The Women’s Auxiliary Board (WAB) recognized three outstanding women at the annual Ruth Awards Luncheon, held on the DBU campus, on December 1, 2010.

Leslie Moulton, Kathy Knight, and Dedi Carlisle (pictured above left to right) were corecipients of the 2010 Ruth Awards. Each of the ladies was introduced by someone special in their lives. Dedi Carlisle was introduced by her daughter, Elyse Carlisle; Kathy Knight was introduced by close friend, Sheila Cook; and Leslie Moulton was introduced by long-time co-workers, Mark Hale and Molly Taylor.

The Ruth Award takes its name from the chief character in the Old Testament book of Ruth. Each year, DBU selects outstanding women to receive the distinguished Ruth Award for their dedication to God, family, and Christian education at DBU.

Natalie Owens, president of the WAB, greeted those in attendance and welcomed them to the DBU campus. Following the welcome, Dr. Gary Cook, DBU president, shared a brief word about the importance of the Women’s Auxiliary Board in the life of the University, in addition to thanking everyone for their prayers and support of the school.

Joreen Bozeman, who served as chair of the 2010 Ruth Awards Luncheon, introduced the three recipients and their presenters. Each of the three women received a statue of the biblical character Ruth, molded by famed artist Helen Boehm. In addition, the portraits of the Ruth Award recipients will be displayed alongside those of past recipients in the Ruth Awards Portrait Gallery, which is located in the Mahler Student Center on the DBU campus.

Serving along with Joreen Bozeman on the Ruth Awards Luncheon Committee were Billye Buxton, Janis Cordell, Lisha Czerwinski, Kim English, Carletta Guillory, Melinda Hines, Nell Hoffman, Ann Kelley, Wanda Kirkpatrick, Carolyn Monk, Debra Moore, Dottie Morris, Joy Philbrick, Jan Spann, Raleigh Mae Stevenson, Dee Stuckey, Joan Trew, and Shannon Wolf.

Sue Mitz, DBU professor of music, provided piano music, and the DBU ensemble group Legacy gave a performance as well. At the conclusion of the program, Dr. Cook asked Dr. Gail Linam to offer a special prayer for Candice Wright, WAB executive director, and her husband, Adam, vice president for advancement, who were expecting their first child in December.