

SU Career Connections BBQ 2013 – Alumni Participants

Friday, April 12, 12:00-1:40 p.m.

Sign-up in person at Career Services (M-F, 8-12, 1-5 p.m.)

Chris Bailey '06

Chris majored in **Accounting** at Southwestern and is currently a **Tax Manager/CPA with the MCG Group**. He provides consulting for private tax companies (entity restructuring, quality of earnings reviews, the buy and sell side of due diligence), is involved with business development (new client acquisition), reviews tax returns and offers tax planning for high net worth individuals. Some of his clients have included George Foreman, a former U.S. Vice President and the individual who funded the most recent purchase of the Houston Astros. Previously, he has been the Chief Financial Officer of a firm that represented policyholders against insurance companies in disputes. (*SU Lacrosse team*)

David Barnes '98

David graduated with a degree in **Psychology** from Southwestern and is currently the **Senior HR Manager, North America, with Tesco Corporation** in Houston. He has previously worked as the HR Manager for the Americas with Energy Alloys and at Aon prior to that position. David has obtained his Senior Professional in Human Resources certification.

Carlos Barron '10

Carlos majored in both **Sculpture and Studio Art** at SU and is now a **Graphic Designer and Photographer with Architect J. Bryant Boyd**. His work involves architectural illustration, interior and exterior architectural photography, web design, graphic design, and marketing. He was previously a self-employed photographer and designer, and his love of shooting macro photographs of tiny bugs was displayed in a 2011 outdoor exhibition along the San Gabriel River Trail in Georgetown. (*Megaphone, SU Creative Services Intern*)

Ryan Bellomy '07

Ryan was a **Spanish major and Business minor** at Southwestern and is now the **Managing Partner and Owner of the Bellomy Group, LLC**, a team of oil and gas professionals focused on providing land management solutions and consulting services for oil and gas companies and mineral owners. He previously worked with Dale Resources, LLC, as an Area Landman, where he negotiated oil and gas leases and created drillable natural gas in urban areas. He has also earned his Real Estate license. (*SU Baseball, Fellowship of Christian Athletes*)

Travis Bias '04

Travis graduated with a major in **Biology and a minor in Political Science** at Southwestern and went on to earn his D.O. at the UNTHSC Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine in 2008. He is currently a **Family Medicine Physician with Parkway Primary Care** in Pflugerville, TX. In 2012, he worked for six months in medical necessity compliance consulting for Executive Health Resources and has published several articles in publications such as *Coastal Bend Medicine, Texas Medicine*, and the *American Medical Association*. He is currently very involved in organized medicine with the Texas Medical Association. (*SU Tennis, Pi Kappa Alpha, Resident Assistant*)

Maggie Bishop '11

Maggie earned a B.A. in **Economics** from Southwestern and is currently the **Director of Business Retention and Expansion in the Austin Chamber of Commerce**. Her role in Austin's economic development includes early stage investment facilitation, corporate expansion project management, committee and regional business leadership facilitation, event planning and overall public relations and marketing in the greater Austin regional business community. (*Zeta Tau Alpha, Women's Club Lacrosse*)

Charlsie Brown '03

Charlsie graduated with a degree in **Political Science and Psychology** at SU and went on to earn her J.D. at Baylor Law School in 2007. She is now an **Associate Attorney with Lorenz and Lorenz** where she handles personal injury plaintiff cases in pre-litigation, manages legal assistants and clients, and negotiates with adjusters and medical providers. She previously worked with Lotz and Associates where she handled personal injury and medical malpractice defense cases in litigation. She also worked for Corbin and Associates as a family law attorney and handled divorce, CPS and child custody cases. (*Cheerleading, Alpha Chi, Psi Chi, Pi Sigma Alpha*)

Lisa Marie "Reese" Cisneros '10

Reese graduated with a degree in **Communication Studies**. She is an **Event Coordinator and Production Manager with Kennedy Events and Kennedy DMC Austin**, which is a leading destination management company based in Austin. Reese is responsible for a wide range of events, including small parties, awards shows, conferences, corporate dinners, product launches, trade shows, and non-profit and social events. She interned with her organization as a student to learn the ins and outs of event planning, which eventually led to a full-time opportunity upon graduation. (*SU Volleyball, Zeta Tau Alpha, Student Athletic Advisory Committee, Student Foundation, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Operation Achievement*)

