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A masonry worker
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of the brand new
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Photo by Cameron Fisher.



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OPENING THOUGHTS

From President Paul Conn

A Cup of Water in Jesus' Name

This month we are dedicating a new building on campus. It is the new home of the "Leonard Center", and includes offices, a food bank, student meeting rooms, and a health clinic. The building itself looks terrific; it's located on Parker Street, and next time you are on campus, I hope you will at least drive by and take a look.

The opening of this building represents an important milestone in the life of Lee University—it marks the final step in developing the Leonard Center. If you were a student at Lee before 2003, that name won't mean anything to you, but if you are a recent grad, you know it well. The Leonard Center is a dream that has been five years in the making. It is a program of teaching students to serve others, to "give a cup of water in Jesus' name," and every graduate of Lee, starting this year, will have spent four years studying, thinking about, and actually *doing* benevolent service as a regular part of their Lee University experience.

This fall, almost 900 freshmen and transfer students spent the day before registration in "Deke Day", the kickoff event for the Leonard Center each fall semester. As a way of emphasizing their commitment to learn and practice this part of Christian discipleship, they and dozens of faculty members fanned out all across this region to visit 40 nursing homes, assisted living facilities, and other such places to find small ways to serve the residents. It is a small gesture, in a way, but it is a powerful way of giving voice to their commitment to serve.

Over the next four years, each of these freshmen will take a class called "The Theological and Biblical Basis of Benevolence", participate in discussion groups and dialogue, hear speakers who will talk about the Christian mandate to serve others, spend 80 hours of supervised service activities, and write a capstone paper reflecting on the whole experience. In the process, service to others becomes a part of the culture of this campus.

To weave these values into the fabric of a university is not a small thing. It doesn't happen by preaching a few sermons or reading a couple of books. It takes years to implement fully, and requires the attention of many different academic professionals, including faculty, student life staff, and a few administrative personnel who do nothing but direct this project. That is the commitment which Lee is making to the Leonard Center, and after five years, it is clear that the impact is being felt profoundly all across our campus.

To anchor and symbolize this commitment, we now have a physical home for the Leonard Center. It is the second of four major building projects in the "Press Toward the Mark" Campaign, and it is a giant step forward in our determination that Lee University will make its mark by serving students well, and they will respond by serving others around them.

Paul Conn



Ministry 2007 at Lee

The more things change, the more they stay the same

By DR. JIMMY HARPER, Campus Pastor

WHEN I FIRST arrived as a student on the Lee College campus back in the 1980s, one of the things that immediately impacted me was the extreme commitment by students to be involved in ministry. Back then, ministry across the community took on different models and sprang from differing approaches. The bottom line was that students from Lee College were concerned, committed servants of Jesus Christ and they were ready to show that commitment through ministry and service to the local community, the surrounding states, and even to the far reaches of the world.

After a few years of local church ministry, I was called back to teach and pastor a new generation of college students. When I returned to Lee Universi-

ty after years away from the campus, I was anxious to see how students were responding to the current needs for ministry. What I found and what I continue to discover has been amazing. Rest assured, today's Lee University students are just as committed and concerned with reaching their world as we were in my days as a student—and before. Lee University continues to impact the world for Christ!

In many cases, I found some familiar clubs still functioning. Pioneers for Christ (PFC) has long been a mainstay as a club from which students can reach out in ministry. They do not travel doing weekend invasions as much as in the past, but they still carry out lots of ministry on the campus and away. They offer a service on campus every Thursday night to minister to the Lee University community. PFC is still going strong.

Backyard Ministries works to tutor local students and to show them the love of God by assisting with their studies. Similarly, the College Mentoring Program reaches out to local children who need help with study skills and more specifically, life skills. Lee students spend time with local underprivileged children in an attempt to help them become successful at living life. Many of these children are





headed in difficult directions without the guidance of student mentors.

Some student organizations target very specific needs. **Fellowship of Christian Athletes** is still a popular club for athletes and those who just love sports. It has been around for some time but continues to move forward in ministry. **Deaf Outreach** provides students with opportunities to learn to sign and to reach out in ministry to the deaf. **Watchmen 33** is a group of students dedicated to praying for needs represented in the Lee University community.

There are several new clubs that have been formed in the recent years that look at ministry in new ways. These clubs have formed due to interest from students who feel called to speak out on behalf of those who have no voice. Many of our students see ministry to the oppressed as a fitting way to show forth the love of God. **International Justice Mission** is a student club on campus that is connected with a national organization by the same name. This group helps make students aware of injustices around the world, especially issues related to helpless children. **Acting on AIDS** is also connected to a national organization and this group educates the Lee community on the sad plight of children around the world dying from AIDS. Last year they

held a fund-raiser for an AIDS orphanage in Kenya. **Saving Arrows** is a club focused on educating Lee students and the surrounding community about the death of unborn children and the defense of human life.

Other clubs and organizations are closely connected with the classroom. **Youth Leaders Association** focuses on ministry to youth and many of its members are youth ministry majors in the School of Religion. Likewise, many of our **Children's Ministry** majors have a student club focused on gaining prac-

tical experience in ministry to children. **Missions Alive** is closely connected to the Intercultural Studies Program. Students who plan to live and work overseas or in missions organizations discuss ways they can become more successful in cross-cultural ministry.

Students from a variety of denominations come together for worship on our campus, therefore, there are many fellowship opportunities that allow students to join with others from similar backgrounds for weekly discipleship and fellowship. Several years ago the





Special Feature

Baptist Student Union from a college across town opened a chapter at Lee. Now called **Baptist Collegiate Ministries**, this club offers ministry and service opportunities to students from a variety of Baptist backgrounds. As well, within the last year, a fellowship for **Episcopal students** has been started. This fellowship offers times of communion weekly on the campus and provides special services for Ash Wednes-

day and during Easter week. This fall a **Presbyterian Student Fellowship** is in the works.

Two important academic initiatives have revolutionized ministry opportunities for Lee students. The **Global Perspectives Program** allows every Lee student the opportunity to participate in a cross-cultural experience. This may be accompanied by classes or it may function in the form of a mission

trip—or both. Through the **Leonard Center for Service Learning**, every student volunteers and serves at least 10 hours each semester in an effort to follow the Biblical mandate to treat even the least of our society as we would want to be treated.

