What do these three things have in common: A Broom, Yale University and the CIA?

To learn the answer, don't miss UWA's February 22nd event, The Epic Journey of Writing a Biography of President Boren by Bob Burke. He will discuss his book “Oklahoma Statesman: The Life of David Boren,” which chronicles the political life of President David Boren. Burke is co-author of the book and he has written over 80 books about our state’s history and the people who made that history. A practicing attorney in Oklahoma City specializing in Workers Compensation, Mr. Burke and President Boren met when Boren was running for governor of Oklahoma. Named to the Oklahoma Journalism Hall of Fame in 2004, Burke is known as Oklahoma’s Renaissance Man.

At our event, the Oklahoma Heritage Association has made it possible for us to purchase two of Bob Burke’s books “Oklahoma Statesman: The Life of David Boren” and “John Steinbeck Was Wrong about Oklahoma” for $25 - a $10 savings. All profits are contributed back to the Oklahoma Heritage Association. So bring your check books!

Sunday, February 22nd, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Wine & Cheese Reception
The National Weather Center
120 David L. Boren Boulevard at Jenkins and Hwy. 9

You are encouraged to bring your spouse, friend, or a prospective member to enjoy a delightful Sunday afternoon. For additional information, contact Janet Crain, 321-8184 or Judith Evans, 329-4138

President’s Message

Dear Friends,
My Hat’s Off to our program chairs Judith Evans and Janet Crain for presenting UWA members
with two exciting university speakers, Ghislain d’Humieres and J. Rufus Fears. And yet we are going to have another such event when OKC attorney Bob Burke discusses his recent biography of our own President Boren. We want to see you there on Washington’s birthday, Sunday, February 22.

Also, thank you for waiting so patiently for this year’s UWA directory. Copies will be distributed at the February meeting. I hope you will agree that it was worth waiting for. A special thanks to Margaret Smith, Helen Duchon, Jann Knotts and Beth Gatewood for gathering the data and photos to make it possible.

Last but not least, when you check out the Thinking Of... section on page 3, please remember that we want and need information concerning member’s activities – so keep us informed about yourself and others for future e-mails and newsletters.

Happy February,
Juanitta Goins, President
“Christ and the Roman Empire” a resounding success...

J. Rufus Fears, David Ross Boyd Professor of Classics, captivated UWA members and guests with his eloquent storytelling style when he spoke to us on December 7, 2008. Amusingly weaving current events and figures into the historical framework of the Roman Empire surrounding the birth and life of Jesus, he delighted our largest audience to date.

We humbly thank Dr. Fears for his contribution to our organization and its goal to raise scholarship funds for OU students.

If you were unable to attend and hear UWA’s guest speaker Ghislain d’Humieres in October or J. Rufus Fears in December – then you have missed a unique experience. Don’t let that happen in February when the UWA program features Bob Burke (see page 1 for details).

—Judith Evans, VP

Spotlight on Charter Member Mildred Cella

Mildred is a Sooner Born and Sooner Bred UWA member, having grown up in Quinton, Oklahoma. During WWII she volunteered with the war effort, just like everyone else, and moved to Ft. Smith, Arkansas, to work at Camp Chaffee as a PBX operator. There she met her husband, Lt. Col. Francis Cella, who was from Connecticut. They married in 1944 and lived in Washington D.C.

She and her husband did not want to stay in the Air Force and began to send out resumes, one went to OU. Mildred had an aunt and uncle who lived in Norman and they came for a visit. Francis decided to just walk over to the business college and meet Dean Adams. As he walked in, the secretary exclaimed that they were trying to contact him! He was hired that day to be Director of the Bureau of Business Research and Professor of Business Economics and Statistics.

They built a house on Hoover in 1968. Anything west on Boyd past Berry Road was “country.” Mildred said she entertained the thought of buying some land west of Berry but her husband didn’t think anyone would want to live that far away from the campus. Other than all the construction going on in Norman another surprise to her is the number of restaurants.

Mildred, 93 in March, is very active in Norman. She was a charter member of UWA, the Assistance League and the Hospital Auxiliary. She has accumulated over 10,000 volunteer hours of work with NRH and works every year at the AL-sponsored May Fair art festival. Plus, she travels, too!

Rufus Fears and the three J’s who make it all happen: Juanitta Goins, president; Janet Crain, president-elect; and Judith Evans, vice-president.
**Meet New Member TAMMY GEORGE**

Growing-up as part of a military family, Tammy has lived in San Antonio, Hawaii, Virginia, Colorado and Maryland before returning to her father’s home town of Norman. Tammy and her brother both followed family roots back to Norman and attended the University of Oklahoma. Tammy is a 1983 graduate of the College of Allied Health with a B.S. in Occupational Therapy. While at OU, Tammy met and married OU petroleum engineer graduate Randy George in 1982. When Randy decided to join the Air Force in 1983 as a weather officer, Tammy once again began her military travels—living in Louisiana, Germany, Illinois, Virginia and Colorado. They returned to Norman where Randy completed his final assignment with the National Weather Center radar program, retiring as a Lieutenant Colonel in 2007.

Tammy enjoys her hobbies of exercise, cooking and knitting. She makes sure that she still has time to visit with her daughter Mindy, who is currently a sophomore at OU, and her parents who have retired to Norman, and where her brother and his family also live...so Norman is truly home for Tammy George.

**University Womens Investment Club**

Pictured here are most of the members of the UWIC: Rachel Zelby, vice chair, Sue Velie, Dorothy Johnson, Janet Snow, treasurer, Janet Crain, sec., Jane Barrett, chair, Lois Hilbert, Marj Greer, Marcia Goodman and Sue Harrington meeting at Dorothy’s house, Nov. 11, 2008. Helen Duchon took the photo. Members not pictured are Marie Alley, Carolyn Glad, Carol Carey, Peggy Pappas, and Judy Smith.

UWIC meets on the 2nd Tuesday to discuss our stocks, make decisions about our portfolio and have some good times in spite of the Markets. We report on indicators and trends and then try to “buy low and sell high.”

To join, an initial contribution of $750 is made and then $50 per month from each member.

**Thinking of...**


Mary Joyce Rodgers, had surgery for a tumor in her lung, Jan. 20. She is expected to come home from the hospital February 7th.

Dottie Seals, a long time UWA member, 92, died Jan. 16, 2009, peacefully in her Norman home. A celebration of her life was Jan. 30 at McFarlin Church.

**Have You Visited the UWA Web-site Lately? Check it out – Let Us Hear Your Comments**

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Did you know that “we are expecting in April?”

Don’t miss the arrival of OU’s “BABY” April 2

Before you reach for the pickles and ice cream mark your calendars for Thursday, April 2 for the UWA Scholarship Fundraiser at the final dress rehearsal of the OU Theatre production, “BABY.”

Our evening will begin at 7:00 pm with champagne and dessert in the Rupel Jones lobby. After good conversation and delicious refreshments, we will move to the Weitzenhoffer Theatre for open seating at the 8:00 pm final dress rehearsal of the production.

“BABY,” the musical, winner of two Drama Desk Awards and seven Tony nominations is a charming and romantic musical comedy with style and energy. The story follows the exciting, frightening and utterly transformational experience of impending parenthood.

Get your tickets starting Feb. 22 from board members, interest group chairs or call Cheryl Etheridge (360-2749) or Cathy Fagan (364-1982). Your $20 donation is tax deductible. Make your check payable to the OU Foundation.

Buy your tickets now and sell some to your friends. Sell or return tickets by March 25 to Judy Smith (329-6967).