Growth Still Abounds
Even though $34 million of progress was just dedicated last fall, growth in the physical campus continues with the addition of a new dormitory and a chapel.

Street Closings and Renovations
With the growth of the Lee campus comes the permanent closure of several city streets. See how they have affected the campus landscape.

Legacies of Lee
A new series is unveiled which spotlights the legendary figures of Lee’s past.

Graduate Series Finale
The final installment in the Graduate Programs Series is a tribute to the inspiration of the master’s level in education at Lee: Cliff Schimmels. By Gary Riggins

The List for 2010
Another record-breaking year for alumni giving is reflected in the annual alumni fund list of donors.

Soccer Rules
The women’s and men’s soccer programs make headlines: the women for a three-peat and the men for a new coach.

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Opening Thoughts from President Paul Conn
Lots of exciting new things are happening on the Lee University campus this spring. In this issue, you can read about many of them:

- **Finally, an actual Lee ‘chapel.’** The warm February and early March has meant terrific progress on our construction projects. Most prominent is the new chapel which is rising rapidly right on Ocoee Street. This structure will provide a dedication sacred space, a “house of God” for worship and prayer, which we have never before enjoyed on our campus.

- **Another new dormitory.** This one is not apartments or townhomes, but an old-fashioned, traditional dorm, designed with male upperclassmen in mind. It will be home to 126 students, and it will complete the Brinsfield Row student housing complex which we began eight years ago. It will also create a new eastern boundary for the campus.

- **A new leader for the School of Music.** The big news in the academic area is that Dr. Bill Green, a popular choral conductor on the music faculty, was appointed as dean of the School of Music. Green is a Lee alum, a former member of the Lee Singers, who returned to the faculty seven years ago after earning a D.M.A. in choral conducting from the University of Kentucky.

- **A new art major.** Students have asked for a major in art for many years, but lack of space has prevented it until now. The board has approved establishing a major in art, and the Mayfield Annex will provide lots of room for studios and workspace in painting, sculpture, ceramics, and other types of visual arts. A faculty search to increase and broaden the teaching staff is currently underway.

This is a wonderful time at Lee. We are so eager for you as alumni to be part of our continuing journey to become the kind of university that God intends us to be. Please come by and see us whenever you can, and let us know what you think about the new things that are happening!
A new chapel and dormitory continue campus growth trend. Construction cranes pierce the skyline at opposite ends of campus as two simultaneous building projects are at full steam. Despite an unusually snowy winter, crews have made steady progress on both a chapel and 124-bed dormitory.

The long-awaited chapel building is dramatically taking shape on a prominent corner of the Lee campus. By early February, all steel girders had been placed, clearly outlining the distinctive shape of the structure that is destined to become a campus focal point. The two levels of the chapel are now defined showing the main floor, transept and nave, and a lower level where functions such as wedding receptions and rehearsals might be held.

President Conn describes the chapel as, “an intimate space dedicated to worship, prayer, and the spiritual life of the campus.” A small, neo-Gothic church-like structure, it will include a traditional spire and steeple, a vaulted ceiling in its nave and transept, and a full basement. In further describing the building, Conn said, “We have consistently used the same elements of red brick, portico porches, and Greek columns in our new campus buildings, but we want this building to be different. It will serve a unique function in the life of our university, and we want it to offer a unique look architecturally.”

A few blocks away cranes hoist the concrete slab floors in place on a three-story dormitory which will be the centerpiece of a residential square between Magnolia Ave. and Maple Street. The dormitory will be the first of its kind built since construction of the Bowdle/O’Bannon complex in 2002 and will resemble Atkins-Ellis Hall in amenities. More recent campus housing projects have taken the form of apartments or townhomes. The new dormitory will feature three levels of 62 rooms housing two residents each with a shared restroom between each room. There will be five handicap accessible rooms and a resident director suite on the second floor. The dormitory will also have a student lounge and technology room on every level, three stairwells—one central and one of each side—a central elevator, three public restrooms, laundry, and vending areas.

Both projects are projected to be finished later this year. The dormitory will be ready in time for occupancy this fall as students return for the 2011—2012 school year. A dedication event for the two new structures has not been announced.
City streets become part of an expanding campus.

By Cameron Fisher

Since Bible Training School relocated from Sevierville, Tennessee, and became Lee College in 1947, the streets near downtown Cleveland, Tennessee, have never been the same. In some cases, portions of those streets have become a permanent part of the campus.

The first 30 years—between 1947 and 1977—Lee stayed nestled primarily between Ocoee Street to the west and Parker Street to the east. The southern and northern boundaries were 11th Street and 15th Street respectively. Providence Hall, a ramshackle dormitory, which at one time stood where the Paul Conn Student Union stands today, and Walker Hall (now Medlin Hall) were the lone buildings outside those lines. Today, Medlin Hall remains the only Lee property on the western side of Ocoee Street.

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The most significant street closure in Lee history came in 1987. Following intense negotiations, lobbying and presentation of a master plan, the Cleveland City Council, in a close 4–3 vote, gave permission for Lee to permanently close Church Street between 11th and 15th streets. Before consideration for the closure was given, Lee had to own all parcels in the four-block area. By the time students arrived on campus that fall, temporary earthen berms were erected at each end of the street. Within the year, two blocks have been transformed into an award-winning pedestrian mall, with the remaining block between 13th and 15th streets completed two years later. The “ped mall,” as it is affectationally known, remains the central core of campus nearly 25 years later.

With the Church Street closure, two east-west streets—12th and 13th—came to a dead end in the middle of campus. Over a 20 year period, the two portions of streets were quietly surrounded by development and beautification until today they are unrecognizable as city streets, but as part of firmly established campus corridors.

