TRUSTEES AWARDS & PRESIDENTIAL EXCELLENCE AWARDS The Utah Valley University Awards of Excellence program This year, the UVU Board of Trustees recognizes five employees for their contributions to forwarding UVU's mission. recognizes faculty and staff who dedicate their time and The Presidential Awards of Excellence honors six faculty and staff for their efforts in key areas related to UVU's mission and core talents to students, scholarship, and the advancement of themes. higher education. BOARD OF TRUSTEES' MESSAGE PRESIDENT'S LETTER **ELAINE S. DALTON** MATTHEW S. HOLLAND IT IS AN HONOR AND A PRIVILEGE FOR MEMBERS of the THROUGHOUT THE NINE YEARS I've been fortunate to be Board of Trustees to join with President Holland and university president of Utah Valley University, we simply could not have officials in honoring you for your important and unique achieved our remarkable momentum and trajectory without the devotion of talented faculty and staff. This evening it is my contributions to UVU with the highest award presented to top achievers in the UVU community — the Trustee Award of pleasure to formally recognize a few of our employees whose Excellence. In your professional life and personal life, you dedicated service is illustrative of so many across campus who exemplify in every way the high and noble values upon which carry out their responsibilities with tremendous energy and this institution was founded. excellence. This evening is just one of the ways — though a particularly visible and meaningful one — that this university You have distinguished yourself in our unique dual-mission strives to make sure such marvelous efforts do not go model through your service to the students, the institution, and unnoticed. As a result, I consider it one of the most important the community. Your service embodies professional ideals and events of the year. uncompromising integrity. Your efforts and contribution will I offer a warm welcome to all who are joining us this evening to enrich and bless generations to come.

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celebrate the university's most noteworthy contributors, those On behalf of all trustees, we congratulate you for demonstrating who do so much to make UVU a grand, transformative force in exceptional dedication to the ideals and mission of Utah Valley the lives of thousands upon thousands of students. University, and we are honored to acknowledge the contribution and sacrifice you have made. Thank you for supporting the Mathew Strellow mission of UVU as a serious, inclusive, and engaged university with student success at the heart of all we do. Matthew S. Holland turie Watton President, Utah Valley University Elaine S. Dalton Chair, Board of Trustees CANDICE L. GARDNER STEVEN C. HUFF EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT PRESIDENTIAL AWARD OF EXCELLENCE PRESIDENTIAL AWARD OF EXCELLENCE Efficiency and Effectiveness CANDICE GARDNER HAS BEEN the executive assistant to the president of UVU since 2010. Prior to that, she was administrative assistant to the vice president of Academic Affairs and assistant to the UVU Chief of Police. She holds a bachelor of science degree in political science from UVU and expects to receive an MBA from Brigham Young University in June. As an executive assistant, some of Gardner's duties include managing the president's calendar, prioritizing incoming issues and

Associate Professor, Marketing STEVEN C. HUFF IS AN ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR of marketing who lives in Provo. Huff earned his bachelor's degree in computer engineering from Utah State University and a master's degree from the Marriott School of Management, Brigham Young University. He then was awarded a doctoral degree in business administration with a marketing emphasis from the Haas School of Business, University of California, Berkeley. Huff helped design and launch the first digital marketing major offered by a public university in the United States; he helped design and launch the UVU full-time MBA program with the new "woven" curriculum; he designed a new innovation course (Creativity and Problem Solving) for the UVU concerns, providing a bridge for smooth communication MBA, a key course in the program currently offered at only a between the president's office and internal departments, making handful of top MBA programs in the nation; he has developed 11 travel arrangements, and managing incoming office calls and courses during his 5.5 years working at UVU. He also currently visitors. She was named the UVU Distinguished Employee of teaches in the executive MBA programs at Berkeley and the the Year in 2014. "I have a deep affiliation with Utah Valley University of Utah, "bringing lessons learned back to my work at University," Gardner says. "I have been able to advance both my career and my education at the same time over the last nine years, largely due to the incredible leaders at this university who Huff was named the Best College or University Teacher in the lead by example and are consistently supporting employees to 2017 Best of State awards, as well as the 2014 Wolverine achieve great things."Gardner has a "remarkably supportive Achievement Award and 2013 Alumni Association Educator of husband, Bruce, and four amazing children." the Year Award for the Woodbury School of Business. Huff says he enjoys the innovative culture at UVU that allows him to push assumptions and challenge the status quo. "Often, I find the

