

Dr. Roger Easson (English) gave a workshop to staff at Trammell Crow on "Effective Strategies for Writing Business E-mail" in April. Easson also gave a lecture in April at St. George's Episcopal Church on St. George as icon of conquest.

Dr. Lisa C. Hickman (English) contributed material on Memphis novelist Joan Williams (1928-2004) to the Mississippi Writers Page, a web site sponsored by the English department at the University of Mississippi and located at [www.olemiss.edu/mwp](http://www.olemiss.edu/mwp).

Philip Kobylarz (English) published poetry in *Blueline*, *Denver Quarterly*, *Western Humanities Review*, and *Stray Dog Magazine*.

Dr. Rodney Vogl (Behavioral Sciences) presented a poster, co-authored with Chanda Simkin ('03), on "The effect of need for cognition and attractiveness on persuasion" to the Southwestern Psychological Association's annual conference in March.

Anthony Williams (Music) judged high school choirs from the southern region of Missouri for the District Music Festival in Poplar Bluff, MO.

Dr. Marius Carriere (History Chair) served as chair and commentator of the session on Nineteenth Century America at the Phi Alpha Theta History Conference at Murray State University in April. Bailey deRouen ('05) presented a paper entitled "Popular Culture Changes Racial Attitudes," focused on how African American music influenced young Memphians during 1950s and 1960s. Michaela Lemen ('05) presented a paper on "John Bagot Glubb and the Arab Legion," discussing the influence of the British administrator who served King Hussein of Jordan until 1956.

The following students from the CBU Department of Behavioral Sciences attended and presented at the Southwestern Psychological Association's annual conference in Memphis, March 24-26: Cynthia Holmes, Dana O'Hoyt (poster presentation on "The relationship between peer acceptance in childhood and adult depression"), Lauren Cox (poster presentation on "Perceptions derived from online conversations: Effects of weight and gender"), Crissy Cox (poster presentation on "An examination of the fading affect bias in individuals with dysphoria"), Alexis Laughery (poster presentation on "Media influences in the perception of serial killers"), and Stephan Adair (poster presentation on "Virtuous woman effect").

## DISTINGUISHED LASALLIAN EDUCATOR



DR. STEPHEN GRICE, pictured with outgoing dean Dr. Kris Pruitt and Brother Stan Sobczyk, was honored with the 2005 Distinguished Lasallian Educator Award at the Faculty/Staff Recognition Reception in April. The award annually honors a CBU educator, nominated by his/her peers, who exemplifies the ideals of St. John Baptist de La Salle in the 21st century. Grice is a professor of Literature and Languages who teaches the survey course in American literature, a course on "American Romanticism," and a popular course on "Baseball in Literature." He also team-teaches a class in the "History and Literature of the Vietnam War." In addition, Grice oversees the publication of *Castings*, CBU's student literary journal.

## School of Arts Seeking Friends, Advisors

THE CBU SCHOOL OF ARTS quietly kicked off a new advisory board called Friends of the School of Arts (FOSA) last spring with an invitation-only exhibit of work by Fulbright-fellow Fred Mutebi. The event was attended by a large group of Memphians from various segments of the community.

With its primary purpose being to generate interest in and serve as an advocate for the School of Arts, FOSA held another event in April to further acquaint itself with members of the initial group and to introduce itself to new friends. An informal evening was hosted at the home of Robyn ('77) and Joe ('78) Birch. Those in attendance were introduced to the purpose of the advisory board and asked to indicate their willingness to serve on it. "We believe that the groundwork has been laid for promising developments in our relations with the Memphis community and beyond," said Dr. Vincent O'Neill, CBU professor of Literature and Languages.

"As I look toward retirement, I hope that the advisory board will be an important legacy both to faculty in the School of Arts and to our friends in the community," said outgoing dean Dr. Kris Pruitt.