A few years prior to the closing of Church Street, a three block section of Trunk Street, between 8th and 11th was deeded to the Church of God to make way for construction of the Pentecostal Resource Center and Squires Library. The footprint of the project was between Parker and Magnolia Avenue and was completed in 1985 to serve both Lee and the Church of God School of Theology [now Pentecostal Theological Seminary] as the primary library for both schools.

In 1989, at the completion of the first phase of Sharp-Davis dormitory complex, the southern end of College Street, which stretched from 8th to 11th streets, was closed as several houses were razed to make way for parking for the new residence. The 11th Street entrance of College Street remained open allowing passage to the Conn Center and Davis-Sharp parking areas. When the Paul Conn Student Union was completed in 2000, College Street was turned into a wide sidewalk between it and Conn Center. It was not until last summer that the transformation was completed when an extension was poured connecting the campus with the School of Religion and other properties on the southern end of the campus.

While Church, College and Trunk are the only north-south streets to be closed, a four block section of Parker Street was closed and re-opened in the summer of 2004 as a wider boulevard with a landscaped median and speed humps which double as crosswalks.

The latest closures are portions of 17th and 18th streets. Recently, both were surrounded by older houses and ended at Maple Street. Today, both sections between Maple and Magnolia Avenues have disappeared, consumed by the construction of new student housing. This fall, what was 18th Street will become the primary entrance road into a residential square of housing for more than 325 students.

What was College Street is now a beautiful pedestrian walkway connecting to the School of Religion.

A backhoe removes the latest street to be closed, 18th Street, in the location of the new dormitory.
Roosevelt Miller possessed the heart of David, the worshiping musician. When the unstable economy of a Depression Era mill village sometimes left the young Roosevelt with no shoes to wear to school on an unsympathetic winter day, Roosevelt responded with music. He taught himself to play piano, accordion, guitar, and harmonica and lifted the spirits of the Lindas, North Carolina, Church of God as surely as David’s harp dispelled King Saul’s spirit of depression. He absorbed instruction in the rudiments from itinerant purveyors of shape note music. By the time he entered his teens, he accepted invitations to sing at revivals and area concerts, and he found that his singing and playing the guitar with its harp-touched harmonica brought struggling congregations into the presence of the Lord, gave them joy, and made him countless friends.

When World War II interrupted his music studies at the Bible Training School in Sevierville, Roosevelt again responded with music. He entertained seamen and homestead soldiers aboard the S.S. Simmonds on the way to the fighting fields, and he led inspirational music as a chaplain’s assistant in the midst of perilous duty in France and Germany.

After the war, his distinctive baritone voice brought offers to perform with the Vaughn Quartet, Smile Awhiles and other notable gospel groups. He found that the traveling lifestyle of the quartet was compatible with the stable family life now offered by marriage to his bride, Polly Johnson Miller. Two daughters, Beverly and Sondra, rounded out his family.

He took his first appointment as music minister to Laurens, South Carolina, later serving with Ray Hughes, Sr. in North Chattanooga. Their careers continued to intertwine, as music minister in Laurens, South Carolina—the largest church in the denomination at the time.

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Ever the teacher, Roosevelt Miller taught music at major religious conferences across the nation provided the platform he needed to tell about the school he loved. And Lee loved him in return. In 1982, Lee College conferred upon him the honorary doctorate of sacred music. His untimely death in May of 1986 came within just a few weeks of his retirement. In every commissioning service at Lee, while graduates receive their personal Bible, signed by President Paul Conn, they hear the strains of Roosevelt Miller’s best-loved song, “I Will Follow Thee,” coming from the keyboard, and Roosevelt’s legacy continues to inspire commitment and bolster confidence as the graduate steps into the next chapter of life.
In His holy flirtation with the world, God occasionally drops a handkerchief—these handkerchiefs are called saints.

—Fred Buechner

In the last ten years, we have been eyewitnesses to many highs and lows in and around the Lee family. All over campus we have watched in amazement as one sturdy red brick building after another sprouted out of the dirt like flowers. When we closed out the first decade of the new millennium, Lee’s elastic campus boundaries had been stretched to over twice their size from when the decade started. These beautiful concrete markers of unprecedented growth, like the 4,000 plus students they serve, are indeed impressive. In a real sense, the foundations of both these buildings and the lives who learn in them have been dug out of the hard, red clay by dedicated men and women. Their blood, sweat, and tears are reflected in our shiny marble hallways and in an inspired lesson on an Egyptian pyramids that just “seem to come out of nowhere.” Sadly for us, some of those human pioneers—preachers would say, “Passed.” I would like to remember one of them who is as responsible as any architect for the shape of our graduate programs in education.

The promise of January 2001 was heady. America was at peace. Congress was fighting for the Helen DeVos College of Education. Dr. Gary L. Riggins is director of graduate programs at the Lee University graduate program. The haze has not completely lifted, but we know that the outlines of distant mountains that are truly unbelievable. It’s still a little foggy, but from here, we can see the faint reflections of Cliff Schimmels’ vision and influence. His powerful notions of how education ought to be done helped shape the foundation on which we built this program. His fingerprints are everywhere. Dr. Schimmels saw education in simple terms, real people helping real people. In his world, people trumped policy every time. His trademark—first-person brand of teaching and learning—is clearly evident in our faculty, staff, and most importantly the young men and women on the other sides of our desks.

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At first, we offered only the master of education degree (M.Ed.) in classroom teaching. In 1999, we added the master of arts in teaching (M.A.T.), an alternative certification program for those without teacher certification. In 2002, we added an educational leadership track, and finally in 2008, the educational specialist degree in both classroom teaching and in educational leadership.

Interestingly, less than 40 percent of our graduates are Lee alumni. That means that the majority of them are experiencing the Lee phenomenon for the first time—as graduate students. This rich diversity of backgrounds and faith have enriched our program and provided a practical laboratory to try out Cliff Schimmels’ “small world” ideas, where “no man is an island…” and “each a part of the main.” This talented group of men and women is carrying on a tradition of compassionate excellence that Dr. Schimmels nurtured in us all.

