

Students Receive Alumni Scholarship

After reviewing the applications of many eligible and worthy candidates, the alumni scholarship committee chose one graduate and one undergraduate student for the summer 2007 awards.

The recipients for the Summer 2007 Alumni Scholarships are:

Susan Hernandez, a graduate student studying Mental Health Counseling and

and **Daniel Colvin**, who is a sophomore majoring in Management.

Congratulations to these deserving students!

We encourage all students to apply for the upcoming Fall 2007—Spring 2008 scholarships. Applications can be found online at www.csw.edu under Alumni, or in the financial aid office on campus.

I really am grateful and hope that you know

How happy I am

to be telling you so!

Even though I was not awarded the scholarship, I think you offer the opportunity to apply.

I'm sure the recipient awarded will represent you well.



Dear CSW Alumni Association,

I am very grateful for being selected for your summer 2007 scholarship. This award will help ease my financial burden. Without this scholarship I would not have been able to attend the summer courses I have been looking forward to. I hope I can return the same type of scholarship to another needy student in the future in the name of the CSW Alumni Association. This award also gives me great pride in knowing that I am doing what is right. I am honored to be recognized by such a prestigious organization and will make all of those associated with the CSW Alumni Association proud to have chosen me as the recipient of this award. I look forward to meeting, working and in the future joining your organization.

Thank You,

Daniel K. Colvin

Alumni Association,

I would like to express my appreciation for the scholarship I will receive. It has made it possible for me to continue classes in the summer. Thank you so much it was greatly needed.

That's you!

Thanks!

Susan Hernandez

2007 Mission Trip

Many people think that you have to go to another country to take part in missionary work, but the fact is that there are mission opportunities right here in the United States. Our students learned firsthand in May when CSW Campus Minister, Kevin Richardson, took a group of students to work at Sun Valley Indian School in Sun Valley, Arizona.

Sun Valley Indian School (SVIS) is a residential elementary school that provides education to the Navajo reservation in northeastern Arizona. The students of SVIS are charged a modest tuition, although most, if not all, of that tuition is provided by private donors. Many of these children

come from families that live in abject poverty, many without running water.

SVIS is more than a school; it is a sanctuary which provides comfortable housing, healthy meals, and hope.

The team from CSW supplied much-needed manual labor, completing several landscaping projects and replacing the sub-floor of a classroom that had been damaged by flooding. The team also helped out in the kitchen; preparing, serving, and cleaning up after meals. But, the most meaningful moments were those spent with the children.

Our team assisted the teachers in the classroom and also provided group games and activities for all

of the kids.

It was a life-changing week for the students at SVIS and for our students as well.



CSW students serve lunch to children at SVIS



Students help replace flooring in classrooms



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Mission of *The Mustang*

The mission of *The Mustang* is to share with the alumni and friends of CSW news and happenings regarding the College and each other.



Alumni Profiles: Christopher Joyner, Criminal Justice 2005

Christopher Joyner is a 2005 Criminal Justice graduate, who completed his degree while on assignment in Baghdad, Iraq.

On May 2, 2006, Chris was assigned to the US Department of State's Tactical Support Team and early that morning, Chris' team was struck by a roadside bomb. As the Tactical Commander, Chris was seated in the front seat beside the driver and as the bomb entered the driver's window, it severed the driver's arm and came across the vehicle striking him with molten copper and lead. His injuries were extensive, including numerous shrapnel wounds to his face, a dislocated jaw, broken cheek bones, broken right hand, elbow and right finger, and

2nd and 3rd degree burns over his entire body. He also suffered the loss of his right eye.

Although dazed, Chris remained conscience and aware of his situation and assisted his driver by tying off his arm to help slow the massive amount of bleeding. He, in fact, saved his driver's life.

Chris returned to the US about a week after the bombing and has since had 17 surgeries. He now has a prosthetic eye, burn scars and much deeper wounds that surgery can't repair.

Chris is currently scheduled to graduate with his MBA in the upcoming year and is applying to Regents University law school in Virginia Beach, VA.



2005 Criminal Justice graduate, Chris Joyner, and his wife.

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CSW Alum Selected to Participate in Japan Fulbright Memorial Fund Teacher Program

College of the Southwest alumni Kristopher Otto was recently selected as a participant in the Japan Fulbright Memorial Fund (JFMF) Teacher Program to Japan for October 2007.