Jo Cassandra Cuevas '05

Jo earned a B.A. in both **Political Science and Communication Studies** at Southwestern and is now the first woman to serve as **Executive Director of the Texas House Democratic Caucus** with the Texas House of Representatives. Her key responsibility is to implement the strategic goals and objectives of the Texas House Democratic Caucus to advance, protect, and promote democratic values. She has previously worked as the Legislative Director for State Representative Ana Hernández Luna, State Representative Allen Vaught, and State Representative Eliot G. Shapleigh. (*Resident Assistant, Delta Delta Delta, President of the Student Judiciary*)

Nick Diaz '03

Nick majored in **Business with minors in Spanish and Economics** at SU. He is now **Senior Vice President of Commercial Banking at Amegy Bank**, where he is responsible for soliciting new business from their existing client base and prospective clients, and cross selling other bank products. He previously worked as a Credit Analyst, Associate, and Officer. (*SU Baseball, Kappa Alpha Order*)

Laura Gabriel '08

Laura graduated with degrees in both **Communication Studies and Piano** at Southwestern and now works as a **Recruitment Consultant with the Memorial Hermann Healthcare System** where she acts as the full-cycle recruiter of ambulatory services. She has previously worked for Memorial Hermann in the capacity of Human Resources Coordinator, where she orchestrated on-boarding and recruiting, and assisted the Director of Talent Acquisition. (*Alpha Phi Omega, Assisted with the event planning and advertising for the 2008 Mayoral Forum in Georgetown, TX*)

Alicia High '00

Alicia earned a B.A. in both **Communication Studies and Spanish** and is now the **Marketing Communications Manager at Wayne, A GE Energy Business**. She develops global and regional marketing communication strategies that are executed in digital, online, print

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and video collateral. As the Brand Marketing Manager for Dell, Inc., she developed, managed, and executed all merchandising and go-to-market strategies for two of Dell's primary lines of business: Inspiron Notebooks and Electronics & Accessories. (*Sigma Phi Lambda, Resident Assistant, SU Ambassador*)

Jessica Hogg '07

Jessica double-majored in **Psychology and Communication Studies** at Southwestern. She is currently working as a **Human Resources Transformation Consultant with Deloitte** where she consults with clients from various industries to define, structure, and implement HR solutions to help them optimize their business goals. Prior to Deloitte, she worked for Mercer, where she oversaw the daily management and development of a client team in the Health and Welfare Benefits Outsourcing offering. (*Zeta Tau Alpha, Student Congress, Operation Achievement*)

Anna Matis '06

Anna majored in **Communication Studies and Art History with a minor in French** at Southwestern. She is currently working on her Master's in Foreign Language Education from the **University of Texas** and simultaneously works for the university as an **ESL Tutor**. She instructs an ESL pronunciation class for adult graduate residents at university-based apartments and creates lesson plans and a syllabus for the semester-long intermediate/advanced-level weekly sessions. She has previously taught French, been an Associate at a Pharmacy Practice, and worked as the Assistant Account Executive in Digital Public Affairs for Healthcare at Edelman Public Relations Worldwide in Washington, D.C. (*Alumni and Parent Relations intern, Studied abroad in London, Hungary, and Spain*)

James Morrison '87

James double-majored in **Biology and Chemistry** and spent a semester in the PhD program for Genetics at Texas A&M. He has been a **Pharmaceutical Sales Specialist for AstraZeneca** since 2011 selling Crestor and Symbicort. Previously, he was an independent contractor for pharmaceutical sales with Ethidern Pharmaceuticals and was involved with computer software sales with InterShop. He was a pharmaceutical representative for GSK for 21 years. Not only does he collect rare Porsches, he has also produced a Porsche calendar for the last four years, wrote and produced a documentary on the Porsche 928 and just released an iPhone app about the 928 as well.

