

# Perspective

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Mr. Wes Lane, National Leader and Foundation Director, will speak at the Academy Luncheon on Monday, November 11 by Jack David Armold, Ph.D., Program Chairperson

No stranger to the Academy of Senior Professionals (ASP) at Southern Nazarene University (SNU), Mr. Wes Lane spoke at the ASP at SNU in 2005 when he was the Oklahoma County District Attorney. ASP members and guests will welcome him back "with open arms" when he speaks about leadership on November 11.



Born and raised in Oklahoma City, he received his undergraduate and law degrees from the University of Oklahoma. For over two decades, he served as an Oklahoma County prosecutor. During his tenure, he accumulated an exceptional trial record, winning about 95 percent of his jury trials. His service to Oklahoma County began in January, 1981, as a law student legal intern for the Oklahoma County District Attorney's Office. In July, 2001, Governor Frank Keating appointed Mr. Lane to fill the unexpired term of retiring Mr. D. A. Robert H. Macy. Mr. Lane stood for election in the fall of 2002 and was honored to be elected District Attorney by the voters of Oklahoma County, serving another four years in that capacity.

Honored as "Prosecutor of the Year" in 2003 by the Oklahoma Gang Investigator's Association and for "Courage in the Pursuit of Justice" by his fellow District Attorneys across the State of Oklahoma, he served as President of the Oklahoma District Attorneys' Association in 2005 and as Vice-President of the National District Attorneys' Association.

In January, 2008, he became President of the Burbridge Foundation, a Christian foundation dedicated to

networking solutions to problems impacting our families and our culture. In early 2009, he brought to Oklahoma the methamphetamine television documentary *Crystal Darkness* which had between 1.5 and 2 million Oklahoma viewers and spawned community town hall meetings across Oklahoma on the subject of substance abuse prevention.

Along with other Oklahoma City leaders, Mr. Lane founded and now leads Salt and Light Leadership Training, Inc. (ww2.SALLT.com), a Christian leadership development program dedicated to helping Christian leaders maximize their service to God and their cities.

In 2010, he released *Amazingly Graced*, an autobiographical account of God's purposeful activity in the marketplaces of our lives. From 2011-2012, he served as Chairman of the Governing Board of Oklahoma's largest agency, the Department of Human Services.

Mr. Wes Lane is married to Dr. Lori Hansen Lane, a facial plastic surgeon. They have one son, Derrick, an Oklahoma County deputy sheriff, who has served his country on two tours of infantry duty in the Middle East. He is now on his third tour flying Chinook helicopters for the Army National Guard. Derrick and his wife, Soniya, are parents to Wes's and Lori's granddaughter, Talia.

Important luncheon reservation information:

Members: If you have not been contacted by one of our telephone callers *by Thursday, November 7*, then please contact Mrs. Linda Carley, Calling Chairperson (405.728.0515 or donlincarley@prodigy.net). Guests: Please contact Mrs. Eunice Trent, ASP Director (405.491.6311, or etrent@snu.edu).



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Soaring With Eagles through Extended Community Learning, Caring, and Sharing Emmalyn German, President

The eagle pin for Academy of Senior Professionals at Southern Nazarene University has outstretched wings. These outstretched wings symbolize soaring heights, with opportunities for continued learning, caring, and sharing.

<u>Continuing learning</u> through ASP has many avenues: book discussion groups, diversified subjects presented by monthly speakers, discounted SNU audited classes on campus with university students, free access to the campus library both on campus and by internet, local field trips, foreign tours, and more.

<u>Continuing Caring</u> at ASP takes on many forms. ASP sponsors SNU scholarships, volunteers with the RSVP organization, helps with the BFC after school program, and our people are the biggest sponsors of the SNU music program. We also have opportunities to host students from other countries and make them feel welcome here. Many are boosters for the athletic programs.

<u>Continuing Sharing</u> at ASP not only happens socially around round tables in our monthly gatherings, but also in our individual communities as we reach out to the world around us.

Our ASP pins remind us that eagles fly high soaring above earth with keen vision and fearless tenacity yet possess vitality that nurtures their young. Eagles have the longest wing span of any other bird. When they fly they don't frantically flap their wings against the wind, but welcome the oncoming wind with open wings that lets them rise up high, and with eagle eyes search for opportunities to nurture their young.

It is my joyful honor to serve ASP as your president this year. Let's rise up and stretch our ASP Eagle

wings, and reach out to continue learning all we can, care for those we can and share with others in our campus and community.