Otto, who earned a bachelor's degree in English from CSW in May 2002, currently resides in Raton, New Mexico and teaches English, film, and newspaper at Springer High School as well as various classes at Luna Community College.

The Japan-U.S. Educational Commission, a bilingual commission of 10 members, administers the JFMF Teacher Program, which is fully funded by the Government of Japan. The mission of the Fund is to honor the memory and ideals of the late Senator J. William Fulbright by expressing a continuing commitment to friendship and understanding as well as Japan's appreciation for the bene-

fits which it has received from the Fulbright Program.

The JFMF Teacher Program is intended to provide participants with a professional development opportunity to raise their awareness of and interest in Japan and to directly or indirectly apply this cross-cultural experience back in their home schools and communities.

The JFMF Teacher Program involves the cooperation of many organizations: the Government of Japan represented by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Education, the Institute of International Education which conducts the recruiting and preliminary selection in the United States, and, in Japan, cities and prefectures, and many Japanese teachers and administrators at the local level.

CSW Alums Honored

This past school year, many of our alumni received honors in our local public school districts for their outstanding achievements.

Sanger second-grade teacher **Jodie Day** (class of '95) was presented with the Golden Apple award at a statewide luncheon in April, 2007.

Patti Ann Ancell ('82), **Yarsci Hooper** ('75) and **Elena Morales** ('82) were recognized for 25 years of service to the Lovington Municipal School district in May.

Four of our alumni were honored by the Veteto Foundation for excellence in the classroom. The Teaching Awards went to: **Lisa Enriquez** ('01), Edison first-grade teacher; **Ruby Wooten** ('99), a third-grade teacher at Edison; **Colleen Smart** ('81), a fifth-grade instructor at College Lane; and **Jon Gilcrease** ('02), a Hobbs High School math teacher.

We are proud to say these exceptional educators are part of the College of the Southwest family and wish them continued success in their careers



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N. Wayne Hale, Jr., manager of the Space Shuttle Program at NASA and Hobbs High School graduate addresses the College's May 2007 graduates.

"I would rather be ashes than dust; I would rather that my star should burn out in a brilliant blaze ... I shall not waste my days in trying to prolong them. I shall use my time."

— N. Wayne Hale, Jr. quoting Jack London

College of the Southwest held its 2007 Commencement on Saturday, May 5 at 10 a.m. The ceremony took place at Tydings Auditorium on the Hobbs High School campus.

N. Wayne Hale, Jr., a graduate of Hobbs High School, and manager of the

NASA Insider and Hobbs High School Graduate 2007 Commencement Speaker for College of the Southwest

Space Shuttle Program at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) at the Lyndon B. Johnson Space Center in Houston, Texas, delivered the commencement address.

Dr. Gary A. Dill, CSW President, said that it was a special privilege to welcome Hale back to Hobbs. "Possessing a passion for scientific excellence that was encouraged and nurtured at Hobbs High School, Wayne Hale has become a remarkable leader in the aerospace industry. He has earned a solid reputation as a leader who makes all who work with him aspire for consistent excellence," said Dill.

Hale has served as manager of the Space Shuttle Program since September 2005. In this capacity, he is responsible for overall management, integration, and operation of the program. He also served as deputy manager from July 2003.

His primary responsibilities include establishing and implementing program policy; directing and controlling scheduling, planning and execution of the Space Shuttle Program design, development, test, production, and operations; ensuring the integration of all elements of the program into a single operational system; ensuring effective cost control of the total program; and establishing and controlling Space Shuttle requirements and configuration.

Hale began his career with NASA in 1978 as a propulsion officer in the Propul-

sion Systems Section, Flight Control Division of Flight Operations at the Johnson Space Center.

From May to November 1985, Hale was head of the Integrated Communications Section, Systems Division, Mission Operations, and head of the Propulsion Systems Section, Systems Division, Mission Operations, from November 1985 to March 1988. Between March 1988 and January 2003, Hale served as a flight director in Mission Control for 41 Space Shuttle missions. He also served as deputy chief of the Flight Director Office for Shuttle Operations from 2001 to January 2003.

Hale then relocated to Kennedy Space Center to become the launch integration manager of the Space Shuttle Program effective February 1, 2003.

