of seven Mississippians receiving the scholarship. "A business degree from Ole Miss would meet both my professional and personal goals." For other scholarship recipients, the awards represent continuation of an Ole Miss legacy within their family.

"My father and grandfather were able to successfully combine a business school degree with a degree from The University of Mississippi School of Law," said Carthage native James Edwin Smith. "With the help of a Hearin-Hess Scholarship, I hope to enjoy the same degree of success they have achieved."

Ole Miss has granted 12 degrees to his family members, Smith said, adding, "I would like to continue the relationship between the University and my family."

To choose this year's 11 outstanding seniors to become Hearin-Hess Scholars, a committee had to work through

more than 50 applicants. Winners are awarded scholarships on academic achievement, community involvement and leadership. "This group of scholars is comprised of well-rounded students. All rank academically in the top 5 percent of their senior classes, while being involved in a tremendous amount of extracurricular activities," said Dr. W. Randy Boxx, dean of the Ole Miss business school. "Despite their diversity, each of these students has one common characteristic: an excitement about pursuing a business degree and a belief that Ole Miss can offer them the training they will need to excel in the global business environment."

This year's Hearin-Hess Scholars are: Brooks Burnette of Magnolia Heights School in Senatobia; Richard Call of Brother Martin High School in New Orleans; Jennifer Graham of Vicksburg Catholic High School; Dacia Greenstreet of Ada (Okla.) Senior-High School; Joshua McCrory of McLaurin Attendance Center in Brandon; Bradley Raines of Ingomar Attendance Center in Union County; Shea Scott of West Union Attendance Center in Myrtle; William Seibels of Trinity High School in Montgomery, Ala.; James Edwin Smith of Carthage High School; Zebulon Winstead of Jackson Preparatory School; and David Wright of Dexter (Mo.) High School.

Boxx said he continues to be impressed with the high caliber of students who apply each year for the scholarships. "The effort and dedication these students have exhibited not only to their schools but also to their communities is commendable and should only help them during their years at Ole Miss," Boxx said. "The Hearin-Hess Scholarships continue to reflect our commitment to business education by offering nationally competitive scholarships to some of the most outstanding young people in the country."

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it. I think this is wonderful, and I am delighted that generations to come will have the opportunity to share in the heritage of Memory House and its historic role in our community."

True to its legacy, Memory House will continue to serve as a place where people come together and celebrate. Among its many planned uses is that of a reception site to honor visiting scholars, business leaders, alumni and other University

guests. The residence's new board room and refurbished parlor will also serve as hospitable meeting areas for faculty seminars and other academically focused functions. "It was



a reception site to honor visiting architect Buddy McCarty, receives recognition plaque from Don L. Frugé.

our desire to preserve this significant historic home, and we are truly proud that Memory House will once again serve as a gracious host for University-related events," said Fruge'.

As Chooky Falkner says in his history of Memory House, THE HOUSE: "The house at 406 University Avenue, Oxford, Mississippi, is again the queen of the area, decked out in all her regal splendor...Once again she stands supreme in all her

glory...The House, with its memories, again regains its due position. Now new chapters can be added to the continuing story of Memory House."

Development Office Welcomes New Staff Members

DAVID KROUSE, director of the Ole Miss Associates Program. A graduate of Ole Miss, Krause earned his Bachelor of Business Administration degree in 1987. His

current responsibilities include the planning and marketing of the Ole Miss Associates Program.



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BRAD WALSH, director of planned and deferred giving. He earned both Bachelor of Accountancy, 1986 and J.D. 1991 degrees from The University of Mississippi, and a master's degree in taxation from New York University in 1992. He is responsible for assisting individual University donors with gifts through their estates and trusts as well as establishing other tax advantage gift programs. In addition to being an attorney, Walsh is also a certified public accountant.

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