Connectivity by Renda Brumbeloe

# Cupcakes

Our grand-daughter, Kayla, and her room-mate, Avery, have a way of bringing a "home atmosphere" back to their SNU dormitory and classmates. Here's how. Avery brings her industrial size mixer to our kitchen,. Avery is an experienced "pro" fancy cookie maker and "voila", colorful cupcakes appear by the dozens. Our house smells great, we hide a few away, and these beautiful SNU girls spread cupcake cheer" across the dorm halls to their dorm-mates. After all, what better way to make friends, meet the guys and influence people.

They have cooked twice already, and we are anticipating the third round. This is just another way to connect to student life at SNU. Have a cookie



party for some students. The friendships you make can last a lifetime. Contact Marion Redwine and the Student Development Department at SNU for info and ideas.



While we are talking about baking cookies, The Bethany Neighborhood <u>After School Program</u> needs cookies every day. Check that out. Get connected.

# LUNCHEON SPONSORS

October14 - Legend of Council Road

November 11 - United Pharmacy in Yukon

- December 9 Southern Plaza
- January 13 Concordia Life Care Community
- February 10 Mercer-Adams Funeral Service
- March 10 Spanish Cove Retirement Village
- April 17 Southern Nazarene University Peer Learning Network
- May 12 To Be Determined

# The Academy Perspective



# SNU Announces Center for Pastoral Leadership

Since its founding in 1899 to the present, Southern Nazarene University has been committed to serving the church in preparing the next generation of Christian ministers. From formal degree programs of rich theological education and sound practical experience, to certificates and continuing education for practitioners, SNU has sought to serve the Church with excellence in this regard.

Dr. Loren Gresham, President, recently announced a significant milestone in this mission with the launch of the **Resource Center for Pastoral Leadership (RCPL) at Southern Nazarene University**. "Such a Center has been envisioned for some time and in recent months has evolved into an initiative supported wholly by the district leadership on the South Central Region," said Gresham.

In his announcement, Dr. Gresham stated that, "Perhaps at no time in recent memory have the pressures on Christian ministers – especially pastors –been more profound. Even the best-prepared and most gifted pastors find themselves in need of additional tools and resources to meet the constant challenges they face in their congregations and the communities they serve."

In cooperation with the District Superintendents of the South Central Region of the Church of the Nazarene, Dr. Gresham not only announced the launch of the Center but also the naming of Founding Executive Director, Dr. Stan Toler.



In his introduction, Dr. Gresham noted that Dr. Toler served as a pastor for over forty years, has written scores of books and articles – most of which were written to resource pastors and congregations, and has preached in 85 countries and to 170 different protestant denominations and church groups. Most recent-

ly, Gresham reminded the crowd, he served the Church of the Nazarene as the 39<sup>th</sup> General Superintendent and upon his retirement from the Superintendency was elected to the honorary status of General Superintendent Emeritus. Dr. Gresham said, "He also has deep connections to SNU and is an alumnus who has been honored by the University on different occasions. In this season of his life and ministry we count it a privilege to work with him as he gives a portion of his time to the launch and development of the RCPL."

Dr. Toler will be assisted by an Advisory Council composed of both lay and clergy leaders to set the direction of the

Center. Like the Zig Ziglar Center for Ethical Leadership the RCPL will reside under the auspices of the Vice President for University Advancement and Church Relations at SNU.

Outlining the mission and purpose of the Center, Gresham said, "We believe that, over time, the RCPL will continue to evolve in its scope and effectiveness in serving the continuing educational needs of Nazarene pastors on the South Central Region, and beyond." "While the Center's primary focus will be on serving Nazarene pastors – we will reach out to serve evangelical pastors regardless of denominational affiliation, race or gender."

The mission of the **RCPL** will be to create a place where pastors find:

- Direction and inspiration for their *Calling*
- Development and encouragement for their *Character*
- Timely resources to grow in their *Competencies*

The mission of the **RCPL** will be realized through:

- On campus, off campus and on line CEU events
- Quality ministry resources at low or no cost to pastors and congregations
- Utilization of the outstanding resident faculty at SNU complemented by top tier presenters/ instructors from around the USA and beyond.

It was noted that the launch and early funding for this endeavor was provided for in the form of a legacy gift for such a purpose. Gresham stated that the University will welcome and need financial support for this effort – if it is to be sustained over time.