Among the honors and awards he has received are the NASA Space Flight Awareness Leadership Award in January 2002, the NASA Outstanding Leadership Medal in August 1999, the NASA Exceptional Service Medal in April 1992, and numerous NASA Group Achievement Awards.

Born in Clovis, N.M., July 5, 1954, Hale earned a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering from Rice University in 1976, and a Master of Science in Mechanical Engineering from Purdue University in 1978. His parents, Norman and Dorothea Hale, reside in Hobbs.

students Award; Neil Davis Hayes, graduating magna cum laude with a Bachelor of Science degree in Biological Science received the Trustee Award; Monja Jovic, graduating summa cum laude with a Bachelor of Science degree in Computer Science/Math, received the Academic Excellence Award; and Daniel Dobson, graduating with a Masters of Science degree in Curriculum and

Instruction, the Deans Award.

Theater professor Glynese Floyd, retiring after 28 years at CSW, was awarded the status of professor emeritus; and keynote speaker, N. Wayne Hale, Jr., the manager of the Space Shuttle program at NASA and a Hobbs High School graduate, received an honorary doctorate.

On behalf of all faculty and staff at CSW, we would like to congratulate our May 2007 graduates.



College of the Southwest May 2007 Graduates

College of the Southwest Recognizes Outstanding Student Achievement

The achievements of outstanding students at College of the Southwest were recognized at the College's 2006-2007 Honors Convocation held in April in the Scarborough Memorial Library on the CSW campus.

Recognized for their accomplishments in the Education Division were: Joshua Hardie, Secondary Education; Treva Gosch, Elementary Education; Dominga Barrientos, Bilingual Education; Kimberly Fisher, Physical Education; Carol Simpson, Special Education; Jenny Woodell, Early Childhood Education; Jeanette Walker, Educational Administration; Dan Dodson, Curriculum & Instruction; Shalea Addison, Educational Diagnostics; and Julie Patterson, Educational Counseling.

In the Arts & Sciences Division, the following students were recognized: Stephanie Perry, Psychology; Mason Alexander, History; Ellen Herrmann, English; Amanda Weir, Mathematics; Neil Hayes, Biology; Lori Tovar, Criminal Justice; and Tim Bagley, Theatre.

Recognized for their accomplishments in the Business Division were: Alan Tuttle, Management; Leah Kaszycki, Marketing; and Kayleen Stingley, Accounting.

Students were also recognized for their outstanding work in campus organizations. The following students were recognized for their achievements: Ellen Herrmann and Bryan Baldwin, Curtain Call Players; Cristy Wiebe, Residential Life Staff; Laura Pena, Student Government Leader; Mason Alexander, Campus Ministry Student Leader; Tyler Martin, Fellowship of Christian Athletes; Diego Espinoza, Students in Free Enterprise; and Dusty Marshall, Debate.

During the Honors Convocation, students who were recently inducted into several national organizations were introduced as new members of those organizations.

Abhinav Dronamraju, Sreyesh Dronamraju, Ellen Herrmann, Angie Maturan, and Chelsey Sisson were inducted into Alpha Psi Omega, the National Dramatic Honor Fraternity.

The following students were introduced as members of Sigma Tau Delta, the International English Honor Society: RitaKay Baade; Cassie Hughes; Stephanie S. Jarrel; Eli Nymeyer; Kimberly D. Smith; Amanda Wier; and Tabitha Wright.

Recognized as members of Alpha Chi, a national honor soci-

ety for undergraduate juniors and seniors were: Amanda Beagles; Joshua Hardie; Monja Jovic; Leah Kaszycki; Eli Nymeyer; Amber Sosa; Kayleen Stingley; and Amanda Wier.

The following students were named to Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges: Heather Alexander; Cigi Allen; Melina Barrientos; Amanda Beagles; Sharilyn N. Brixner; Sreyesh Dronamraju; Neil Hayes; Monja Jovic; Tawanna Pierce; Shondra Michelle Quarles; Francisca Isabel Sanchez; Susan Renee Schroeder; Nicole Dawn Smith; and Kayleen Stingley.

