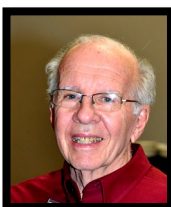


Perspective

Vol. 30— No. 6

February 2022



Program by **Conley Henderson**

For our February 14th meeting, we are delighted to welcome Scott Stearman as our guest speaker. Scott is a well-known sculptor who was recently recognized as a finalist for an annual John Maxwell Leadership Award.



Scott's commissioned military monuments and faith sculptures are found at universities and in communities across America. Those on the SNU campus include the "Tears From a Grateful Heart" kneeling soldier on the Bud Robinson mall, Professor Fred Floyd sitting on a park bench by the Marchant Center, Christ with a towel and basin by the religion building, busts of Roy and Evelyn Cantrell in front of the Cantrell Music Hall, and "A Cup in His Name" in front of Bresee Hall. The whimsical "Storyteller" in front of the new Bethany library is also a Stearman sculpture.

Scott's many portrait sculptures include projects featuring James Dobson, Ben Carson, Elizabeth Dole, Kirk Cameron, Truitt Cathy, Ravi Zacharias, and many others. Scott's sculptures, monumental and tabletop, are hand cast by skilled artisans here in the U.S.A.

The son of a pastor, Scott spent his early years in Kansas, Michigan, Ohio, and Oklahoma. He has served as the video director for concerts by Charlie Daniels, Ricky Skaggs, Glenn Campbell, Sean Hannity, Michael W. Smith, and the Gaither Homecoming Tour.

Scott has worked in television and film since the 1970s and as a professional sculptor since 1985.

Scott approaches his work with an artist's eye and a sensitive heart. He says, "Everyone has a story and I listen to those stories. I bring them into my studio where my hands capture moments in time, timeless containers of life reflecting the beautiful stories of you."



Fred Floyd statue on SNU campus

<https://scottstearman.com>
6724 NW 39th Expressway
Bethany, OK 73008 719-963-8502

LUNCHEON February 14, begins at 11 a.m. in the Webster Commons Heritage Room on the campus of Southern Nazarene University.

Members will receive a call to RSVP. If you have not received a call by Thursday, February 10, you can RSVP by phone (405-728-0515) or by emailing donlincarley@prodigy.net.

Note: SNU Dining has requested that ASP members remain outside of the Heritage Room until 10:30.



President's Column
by
Emmalyn German

A story for you.

Time had come to empty my parents' house in Phoenix. It was filled with their memories of a lifetime. Tiger skins, wooden elephants and tables, and brass plates were their memories from ten missionary years in India. In an overstuffed bedroom made into an office I came upon several boxes of old photography slides from my childhood.

Memories in color filled that box. Pictures of Grandma Carter's flowers from our furlough time at the farm in Nampa. The teardrop shaped pond carried me back to my childhood. My mother had procured two very large brass vases from a brass maker in our town in India. Grandma had used these vases, filled them with flowers from her garden, and took them to Nampa College Church of the Nazarene every Sunday. I now have these two large brass vases in my home.

Seeing the slides brought back so many memories. Mom and Dad were so young. My brother Lauren and I were in grade school. Friends we knew, long gone now, vividly came back to mind.

Now with all these memories brought to my home in Bethany, my next job is to sort these slides, and find a way to both stow and show them to myself and others.

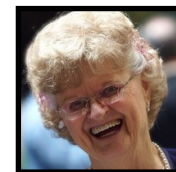
So how are you preserving your stories? Do you have a gazillion slides to sort, or letters, or photographs?

Our special speaker this month is sculptor Scott Stearman. Don't miss this masterful storyteller!



Obituaries
by
Marla Mercer Cole

Anna Lee Takemire, age 94, passed away December 4, 2021. She was born to Jack and Laura Houts near May, Oklahoma on August 10, 1927. She was born in a loving family who raised their family to know Jesus. She was born again at age 9 in Roston, Oklahoma in a little Methodist church where her Daddy was pastor. She invited the Holy Spirit to direct and control her life while a freshman at Bethany Peniel College. It was there she met Melvin Unruh as they sang in the A Cappella Choir. They married September 7, 1947. To this union was born two sons, Don Lee and Gary Dean.