"One hundred years ago Dr. J.B. Chapman was elected the fourth President of what is today known as Southern Nazarene University, Dr. Gresham said." "Dr. Chapman was a champion of Christian higher education and is well known for saying *the church needs more and better preachers.*" "He was right then and he's right now; SNU's future is largely in the hands of our churches. If our churches do well - SNU will do well in serving her needs. We are wholly committed to serving the church through this new endeavor," stated Gresham.

Southern Nazarene University's mission is to transform lives through higher education in Christ-centered community. As a Christian community of scholars, we model the hospitality of grace, the pursuit of truth and the practice of discipleship, all within the Wesleyan-holiness tradition, as we prepare graduates who THINK with clarity, ACT with integrity and SERVE with purpose.

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On October 6, 2013, Pastor Rick Harvey laid out a challenge to Bethany First Church of the Nazarene (BFC), to support the Bethany Community Foundation. This involves an Improvement Plan to remodel the Floyd Center. Dr. Madalyn Long

remembers when her family moved to Bethany in 1945 that Bob Green was the youth director at BFC and directed all the youth activities at the Floyd Center.

When I came to Bethany in 1957 the legend of Bob Green still lived. Roughly in the year 2000 when the last old part of the Bethany Public School was torn down, (known as the "West Wing"), a place was needed for the Kindergarten classes to be held. Church leaders learned that a great need and opportunity was available to serve the community. BFC offered the Floyd Center for that purpose.

Once again the Floyd center became a "Community Center." The Bethany Community



Foundation was used and Dr. Jim Poteet became the first director of the after school program. With Federal money available at that time, as many as 60 students from SNU helped tutor and supervise children in both Bethany Public Schools and the after school programs. At first it was just Jim and "Sweet C" McClain and a few volunteers that ran the after school program. Most of the SNU students worked in the elementary school during regular school hours. When Federal money ran out, it left the Church to furnish the money to run the after school program. In 2012, when Andrea Mosshart became the Community Pastor for Bethany First Church, one of her goals was to utilize the Floyd Center as a reach out center.

On October 13, 2013 Pastor Rick Harvey took an offering and pledges for such a plan. As a member of ASP, Andrea and all of us at ASP would welcome anyone who reads this to join in with helping in this endeavor of revitalizing and modernizing the Floyd Center. Andrea is the granddaughter of Bob Green. Would it not be terrific if we could not only help but maybe sponsor a college student to work in this environment? Thank You,

**Morning Seminar** With Helen Southerland



# **Making Memories** with Photography

Kim Stubbs, owner of Stubbs Photography by Kim started her photography business in January 2006 and currently has a studio in Mid Town Oklahoma City. Ms. Stubbs found her passion photographing weddings, children and many other events around the state of Oklahoma.

Ms. Stubbs works for a pediatrician. She is married to her best friend Bob for 35 years and is the mother of three grown children. She is a grandmother of two and, of course, loves to take their pictures.

In her spare time she teaches high school homeschooled teenagers about the basics of photography. She also has been a volunteer photographer for the "Now I Lay Me Down To Sleep" organization.

Find out how to take better photographs, where to take them and various photography ideas to show off your photos.



You can see Kim Stubbs work on www.stubbsphotographybykim.com

# NOVEMBER HOLIDAYS

- Daylight Savings Time Ends 3
- 11 Veteran's Day Remembrance Day—Canada
- 28 Thanksgiving



James Long, Vice President

# ASP "Trek" Time by Pat Perry



Happy Thanksgiving ASP Members,

This is the time of year to give thanks for all our family and friends. We are so fortunate to have such a wonderful group as ASP to enrich our lives.



I'll be back from the Panama cruise in November and we can talk about some of the fun things we can do locally this Spring. Please email me any ideas you may have. I'll have fliers for the Scotland trip and some info on the cruise to the Scandinavian countries.

Pat Perry pattperry@sbcglobal.net



Dr. Raczkowski , Luncheon Speaker





November Luncheon Tim Marek, SNU Music Professor



Arlita Harris Book Discussion

ASP Administrative Council



"Sharing a Continuous Flight"

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CORRECTION The Administrative Council List has an incorrect email address for Eunice. It should be <u>etrent@snu.edu</u>





# **ASP** Calendar

Monday November 11, 2013
9:00-11:00 a.m. Shuttle Service from the Sawyer Center lot (41st and Donald) to the Webster Commons
9:30 a.m. Morning Seminar
11:00-a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Luncheon Meeting in the Heritage Room
1:00—1:30 p.m. Shuttle will return to parking lot
1:15-2:15 p.m. Administrative Council Meeting

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