



Jim Booher (left), recipient of the 2009 Patriot Legends Award, along with his wife, Kaye, and Dr. J. Blair Blackburn, DBU executive vice president.



17TH ANNUAL

Patriot Baseball Banquet

With the start of a new baseball season, the 2009 Patriot Baseball Banquet was the perfect time for players, coaches, fans, and families of the DBU Patriot Baseball Team to gather in honor of those who have contributed to the team's winning tradition both on and off the field.

Jim Booher was honored with the 2009 DBU Patriot Legends Award. Mr.



Paul Rogers (left), dean of the SMU Law School, along with Evan Bigley. Rogers, president of the DFW Hall-Ruggles chapter of SABR, presented Bigley with the 2008 SABR Metroplex Collegiate Player of the Year Award.

Booher, founder of BMA Architects, has been one of Patriot Baseball's most loyal supporters.

Jim's relationship with DBU began in 1989 with a renovation of Carr P. Collins Learning Center and has continued through other building projects, including the John G. Mahler Student Center, Spence Hall, Tom and Alicia Landry Welcome Center, Colonial Village Apartments, International Center, Harold and Mildred Sadler Patriot Clubhouse, the Williamsburg Village Townhomes, and most recently, Henry Blackaby Hall and Patty and Bo Pilgrim Chapel.

John Spicer, official chaplain for the Texas Rangers, served as the keynote speaker. During his talk, he discussed his role of bringing God's light into the world of baseball and persevering through life's challenges with a godly attitude.

Former Patriot Evan Bigley was awarded the 2008 Howard Green Metroplex Collegiate Player of the Year Award, presented by the DFW Hall-Ruggles Chapter for Society of American Baseball Research. He was chosen in the 2008 Major League Baseball



John Spicer (left), chaplain for the Texas Rangers and keynote speaker, along with Dan Heefner, DBU baseball head coach.

Draft in the 10th round by the Minnesota Twins and is currently playing in their minor league system.

In addition, Dan Heefner, DBU baseball head coach, introduced this season's team, making special introductions of the seniors. Special recognition was also given to members of the 2008 Patriot team, who participated in the NCAA National Tournament for the first time in DBU's history.


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