assumptions we make at most universities are no longer correct, and in some cases may never have been correct," he says. "I love gaining insights that lead to new ways of doing things, that challenge tradition and the status quo, and dramatically improve student outcomes. I can do that here more often than I can anywhere else." He and his wife, Elizabeth, have four children, "who all think UVU is the best university in the world." **BOB PALAIS** ALEXIS PALMER Associate Vice President, Student Associate Professor, Mathematics Affairs PRESIDENTIAL AWARD OF EXCELLENCE PRESIDENTIAL AWARD OF EXCELLENCE Scholarship Student Success BOB PALAIS IS AN ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR of mathematics who has been at UVU since 2011. Originally from Princeton, ALEXIS PALMER IS THE CURRENT associate vice president N.J., Palais was awarded a bachelor's degree in mathematics for Student Life and dean of students at UVU. She is originally from Harvard in 1980. He has since earned a master's degree from Boise, Idaho, and currently lives in Elk Ridge. Palmer and doctorate in mathematics from the University of California, received her bachelor's degree in elementary education from Boise State University and then was awarded a master's degree Berkeley. He has professional experience as a visiting

in youth and family recreation from Brigham Young University.

advanced degree in organizational leadership. At UVU, she has

been the director of the Volunteer and Service Learning Center,

Education. Before working at UVU, she worked with the non-

Palmer is a past winner of the Wolverine Achievement Award

and was awarded the PACE Distinguished Employee Award for

2008-09. She says she finds UVU to be a wonderful place that

allows students with many diverse experiences to be led here. "The majority of people working at UVU are committed to their

work and passionate about UVU," Palmer says. "It truly is a

community that I am proud to be a part of. I especially love

working with the amazing team in Student Life. Every student in

the Student Life division cares deeply about student success."

She and her husband are parents of three daughters, and she

says if she had an alternative life, she "would be a surfer living

time playing in the water with children," and as result enjoys

camping and boating with her family.

LOWELL M. GLENN

Economics

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Associate Professor, Finance and

LOWELL M. GLENN IS THE CURRENT CHAIR OF the

Department of Finance and Economics and lives in Orem.

Glenn earned a bachelor of science degree in political science

from Brigham Young University, followed by a master's degree

in business administration from BYU. Glenn was awarded a

doctorate degree from the George Washington University in

economics. Professionally, he has worked with the Federal

Reserve Board in Washington, D.C., and was the executive

director of the National Manpower Task Force, which advised the U.S. Department of Labor on public policy issues. Glenn

became a full-time faculty member at UVU in 1999, following

several years in human resource development organizations,

development of new programs" and willing to take risks. "I've worked with people at UVU who have challenged and inspired professional development, engaged students, and have been supportive in making my time here a great experience." Glenn and his wife, Yvonne, have five children and 21 grandchildren.

VICKI I. MARRIOTT HAS BEEN A GROUNDS SPECIALIST at UVU for 12 years, though she has cared for gardens and

grounds for more than four decades. In 2005, Marriott's yard

Benefit tour for Utah Valley Regional Medical Center. Her yard

was chosen to be a "hidden garden" in the Hidden Garden

was also selected as a "yard of the month" in Orem in 2006.

Marriott has been selected for Wolverine Sighting Awards on

numerous occasions. She is a graduate of UVU, earning an

associate of science with honors. Marriott says she enjoys taking classes at UVU to better herself and loves to beautify the

"My hobbies are making quilts, crocheting, cross-stitching,

embroidery, and home gardening. I have taken piano and violin

lessons in the past, and plan on resuming lessons after I retire,"

she says. "And I once ate a poisonous plant and lived to tell

about it." Marriott has six children and 10 grandchildren.

Glenn says he finds UVU to be "always open to the

VICKI I. MARRIOTT

Specialist, Grounds

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computer consulting, and administration of a law firm, along with

being director of human resources at Mountainland Association

She is currently working on her dissertation to complete an

and the Senior Director of Community and Continuing

profit Points of Light Foundation.

in Hawaii."

professor, New York University; a visiting assistant professor,

mathematics, University of Utah; an associate and assistant

professor at the University of Utah. Palais was awarded the

U.S. patents.

the world."

professor, Westminster College; and continues as a research

Lester Ford Award by the Mathematical Association of America

in 2010, and is the inventor or co-inventor on seven published

He enjoys collaborating with "world-class colleagues across

departments, staff, and administration at UVU." He enjoys

"empowering students with mathematical understanding to

succeed in their dreams, learning from those students, and

together with them, in traditional and innovative ways. UVU manages to preserve the best aspects of a small liberal arts

grandmother taught mathematics, "and I continue to collaborate

with my father — we have co-authored articles, a book, and are

co-inventors on two patents. They and my siblings and entire

family also instilled a love of nature, arts, and humanity — that has led to learning and climbing adventures with friends around

chance, or the only chance for so many students who are

have four children and currently live in Orem.

MARK E. BRACKEN

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occasions.

JOEL HERD

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his son's youth basketball team.

SOWARDS

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and Company for a year.