After the students were acknowledged for their achievements, a tour of the new Student Life Center was conducted. We are nearing completion of the 35,000 square foot facility that will be available for our students to use beginning in the fall. This facility will include a full-size gymnasium with bleacher seating for over one thousand, men's and women's athletic locker rooms, a well-equipped weights and cardio training room, a fully equipped physical therapy resource, classrooms, and a prayer chapel where weekly campus-wide worship services will be held.



Students receive awards at the 2007 Honors Convocation.



Touring the new Student Life Center.



A complimentary BBQ Dinner for students, faculty and staff was served following the tour.

Class Notes

NEW LIFE
Candace Castillo '05 – Son, Anthony Castillo born 9/11/06

Katrina Fuller '06 – Daughter, Aurora Fuller born 3/19/07

LIFE TOGETHER:
Weston & Amanda (Barnett) Green '05 – Married June 16, 2007— Congratulations!

Matthew Hallum '05 & Heather Hester – Will marry July 7, 2007!

Skye Wilson (Current CSW Student) & Mhaegan Brown – Will marry July 21, 2007!

Events Calendar

Monday, July 2—Classes Begin
Thursday, July 5—Summer II Last Day to Drop / Add
Friday, July 20—Summer II Last Day to Withdraw from Classes
Friday, July 27—Final Examinations
Wednesday, August 22—Fall Classes Begin
Tuesday, August 28—Fall Last Day to Drop / Add
Monday, September 3—Labor Day Holiday (Campus Closed)
Friday & Saturday, October 5-6—Homecoming Weekend
Wednesday, October 10—DLS Featuring Tucker Carlson & Paul Begala

2007 Homecoming Weekend Schedules for October 5-6, 2007

This fall, we decided to combine our alumni weekend with our annual Fall Fest so that alumni and students can enjoy the festivities on campus together. We have home games in all fall sports throughout the weekend and are planning many entertaining events for everyone to participate in.

On Saturday, October 6th CSW will hold its 10th annual Alumni Golf Scramble. Entry fees are \$100 per person and require a group of 4 to play. Sponsorships are also available at different levels.

Saturday evening, we will hold our second annual Alumni Banquet where we will once again present awards to the *Alumnus*

of the Year and *Distinguished Young Alumnus*. An entry form for nominations for these awards is below. *The Distinguished Young Alumnus Award* is given to a young alumnus (35 and under) whose achievements in their profession or chosen field and service to the community set a standard of excellence worthy of recognition. The award recipient's character is a reflection of the College's values and mission and he or she demonstrates service and commitment to the College.

The Alumnus of the Year Award is the highest award presented by the Alumni Association. The recipient has distinguished

themselves through personal or professional achievement. The recipient is a loyal alumnus who embodies what it means to be a CSW Mustang and recognizes exceptional service to the community and/or the College. *The Alumnus of the Year* has made a significant contribution to volunteer for professional organizations, and demonstrates the values of a CSW education: servant leadership, individual faith, responsibility, and initiative.

Alumni should look for a detailed informational letter to be mailed out at the end of August. We hope to see you there!

2007 Alumni Awards Nomination Form

Please list nominee with a brief description of why you believe this alumnus deserves to be recognized. Awards will be given during the 2007 Alumni Awards Banquet.

Alumnus of the Year

Name: _____

Why should this person receive the award? _____

Distinguished Young Alumnus (age 35 or under)

Name: _____

Why should this person receive the award? _____

Send completed forms to:
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Share Your News!!

Have you recently been married or do you have a new little bundle of joy? Do you have a new job you are excited about? College of the Southwest would like to hear from you! Share your news with classmates and the CSW community by completing and mailing in the form below. Your news may be printed in the next issue of *The Mustang*. Our newsletter is published quarterly and will include as many alumni updates as space allows. Send completed form to CSW, Attn: Laurie Ekaitis, 6610 Lovington Hwy., #501, Hobbs, NM 88240

CSW Alumni & Friends Information Update Form

Dr. / Mr. / Mrs. / Miss (circle one)

Name _____ CSW Alum? _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone () _____

Email Address _____

Employer _____

Job Title _____

Degree Earned at CSW _____

Month/year _____

Major/Minor _____

Birth day _____

Wedding Anniversary _____

Maiden name or name used while at CSW _____

Spouse _____ CSW Alum? _____

Spouse Degree Earned at CSW _____

Month/year _____

Spouse Major/Minor _____

Children (Names/Ages) _____

Additional Info _____