John Pinion '94

John earned degrees in both **Political Science and Communication Studies** at SU. He went on to obtain his Master's in International Management from Thunderbird, American Graduate School of International Management, and his J.D. from The University of Texas School of Law. He is currently the **Managing Partner of Pinion's Wonderland**, a consulting, design, and sales group that works with international furniture manufacturers in the design, marketing and placement of furniture in retail accounts across the U.S. John currently works with manufacturing partners in China, Malaysia, Vietnam, Taiwan, Thailand, Mexico, Canada, and Italy.

Marie Putman '08

Marie majored in both **Business and Communication Studies** at Southwestern. She is currently a **Math Teacher and Head Volleyball Coach at Austin High School (Austin ISD)**. She is also a certified personal trainer and group fitness instructor, and she previously worked as a math teacher at Cedar Ridge High School and an Event Coordinator and Coach at Austin Sports Center. (*SU Volleyball, Zeta Tau Alpha*)

Chris Robinson '07

Chris majored in **Physical Science** at SU as a part of the 3/2 program, and then attended Texas A&M University to study Electrical Engineering. He currently works as the **Technical Sales Account Manager for Texas Instruments**, where he is responsible for sales activities at his customer around server systems. He has held

multiple internships at HP as well as the College Program Internship at Walt Disney World. (*SU Baseball, Physics Club*)

Tanlyn Roelofs '09

Tanlyn earned a B.A. in **Anthropology** at Southwestern and now works as a **Literacy Program Specialist with the Literacy Coalition of Central Texas**. She facilitates and organizes local instructor trainings in the field of English as a Second Language and Adult Basic Education and strengthens their partner organizations by offering and planning local instructor meet-ups, innovative ESL curriculum, and professional development opportunities. Tanlyn has also recently been accepted to the University of Texas LBJ School of Public Affairs for a Master's in Global Policy Studies. She previously earned the prestigious Fulbright English Teaching Assistant role in Berlin, Germany. (*SEAK, SIRA outdoor recreation, Student Council*)

Beth Thomas Schleif '08

Beth graduated with a degree in **Political Science** at SU and will begin work on her Master's degree in Healthcare Administration at Trinity University in the Fall of 2013. She is now the **Development Associate for Constituency Relations at the UT Health Science Center in San Antonio** where she manages a database of over 130,000 constituents, runs reports, mailing lists, appeal performance, and other analytic data measurements. She previously worked as the Development Assistant for the Cancer Therapy and Research Center. (*Paideia Scholar, SU Women's Basketball, Zeta Tau Alpha, Senior Gift Council*)

Katrina Stringer '07

Katrina majored in **Psychology** at Southwestern and then went on to earn a B.S. in Nursing at Texas Tech University. She is now a **Registered Nurse and works at St. David's Hospital in the Emergency Room**. She is knowledgeable about medications, hospital policy and patient procedures, and constantly transitions among the roles of social worker, administrative staff, waitress and mechanic within her work as a nurse. (*Alpha Xi Delta, Psy Chi, tutored children with the Georgetown Project*)

Evelyn Ward '06

Evelyn majored in **Business with a minor in Economics** at Southwestern and is now working for **Transwestern as a Broker Associate**. There she is responsible for the leasing of 1million square feet of office space in the Houston area and is also in charge of a five-state area for land acquisitions for a corporate retailer. Evelyn also pursued her CCIM certification following graduation. (*Rotract*)

Monica Maldonado Williams '92

Monica graduated with a degree in **Communication Studies** from SU and is now the **Founder and Editor in Chief of GivingCity Austin**, where she leads the publishing team to execute a bi-monthly magazine about local philanthropy, plans editorial content, and identifies and secures funding partnerships and marketing collaborations. She previously worked as an Assistant Editor for the American Society of Civil Engineers and the Texas Medical Association, and was the Managing Editor for St. Edwards University. (*The Megaphone, Stringer for the New York Times Campus Life Section*)

Wayne Weigelt '99

Wayne earned a degree in **Business** at Southwestern and went on to obtain several occupational licenses: series 6, series 63, mortgage license, property and casualty insurance license, life and health license, and irrigation license, and is also a certified arborist. He is now the **Owner of Wayne Weigelt State Farm Agency and is President of Weigelt Enterprises**. In these capacities, he sells and services insurance and financial services as well as works with landscaping, irrigation, and construction. He has always been self-employed. (*SU Baseball, Kappa Alpha Order*)