Another way we impact the world as a campus community is through the **Dee Lavendar Memorial Missions Week**. Through the years, we have

Communion Offers Midweek Ministry Option

Pastor Mitch and Luwanna Baker had a burden for traditional Communion services for Lee students and decided to offer the option on Wednesdays at noon. The response has been inspiring. The services began in Alumni Park before moving to the chapel of the Squires Library.

"We know the busy schedules people have and most classes begin at 1:00 pm on Wednesdays so we do not want people to feel rushed," said Baker, assistant director of the CAPS program at Lee.

"The services follow a pattern of recognizing the act of coming before God and asking Him to cleanse our hearts and minds, after all, we are coming before God," said Baker. "There

is a prayer of adoration thanking God for who He is and the wonder of His creation and love for humanity. Prior to taking Communion the group offers a prayer of confession, and then partakes in the body and blood of Christ. We are then dismissed to carry forth the gospel."

"My wife and I have felt for a long time that God was leading us to host a Communion service on a regular basis here on campus. We have hosted Communion services during Holy Week in the amphitheatre and the Stations of the Cross the last three years. But we felt a stirring to do more," said Baker. After a university professor mentioned to Baker that there was an interest in an opportunity midweek Communion, the couple began what has

become the weekly Communion services.

"I firmly feel God is calling His people back to Himself," Baker said. "The expression of Communion is one way to practice our faith and to always remind us of the gospel message. Communion should bring us back to the center of our lives, which I pray is Jesus Christ." The Bakers hope that, through these services, participants realize that Communion is not a "ritual" or something one just does out of obligation. "Every time we partake of the Lord's Supper it should remind us how much God loves us. He tells us that in the Communion. Just like my wife never tires of hearing me tell her that I love her, I never tire of hearing and experiencing how much God loves me," Baker said.



Campus Pastor Jimmy Harper leads worship in chapel

sponsored projects in Africa, South America, Europe, North America, the Middle East, and Central America. Last year, over \$12,000 was given to Homes for the Homeless in Ukraine. This year's Missions Week emphasis spotlighted an orphanage in Nicaragua.

The bedrock of our spiritual emphasis still centers around a week we call **Convocation**. In contrast to past years, recently a different speaker has spoken each night. It is amazing how God orchestrates the themes for each week. Then, as always, we make sure our many musical ensembles are present to help with praise and worship. Convocation is always a highlight of the chapel services for the semester.

Regular **chapel services** continue to fill that Tuesday and Thursday time slot from 10:40-11:30 am. Students today have options in either the Conn Center or Dixon Center. In addition, one Thursday of each month, students can visit the Alternative Chapel in Dixon Center. This service offers students a different approach to important topics of discussion. Debates, informative panel discussions and media driven messages engage students in a refreshing way.

Perhaps a more obvious difference these days from the traditional past is with the Sunday night service. With guidance from students, the Sunday service has been renamed **U-Church 234**. The term derived from short for university and the fact it takes place on the second, third and fourth Sunday nights of each month. The service consists of 30 minutes of musical worship and 30 minutes of the preached word. The schedule is adhered to strictly to allow students to prepare for the week ahead. Of course, if anyone desires to stay, the altars are always open! U-Church has been a great success among students, faculty and staff.

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While some things are the same and others are different in terms of ministry on campus, one thing is certain: ministry is happening at Lee University.

True Hearts for Giving

This past semester, Lee University Missions week focused on building a "Home for the Homeless" in Ukraine. Churches of the area were building and staffing homes in which they would take in abandoned and abused children from the street who had nowhere to turn for food, clothing and daily care.

As the appeal was made for Lee students to join the effort to support these orphans, many students gave offerings.



Joe Connor

Some even offered their residence hall key deposits because they didn't have extra money to give. Others returned from spring break with checks from their home churches and family members for the missions week project. Many more students committed to pray for these children on a regular basis

who were being brought to the homes from lives on the streets. Over a period of three weeks, Lee University students, faculty and staff gave a total of just over \$12,000 to support "Homes for the Homeless."

It was emphasized that there were other ways, such as a club or organization fund-raiser; fasting a meal to give that total in the offering, request donations from local businesses or churches or simply pray for the needs of the kids. Some students decided to donate items that could be sold or sent directly to the students. Donations included purses, guitar picks and McDonald's Monopoly game pieces that were placed in the offering plates each service.

"One student approached the campus ministries office after the last service of missions week," Campus Pastor Jimmy Harper related. "With tears in his eyes he pulled off his favorite soccer jacket and placed it in our hands. He told us that he really didn't have anything to give, but asked that we give this jacket to one of the kids from the video he saw playing soccer. This student, Joe Connor, was a Lee University soccer player.

Joe wanted to be able to touch the life of a youngster halfway around the world, so his way of worship was giving his prized possession to help someone in need. Joe Connor didn't give his flesh and blood, but he did sacrifice out of a heart filled with a giving attitude; the true heart of giving.

Ministry efforts are in fact expanding and the Lee University impact is becoming greater. A visit to the Lee University Web site shows amazing outreach, both on and off campus. Chapel services are even online and available for download, opening up doors for witness never before realized.

Who could have imagined just a few years ago that ipods and MP3 players could bring about opportunities for ministry? With these and other innovations, the traditional as well as contemporary modes of ministry are making a solid impact on this generation of Lee University. 🍷



PHIL STACEY: 'American Idol' Opened Doors

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following article appeared in the Cleveland Daily Banner following a visit to Cleveland in June by Lee alum and American Idol finalist, Phil Stacey '02

By WILLIAM WRIGHT,
Cleveland Daily Banner

PHIL STACEY, the most famous singing sailor man since Popeye, dropped anchor in Cleveland Tuesday, meeting "American Idol" fans, Lee University faculty and the media. Stacey held a press conference, signed autographs and posed

versity for support during Stacey's recent participation in the television talent competition.

Stacey opened up about the personal impact "American Idol" and the musical icons he met have had on him.

"I've been so shocked because I would have never guessed that the doors that have opened would open. Literally, the day after I was eliminated my personal e-mail was full of e-mails from different management companies and record labels that were interested in talking to me," Stacey said.

