# **Fall Luncheon**



# Noon, Thursday, October 16

Speaker: Mrs. Susie Oliver Carl Grant Events Center

# Register Online uu.edu/auxiliary

or mail your response card

Contact Gaye Christy at 661-5202 for more information.

# Save the Date

# **Spring Luncheon**

Tues., April 21, 2015 Carl Grant Events Center

# Scholarship Committee Meeting

Tuesday, May 13, 2015, 10 a.m. Craig Conference Room

# **Opportunities to Serve**

**Bylaws Committee:** Oversees written articulation of the official Bylaws of the Union Auxiliary and maintains their accuracy.

**Hostess/Events Committee:** Responsible for providing hospitality at spring and fall membership meetings.

International Students Committee: Welcome international students and their families to the campus on behalf of the Auxiliary and assist in meeting the needs of both groups throughout the year.

**Membership Committee:** Researches ways to grow the Auxiliary's membership and oversees implementation of strategies to increase income.

**Publicity Committee:** Publicizes the work and membership meetings of the Auxiliary through various media resources.

**Scholarship Committee:** Responsible for the selection of Auxiliary scholarship recipients and for service to scholarship recipients as needed during their enrollment in the University.

### **Students of Missionaries Committee:**

Minister to Union students whose parents are missionaries, assisting with needs and providing encouragement.

# **2014–2015 Officers**

### President: Susie Oliver (254-717-4908)

# Vice President for Programs:

# Nikki Castles (616-8144) Vice President for

Membership: Dot Leathers (668-5034)

### Secretary/Historian/ Treasurer:

Gaye Christy (661-5202)

### **2014–2015 Committees**

**Bylaws:** Louise Bentley, Gaye Christy, Susie Oliver

Hostess/Events: Nikki Castles, Chair (616-8144); Bonnie Hadley, Wilma Hundley, Lynn Page

International Students: Sue Smith (668-3403) and Sandra Williams (427-2450), Co-Chairs; Luna Bennett, Mary Martin Butler, Susan Grisham, Bonnie Hadley, Rebecca Hodges, Virginia Hudson, Melinda Jordan, Nancy Mitchell, Janette Pate, Donna Patterson, Janice Thomason, Pat Zimmerman

**Membership:** Dot Leathers, Chair (668-5034); Cathey Jones, Christine Menzel, Ann Walker **Publicity:** Melanie Rickman (661-5201) and Gaye Christy (661-5202), Co-Chairs; Sarah Belcher, Jane Powell, Deb Rhodes

**Scholarship:** Louise Bentley, Chair (664-2820); Bonnie Hadley, Jessie Lee Johnson, Erie Kate McCord, Zoila Sanchez, Elsie Smith

**Students of Missionaries:** Kathy Southall (661-1114) and Carolyn Tomlin (668-9564), Co-Chairs;

Joyce Barefoot, Joann Breedlove, Mary Martin Butler, Myrna Duffey, Wilma Hundley, Kathy Latham, Pat Lykins, Ramona Mercer, Bonnie Moore, Alice Nettles, Ruth Phillips, Jean Pinkley, Teresa Rosson, Virginia Walker, Mary Kaye Woods



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# **Gift Recognition Levels**

# Named Endowed Funds

gifts of \$10,000 or more can be designated to establish a named endowment fund.

### Lanese Dockery Scholarship Circle

members who have made cumulative gifts totaling \$5,000

Ethel Watters Scholarship Circle members who have made cumulative gifts totaling \$2,500

# Mary Jean Craig Scholarship Circle

members who have made cumulative gifts totaling \$1,000

# Joyce Barefoot Scholarship Circle members who have made cumulative gifts totaling \$500

# Cardinal Partners

members making an annual gift of \$50 or more (receive reserved seating at Luncheons)

# Bulldog Partners

members making an annual gift of \$25

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# DIFFERENCE



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# 2014-2015 Scholarship Recipients

The Union Auxiliary announces 15 recipients for the 2014-2015 academic year. Students will receive a five hundred dollar scholarship for each semester.

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# **Bangali Sillah**

My name is Bangali Sillah. I am originally from West Africa Sierra Leone. I now live in Memphis with my mother and my sister. I graduated from a Christian boarding school in Mississippi called

French Camp Academy. Because of your generous gift, you have made it possible for me to attend this wonderful school to grow spiritually in Christ and also receive a good education in the process. This substantial gift will help me in my education here at Union University. I appreciate all you have done for me.



