



## Blake and Janie Sonobe Make Gift to SWOSU Bulldog Angels Fund

Photo Caption: Blake and Janie Sonobe recently made a generous contribution to the SWOSU Bulldog Angels Fund on the Weatherford campus. The fund benefits SWOSU students in times of crisis. The Sonobes also previously established the Sonobe Family Endowed Scholarship Fund to benefit students studying chemistry, biology and pharmacy.

Blake and Janie Sonobe have made a generous contribution to the Southwestern Oklahoma State University (SWOSU) Bulldog Angels Fund in

The Bulldog Angels Fund was established by 2014 SWOSU Distinguished Alumnus and Carnegie native Bill Howell to benefit SWOSU students in times of crisis.

Garrett King, executive director of the SWOSU Foundation, said the Bulldog Angels Fund is a vital resource when all other options for assistance are exhausted or unavailable; indeed, the Bulldog Angels Fund may mean the difference in a student being able to continue learning at SWOSU or having to leave the campus due to external financial pressures.

Previously, the Sonobes established the Sonobe Family Endowed Scholarship Fund to assist students studying chemistry, biology and pharmacy. The Sonobes are active in their church and enjoy spending time with their children and grandchildren.

"SWOSU cherishes our relationship with the Sonobe family," said SWOSU President Dr. Randy L. Beutler. "Our entire student body continues to benefit from their thoughtful generosity."

Since its founding, the Bulldog Angels Fund has steadily made grants enabling struggling SWOSU students to move forward. Student organizations and groups on the SWOSU campus have enthusiastically made the Bulldog Angels Fund a priority for fundraising and advocacy.

The Bulldog Angels Fund is stewarded by the SWOSU Foundation, Inc. The Foundation was established in 1977 to promote philanthropy and distribute funds to support the activities and programs of SWOSU. Located on the Weatherford campus in the historic Burton House, the Foundation currently stewards over \$23 million in assets for the benefit of SWOSU. For information on how to give to the Bulldog Angels Fund, please contact the SWOSU Foundation at 580-774-3267 or visit www.SWOSUBulldogAngels.com.

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