Although no record deal has been signed, Stacey, dismissing movie deals offered to him, said, "My assumption

from where my heart is leading right now is that you will probably pick up a Phil Stacey record in a country music section."

Of all the rich and famous artists he met, Stacey said, "Bono changed my life with what he believes."

"He's a huge advocate for Africa and the fight against poverty in general. The man literally believes if we work together we can actually end poverty in the world. He convinced me of that. So it changed my life forever," Stacey said.

"Literally, from Diana Ross to Jon Bon Jovi, every single one of them impressed me," Stacey said.

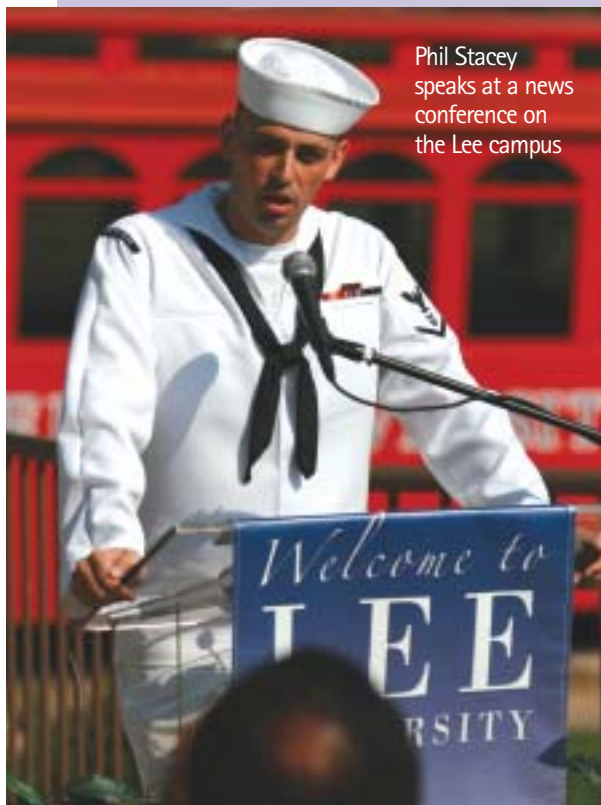
"Martina McBride impressed me because of how star struck I was. Jon Bon Jovi was incredibly friendly. I met Quincy Jones in the studio that he produced 'We Are the World.'

"Diana Ross, I kind of wanted her to be a diva. You know what I'm saying? She's Diana Ross, so I kind of wanted her to snub her nose at me," he said. "But she was an angel. Gwen (Steffani), Jennifer (Lopez)—every one of them were really cool people. I consider them friends."

Stacey commended his wife (Kendra '02) for her support in his meteoric rise to fame. "She's amazing. She's been the perfect partner through this entire experience. Absolutely the most supportive person she could possibly be through the entire process. I couldn't be more grateful for the amazing wife that I have," he said.

Stacey indicated there is a price connected to fame. "The only hard part about it is that I have two small children. I've been trying to teach my oldest daughter that just because people know her name doesn't make them her friend."

According to Stacey being one of the final six contestants on "American Idol" was a rare treat.



Phil Stacey speaks at a news conference on the Lee campus

with Lee students and faculty members before going to Chattanooga to perform at Riverbend later in the evening.

The visit was planned to thank "American Idol" fans and Lee Uni-



President Conn greets Phil at a reception in the Centenary Room.

"The top six was a special number because I got to participate in 'Idol Gives Back' which was a huge event. We came really close to the \$100 million mark towards poverty. I still believe we're going to reach it," Stacey said.

When asked about integrating his faith in his profession Stacey said, "I'm on careful ground when I say this because I'm saying this as Phil Stacey. I'm in a Navy uniform as Phil Stacey. I can tell you that I have been very impressed with how the Lord is using me.

"If you go back and watch all the videos, I never one time mentioned my faith on the show," he said. "But everybody knew. Everybody wrote about it.

"I remember praying for people in my group that people would know that they are Christians by the way they live their lives and by seeing them interact from day to day. I thank God that I had that opportunity. I'll continue to live my life. I'm a Christian and I love the Lord and that's part of who I am as a person." ❖



Grant Team (l-r): Craig Gray, Information Services and Technology director; Vanessa Hammond, director of the Office of Grants; and Jayson Van Hook, assistant vice president for research.

\$1.8 Million Grant to Fund Technology

Lee University was recently selected as the recipient of a \$1.8 million grant, the second major grant from the United States Department of Education this year. Lee is one of only 20 institutions nationwide receiving the 2007 grant under the Title III Strengthening Institutions program.

Funds will be distributed to Lee over five years and will partly fund a massive new initiative to improve student learning, including upgraded computer-based technology for teaching and academic applications.

"We are thrilled with this wonderful grant," said President Conn. "It gives us a huge boost in developing our technology for teaching and learning for our students. We have a talented faculty, and this will give them better tools in the classroom and all across the campus."

Lee was notified of the award through a call from Tennessee Sen. Bob Corker's office, followed by an official letter from the U.S. Department of Education.

"The Title III grant will provide us with resources to enhance our teaching in every area. Lee has always been a teaching institution with student learn-

ing at the center of everything we do," said Dr. Carolyn Dirksen, vice president for academic affairs at Lee. She said the university plans to establish a Center for Teaching Excellence that will "foster faculty development by helping faculty to more actively engage students with critical thinking exercises." The university will also add the position of director of faculty development, according to Dirksen.

Plans are also in place for faculty members to participate in four summer seminars on revising curriculum and instruction. Classroom teaching will also be enhanced through a technology expansion that will enable interactive instruction. Student services and administration will be served with a new information management system.

The federal grant covers 38 percent of the total project of \$4,787,523; the remaining 62 percent will be paid by university funds.

President Conn thanked many Lee staff who worked on the grant, but singled out Vanessa Hammond, director of the Office of Grants, and Jayson Van Hook, assistant vice president for research. ❖



DNA Analysis System Awarded to Science Department

By JORDAN LEE


The Lee University Department of Natural Sciences and Mathematics was recently awarded a grant which provides the university an opportunity to further student and faculty research in biotechnology. The award, received from LI-COR, a bioscience research company, will supply Lee with the 4300 DNA Analysis System.