FOSA is also seeking to identify and secure resources for the school's projects and initiatives and to inform the Memphis community of the nature, merits, and unique opportunities it offers. For more information, contact the School of Arts at (901) 321-3335. ■



## Tennessee Academy of Science Holds Annual Western Division Meeting at CBU

THE SCHOOL OF SCIENCES hosted the annual meeting of the Western Division of the Tennessee Academy of Science (TAS) on March 19. Attendees, authors, and presenters included students and representatives of the University of Memphis, Rhodes College, University of Tennessee Health Science Center (UTHSC), and St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Dr. Ed Chaum of the UTHSC Department of Ophthalmology presented a keynote address on "Lost in Translational Research." Three concurrent paper sessions covered the fields of "Animal Behavior, Memory, Integrals and Environmental Biology," "Reproductive Biology and Molecular Expression," and "Clinical Studies, Pharmacology, Hematology." Judges for the paper and poster sessions included faculty members from UTHSC, Rhodes College, Crichton College, LeMoyné-Owen College, and the University of Memphis.

Christopher Sage ('05) took first-place honors in the third session with his paper on "The Role of Membrane Synthesis in Macrophage Function." Cynthia Caceres ('05) and Christen Gregory ('05) tied for second place in the session with their respective papers on "The Effects of SXR RNA Expression in CD4+ Cells" and "Irinotecan Pharmacogenetic Studies in Pediatric Cancer Patients." Other CBU students presenting papers were Whitney Appling ('05), Jennifer Bernard ('06), Amar Bhula ('05), Erica Hayes ('05), Andrew Kovacs ('05), Jennifer Longo ('05), Sally Lynch ('06), Carrie McIvor ('05), Manish Patel ('05), Vaishali Patel ('05), Kelly Ward ('05), and Adriane Wilkinson ('05). David Tran ('05) also presented a poster at the meeting. ■

## CBU Hosts Meeting for Physics Teachers

THE CBU PHYSICS DEPARTMENT hosted the annual meeting of the Tennessee Section of the American Association of Physics Teachers (TAAAPT) on March 18-19 in the Science Center. The purpose of TAAAPT is to provide high school and college physics teachers a forum to exchange ideas about physics education.

Dr. Suzanne Gronemeyer of St. Jude Children's Research Hospital opened the conference with a presentation on "Looking Inside the Body without Surgery: Diagnostic Imaging, with an Emphasis on MRI." Other presentation topics included "Partnering to Enhance Inquiry-Based Physics Teaching and Learning," "TI-Robots," "Newton's First Law," "Tumor Treatment with High-Energy Photon Beams," and "Open Channel Flow and the Bernoulli Equation." A variety of student posters were also presented, including "Measuring the Drag Coefficient of a Cylinder as a Function of Reynolds Number" by Nathan Webb (Mechanical Engineering, '05).

The TAAAPT meeting was sponsored by John Wiley & Sons, Prentice Hall Publishing, Pasco Scientific, and Arbor Scientific. Details and photos of the meeting can be found at [www.cbu.edu/~jvarrian/TAAAPT](http://www.cbu.edu/~jvarrian/TAAAPT). ■



Taking honors at the Tennessee Academy of Science (l-r): Cynthia Caceres, Christen Gregory, and Christopher Sage.

### SCIENCE KUDOS

**Dr. Malinda Fitzgerald** (Biology) presented a paper on "Morphological features in the pigeon pecten suggesting a role in transport to the vitreous" to the Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology (ARVO) in Ft. Lauderdale in April. It was co-authored by CBU students **Daphne Flemming, Christen Gregory, Patrick Shirley, Chris Sage, Kelley Ward, Adriane Wilkinson**, and Dr. A.J. Reiner of the Department of Anatomy and Neurobiology at the University of Tennessee. Fitzgerald also gave a lecture on: "Stem Cell Research: What is all the fuss about?" to a class at Memphis Theological Seminary. The faculty member in charge was Dr. Paul Dekar, and the class is entitled "Ancient Wisdom, Modern Science."

**Dr. Mary Ogilvie** (Biology) was honored with the 2005 Dr. Marguerite Cooper Distinguished Professor Award at the Faculty/ Staff Recognition Reception in April. The award is given annually in tribute to a School of Sciences professor who exemplifies excellence in teaching effectiveness; service to the department, university, and students; professional growth; and administration.