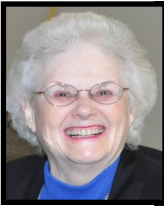
In 1962, Anna Lee returned to college where Melvin was now a professor. Upon graduation from Bethany Nazarene College in 1965, she began a 25-year career teaching at Bethany Public Schools. She was voted Bethany Teacher of the Year and Oklahoma County Teacher of the Year. In 2013, Anna Lee was inducted into the Bethany Public School Foundation Hall of Honor.

Anna Lee and Melvin enjoyed summer travels to every state, all the Canadian provinces and twenty-three foreign countries. She was widowed in 1987. In 1991, Anna Lee married Frank Pendergast of DeSoto, TX. In 2001 she married Wilbur Takemire.

Anna Lee was preceded in death by her mother and father; older brother, Harold Houts; her husband of 39 years, Melvin Unruh; husband of 8 years, Frank Pendergast; husband of 10 years, Wilbur Takemire; and son-in-law, Kevin Bains.

She is survived by one younger brother, Jack Houts (Ann) of Tyler, TX; two sons, Don (Annietta) of Knoxville, TN and Gary (Kathi) Unruh of Oklahoma City, OK; daughter, Penny Bains of Frisco, TX; 7 grandchildren and their spouses; 20 great-grandchildren; 1 great-great grandchild.

Donations may be made to the Association of Retired Ministers and Missionaries in care of Bethany First Church of the Nazarene.



Meet Our Members by LaNell Stahl



SNU Connections by Howard Culbertson

Renda Brumbeloe, our featured member this month, was born in Lanett, Alabama, lived in Tuscaloosa and Birmingham. He attended the University of Alabama, earning bachelor's and master's degrees in piano performance. His father was a Nazarene pastor. Renda has six siblings, one being his twin sister. He and his wife Sharon, a registered nurse at Oklahoma Heart Hospital, have two daughters, both Southern Nazarene University graduates.



A man of many interests and talents from a very early age, Renda has had several careers. His perfect pitch and love of music led him into music. He taught high school choral music and was the minister of music for Bethany First Church of the Nazarene. Plus, he was an airline pilot for United Airlines, earning the rank of captain. He was a commercial flight instructor. He helped develop the Business Aviation course for SNU and taught ground school and private flying lessons.

Renda continues to grow and add to his life experiences. "I have authored six books with the metaphor of safe flying illustrated by life analogies and scriptures. In retirement, I am enjoying preparing a discography of music and watching four granddaughters in serious college pursuits, both in SNU and Kansas."

Renda shared that among his interesting experiences at BFC was the time he spent building an orchestra program to accompany the Cathedral Choir and a new weekly evangelism outreach television program, "A Life Worth Living" that aired across the state for ten years.

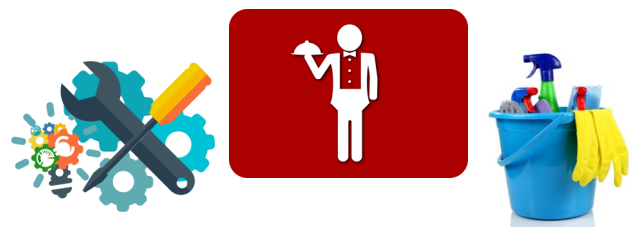


In terms of people teaching in the classroom, Southern Nazarene University has about 60 full-time faculty and another 100 or so adjunct instructors. On the faculty, there's a fairly even male/female balance and the teaching staff has grown more ethnically diverse through the years.

Of course, as we've been seeing this year in the SNU Connections moments, the SNU staff includes more than those who prepare course syllabi, lectures and other learning activities. The behind-the-scenes support personnel for the faculty and the 2,200 students at the residential campus, the Tulsa center and in the online programs totals more than 300 people.