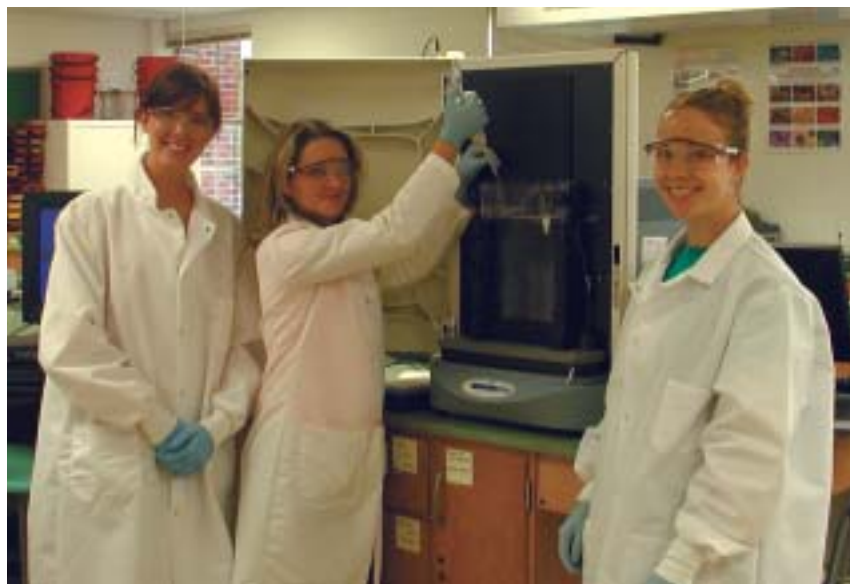
The grant is a Genomics Education Matching Fund (GEMF) used to acquire DNA sequencing systems and software for use by students studying molecular biology and related fields. DNA sequencing allows the investigator to directly read the DNA code by identifying every single base in a section of DNA.

"The DNA sequencer provides yet another instrument in our molecular biology laboratory that will allow us to better equip our students for graduate and professional work. This fully equipped facility will also allow us to competitively recruit aspiring scientists to our campus," said Dr. Lori West, assistant professor of biology. The grant

was awarded based on the research and aid of West and Dr. Michael Freake, associate professor of biology.

"Understanding DNA sequencing requires assimilation of many complex molecular biology concepts. The GEMF award along with contributions from Lee University will allow us to reinforce

these theoretical concepts learned in lecture with applications in the laboratory," said West. "Just as we conduct sequencing reactions in our major's courses, we will provide our non-majors with the opportunity to perform their own sequencing reactions in our Introduction to Biotechnology course." 



(l-r) Joy Hall, Dr. Lori West, and Sarah Neslund with the DNA Analysis System.

Lee Receives Funding for Asian Studies Program

A major grant from the U.S. Department of Education will fund a new Asian Studies Program under the direction of Dr. Suzanne Hamid, Lee's director of Global Perspectives. The grant, worth more than \$170,000, will enable Lee to develop a comprehensive Asian Studies Program that will include the addition of Chinese to the language options in the general education core, a multidisciplinary Asian Studies minor, an Asian Studies emphasis within the International Business minor, enhanced study abroad and exchange opportunities for students, and expanded awareness of Asian culture on campus.

"By adding Asian Studies to the existing Latin American Studies and International Studies courses, the university will take a significant step toward a comprehensive degree program in Global Studies," said Vanessa Hammond, director of the grants office at Lee. Further objectives for the new program, according to Hammond, include offering a Thai language and culture course and adding a tenure-track faculty position in Chinese language. The university will also fund travel and research to establish programs involving the countries of Japan, Korea, Thailand, Malaysia, India and Nepal in addition to China. Faculty will also be working to strengthen

existing relationships with three universities in China and Korea and to develop relationships with four universities in Japan, Thailand, and the Philippines to facilitate study and exchange opportunities.

"We see the Asian Studies program and its inclusion of Chinese language study as a door opening to greater knowledge and appreciation of Asian language and culture not only on our campus now, but also in the 'global' futures of many individual students," said Dr. Jean Eledge, chair of the Department of English and Modern Foreign Languages.

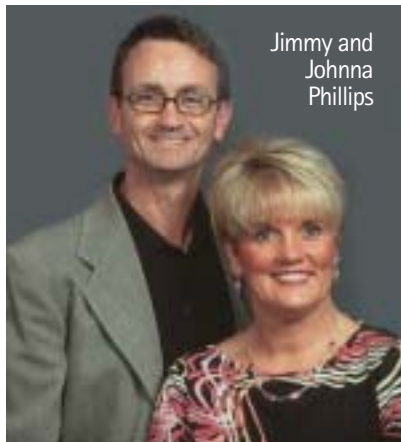
The Asian Emphasis in the International Business minor will feature a

Phillips Named Campus Choir Director

Jim Phillips '75 will assume the role as director of the Campus Choir this fall. The appointment comes after a year of interim leadership from Dr. Mark Bailey who took over following the unexpected death of Dr. David Horton on May 8, 2006.

Phillips has established himself as a songwriter, arranger, choir director and performer. His compositions have been featured on several recording projects, international Christian television and crusades. He recently marked the end of a 30-year tenure as minister of music at the Princeton Pike Church of God in Hamilton, Ohio. During that period he received the Church of God "Distinguished Minister Of Music" award in 1998 and in 2003. He is currently minister of music at the Mountain Meadows Church of God near Chattanooga. He and his wife, Johnna '79 have two sons.

"When I accepted the music minister position at Mountain Meadows, the prospect of serving as director of Campus Choir was not in my plans," Phillips related. "However, just as sure



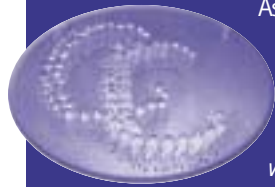
Jimmy and
Johnna
Phillips

as God led me to Mountain Meadows, I know the Lord has led me to Campus Choir and back to Lee University. Johnna and I are humbled by the

opportunity to direct this great choir and become an interwoven facet of the spiritual vision so ably cast by Dr. David and Virginia Horton."