Now, once again, we are back on the mountaintop. It’s still a little foggy, but from here, we can see the faint outlines of distant mountains that are truly unbelievable. The haze has not completely lifted, but we know that the Grand Designer of our collective future knows where we are and where we are headed. What is most important—He likes us. Once, He dropped us a handkerchief.

Dr. Gary L. Riggins is director of graduate programs for the Helen DeVos College of Education.
Junior Hillary Tedrick was named Lee University’s Miss Parade of Favorites 2011 on November 13, 2010, at the pageant held in the Conn Center.

This year’s event was the forty-eighth conducted since the anticipated campuswide event debuted in the 1962–1963 year.

The creative theme for this year’s pageant was “Everyday Superheroes.”

“Lee’s longstanding commitment and focus on students providing service to others through the giving of their time, talents, and resources reflect an important component for developing future leaders,” said Sarah Hartline, director of the pageant. “Without hesitation, we believe tonight’s contestants were selected to represent Lee because they embody compassionate qualities.” Each of the 12 contestants was introduced in the program wearing a superhero outfit and their achievements were listed in the area of service at Lee and at home.

Tedrick represented Sigma Nu Sigma, and she was escorted by Jordan Combs. She also received the talent award, and Combs received the escort award. Tedrick’s social platform was Habitat for Humanity. Some of her service achievements include working in Ukrainian orphanages, building homes for Habitat for Humanity, leading worship in her youth group, assisting with a dance show for Breast Cancer Awareness, and raising money for Acting on AIDS. At Lee, Hillary is a junior history education major and a member of Sigma Nu Sigma, a Little Sister for Theta Delta Kappa, and is on the Dean’s List.

Heather Atkins, representing Pi Kappa Phi, received the service award and the Kay McDaniel Woman of Achievement award. The interview award went to Kayla Dodd, the contestant for Alpha Gamma Chi, while Katie Clinarid, of Epsilon Lambda Phi, was named Miss Congeniality for the event. Contestants were judged in several categories, including talent (25 percent), interview (20 percent), academics (15 percent), service (15 percent), extracurricular activities (15 percent), and poise (10 percent).

Maestro Bernhardt
New Artist-In-Residence

Music director and conductor of the Chattanooga Symphony and Opera (CSO), Robert Bernhardt, has been named artist-in-residence. Bernhardt will also serve as conductor of the Lee University Orchestra, the second director in the history of the ensemble’s existence.

Bernhardt, who is in his sixteenth season as conductor with the CSO, is a popular guest conductor with major orchestras nationwide, including the Houston Symphony, Seattle Symphony, Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra, St. Louis Symphony Orchestra, and the Boston Pops. In addition, he has served as the principal pops conductor of the Louisville Orchestra for the last 28 years.

Tedrick Claims Miss Parade of Favorites Crown

Three Arrested for Assault on Voices of Lee Bus

Three men were charged and arrested in late December by McMinn County, Tennessee, authorities in connection with a November 28, 2010, attack on a bus carrying the Voices of Lee. On Thanksgiving weekend, the Voices were returning from a singing engagement traveling south on Interstate 75 in neighboring McMinn County, when a fan motor was tossed from an overpass. The object struck the driver’s side window shattering it and sending glass and the motor into the bus. Voices leader, Danny Murray, said bus driver Shelton Lewis averted certain tragedy by maintaining control of the bus as the motor came crashing through the windshield, striking and injuring him. Murray said just a one-second difference in timing could have been fatal to Lewis and the passengers. Lewis was treated and released from a local hospital following the 10:30 p.m. incident.

Although glass was scattered throughout the bus, no other injuries were reported. McMinn County Sheriff Joe Guy confirmed the arrests of Casey Thomas, 18, Barry Burbank, 20, and Jeremy Mulkey, 19, and stated the trio had been involved in two other incidents of objects thrown from Interstate 75 overpasses. The day after the arrests, the three were implicated in a vandalism of construction equipment at the site of the new Cleveland Airport where more than $100,000 in damage was inflicted on tractors and bulldozers.

The arrests came after a truck driver, whose rig was struck by an object several weeks following the Voices incident, was able to provide a description to McMinn County investigators and other agencies who located tire tracks nearby where the perpetrators allegedly parked.

The Cleveland Daily Banner spearheaded a reward campaign which grew quickly to $13,500 as businesses and businessmen, as well as local legislators who represent Bradley and McMinn counties, pledged support to help find those responsible for the attack on the Lee group.

Cleveland Mayor Tom Rowland issued a statement just after the announcement of the reward saying, “The Voices of Lee are the greatest ambassadors any city could hope for, and it is nothing short of a miracle that a tragedy was averted. We are hopeful someone will come forward with the information that will be able to not only solve this crime, but prevent a similar occurrence in the future, perhaps with much worse results.”

Following the incident, the Voices of Lee didn’t miss a beat as they continued with a heavy schedule of performances, starting with a noon appearance for a package of Christmas music the next day.

Cleveland Daily Banner Reporter Greg Kaylor contributed to this story. To read more, visit www.clevelandbanner.com.
Nine Faculty Granted Tenure

Nine members of the faculty were awarded tenure as recommended by the Lee University Board of Directors during their January 2011 meeting. The awardees represent a wide variety of disciplines. They include:

- Caroline Boulis, Assistant Professor of Mathematics
- Ron Brendel, Assistant Professor of Music
- Blayne Carroll, Associate Professor of Mathematics
- Phebe Gray, Assistant Professor of Chinese
- Kim Moffett, Assistant Professor of Education
- Margaret Moe, Assistant Professor of Communication
- Sara Ortega, Assistant Professor of French
- Jeff Sargent, Assistant Professor of Psychology
- Ashley Smith, Associate Professor of Education

Dean of the Helen DeVos College of Education Dr. Deborah Murray has been promoted to distinguished professor of education. The announcement was made by President Paul Conn following a recommendation by the Board of Directors.

