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BOUZA, HEFNER HONORED WITH SENIOR RESPECT AWARDS

LINDSBORG, Kan.—Rachel Bouza and Charles “Chock” Hefner are the 2010 recipients of the Bethany College Spencer Bartlett Senior Respect Awards.

The winners were announced at the May 12 Bethany College academic honors banquet. Bouza and Hefner received bachelor’s degrees from Bethany College May 23.

Bouza is the daughter of Larry and Ginger Bouza, Tonganoxie, Kan. She majored in economics and international management and was a member of the Bethany College Honors Program.



Hefner is the son of Russ and Terry Hefner, Lindsborg, Kan. He majored in finance and management and completed the Swede Leadership Certificate.

Bouza was an active student leader on campus serving as President of Student Congress, a Senior Resident Assistant and Vice President of Business Club. She was also a member of Bethany’s Dance Team for three years and an instructor at Vivette’s Dance Studio in Salina for three years. She helped to choreography Bethany’s interterm musical, “I Love You, You’re Perfect, Now Change” in 2009 and was a cast member in the student-directed play, “Diary of Adam and Eve.”

A member of the Honors Program and Gold Key, Bouza also served as treasurer and chaplain of Alpha Theta Chi, a Christian fellowship group for women. This summer, she will work at Nebraska Lutheran Outdoor Ministries camps.

Completing his degree in an advanced three year program, Hefner was also an active member of campus life. He participated in the Bethany Choir, Chamber Choir, Business Club, Blue Key and Student

Activities Board. He served as a resident assistant, orientation leader, academic resource coordinator and freshmen and sophomore class president. Hefner was also the student representative for the Business and Finance Committee for the Bethany College Board of Directors.

In Lindsborg, Hefner is an active member of the Smoky Valley Ducks Unlimited Chapter. He also serves on the Smoky Valley Classic Car Show committee, which organizes an annual event every August. Hefner has also been a member of the Bethany Oratorio Society since 2005.

The Spencer Bartlett Senior Respect Awards are presented each year to the graduating man and woman who best exemplify the following qualities: the greatest respect for God, for the United States of America and for their fellow citizens. The awards are given in memory of Caleb Hall, Vera Hall Bartlett and Spencer Bartlett.

Each year nominations for the awards are gathered from faculty, staff and administration. A selection committee, comprised of the campus pastor, two members of the faculty and two students appointed by Student Congress, makes the final selection. Winners receive a cash award and a certificate, and their names are added to a plaque on display in Presser Hall lobby.

Bethany College, established by Swedish Lutheran immigrants in 1881, is a college of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. The mission of Bethany College is to educate, develop and challenge individuals in their search for truth and excellence as they lead lives of faith, learning and service. Bethany College is on the Web at www.bethanylb.edu.

Caption: Bethany College graduates Chock Hefner (left) and Rachel Bouza are the recipients of the 2009-2010 Spencer Bartlett Senior Respect Awards.