"We are delighted that Jimmy Phillips has consented to take the leadership of the Campus Choir during this very important time of transition and celebration," stated Dr. Stephen Plate, chair of the School of Music at Lee. "Jimmy brings years of experience to the job and I know that the Campus Choir will thrive and grow under his direction. Jimmy's experience in church music and in worship and praise in particular, will contribute directly to the legacy of Dr. David Horton. The Campus Choir will celebrate 50 years this year, an important milestone in the choir's history, and I believe Jimmy is the right person to lead at the right time."

Campus Choir 50-Year Reunion: "A Legacy of Worship"



As part of the Homecoming 2007 festivities, Campus Choir will be celebrating 50 years with a special reunion for all past and present members. Using the theme "A Legacy of Worship," reunion events will take place over three days, November 2-4. For more information, visit the Web site www.campuschoir.cc or call 423-614-8359.

new required internship experience for students in Asia and the library will increase its language resources and library holdings in Asian Studies. Work to enhance awareness of Asian culture on campus will include a lecture series and a two-day Asian Studies Seminar. Also, eight new courses with an Asian focus will be added to the university's curriculum.

The Federal grant amount of \$170,655 is 44% of the total project cost. Lee and other non-governmental sources will contribute the remaining \$213,748 cost of the project.



A student group from Lee posing with martial artists at the Shaolin Temple in China



IS&T's Working Summer "Vacation"

By PHILLIP PRICE
Coordinator of Support Systems

Summer is the time when Lee University's Information Services and Technology department (IS&T) shifts into high gear as projects are often delayed until they have the least impact on the campus. IS&T is juggling several major projects this summer.

A vast underground infrastructure connects the various buildings, computers and users throughout the campus. It includes miles of fiber optic cable, which transmits data at high speeds. A more extensive infrastructure was required to connect the new Leonard Center building, so IS&T proposed replacing the outdated fiber optic cable and supporting network equipment. Based on future projections of growth, IS&T spent several months determining the best path through the campus. Portions of the campus have been dug up this summer as the cable has been buried between the Higginbotham Administration Building and the DeVos Recreation Center. The total investment for the upgrades will cost nearly \$350,000 and will take 1,200 man-hours to complete. The new infrastructure will serve the university for many years.

By far the largest and most complex project this summer is the Datatel project. Champlain, the computer "green screen" program which held grades and computed school bills reli-

ably for years, was long overdue for a replacement and upgrade. After an extensive search process that involved the entire University, Datatel was chosen as Champlain's successor. The project is a \$2 million, multi-year project slated to be complete by the end of 2007. As of the end of July, IS&T has invested over 3,100 man-hours into the conversion this year alone.



To ensure that everyone stays connected, the university instituted a four-year computer lease program in July 2003. IS&T realized in January that one-fourth of Lee University's computers would have to be replaced in a one-month span this summer—all 300 of the first year's lease computers. After months of price quotes, 300 new Gateway computers arrived on campus in June. Three weeks later and 500 man-hours by the IS&T and Physical Plant staff, all com-

puters had been distributed. It was a whirlwind project, but very successful.

Nearly every summer of the last twenty years has seen the construction of a major building project. This summer the Leonard Center is being built on Parker Street and IS&T was brought on-board to plan and implement the technology infrastructure, which includes an enormous amount of cabling, equipment and space required to connect computers to the internet. The Leonard Center will add five tech-

nology-enhanced classrooms, 15 new computers, three plasma displays, 35 phones, and over 120 network connections and wireless Internet access to that area of campus. By the time it is finished, IS&T's manpower will likely exceed 1,000 hours. Despite these major projects, IS&T teams such as networking and development, continued daily tasks, including fulfilling the requests of the more than 900 calls to the Help Desk each month. ☞

CHRONOLOGY OF A RAZING: As seen in the sequence of photos below, the aging Vaughan Apartments, located on Ocoee Street and



Before



Day 1



Day 3

Lee Launches New "Encore" Program

Lee University has launched a new "intergenerational learning" program, which will open over 400 classes to local individuals aged sixty and above.

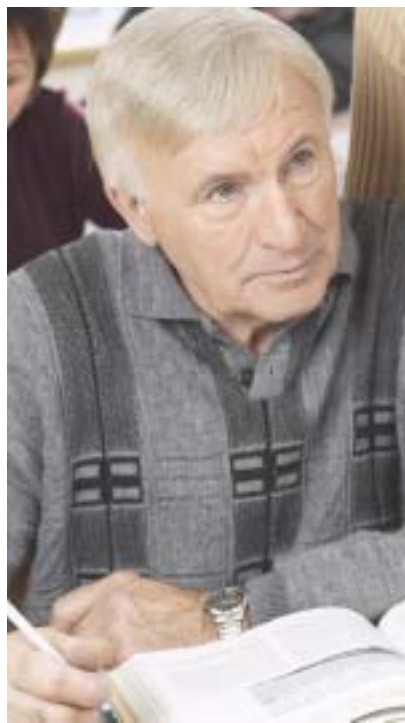
The Encore Program gives seniors special access to most fall semester courses at Lee, as well as an expedited registration process and a set of special classes.

"This is one of the most significant initiatives in many years at Lee," President Conn stated. "It provides a way for older Clevelanders to participate in our academic life and share in the marvelous things that are being taught by such an outstanding faculty. Our younger students will also benefit from the perspective and experience of older learners in the classroom."

Students in the Encore Program will pay no tuition after a \$50 flat fee each semester.

Upon admission to the Encore Program, individuals will be issued a Lee student ID card which will entitle them to campus parking privileges, a library card, a student email account, and free admission to all concerts, drama, and athletic events normally available to Lee students.

"Intergenerational learning is a wave of the future in higher education," said Dr. Carolyn Dirksen, vice president for academic affairs. "As



baby boomers turn sixty, there will be more and more older Americans returning to the classroom to enrich their lives, and a college campus is the natural environment for that. The benefits are not just for the senior learners; the classroom environment is enriched for typical college-age students when older learners are part of the class. We want to make it easy and inexpensive for the sixty-plus age group to participate in college life at Lee. The Encore Program will make it easy for older learners to enroll in courses alongside the typical 18-25 year olds on campus, as well as in special courses designed for them."