“Dr. Murray has served in the Helen DeVos College of Education for 30 years, since joining the faculty in 1980,” Conn said. “Under her leadership as dean, this program has enjoyed sustained success and growth, and throughout her tenure, she has set an example for all of us as a superb classroom teacher and mentor to several generations of students. We are very pleased that the Board has honored Dr. Murray’s excellence and commitment in this way.”

Rice Speaks at December Commencement

Former chairman of the Board at Lee University, Darrell Rice, addressed graduates and guests at Lee’s winter commencement exercises on Saturday, December 11, 2010. The Saturday morning event, as well as the Friday Commissioning Service, was held in the Conn Center on the Lee campus.

A total of 218 students received degrees during the ceremony, including 180 who were awarded bachelor’s degrees, 28 master’s degrees, and ten educational specialist’s degrees. Six students addressed their fellow graduates during the Friday night Commissioning Service. They included Kyndall Blake, Matthew Greetham, Christopher Jenkins, Anna Sanchez, Ryan Stigile, and Brittany Wesson. Music during commencement was performed by the Lee University Chorale.

Earlier this year, Rice completed a twenty-four-year tenure as a member of the Lee University Board of Directors, one of the longest in Lee’s history. He served as vice chairman of the Board and was chairman for six years (2004–2010.)

From a background as a church administrator and pastor, Rice recently joined Children of the World Ministries (Bristol, Tennessee) as chief financial officer. In this role, he directs the day-to-day operations of the agency and travels to orphanages and children’s homes around the world. Rice is a 1976 graduate of Lee in biblical education. Over the past twenty years, Rice distinguished himself in the Church of God as a pastor in the Atlanta area and a denominational official in the Chicago area. He most recently served for twelve years as administrative bishop of the denomination’s Great Lakes Region, which includes metropolitan Chicago, Wisconsin, and Upper Michigan.
Sturgeon Completes Ph.D.

Michael Sturgeon, faculty coordinator of instructional technology at Lee, recently received the Ph.D. degree from the University of Tennessee-Knoxville. Sturgeon earned his Ph.D. in education, specifically, instructional technology.

Sturgeon came to Lee in 1996 and currently works with the faculty and staff, assisting in integrating technologies in their practices. He also teaches courses for the Communications Department and the Helen DeVos College of Education. Before arriving at Lee, Sturgeon worked on staff at Palm Beach Atlantic University. He earned an MLS from Florida State University and a B.S. from Palm Beach Atlantic College.

Melton Elected VP of National Group

Dr. J. Matthew Melton, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences and professor of communications, was elected second vice president of the Religious Communication Association (RCA) at their annual meeting last November. The RCA met in San Francisco as part of the larger National Communication Association Conference that draws about 3,000 communications professionals and scholars from around the world.

The RCA is an academic society where participants are interested in the study of the various aspects of public religious communication. Among its members are teachers, students, clergy, broadcasters, and other scholars and professionals who share a common interest in religious speech, media, performance, and other communication.

Melton’s acceptance of the nomination for second vice president entails an eventual succession to president of the organization in three years.

Green

Named Dean of School of Music

Dr. Bill Green, associate professor of music at Lee, has been appointed Dean of Lee’s School of Music for the 2011-12 academic year.

“Our congratulations to Bill on this new responsibility, and for the recognition by the board of his consistent excellence since he joined the Lee faculty in 2004,” said Paul Conn, president of Lee University.

In addition to his work as an assistant professor at Lee, Green also serves as the conductor to Lee’s University Choral Union and the University Chorale. The Choral Union is a 140-voice choir that performs with orchestra while the Chorale is a select 42-voice ensemble presenting choral literature from all periods. Green is responsible for repertoire, rehearsal, performance and evaluation of both groups.

Green’s responsibilities on campus are not unique to the School of Music, however. He is also a Gateway instructor with First Year Programs, participates in the Faith Learning Institute and serves as a new faculty mentor.

Off campus, Green has held the title of Artistic Director for Choral Arts of Chattanooga since 2004. The ensemble of professionally trained singers performs choral masterpieces and contemporary literature.

In 2006, Green received his Doctor of Musical Arts in Choral Conducting degree from the University of Kentucky. Green’s education experience began at Lee University when he earned his Bachelor’s of Music Education, with a vocal emphasis, in 1981. From there, he continued to earn his Masters of Music in Choral Conducting from Georgia State University in 1984.

Green replaces Dr. Stephen Plate, who resigned to pursue other options. Plate served as dean since 2002, a period described by Dr. Conn as a period “of growth and excitement in the School of Music.”

Songer Earns Doctor of Arts

 Loralee Songer, assistant professor of music at Lee University, recently earned her doctor of arts degree from Ball State University in Muncie, Indiana. Dr. Songer joined Lee’s School of Music faculty in the fall of 2009 as a lecturer in music. She teaches voice and directs the Ladies of Lee vocal ensemble. Prior to teaching at Lee, Songer was a guest lecturer at Linyi Normal University in Shandong, China. She also served as adjunct faculty at Anderson and Taylor Universities in Indiana.

In addition to her doctorate, she earned a master of music degree in vocal performance from Ball State University in 2006 and a bachelor of music degree from Taylor University in 2004.
Every year Torch releases a list of those who have given so generously through the year to support Lee University. “Thank you for your generosity and commitment to your alma mater through your philanthropy,” said Dr. Jerome Hammond, vice president for university relations. “Your support sustains the Lee community that educated and nurtured you as a student.”