# **Bailey Coleman**

My name is Bailey Coleman. My major is business, marketing with a minor in art. I chose Union because of the campus and the people. In my spare time I enjoy tennis, bike rides, mostly any outdoor

activities, reading, crocheting, and hanging out with friends. As for a career I haven't decided yet. I am just keeping my options open and seeing what the Lord has in store for me.



# **Thomas Wood**

I am from Gallatin, Tennessee and am a senior DMS major with art emphasis. The hobbies I most enjoy are fellowshipping with my friends, playing sports and building Legos. From disk

golf to basketball, I am always up for an outside activity. I chose Union because I felt the Lord calling me here and was at peace with that decision after I visited one day. The biblical values are evident and the environment is Christ focused, which makes it an absolute blessing to come here. Prayerfully I can work at a church or company working with the communications team in graphics. During the summer I was able to have a taste of what it would be like to be in this field, by working as an intern at my home church Brentwood Baptist. I really enjoyed working there and hopefully I could do that for a career after graduation.



# **Matt Moore**

My name is Matt Moore. I am a Christian Studies Major, with an undeclared minor. I was born in Memphis, Tennessee to Dean and Dianne Moore, who served with Wycliffe Bible Translators in Papua

New Guinea in the late 1970's-1980's before returning to Memphis. Lord willing, I hope to serve as a pastor after graduating from Union. I enjoy camping, cooking, reading, and fishing. I had heard about Union University, and visited on a preview day in fall of 2009. During the chapel service I had a clear calling to prepare for a lifetime of service in the kingdom of God at Union University. Since then, God has regularly affirmed this calling to Union through His provision.



# **Anna-Alicia Sails**

I was born in Memphis and a couple of years later, I moved to Whiteville, Tennessee. I have always loved to read, write poems, and watch television. I am interested in theatre, art, and eclectic

genres of music, short stories, and much more. My favorite hobbies are reading, going to the movies, and hanging out with my friends and family. Since I love to write and watch television, when I got to college, I thought I might as well combine the two together. I am a Broadcast Journalism major and a Theatre minor. One day, I hope to anchor a newscast that entertains and help young people give a voice to their struggles so that they will know that they are never alone in this world. With this, I always keep Joshua 1:9 close to my heart.



# **Judson McLaren**

Judson is majoring in Business Administration in Management and minoring in University Studies. He enjoys backpacking, hunting, fishing, music, biking, and coffee. Judson was

looking for a place to grow both academically and spiritually and chose Union University to make this happen. His mentor, Ben Bredow, encouraged him to look into studying at Union, and he did. Without people like his mentor, and a strong Christian family he would not have had the privilege of being a Union University student.



# **Holly Johnson**

Holly Johnson is a junior Business Management major, and is minoring in political sciences. She was born and raised in San Diego, Calif. and has lived in West Tennessee for the past four years. Holly is

a member of Zeta Tau Alpha and Enactus (formerly SIFE) with over 50 hours of service. During previous summer work, she has worked on Capitol Hill in Washington D.C. as a Congressional intern for Chairman Darrell Issa. Her internship has inspired her to pursue a political career after attending law school. She looks forward to the rest of her time at Union University.



# **Billy Dodd**

My name is Billy Dodd and I cannot possibly express how grateful I am for receiving this scholarship. Growing up, my family and I lived on a back woods plot of land in Hickman County, Tennessee. Every

night the sound of crickets outside could be heard even through the windows. The wild, therefore, is one of my favorite places to be. As long as I could travel the world and go deep into foreign lands I would be happy. As I began faithfully pursuing God in my late teen years He turned this passion into a calling and led me to Union in order to feed me. I now want to be a missionary to impoverished peoples in South or Central America. After studying abroad in San Jose, Costa Rica with my recently wedded and wonderful wife Rebecca (who I met at Union), we will attend our final year at Union. Though it will be sad to leave, I am excited to see what God has planned for our lives next. I thank all of those who are responsible for the auxiliary scholarship from the bottom of my heart. It is a blessing that will aid this young and growing missionary in the days to come.



# **Zach Crane**

First, I just want to say it is an honor to be given this Auxiliary scholarship for next year. I am very thankful for this and I know how much my family is as well. My name is Zach Crane and I am from Columbia, Tennessee.