The Encore Program began accepting applications in early August for classes beginning August 22. "We are doing this as a way of making our excellent faculty and curriculum available to local residents," Dirksen said,

"as well as to provide our younger students with the benefits of having older and more experienced classmates."

Dirksen explained that Encore Scholars may choose either to receive credit for the courses on an audit basis, without exams and required papers, or as full participants with the normal set of requirement and regularly assigned grades. She emphasized that there are no educational prerequisites for admission to the program.

Admission to the Encore Program will be coordinated by Director of Community Relations at Lee, Merica Stum. The public is encouraged to learn more by calling her at 614-8598 or going to a new Encore website at www.leeuniversity.edu/encore.

Stum will expedite the enrollment of Encore students to their particular classes, which may be chosen from a list of over 400 courses in each of the university's thirteen academic departments.

Registration may be by phone or email, or in person at the Encore office, must be completed prior to attending class. Students will be responsible for buying their own textbooks, but the \$50 fee includes tuition for up to two courses per semester.

In addition to the mainstream classes, three short-term classes have been designed especially for Encore students this semester, Dirksen said. These classes will meet 4-6 times during the evening hours, and will typically be coordinated with other public events on the university calendar. ☺

recently added to the Lee campus, were razed to add more green space. At press time the site was cleared and awaiting sod.



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DEPARTMENTAL FOCUS

Study Abroad, Cultural Diversity Highlight History and Political Sciences

By DR. MURL DIRKSEN

The Department of History and Political Science spun out of Behavioral and Social Sciences only three years ago, but has already established itself as a leader in engaged student learning. The 14 members of the faculty are active researchers, excellent instructors and dedicated Christians who have created a departmental culture of student centeredness and hands-on learning in and out of the classroom. Over the short life of the department, new programs and majors have been added, innovative study abroad programs have been developed and learning-centered service projects have been created in Cleveland and around the world.

International Study Programs in Political Science

New to the Lee faculty in 2005, Jung In Jo, a native of Korea, has greatly strengthened the political science program in the area of international relations. Her main research interests and teaching responsibilities are international conflict and organizations and comparative and Asian politics.

Led by Stephen Swindle, 24 Lee students participated in the National Model United Nations Conference in New York City. Representing the country of Slovakia, the Lee team met with the Slovakian UN Delegation and joined over 3,500 students to discuss current issues in a format that parallels the real UN. The Model UN team meets as a class to prepare for the UN simulation, learning about the political and economic situation

in their designated country as well as Parliamentary procedure and the structure and function of the United Nations.

Four students also accompanied Swindle to Salzburg, Austria, to participate in the Salzburg Seminar with their expenses paid through a grant from the Berger Foundation and the Appalachian College Association. The seminar, titled "Global Citizenship: America and the World" explored the causes and implications of globalization. Students heard from international speakers, collaborated on a research project with other university students

his research on its moral foundation. His new book titled, *Better Than They Knew: The Constitution's Implicit Moral Design*, will be published by University of Missouri Press this year. The first part of the book is how to discover the moral design of public documents and the second part explains how best to evaluate the moral framework in documents such as the U.S. Constitution.

Local History Service Project

Service learning has become an important part of the curriculum at Lee, and the department is designing projects



Dr. Jeff Golden (far left) with students at the headquarters for the European Union in Brussels.

and enjoyed the cultural and scenic offerings for a week.

Rounding out the political science experiences each year is a study tour to Europe to meet with EU officials and learn of the most recent political events happening throughout Europe. This past year the trip took 28 students to Hungary, Germany, Austria, France, Switzerland, and Belgium.

Each year Paul DeHart leads a symposium on the Constitution based on

to help students earn the required number of service hours in a way that impacts learning. Under the direction of John Coats, a new member of the history faculty, students from the history capstone course joined with the Bradley Historical Association to present an open house of five homes in the Downtown Cleveland Historic Neighborhood. In preparation for the tour, students did research on each house and created a booklet with an introduction to the orig-

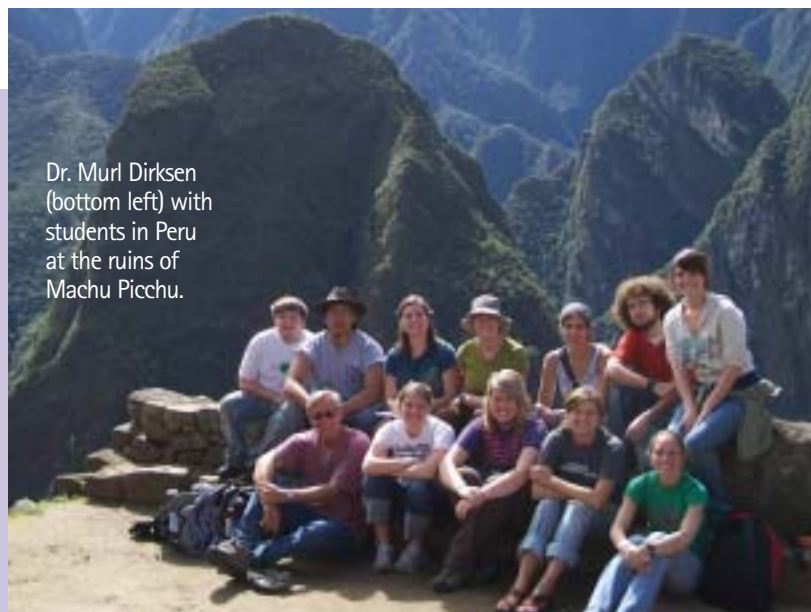
inal owners, a description of the historical period during which the house was built, and an explanation of the architectural design. The tour was a great success and raised several thousand dollars. With the money they earned, the students initiated a scholarship fund for history majors that they will add to each year. Plans are being made to continue the historic house tour in the spring, and students are doing research to prepare for a cemetery tour in the fall.

Historical Study Tours

Robert Barnett leads one of Lee's most popular study abroad trips to England, Scotland, and Wales where students learn about the history and politics of the United Kingdom. Coats accompanied Barnett and a full contingency of students on the trip this year. Dan Hoffman, veteran history professor, has taken student groups to Greece and Turkey to study the crusades and other aspects of ancient history. Hoffman is also Lee's representative on the Karak Archaeological Research project in Jordan where he has also taken Lee students. Jason Ward, a specialist in Latin American history, has taken a student group to Mexico and has greatly enriched the history curriculum with new courses on Latin America.