In 2010 alumni giving to the university was strong in all areas. The following report highlights alumni giving across the university, including the Alumni Fund, endowed scholarships, campaign commitments, and affinity groups. Donations of $25 or more are listed, with an aggregate total of $3,444 in gifts received under $25.

“Perhaps as impressive as the final dollar amount was the wide participation from all alumni generations,” Hammond continued. “Such a broad range of support strengthens our confidence that Lee’s future is very bright. Thank you for your generous giving to Lee University.”

**TOTAL ALUMNI GIVING: $513,307.69**
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This year the alumni office has as a top priority updating alumni information. At every turn, we’ll be asking alumni to please send us their contact information: address, phone numbers, email addresses, blog sites, Twitter accounts—everything! We’ve made updating your contact information easy! Just visit the ‘Alumni Update’ page on the Web site www.leeuniversity.edu/alumni, or send an email to mmew@leeuniversity.edu, or give Mitzi Mew a call at 1-800-LEE-9930, or go to leeuniversity.edu, or follow @LeeUAlumni on Twitter! or send an email to mmew@leeuniversity.edu, or give Mitzi Mew a call at 1-800-LEE-9930, or go to leeuniversity.edu, or follow @LeeUAlumni on Twitter! or send an email to mmew@leeuniversity.edu, or give Mitzi Mew a call at 1-800-LEE-9930, or go to leeuniversity.edu, or follow @LeeUAlumni on Twitter!
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Tara Joseph
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Carolyn Kehrl
Tommy Keller
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LeRoy "Andy" Killman
Darrell Kilpatrick
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Linda Knabb
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Kimberly Kraft
Glen Kramer
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Dewey Lemons
Wanda LeRoy
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Dennis Livingston
John Lombard
Jason Wade Lombard
Edwin Long
John Lookabaugh
J. David Loop
Enwin Lowe
Donald Lowery

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Gary Lynn
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Joyce Martin
James Martin
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Jeremy Mauldin
Candice Mauldin
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Mildred Maupin
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Julia F. Milligan
Donna Milliner
Erskine Ryan Mink
Wanda Minks
Annette Mitchell
Minerva "Marrie" Mitchell
Brad Mizer
Shalanda Mohan
H. Ricke Moore
Paula Moore
Joy Moore
Jason Moore
Philip Morehead
David Morgan
James Redd and Sharon Morgan
Philip Morris
Sharon Morris
James Muncy
Betty Muny
Steven Napierowski

Alumni Events

For those living in the Cleveland area, we are planning an alumni get-together each month. We’re calling it “Clevelanders, etc.” These events will range in size and type, but will always include fun! We’re just looking for any reason to get together.

We’re also planning six at-large alumni events this year. We may be having an event in your area, so stay tuned.

Whenever a choir or Lee group is in your area, we’ll try to let you know. It’s always a good excuse for an impromptu alumni gathering.

If you live away from Cleveland and would like to host another event in your area, please contact us at alumni@leeuniversity.edu.

April 29-30, 2011: Pasta Pig-Out @ Country Music Marathon

On Friday, April 29, Lee will host the fifth annual “pasta pig-out” at Buca di Beppo restaurant in Nashville, Tennessee. This perennial gathering of alumni runners, which takes place the night before the Country Music Marathon, has quickly become one of the most popular alumni gatherings in the country. “In just four years, it has gone from a handful of alumni meeting for pizza to a restaurant full of runners all laughing and telling their ‘war stories,’” explains Mitzi Mew, director of Alumni Relations. “We nonrunners enjoy it too,” she adds. Alumni who preregister for this event receive a “goodie bag” which includes race information, water, power bar, and a running shirt sponsored by People for Care and Learning (PCL), a nonprofit humanitarian organization headed by Lee alum Fred Garmon ’80. “We are so proud to partner with PCL for this event,” Mitzi says. “Not only is Fred an alum, but the mission of PCL is something we’re so pleased to promote.” For more information about this event, contact the alumni office at 423-614-8316 or email alumni@leeuniversity.edu.

May 2011: “Picnic on the Lawn”

Let’s celebrate the beginning of summer with a family picnic and movie! For those who can be on campus in front of the Alumni Relations offices, we’ll set up a monster-size movie screen and have a picnic! For dinner, we ask everyone to bring a side dish, and Lee will provide the meat and drinks. Bring a chair or blanket, and let’s have a picnic on the lawn. For the dish sign-up, go to http://www.leeuniversity.edu/alumni and click on “Picnic on the Lawn.” More details to come.
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Before he became president in August 1986, part of Paul Conn’s portfolio as vice president for institutional advancement was alumni affairs. In an effort to boost alumni giving and as a small token of appreciation, Conn authorized the creation of a commemorative mug which would be available only to those who supported the AAF on campus for his unique collection of coffee mugs and his love for the beverage, a coffee mug was an easy choice for Conn.

When he became president, the unique, one-of-a-kind annual mugs continued and have lived on until today.

Alumni Mugs Chronicle Last 25 Years

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Together the set showcases the development of Lee College and Lee University through annual fund themes, capital campaign slogans, and building dedications. For the first three years, the mugs simply identified Lee, the flame logo, and date. In 1989, the alumni office attached a theme to the annual fund drive, and for the next 15 years, the mug designs carried the theme logos. Since 2004, the mugs have featured illustrations of campus buildings and landmarks with the exceptions of 2007, which was a commemorative mug for the Press Toward the Mark capital campaign. Over the last quarter century, the AAF coffee mugs have also been of a wide variety of shapes, textures, colors, sizes, and unique handle designs.
New Weblog Will Showcase Alumni Experiences

From building water sheds in Afghanistan to developing microbusinesses among fishermen in Cambodia, Lee University alumni are doing unique and amazing works around the world, and a new Web site set to launch in March will be chronicling these experiences. The brainchild of faculty members Dr. Carolyn Dirksen and Dr. Megan Moe, the goal of the Web site is to provide current students with examples of Lee graduates who are working and living outside the norm.