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ELIZABETH ANNE

Accountant, UVU Foundation

Associate Professor, Biology

MARK BRACKEN IS AN ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR of biology

who lives in Woodland Hills. Prior to coming to UVU, he was a registered respiratory therapist at Utah Valley Hospital from

1979- 1997 and was clinical director of pulmonary rehabilitation

there from 1989-1997. Bracken was awarded the Dean's Award

Educator of the Year in 2000 and 2005. He has won or has been

for Outstanding Service, College of Science and Health, in

nominated for Outstanding Teacher of the Year on several

Bracken was also recognized by the Centro Universitario de

Oriente and the city of Ciqumula, Guatemala, by having the

a former student who is a nurse or physician or dentist say

Director, Sorensen Student

Center/Student Life & Wellness

JOEL HERD STARTED WORKING IN THE Sorensen Student

Center in 2001 and moved into the director position there in

SSC/SLWC Operations at UVU. He has served on numerous

president for two years and serving on the Summer University

students on a daily basis," he says. "I also find it very rewarding to provide services that help our students have a successful

college experience." Herd and his wife, Christina, have five

children. He enjoys golfing, fishing, working out, and coaching

ELIZABETH ANNE SOWARDS IS AN ACCOUNTANT WITH the UVU Foundation. She lives in Provo and is a native of Manassa, Colorado. She is in the process of completing a bachelor's degree in accounting from UVU, having received a certificate of completion in business technology with an accounting emphasis from Mountainland Applied Technology College. She also has an associate degree in accounting from UVU. She has been an accountant at Utah Valley for three years, a bookkeeper with Oman Corporation for two years, and associated with Squire

Sowards says she enjoys knowing the ultimate focus of the UVU Foundation is helping students and making their dreams come true. She says she loves the people she works with and their dedication to doing their job well. "And I love the donors. From the biggest donor to the smallest. It is so inspiring to see the generosity of people who give to UVU ... I love the 'give back' attitude that exists." Sowards is a widow of 15 years and the mother of four children and has one "fabulous grandson." She says she enjoys a good book, good food, and college football.

2014. Herd is currently the director of event services and

committees at UVU, including being elected PACE vice

Executive Committee and Campus Image Committee.

Herd said he enjoys daily interactions with students and coworkers. "I work with great people and enjoy being around

'thank you'," Bracken says. "There is no greater reward than seeing them succeed. Their success is my success!"

university's family practice clinic named in his honor. "No honor

or award is more significant or has more meaning than hearing

2014. He was the UVU Alumni Association Outstanding

hungry to improve their own circumstances and change the lives

of their family for generations to come." He and his wife, Tara,

college but on a grand scale." He says his parents and

UC Berkeley; an assistant professor in the department of

SCOTT CHRISTOPHER PAUL **HEATHER WILSON-**ASHWORTH Director, Corporate and Foundation Professor, Biology Relations, Development and Alumni Relations PRESIDENTIAL AWARD OF EXCELLENCE PRESIDENTIAL AWARD OF EXCELLENCE Engagement Innovation Heather Wilson-Ashworth is a professor of biology at UVU, SCOTT CHRISTOPHER PAUL IS THE DIRECTOR of originally from Beaverton, Oregon, who has been a professor at Corporate and Foundation Relations and Divisional Operations Utah Valley since 2000. She received her bachelor of arts and Strategy for UVU's Development and Alumni Relations degree from Brigham Young University and a doctoral degree activities. Paul has a bachelor's degree in psychology, as well from BYU in 1999. Wilson-Ashworth was associate department chair of the UVU department of biology from 2007 to 2012. She as a juris doctorate from Brigham Young University. A native of Gaithersburg, Maryland, Paul was also named a UVSELF award was awarded the UVU Faculty Excellence Award in 2012, the Faculty Appreciation Award from UVU Academic Tutoring, 2011, winner in 2011-12. He has been the director of National Development Outreach at UVU, a project manager and research the Service Learning Faculty of the Year, 2006, and the analyst, a former managing editor and publisher of Total Blue Presidential Award for Faculty Scholarship in 2002. Sports and Scout.com, and continues to be a business analyst Wilson-Ashworth says she loves helping students realize their with NASD and the Nasdaq Stock Market. full potential. "Sometimes students do not realize how talented Paul says he enjoys "the start-up feel" that surrounds UVU. "I they are and they need someone to believe in them," she says. know we've been around since 1941 and we're the largest "I enjoy sharing my vision of their abilities with them; such an university in the state, but we're young as a university, and we experience is empowering. I love assisting students as they struggle, grow, reach and accomplish their dreams while feel like a startup in that we're innovative, scrappy, nimble, and responsive to market forces," he says. "It's incredibly inspiring to demonstrating great confidence, drive and tenacity." Wilsonbe a part of an institution that serves as a first chance, a second Ashworth says she believes "you can never spend too much