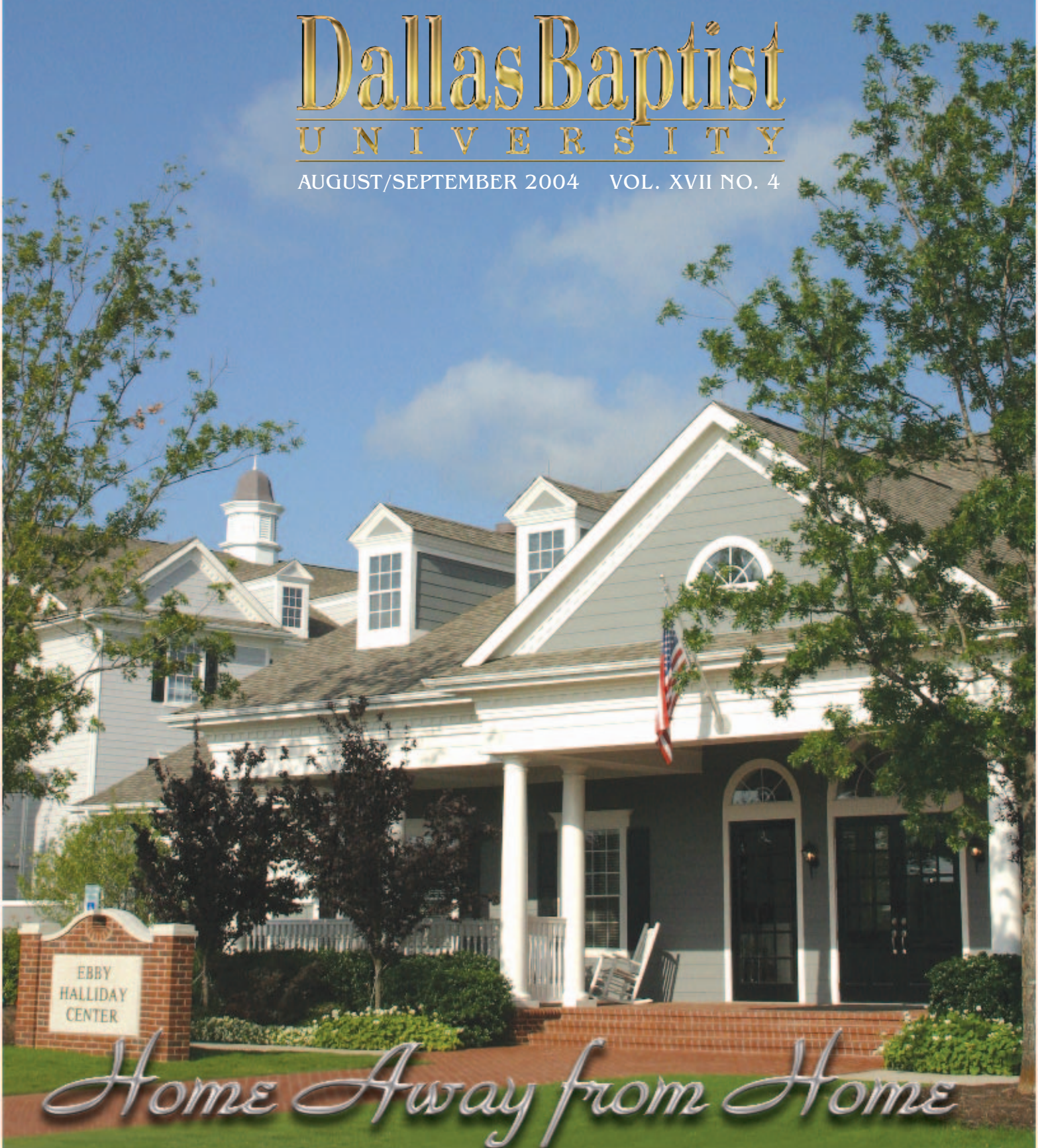


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Home Away from Home

*DBU's New Ebby Halliday Center
Anchors the Colonial Village Apartments*



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THE EBBY HALLIDAY CENTER

A special birthday celebration held this past spring marked the official opening of DBU's new Ebby Halliday Center. Many gathered to wish the birthday girl, Ebby Halliday Acers, a happy 93rd birthday, as they also toured the new facility named in honor of this extraordinary servant leader.

The new Ebby Halliday Center, equipped with a swimming pool, arbor, conference rooms, faculty offices, large living room, and a fully functional kitchen, provides a "home away from home" for over 250 students who live in the Colonial Village Apartments.

Ebby Halliday Acers began her career selling hats in Kansas City during the Great Depression and eventually moved to Dallas, where in 1945 she began selling homes in the post-war boom. Over the last 55 years, Ebby Halliday Realtors has grown to become one of the largest independently owned residential real estate companies in the world.

Through the years, Ebby has given generously of her time and money to benefit numerous organizations. Because of her leadership and generosity, in 1990 DBU selected Ebby, along with her husband Maurice Acers, as the recipients of the Russell H. Perry Free Enterprise Award. In addition, the University awarded Ebby with an

honorary Doctor of Humanities degree in 1995.

"Having been blessed during my life," explained Ebby, "I have long believed in giving back to the community. I am proud to be associated with Dallas Baptist University and honored that DBU's new community center will be named after me. Healthy communities develop moral fiber which is essential in raising up leaders, and the Ebby Halliday Center will be a place for students to join together and build that solid foundation."

Pictured above are members of the Ebby Halliday Center Steering Committee who helped support this building through its planning and development. From left to right: (seated) Evelyn Collier, Mary Stuart, Meredith Woodworth; (second row) Anne Elizabeth Ward, Mary Margaret Roberson, Debbie Brunson, Bob Collier, Joan Trew, Natalie Owens, Peggy Powell, Amy Jones, Dr. Gary Cook; (back row) John Clem, Dr. Rick Gregory, Dr. Mac Brunson, John Ford, Merle Owens, Jack Woodworth, and Boone Powell, Jr.

If you would like information on how you can help with this building project and honor Ebby, please contact John Clem, DBU director of development, at 214.333.5176.

Scenes from Ebby's Birthday Party



Ebby along with Betty Turner, her long-time friend and co-worker



Ebby and her birthday cake



Ebby in front of the Ebby Halliday Center



Ebby with (l-r) David Gentiles, Justin Brooks, Ben Bolin, and John Bolin, who sang a special birthday song in her honor