News From The Chair

In the weeks following September 11th, I was particularly proud to be a faculty member at Stetson University. The very day of the attack, administrators arranged a service of prayer and community held in Elizabeth Hall Chapel. The fact that the service was “standing room only” illustrates that students were sorely in need of such a time to join together on that day. In this edition of Polity, a student describes examples of further responses by Political Science faculty that offered insights and invite discussion about how U.S. relations with other nations have suddenly changed.

Upcoming events in the Department include the 32nd Annual “Floyd M. Riddick United States Model Senate,” which will be held from March 21st - 23rd. Students still become enthusiastic about this role-playing competitive event, in which they portray sitting U.S. Senators hammering out compromises and passing “legislation.” The current U.S. Senate Parliamentarian and current U.S. Senator Max Cleland (D-GA) have participated in this event for the last few years, which we greatly appreciate.

We would like to issue an invitation to those of you who are members of Pi Sigma Alpha to attend the annual banquet in early April when we will initiate new student members. You may check the Stetson Website or call the Political Science office in late March for the pertinent details.

Throughout the 2002 Spring Semester, we will be offering the new “Political Forum” class on Wednesday afternoons at 4:00 p.m. in Elizabeth Hall 309. During this hour, we will have student senior research presentations as well as occasional guest speakers.

We announce with pride the establishment this past year of the “Dr. T. Wayne Bailey” scholarship fund, honoring this generous man who has been mentoring students at Stetson for 40 years! The gifts will go to the tuition of sophomores, juniors and seniors who have successful academic records and financial need. Any donation may be sent to the Office of Planned Giving, Stetson University, DeLand, Fl. 32720, with the designation for “Dr. T. Wayne Bailey Scholarship.” Frankly, as we anticipate difficult financial times in the near future, this fund will be increasingly important for students.

We hope that you enjoy the holiday season and that you are able to attend any of these upcoming events. Our students thoroughly enjoy meeting their alumni, and we enjoy visiting with you.

Greetings of the Season from your Alma Mater
Anne Motley Hallum
Department Chairperson
Professors React to September 11

The tragedies of September 11, 2001 struck our nation to the core. Without warning Americans and people across the globe were tossed into a “surreal” state of disbelief and mourning. Americans could not seem to grasp that such a tragedy had occurred. In the aftermath of the national tragedies, Stetson University professors took part in forums that offered perspectives on the tragic events.

On September 18th, Dr. Bailey participated in a panel discussion with students, faculty, and the University Chaplain. This event offered students the chance “to speak out against the xenophobia and jingoism which they perceived had been a part of the national conversation,” Dr. Bailey stated.

On September 19th, Dr. Bailey and Dr. Huskey participated in an informational session entitled “Responding to Terrorism: American Options in the Middle East and Beyond.” With an overview of the history of Afghanistan, the professors entertained questions for over an hour on America’s options and the view of America from others’ perspectives. Dr. Huskey left the talks, “encouraged by the level of interest and depth of concern faculty and students portrayed towards what had happened and how it will affect our common future.” Dr. Bailey reiterated this point, “Stetson’s response was one of intense interest, focus and concern... in these defining moments in American democracy.”

On October 5th, Dr. Huskey participated in a community forum in Daytona Beach that brought together nationally known speakers on the question of world affairs in the new millennium. A central theme of the symposium was the impact of the terrorist attacks on international economic and political affairs.

Impressed by the immediate public concern, both professors warned that, as we have seen, this will not be a war fought overnight. Dr. Bailey reiterated, “Presidents have floundered in various wars because of the American people’s impatience.”

-Louis Barbieri ’02

Dr. Eugene Huskey (left) and Dr. T. Wayne Bailey (right) at the political forum on September 9th.
Alumni Highlights

Scott Kadlec ‘74
After Stetson, Scott headed off for Florida State University and a PhD in Government, focusing on public administration. However, after earning his degree his career path took an unusual turn. While completing his doctorate Scott and a friend began working on computer software for a law firm. After a year of post-graduate consultant work in public administration with the Florida Supreme Court and Mecklenburg County, Virginia, Scott and his friend launched out into the world of computer technology. Formed in 1980, their firm, CMF Data, developed techniques for using business planning software in law firms. In 1989, this led to a larger business called PC Network Docs, Inc. The growth of the company was phenomenal and led to a public offering on NASDAQ. In 1995 the stock was the top performing stock on Wall Street and the company included 1,000 employees and an annual revenue of $100 million. In 1998 the firm was sold for $250 million. After a short time off, Scott has returned to business ventures with E-Learning Co., a company specializing in corporate training. Aside from his business activities Scott still maintains an active interest in history and political science, loves to travel, and is involved in photography as a hobby.

Leo Salvatore ’77
Some students come to Stetson University with a general idea of their career path. Others have some very definite goals which they change during their stay at Stetson, and some have definite career goals which they pursue through Stetson and on to success in their careers. Leo was a student who knew he wanted to be a lawyer, and even where he wanted to practice law. His strong academic record gained him admittance to both Duke University and Stetson Law School. He decided to go to Stetson since he intended on staying in Florida to practice law. He followed through on these plans and became a lawyer with a small local firm on the west coast of Florida and after several years became a member of a multi-state firm, Quarels and Brady. The firm has 450 attorneys throughout Florida, Illinois, Wisconsin, and Arizona. The law firm specializes in civil law practice and Leo has specialized in real estate development and financial law.

Dr. T. Wayne Bailey
“Always a thinker, Scott exhibited creative imagination in his work at Stetson. . . a quality that served him well in the legal software business where he was on the cutting edge.”

Dr. Gary Maris
“Alert, inquisitive, hard-working and very bright, Leo brought a quality to the classroom that was challenging to professors and other students alike.”
Alumni Notes

Class of...

'93- Kimberly Simonds Fineman (fka Kimberly Simonds) lives in San Francisco and is an associate with the law firm of Sheppard, Mullin, Richter & Hampton where she focuses on corporate bankruptcies and reorganizations.

'97- Jacqueline McCarthy, minor in political science, graduated cum laude from Emory University and is now an associate with the firm of Venable, Baetjer & Howard in Baltimore MD.

'00- Alexandra Stoezel, after a year of working with Arthur & Andersen in Zurich is now attending the London School of Economics and Political Science, where she studies Russian and Post-Soviet Studies.

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