New Humanities Major

Humanities courses have long been a part of the general education core, but now students will have the opportunity to earn a Bachelor of Arts degree in humanities with an emphasis in either art history or philosophy. Through the efforts of the humanities faculty, Matt Sims, John Sims, Jeff Golden, and Randy Wood, the new major will provide students with a well-rounded knowledge of western culture. The major will develop strong critical thinking and research skills and help students make connections within and across historical periods. Developing a Christian worldview and reflecting on how to apply it



Dr. Murl Dirksen
(bottom left) with
students in Peru
at the ruins of
Machu Picchu.

to their personal calling and career is a primary goal of the new major.

Humanities Lecture Series

The department hosts an annual Humanities Lecture Series, and last year Dr. John Woodbridge of Trinity Evangelical Divinity School and Gene Veith, culture editor of *World Magazine*, were the invited speakers. John Simmons, an art professor from the Communication and the Arts Department joins the humanities faculty in offering a Humanities-Art study tour to Italy. Each year more than 30 students participate in this immensely popular trip.

Anthropology Comes of Age

Anthropology, the third discipline in the History and Political Science Department, is a relatively new major but has already shown real vitality. With the hiring of a third anthropologist, Alan Wheeler, a Ph.D. candidate in social anthropology from Cambridge University, the faculty is prepared to cover adequately the five sub-disciplines of anthropology (archaeology, cultural, physical, linguistics, and applied anthropology). Wheeler is a Eurasian specialist who completed his fieldwork among the nomadic reindeer people of the Mongolian steppes and brings a wealth of information about the near extinction of nomadic cultures. In addition to social and cultural anthropology, Lee

now offers an Introduction to Archaeology course and an archaeology field school. Richard Jones has joined with archaeologists from the U.S. Forest Service—Cherokee District to run both a summer and a winter archaeology program. Together they will begin a systematic survey of the Tellico River watershed to document as well as excavate Native American sites.

Anthropology Abroad

Study abroad trips are a natural for the discipline of anthropology, and this year students studied the ancient and modern cultures of Peru. In the Andes they visited the Inca site of Machu Picchu and the colonial city of Cuzco. On the Amazon they spent time at a jungle camp, visited village schools to hand out supplies, and poured a cement floor for a Church of God in Quito with funds they had raised. In Lima, they helped in feeding centers and were inspired by talks given by community development workers ministering to the poor. Anthropology students at Lee are exposed to a broad world of cultural variation with a lot of real-life opportunities. 🌍

Dr. Murl Dirksen is chairman of the Department of History and Political Science



Leonard Center Completed

The two-story Leonard Center and health clinic officially opened for students this fall. This photo, taken the day before a campus-wide sneak preview, shows the completed exterior of the facility. Entrances to both the Leonard Center and the health clinic will be from an outdoor passage which incorporates the walkway from Schimmels Park. A formal dedication is scheduled for October 4.

A complete pictorial and written report on Lee's newest campus building will be presented in the winter issue of *Torch*.



Lee Featured on Directory Cover for Second Year

Lee University is again featured on the cover of the Cleveland edition of the AT&T Real Yellow Pages directory. The cover was unveiled during a brief campus ceremony on August 13 on Medlin Plaza in front of the DeVos Center for the Humanities on Parker Street, the featured building of the cover. The 2006-2007 edition featured the Paul Conn Student Union.

"We are pleased to feature Lee University on the first AT&T Real Yellow Pages directory for the Cleveland area," said Patsy Hazelwood, assistant vice president of External Affairs for AT&T, formerly BellSouth.

"We are honored that AT&T Real Yellow Pages has selected Lee University to appear on the 2007-2008 directory," said Jerome Hammond, assistant vice president for University Relations at Lee. "We look forward to our partnership and thank them for the opportunity to showcase our beautiful campus."

Delivery of the directory began in August and is good for one year. AT&T Advertising and Publishing estimates that more than 86,000 directories will be delivered to area residents and businesses.



SUMMER GRADUATION—Lee University honored 173 graduates at summer commencement exercises on July 28. Among the graduates, 78 were awarded master's degrees, while 95 received bachelor's degrees. The two-days of ceremonies took place in Conn Center. It included speeches from six student representatives, presentation of Bibles to each graduate and special music from campus groups. Commencement speaker for the ceremony was Beecher Hunter (inset), president of Life Care Centers of America. Hunter is a former editor of the Cleveland (TN) *Daily Banner* who has risen through the ranks to lead one of the top nursing home corporations in the country. Hunter encouraged students to be servant leaders, quoting lyrics from the song "The Master's Hand."



Alumni

New Online Community for Lee Alumni: INCIRCLE

Ever wonder what your freshman year roommate is doing now? Have you been trying to catch up with an old classmate that you've lost touch with? Maybe you just graduated and are trying to use your Lee University connections to land your first job? Lee University has recently launched inCircle, a new online networking community to help you re-connect, stay connected, and meet new alumni through the people you already know.

InCircle is a free service provided by Lee University exclusively for Lee alumni. Sharing pictures, thoughts, job opportunities, and news with your fellow trusted alumni has never been easier. Through inCircle, you can tap into one of the greatest resources available to you—your network of Lee friends and friends-of-friends.

How do I get started?

1. Visit leeuniversity.affinitycircles.com and register
2. fill out your profile
3. search for and find your friends and colleagues and add them to your network

Complete your profile with whatever information you want to share, invite and accept invitations from only those people you know and trust, and join groups based on your location, interests, hobbies, or campus organizations. Anything from new mothers comparing notes, to mountain bikers recommending trails, to an alumni group sharing event photos and organizing their next gathering; it's up to you. InCircle is whatever each individual alumnus wants to make of it.



FROM THE ALUMNI DIRECTOR / Anita Ray

Dear alumni and friends,

It is an exciting time at Lee University as we "Press Toward the Mark" and make way for the addition of a *new science building*, a *home for the School of Religion*, and *expand student scholarships*. Every brick that is laid, every hour spent in training and every dollar given is for the students that represent our future.