The Web site will be produced in the form of a blog and will be updated on a regular basis. Different alumni will each write an entry that will be posted along with contact information, so current students can communicate with the individuals directly.

According to Dirksen, the point of the Web site is to help students connect their service-learning experience with the outside world. “At Lee, we have a great focus on benevolence and service while you’re here,” says Moe, “but we want people to know that it doesn’t have to stop when you graduate. Many people find that they want to make serving a major part of their life’s work.”

The Web site will go public in late March and will be accessible through the Lee University home page. Any alumni that feel their current work could be an asset to the Web site may contact Dr. Megan Moe in the Communications Department at mmoe@leeuniversity.edu.

Volleyball Team Finishes Stellar Season

Lee junior Arlene Ferreira was named a first-team NAIA All-American after leading the Lady Flames to a remarkable 39-1 season and a second straight Fab Four appearance in the national tournament.

“Arlene is well deserving of First Team,” said Lee Head Coach Andrea Hudson. “She had an excellent year, both offensively and defensively. She excelled at the national tournament making the all-tournament team, as well.” The Lady Flames were defeated by Columbia (Mo.) in the semifinal round of the tournament staged in Sioux City, Iowa.

In addition to Ferreira, senior Kayla Carlisle and sophomore Valquiria Caboclo were both named Honorable Mention. This is a repeat performance for Carlisle, as she was an Honorable Mention selection last season. As a freshman in 2009, Caboclo was a third-team selection.

“I am extremely excited that we had three players on the All-American team this year. Because of the system we run, a lot of players get attempts,” added Hudson. “Kayla and Val (Caboclo) both had great hitting and blocking years, so it was great to see them both as a part of the honorable mention team.”

The Lady Flames were ranked No. 1 in the NAIA this season for the first time in program history, holding the top position from November 2 until the NAIA National Championship. They also captured the regular season and tournament championship of the Southern States Athletic Conference.
The majority of sports enthusiasts will quickly tell you that watching a dunk by a talented basketball player is no different than a home run in baseball or a touchdown pass in football. There are always exceptions, and Lee University’s Larriques (Rico) Cunningham brings a different level of dunk to the game. His rim-bender on Dec. 7 against Freed-Hardeman University appeared on ESPN2 SportNation the following evening. Later in the show, it was pitted against an NBA highlight and put to a vote by the viewers. Even though the NBA dunker was picked, the hosts selected Larriques’ dunk as the best.

Jeff Salyer, Lee’s assistant director of video production and producer of Inside Lee Basketball, said dunking exhibitionist Team Flight Brothers also picked up Rico’s dunk for their YouTube page and helped him get on SportNation. According to Salyer, the dunk has received over 40,000 hits.

Earlier in the year, Lee’s Johnny Godette (6-foot-4) appeared on ESPN when he dunked over a 7-footer from Bluefield College. Godette has been featured by Team Flight Brothers on YouTube. Slam magazine and Dime magazine are running with the current video. The dunks from both of the Lee players can be viewed on YouTube by typing “Lee University Dunks” in the search line.

Lee Head Coach Tommy Brown has been working with college athletes for over 13 years. He calls the 6-foot-5 Cunningham the most athletic guy he has ever coached. “We take so much of what he does in practice for granted,” said Brown. “He hasn’t realized just how good he can be. He is something special.”

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Before coming to Lee, Cunningham played two years of basketball at Roane State Community College. He averaged almost 18 points per game, but he was still a long way from reaching the “special” category.

“I have never really worked on jumping,” he confessed. “I could always run fast and jump. It is exciting to dunk, and it does give me a good feeling.” Cunningham says he has plenty of dunks remaining for Lee fans, but his main objective is helping his teammates finish the regular season strong and make another solid showing in the national tournament.

“When we are finished, I’d like to go overseas and play,” he said. “The Team Flight Brothers have been writing to me, but I’m hoping to get an opportunity to play pro basketball.” As of March 1, the Flames had a record of 22-7.
Paul Furey has been selected as the new head men's soccer coach at Lee University. The official announcement was made by Lee University President Dr. Paul Conn and Athletic Director Larry Carpenter last week.

"Paul Furey has the experience, the gifts, and the leadership style that will take us to a new level in men's soccer," Conn said in a statement. "He not only knows soccer, but also he understands young athletes, and he is a perfect fit for the academic and spiritual culture of our campus. I am thrilled he is joining us."

Carpenter noted, "I've never seen this many quality applicants for one coaching position, and the task of narrowing it down and making the final decision was extremely difficult. In the end I feel someone will who lead our men's program to the next level and hopefully enjoy the same type of success as the women."

"I'm very excited and honored to be joining the Lee University family," said Furey. "Lee has a great reputation for their overall athletic program in the NAIA. It's my goal to have the men's soccer team among the NAIA elite and join in the great success the women's program has experienced."

Furey brings an impressive list of credentials to his new position. He has posted over 250 career wins (252-165-32) and his 2008 Cougars reached the NAIA National Tournament Final Four. His 2009 squad was ranked No. 3 nationally by the NAIA. Furey was named the NAIA Great Lakes Regional Coach of the Year in 2008 and the Ohio Collegiate Soccer Association Coach of the Year in 2000. His 2008 team also claimed the NAIA Nels Dahlquist Scholarship Award, and the Cougars were presented the Conference Fair Play Award (2002, 2005, and 2006).

"I'm grateful to Dr. Conn, (Larry) Carpenter, and the hard work of the Search Committee for demonstrating the faith in me to lead the men's soccer program to national prominence, while always maintaining the values and Christian character important to Lee University," said Furey.

