

2008 Ruth Award Recipients: (l-r) Ann Kelley, Jeannette Sadler, Joreen Bozeman, and Joyce Sellars.

DBU Women's Auxiliary Board

2008 Ruth Awards Christmas Luncheon

The Women's Auxiliary Board (WAB) recognized four outstanding women during the annual Ruth Awards Luncheon on December 3 in the Hillcrest Great Hall on the DBU campus.

Joreen Bozeman, Ann Kelley, Jeannette Sadler, and Joyce Sellars were co-recipients of the 2008 Ruth Award. The Ruth Award takes its name from the chief character in the Old Testament book of Ruth. Each year, DBU selects similarly outstanding women to receive the distinguished Ruth Award for their dedication to God, family, and Christian education at DBU.

WAB President, Dr. Peggy Trammell, greeted those in attendance and welcomed them to the DBU campus. Following the welcome, Adam Wright, DBU assistant to the president for advancement, provided an update on the progress of the Patty and Bo Pilgrim Chapel, which is scheduled to be completed by Fall 2009. Dr. Gary Cook, DBU president, then shared a brief word about the importance of the Women's Auxiliary Board in the life of the University, in addition to thanking everyone for their prayers and their encouragement while he was undergoing treatment for leukemia.

Allison Arnold, chair of the 2008 Ruth Awards Luncheon, introduced the four recipients and their presenters. Each of the four women received a statue of the biblical figure Ruth, molded by famed artist Helen Boehm. In addition, the Ruth Award recipients' portraits will be displayed alongside those of past recipients in the Ruth Awards Portrait Gallery on the DBU campus.

Serving along with Allison Arnold on the luncheon committee were Chloé Aduddell, Tena Barkley, Billye Buxton, Carole Clem, Lisha Czerwinski, Christy Gandy, Leigh Gettman-Allen, Carletta Guillory, Nell Hoffman, Ann Kelley, Carolyn Monk, Betty Moody, Debra Moore, Barbara Sleeper, Jan Spann, Linda Stephenson, Raleigh Mae Stevenson, Dee Stuckey, and Phyllis Tresnicky.

DBU graduate student Mary Kathryne Wilson provided special music for the luncheon, and at the conclusion of the program, Candice Wright, who currently serves as the executive director of the Women's Auxiliary Board, delivered the closing prayer.