**Dr. Mike Condren** (Chemistry) and **David Tran** (Chemistry, '05) attended the national meeting of the American Chemical Society in San Diego in March. David presented a poster, and Dr. Condren attended a meeting of a ACS Exams Institute committee. They also picked up another award for the CBU Chapter of the Student Affiliates of the American Chemical Society.



## Weybright Named GSC Freshman of Year

BUCCANEER BASKETBALL FORWARD Kevin Weybright, pictured at left, was named the Gulf South Conference West Division Freshman of the Year at the conclusion of the 2004-05 season, as voted by the league's head coaches.

Weybright led the GSC in three point shooting, going 37-79 from long range and making 47 percent of his shots. He was fourth on the Buccaneer team in rebounding, with 3.8 per game, and fifth in scoring with 9.2 per game.

Weybright is a graduate of Wyoming High School in Cincinnati, OH, where he scored a school record of 1,322 points. He was named the Associated Press Division II Southwest District Player of the Year in Ohio for his last high school season, and the *Cincinnati Enquirer* named him the Division II Player of the Year.

The Bucs ended the 2004-05 season 14-13 overall and 6-10 in the Gulf South Conference, seventh in the West Division of the league. ■

### ATHLETIC KUDOS

Buccaneer first baseman **Blake Christian** (History, '06) was named the Gulf South Conference West Division Baseball Player of the Week for the period ending April 12. He went 7-15 for the week including two home runs, two doubles, and six RBIs.

Coach **Phil Goodwin** (Baseball) will coach a Coast to Coast Athletics team of U.S. players age 16-18 in competition against Puerto Rican teams in San Juan, June 29-July 5.

Coach **Scott Groninger** (Women's Basketball) will coach a USA Athletes International team that plays in Barbados, June 26-July 3. Lady Buc Jackie Moore ('05) was selected to play on the team.

Buccaneer basketball forward **Jordon Jeffries** (Religion & Philosophy, '05) and guard **Jake Bazeley** (Management, '05) were named to the GSC West Division's Second-Team. Jeffries led the Bucs in scoring and rebounding this season with 14.0 and 6.6 per game averages. Bazeley finished third for the team in scoring with 13.2 points per game and led the team in assists with 121.

Lady Buc centerfielder **Hannah Shackelford** (Biology, '07) was named second team All-Gulf South Conference by the league's head softball coaches. She had a career year, leading the Lady Bucs in hitting with a .333 batting average, and had a team-high 22 RBIs. She led the team in hits with 43 and was second in home runs with two.

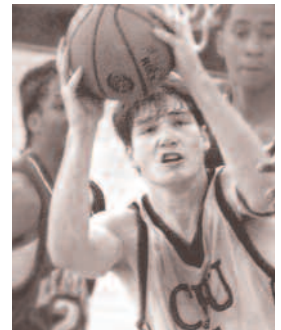
## Athletes Honored Again for Class Work

CBU STUDENT-ATHLETES were recognized for academic achievements by several sources this spring.

Buccaneer basketball guards **Jake Bazeley** (Management, '05) and **Clint Dowdle** (Management, '05) were named to the Gulf South Conference Winter All-Academic Team. To be nominated, student-athletes must earn a 3.20 grade point average or higher and be starters or key contributors to their teams; the conference's sports information directors and faculty athletic representatives then vote. CBU was the only team to have two players on the five-person team.

Bazeley and Dowdle were joined by **Tal Yatsiv** (Management, '05) and **Kevin Weybright** ('08) on the GSC Academic Honor Roll. The Lady Bucs were represented on the Honor Roll by **Mary Shea Hackett** (Human Development, '06), **Kristen Kirkland** (Psychology, '05), and **Ashley Smith** (Marketing, '05). Student-athletes on the roll must have a 3.0 GPA.

CBU's spring student-athletes also ended the season with academic honors. Lady Buc shortstop **Jenny Bernard** (Biology, '06) was named to the first team of the *ESPN The Magazine* Academic All-District college division team, and first-baseman **Paula Cerrito** (Chemistry, '06) was named to the District IV second team. The teams are voted on by sports information directors in the district. Students must possess a cumulative 3.20 GPA or higher and be a starter or significant reserve to be nominated. ■



Jake Bazeley



Jenny Bernard