On his profile, Furey lists his values as being highly dedicated, loyal, strong family values, and integrity, as well as his Christian character which integrates his faith into his coaching and striving for excellence on and off the playing field.
The Lee men’s golf team opened the 2011 spring season as the 14th-ranked team in the nation, and the ladies commanded the 15th position in the NAIA rankings.

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“I always put together the toughest schedule possible,” admitted Russell. “It is kind of a trial by fire. I think we should start and be ready to go from day one. It motivates our preseason workouts and practices. I also like putting the team in tournament settings.”

For the past two seasons, the Lee softball staff has been very comfortable, knowing they had one of the top pitchers on their side. With Johana Gomez looking from the sidelines, how does Russell expect to replace her?

“You don’t replace a player like Johana,” she replied. Johana is one of a kind and a very special talent. We will change as a team without a player like her, but each year the team changes and faces different obstacles and challenges. This is one of ours this year. We are returning a very talented sophomore class that is accustomed to winning. We hope that will take us a long way, combined with the new freshmen, experienced upperclassmen, returnees, and transfers.”

In analyzing the 2011 squad, Russell added, “Early on, it appears we are going to be a good hitting team. From what we saw in the fall season and to this point, offense will be our strength. We have added a few more strong hitters, and we will need everyone from 1-to-9 in the lineup contributing. We have a lot of experience, and I think that will serve us well throughout the season.”

“The softball season is not a sprint; it is marathon,” she stressed. “We have to be prepared throughout all parts of the season, especially with the level of competition that we play. Our pitching (especially Brittany Balough and Caitlin Beshear) has experience but will need to take charge this year. They have big game experience, but they will have to rely on each other to give a consistent performance each day.”

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The Lee ladies finished 2010 at No. 18 in the NAIA poll after losing in the semi-final round of the Southern States Athletic Conference (SSAC) tournament to the eventual national runner-up, Auburn University-Montgomery.

“I was honestly surprised that [the ratings] were not higher for both teams,” said Lee Head Coach Tony Cavett. The veteran Lee coach has seasoned returnees for both the women and men’s teams. His clubs have battled a cold and wet winter in order to get prepared for the season opener which took place against Tennessee Wesleyan on February 23.

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Guard Brooke McKinnon has become only the third player in the history of Lee University women’s basketball to reach the 2,000-point mark. The feat came on January 31, 2011, for the senior from Tellico Plains, Tenn. She broke 2,000 points with a pair of free throws during a game in Columbia, S.C., and retired for the evening with 2,002 points in 128 career appearances.

McKinnon has been a model for consistent play during her four years for Coach Marty Rowe and the Lady Flames. For the year, McKinnon averages over 17 points per game. She not only scores for Rowe’s unit, but at only 5-foot-7, she also has pulled down 508-career rebounds and dished off nearly 350 assists.

“I’m so excited for Brooke accomplishing this feat. She is such a great person and no one deserves it more,” said Rowe, who has directed the Lady Flames to a 109-19 record during McKinnon’s tenure.

Rowe added, “Winning is so important to her, and individual accomplishments mean very little to her. But we are definitely happy for her and her supportive family. They are some of the most unselfish people I’ve ever met, and they should be very proud of the feat.”

Vikki Clemmons is Lee’s all-time leader with 2,271 points, and Katie Nelson, a first-team NAIA All-American in 2009-2010, stands at 2,096.

For the 2010-2011 season, Rowe has his club steaming toward a seventh straight trip to the NAIA national tournament in mid-March. The Lady Flames reached the tournament’s final four before falling to Azusa Pacific last year.

1940s - 1960s

E.C. Hall ’47, of Atlanta, GA, died on September 14, 2010. Retired from Lockheed in 1987 after 36 years, E.C. was also an ordained minister and served in a variety of roles at different churches. He is survived by his wife of 61 years, Jerry Martin Hall ’47, two sons and a granddaughter.

Bill Shell ’55, of Cleburne, TX, died on July 17, 2010. He had been a preacher of the gospel for 65 years.

1970s

Judith Felton Payne ’71 and her husband, Doug, live in Cleveland, TN. Judy recently retired from teaching public school after 38 ½ years. She now works part-time at Lee in student teaching supervision. Doug and Judy have two children, Ben ’01 who has three children and their daughter, Tiffany, a senior at Lee.

Lyn Murphy ’73, after a 30-year career in Georgia public schools as both a teacher and administrator, is now an assistant professor of education in the School of Education at Dalton State College in Dalton, GA. His wife, Betty Hurst Murphy, a former cataloguing assistant in the Lee library, has retired after a 33-year career as a teacher in the Georgia public schools. The Murphys have two daughters and six grandchildren. Dr. Murphy is also organist at The Church on the Hill, an evangelical church in Dalton.

1980s - 1990s

Lucille Kelly ’69 is a retired public school librarian who also worked part time at the Lee library until the late 1990s.

1990s - Present

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Carl Sterling Parnell '74 is an educator, author, and columnist, who recently completed his second book, A Brewing Pot of Christian Persecution: America’s Postmodern Anti-Christian Crusade. The author seeks to prove that Christian persecution does exist in America and that it will worsen in the years to come unless Christians return to their first love, the Lord Jesus Christ. It is available as an Adobe pdf, eBook format and can be viewed at ebooks.faithwriters.com in the end-times category.

1980s - 1990s

Elizabeth Lauster '81 lives in Gainesville, GA, where she works for IBM and enjoys multiple sports, including snow skiing where she recently took Torch with her.

Tim Grant '84 lives in Denham Springs, LA, and has been in ministry for 34 years. He has been married for 32 years and has five grandchildren. In addition to being a pastor, Tim is founder of Kingdom International School of Ministry [kism.org] with campuses in Louisiana and Georgia. He is also a chaplain to the Louisiana State Senate. He is also managing editor and network administrator for Louisiana Family Forum (lafamilyforum.org), a state Family Policy Center for Focus on the Family.