I am on the Union University soccer team. I love every minute I can get with my family and I really enjoy fishing. Fishing and soccer are my main hobbies; however, spending time with my family is my favorite thing to do. My career goal is to one day be an athletic trainer for a professional soccer team or to go on and be a physical therapist. I truly believe that if you keep the faith and trust in the Lord, then whatever goals you have can be achieved through Him, but only by giving Him the glory for everything you do.



# **Rachel Peterson**

Rachel Peterson is a senior Athletic Training Major. She is from Memphis, Tenn. but currently lives in Elk River, Minnesota. She is a Student Assistant Coach on Union's Women's Basketball team. During her free

time she enjoys doing many things that deal with sports. She would like to work with any professional sports team at some point during her working career. She would like to thank the Union University Auxiliary for offering her this scholarship.



# **Cody Mitchell**

Cody Mitchell is a Junior at Union University. He is majoring in Business Administration with a focus in Management. Cody is from Hohenwald, Tennessee. He is married to Haley Hall Mitchell who also

attends Union University. Cody hopes to someday work at the LifeWay Corporate Headquarters in Nashville.



# **Katherine Murchison**

Katherine Murchison is a native of Natchitoches, Louisiana. She is currently working on her B.F.A degree in Art with an emphasis in Painting. Future plans include receiving a Master's in Education and teaching art.



# **Rose Mullins**

My name is Rose Mullins. I am an upcoming junior this year at Union University. My major is Elementary Education and I am so thrilled to become a teacher in the near future. I have always

had a passion for children and Union University has made it possible and so real for me to pursue this lifelong dream of mine. I am also very blessed to be a recipient of the 2014-2015 Union Auxiliary Scholarship.



# **Brianna Hill**

I was born in Jonesboro, Arkansas, but when I was 12 years old my family moved to West Tennessee. I am a vegetarian with a compassionate heart for animals and a passion for health

and wellness. My major is Elementary Education along with Early Childhood Development and I love every second of it. I am a member of Fellowship Bible Church where I have the opportunity to lead worship for the college ministry and sing for the full congregation on occasion. God providing me with this opportunity leaves my heart full daily. My hobbies are longboarding, singing, drinking tea, going to concerts, wearing fancy clothes, playing soccer, and reading. My biggest interest is Haiti—my home away from home. I enjoy loving on kids and helping the people of Haiti thrive in whatever capacity I am able to. I simply enjoy hearing their stories and making people laugh. I would like to become a Pre-K or Kindergarten teacher one day, whether that happens here in Jackson, Nashville (where I've always seen myself going), or Haiti. It's definitely up to God as to where my life is headed, and I'm ready for whatever He has in store for it.

# EXCITE, ENHANCE, AND ENLARGE

# Excite

As a former cheerleader, coach, and teacher I can't help but be excited as I think of the opportunity to lead The Union University Auxiliary—the same excitement I felt on the first day of practice or of school.

I hope you have the same excitement—I hope you desire to be an active and integral part of The Auxiliary! Perhaps if we recall the vision and leadership of Lanese Dockery, who created and then grew The Union University Auxiliary to what it is today, we would have such excitement. Or if we recall that our purpose as The Auxiliary is to provide a service arm to the University through the provision of scholarships we would have such excitement. Or if we consider that Lanese's legacy continues to touch the lives of our students through scholarships we would have such excitement. Does it excite you, as it does me, that The Union Auxiliary has given a cumulative of \$135,000 in scholarships to 131 different students since the organization's inception in 1999? I hope it does!

# **Enhance**

What better way to enhance this organization than to continue your giving so that even more students can experience excellence-driven, Christ-centered, people-focused, future-directed higher education at Union? Or, you

may desire to be a part of the first group to become a member of the Lanese Dockery Scholarship Circle (members who have made cumulative gifts to The Auxiliary totaling \$5,000 or more). We have the opportunity to honor Lanese for her outstanding leadership and enhance her legacy at the same time.

# Enlarge

In researching the bylaws of the organization I discovered that The Union Auxiliary membership is open to men and women who support the mission of the organization and want to support Union University. You can help us enlarge our membership by recruiting new members, like your husband or a favorite man in your life. And, it is easy to join. Simply fill out the enclosed card (easily photocopied) and pay your annual membership. When you do so, you help us enlarge our membership and enhance the scholarships available to students as we excite the Union University community to greater levels of achievement in the years ahead.

I remain ever grateful to you for your continuing support of The Union University Auxiliary.

Blessings,

Susie Oliver

Psalm 90:17