What do all these people do? Well, they keep the air conditioning and heating systems operating and the lights working. They wash dishes in the dining hall (and for ASP luncheons). They maintain the campus telephone system. They repair dripping faucets. They help students acquire textbooks. They cook food and make specialty coffee drinks. They drive SNU athletic teams to events in Oklahoma and surrounding states. They pay bills and work with student accounts. They repair and upgrade computer networks. They maintain the university's website. They spend hours on the phone and via email and text messages with potential recruits and their families. They provide health care to faculty, staff and students. They clean the horse barn. They mow grass and trim bushes and plant flowers and paint buildings. They provide campus security. They work with students with learning disabilities as well as with those whose troubled pasts still haunt them.

Those are the people we're getting to know in the SNU Connections time at our luncheons this year.





January Re-Views
by
Hal Swinhart



The January luncheon was cancelled due to a change in the college schedule.

What Valentine Can I Give Him?

What can I give to Jesus
On this special Valentine's Day?
How can I tell Him I'll love Him,
And follow Him, come what may?

How can I show I need Him?
Should I send a red heart, with lace?
How can I thank Him enough
For his sacrifice, love and grace?

What Valentine can I give Him,
My adoration to impart?
I'll give to Him what He wants most;
I'll yield to Him my heart.

By Joanna Fuchs



A Wonderful Description of Love

What does love mean on this Valentine's
day?
Love is doing more for another than for self
Love is encouraging and supportive
Love is patient
Love is kindness for one another
Love is helping and laughter too
Love is appreciating all you do
Love is sharing interests
Love is a comfort
Love is always there
Love is meant to be shared
Love is beauty in the eyes of the beholder
Love is showing that you care.
Love is you and all you do
Happy Valentine's Day to YOU!

– Kate Summers



2021-2022 Luncheon Sponsors

Sept 13, 2021: United Pharmacy of Yukon
Oct 11, 2021: Legend at Council Road and
Legend at Rivendell
Nov 8, 2021: Floral 23 and Bethany Law Center
Dec 13, 2021: Southern Plaza Retirement
Community
Jan 17, 2022: Concordia Life Plan Community

Feb 14, 2022: Mercer-Adams Funeral Service
Mar 14, 2022: Integris Hospice
Apr 11, 2022: Spanish Cove Life Care Retirement
Community
May 9, 2022: First Bethany Bank and Trust
*If you or your company is interested in sponsoring
ASP, email deweyukraine@gmail.com*



Book Discussion
by
Barbara Culbertson

The twelve days of Christmas are gone; we are trying to get the birds and milkmaids and leaping lords out of our home. I have a hard time getting that all cleaned up; hopefully you do a better job.

Ready or not, February is coming. This month, (on the 7th) our Tsundokuan selection is a fiction volume, *Lilith*, by George MacDonald. MacDonald was a 19th century theologian and author who C. S. Lewis used as an inspiration.

Goodreads (<https://tinyurl.com/2p86b5hy>) gives the following glimpse of *Lilith*, “a story concerning the nature of life, death, and salvation:

“After he followed the old man through the mirror, nothing in his life was ever right again. It was a special mirror and the man he followed was a special man - a man who led him to the things that underlie the fate of all creation. *Lilith* . . . is a story concerning the nature of life, death, and salvation. In the story, MacDonald mentions a cosmic sleep that heals tortured souls, preceding the salvation of all.”

On March 7 (always at 2:00pm via Zoom) we will return to an author we enjoyed in the past, Bob Goff, with his book *Everybody Always* Goff ‘s book:

“laces together lively accounts of his casual and intimate interactions with people all over the world in this primer on becoming the essence of love. To Goff, ‘becoming is a central principle that directs his actions and service toward others’” (review from Publishers Weekly, <https://tinyurl.com/2p8nzwjp>).

These books are available through Metropolitan Library system. *Lilith* is also available as a PDF file online (free) at file:///C:/Users/Admin/Downloads/Lilith.pdf.