John C. “J.C.” Bowman ’87 was recently selected as the new executive director of Professional Educators of Tennessee. J.C. lives in Cleveland, TN, with his wife, Bethany O’Bannon Bowman ’85. They have two daughters and two grandchildren.

Eric McCarn ’95 and his wife, Claudia, announce the birth of their first child, Hannah Lilliana, on December 31, 2010. The family lives in Brentwood, TN, and Eric is employed with Hospital Corporation of America.

Sarah Lane Bumps ’97, and her husband, Micah, welcomed their first child, Julia, born on November 15, 2010. Sarah is slated to graduate this semester from Eastern Virginia Medical School. She majored in General Surgery at Virginia Medical School. She majored in General Surgery at

Shannon ’97 and Krista Utterback Greer ’97 welcomed Jayden Isaac to their family in July of 2010. Jayden joins a family of three older sisters. The Greers recently celebrated the one-year anniversary of River Church in Chattanooga, which they planted in January 2010, and where Shannon serves as pastor. Shannon says, “Any donations to the Greer Kid College Fund can be sent directly to Lee University, before they descend upon the campus within the next two decades.”

Rowan Recalls “Price” Appearance Three Decades Later

Evidently, items won on the Price Is Right are high quality. Just ask Earl Rowan ’66, the former head basketball coach at Lee who still uses prizes won 30 years ago on the long-running game show.

Rowan was told, “Come on down!” when he and the team were in the audience of the popular show in early January 1981. The basketball players were visiting Southern California for the Point Loma Invitational in San Diego. When called to be a contestant, Rowan bid the closest on a set of cookware to win a chance at more prizes on stage. The pricing game the Lee coach played was The Race Game, where four items are described and the contestant has 45 seconds to place the correct price on the items. Matching two of the four prices, Rowan won a grandfather clock and a set of recliners. Later in the show, Rowan earned a place in the coveted showcase where he was the big winner of the day, netting more than $9,000 in prizes, including a dining room set and a big-screen television.

During his appearances on contestant’s row, on stage, and in the showcase, Rowan bantered with host Bob Barker about basketball, being a coach, Cleveland, Tennessee, and Lee College. Upon winning the showcase, the entire team ran to the stage in a frenzy to congratulate their coach.

Rowan, now a history teacher at Bradley Central High School, introduces himself to his new students by playing a copy of the show as an ice-breaker. According to Rowan, they are amazed at the contrasts between then and now. “They tell me I look exactly the same except my hair and mustache are now gray,” Rowan chuckles. He also gets a laugh when he pulls out the long-sleeved silk shirt he wore on the show. “They actually want to feel the material,” he said.

Rowan, and his wife Kathy, still use several of the prizes won on the show. The hutch of the three-piece dining room set displays china won in the showcase, and the grandfather clock occupies a place in the entrance foyer of their home. The big-screen projection TV, however, which at the time retailed for over $3,000, has expired and one of the two recliners has seen its better days. The other recliner, which Rowan gave to his parents, was recently returned to their home in excellent shape following the death of his mother. “They must not have used it nearly as much as I did,” Rowan said.

The national exposure for the team and Lee at a time when the school was hovering at 1,000 in enrollment was unprecedented and is forever etched in Lee folklore.

Earl and Kathy display the grandfather clock won 30 years ago on the Price Is Right.
Kayron Stowe Venci ’03 and Dana Hacman live in Lawrenceville, GA, with their two sons. David recently wrote Torch World Cup series. And, they brought along a band called Power (formerly Apple Trees and Tangerines). The group won National Battle of the Bands last year. Seth has now signed with Atlantic Records. His song, “Can You Save Me” is the opening theme song for the USA network’s show Covert Affairs. The song can be heard on YouTube by searching for “Covert Affairs theme song.”

Rachele Smith Hart ’06 lives in Hartville, OH, with her husband, Jonathan, where Rachele is completing a master of arts degree in composition from the University of Akron. She is in her fourth year of teaching twelfth-grade English at Lake High School.

Renee Tracey Hunt ’06 teaches history and global studies at Ooltewah High School, near Chattanooga, TN. She is also director of the Global Studies Academy there, ACT coach, and member of the school leadership team. She married Jason in October 2007, and she has a seven-year-old stepson. Renee is enrolled in the Lee master’s program, training to be an international baccalaureate teacher.

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Paul Ponziand ’07 married Christina Pesce ’07 on September 26, 2009, and they are living in Cleveland, TN. Christina is a dental assistant, and Paul is a network technician and BES administrator.

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Robert H. Bennett ’10 and his wife, Kayleigh, live in Ft. Walton Beach, FL. Robert is an elementary Spanish teacher at Lisa Jackson Preparatory School in Ft. Walton Beach, teaching Spanish to grades K-5.

Desmond Blue ’10 and Jill Hammond ’10 were married August 21, 2010, and are living in Kennesaw, GA, where Desmond is pursuing a career in basketball, and Jill is a wedding photographer. Matthew ’10 and Kristie Wireman Leigh ’10 were married on December 18, 2010. Matt now attends Mercer University in Atlanta and is studying pharmacy, while Kristie works in child care.

This past summer, Lee professor Edley Moodley (far right) traveled with a group of Intercultural Studies interns to South Africa where they worked for 10 weeks. They had occasion to attend a soccer game during the 2010 FIFA World Cup series. And, they brought along Torch.

Who’s Where: Update Your Profile!

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Help keep Who’s Where relevant to all generations! We especially need updates from the ’40s – ’80s.

Here’s how to participate:

1) Go to www.leeuniversity.edu/alumni and click on the “Who’s Where” update link OR

2) Fill out the form and mail it to us at Lee University Alumni Office, 1120 N. Ocoee St., Cleveland, TN 37311

3) Send an e-mail to torch@leeuniversity.edu (include all information requested in form)

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