Music Notes
By
Renda Brumbeloe

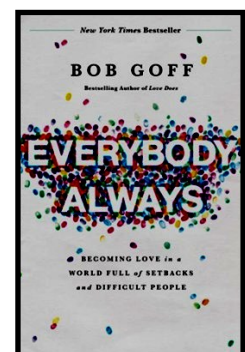
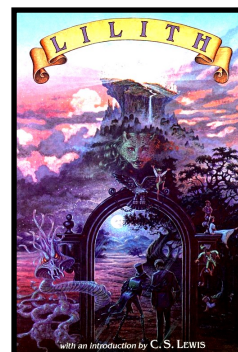
Spring 2022 Schedule

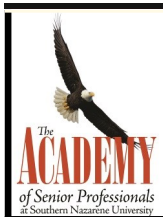
Ticketed events are marked with ***(asterisks). All others are free. Purchase tickets online at snu.booktix.com

Sat. Jan 22	Southern Territorial Band Concert, Herrick, 7 pm
Fri. Feb 25	**Spring Musical: Into the Woods.
Sat. Feb 26	Herrick, 7 pm
Tue. Mar 8	Studio Trumpet Recital, Cantrell, 7 pm
Tue. Apr 5	SNU Jazz Band Concert, Herrick, 7 pm
Mon. Apr 11	SNU Vocal Jazz Festival Concert, Herrick, 7:30 pm
Thurs. Apr 21	Percussion Ensemble Concert, Cantrell, 7 pm
Tue. Apr 26	Iconic Media Concert, Herrick., 7 pm
Tues. May 3	SNU Symphonic Band Concert, Herrick, 7 pm

Look forward to seeing you February 7!

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82100600528?pwd=R04vTTB4RmUvWU5oa3FoWWRITHhKdz09>





***"Sharing a
Continuous
Flight"***

2021-2022 Officers and Committees Officers

Carolyn Jagers, Director
Emmalyn German, President
Marla Mercer Cole, Immediate Past President
LaNell Stahl, President-Elect
Nola Swinhart, Secretary
Frank Dewey, Treasurer
Nancy Cauthron, Member Representative
Mark Bolerjack, Member Representative

Standing Committee Chairpersons

Conley Henderson, Programs
Frank Dewey, Bylaws and Organization
Linda Carley, Membership and Calling
Joan Dozier, Publications

Special Committee and Activity Leaders

Barbara Culbertson, Book Discussions
Renda Brumeloe, Music
Howard Culbertson, SNU Connections
LaNell Stahl, Get Acquainted Moments

NEW Website Information

ASP Information

<https://www.snu.edu/asp>

SNU Sports Activities

Football Game information

<https://snuathletics.com/schedule.aspx?path=football>

Women's Soccer Information

<https://snuathletics.com/schedule.aspx?path=wsoc>

Men's Soccer Information

<https://snuathletics.com/schedule.aspx?path=msoc>



ASP Calendar

Monday February 14, 2021

10:00—11:00 Shuttle Service from the
Sawyer Center lot (41st and Donald) to the
Webster Commons.

[10:15 Southern Plaza]

11:00—1:00 Luncheon Meeting in the
Heritage Room of Webster Commons

1:00—1:30 Shuttle Service to the parking lot

1:15—2:15 Administrative Council Meeting

The Academy Perspective

- - -Publication Board- - -

Production Editor	Joan Dozier
Copy Editors	Howard Culbertson
	Barbara Culbertson
	Emmalyn German
	LaNell Stahl

- - -Columnists- - -

President's Column	Emmalyn German
Book Discussions	Barbara Culbertson
Speakers	Conley Henderson
Obituaries	Marla Mercer Cole
Photography	Hal Swinhart

- - -Communications Policy- - -

We value correspondence from our readers.

By mail:

The Academy Perspective (TAP)

Southern Nazarene University

6729 NW 39th Exp.

Bethany OK 73008

By fax: (405) 491-6381

- - -Newsletter Subscription Information- - -

Annual subscription — ***The Academy Perspective***:

Non-members—\$10 per year

Members—Included in membership dues

- - -Contributions- - -

To make tax-deductible contributions to the
Academy of Senior Professionals, mail to:

Frank Dewey, Treasurer

Southern Nazarene University

6729 NW 39th Expressway

Bethany OK 73008