We are calling on all alumni and friends of Lee University to help support our ambitious campaign with a generous gift to the 2007 Alumni Fund. Today more than ever, we need your help. Your investment in the lives of Lee students will bear dividends for years to come.

I invite you to show your support for Lee University by making a gift today. For your convenience visit our website at www.leeuniversity.edu/info/forms/donate.asp to make a secure online donation. By mail, send checks or money orders to:

Lee University
Office of Alumni Relations
PO Box 3450
Cleveland, TN 37320-3450

4,012 appreciative students join me in saying "thank you for continuing to care!"

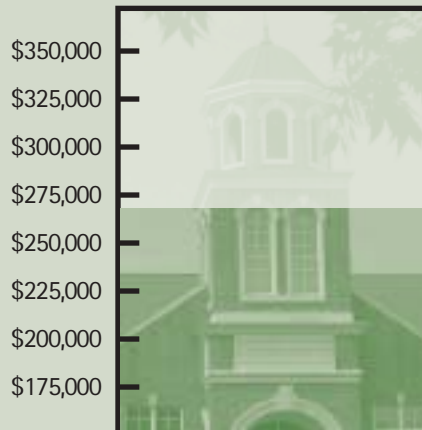
Anita Ray '81

Director of Alumni Relations

2007 ALUMNI FUND GIVING LEVELS:

- **Honor Roll**
\$1 - \$299
- **Fair Share**
\$300-\$499
- **President's Circle**
\$500-\$999
- **President's Circle Silver**
\$1,000-\$1,999
- **President's Circle Gold**
\$2,000-\$4,999
- **President's Circle Platinum**
\$5,000

2007 Alumni Fund Goal: \$375,000



2007 Alumni Fund pledges to date: \$269,000

- A vehicle to network with each other on a daily basis on shared interests, common acquaintances, professions and locations.
- A searchable groups feature allows alumni to communicate to friends within specific organizations, clubs, classes and interest groups.
- Alumni can leverage their network of university connections to find

jobs, housing or business associates.

- Allows members to share secure personal weblogs and gain access to unlimited photo sharing.
- Community forums.

Plus, you can connect anywhere, anytime you have an Internet connection—at home or on the road, at noon or 2 am. Enjoy this great opportunity to network with other Lee alums in your area, across the country, or around the globe.

Visit leeuniversity.affinitycircles.com and start growing your network today! 💰



Faculty Facts

By DR. MICHAEL J. LANEY

AFTER COMPLETING my 10th year on the Lee University faculty, I was ready for a change of venue. I was generously granted a one year sabbatical. Working with the mission organization, Daystar USA, my family and I were provided with a wonderful opportunity to live and teach in Nairobi, Kenya, from August 2006-June 2007.

My wife, Leonora, and I were joined by our children Mikaela and James-Michael, rising high school



Dr. Laney at The Redeemed Gospel Church (Mother Church) in Mathare Valley

A Sabbatical With a Difference

senior and sophomore respectively. We sold our home to cover expenses involved in relocating an entire family. This unique experience allowed us to step out on faith and to model for our children that living the Christian life is a sacrificial one. Additionally, as African-Americans living in Cleveland, Tennessee, our children had never experienced the empowering and liberating thrill of being a member of the majority culture.

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. dreamed of one day "living in a nation where he would not be judged by the color of his skin, but by the content of his character." Our family experienced all that and more in Kenya. Our year in Kenya allowed all of us a level of access and a range of experiences that we have never had in our lives; from educational, athletic, ministerial, to political, social, and psychological. We performed more ministry in 10 months in Kenya than in 10 years in Cleveland. We rubbed shoulders with leading political figures, religious leaders, and educators, as well as slum dwellers. We even helped to shape national debate and appeared on network television.

Daystar University developed the first communication program on the continent of Africa and remains one of the leading institutions of Christian higher education in East Africa to this day. Daystar is a Pentecostal liberal arts university, offering diploma, B.A. and M.A. programs. As missionary faculty we were housed in a comfortably furnished three bedroom apartment on the Nairobi campus. Bus service was provided for faculty and staff and our children also boarded a private bus daily for the 45 minute journey to Rosslyn Academy, located about a mile from the United Nations offices and the U.S. Embassy. The students at Rosslyn were children of parents employed at the U.N., Embassy, international non-governmental agencies, and missionaries. Mikaela, our 18-year-old daughter, and an incoming Lee freshman, had the incredible experience of graduating from Rosslyn with the other 50 members of her class. As part of her studies she participated in cultural field studies and did a 50-hour service project and a home stay in the western portion of Kenya.

As a professor of telecommunication, I was assigned to the department of communication. With over 800

majors, the department is the largest on the campus. Initially, I had planned to teach only a couple of courses and conduct joint research on media effects and HIV/AIDs, but clearly the Lord and Daystar University had other plans. As the only ranked professor in the department, my perspective was quickly sought to revamp the B.A. in telecommunication, and restructure the M.A. in corporate communications. I was also required to direct M.A. theses, of which I completed two, as well as participating in numerous M.A. thesis defenses and the teaching of graduate courses in communication.

However, nothing could prepare me for the mega shock which came in October when the vice chancellor turned to me in the faculty meeting and said, "Professor Laney, I want you to develop our first doctoral program. It will be in communications and will serve as the blueprint for the next five programs. It will also be a model for schools in 22 other African countries!" I was stunned. However, I was quickly jolted back to reality when he added, "I want the program delivered to me before you return to the U.S.A.; our first intake will be August 2007!" I was charged to develop a truly unique, Christ-centered, African

focused program. The program focuses on strong faith integration, critical thinking, and preparing these gate-keeping graduates to bring Biblical values and Scriptural principals into the governmental, private industry, and non-profit world, to help turn these countries from corruption to transparency. With the help of numerous colleagues and the incredible grace of God, the program was delivered on time to the vice chancellor in a record-breaking seven months. The program is now at the Commission of Higher Education awaiting approval. Once approved and implemented this program will serve as the model for institutions similar to Daystar in 22 countries through out the continent of Africa.

We were granted the highest honor one can receive when we were made members of the Kikuyu tribe. I am now a 'Kikuyu Warrior' and was named 'Mwangi.' Leonora was made a Kikuyu daughter and was renamed 'Wanjiku.' Mikaela was renamed 'MaKenna' and James-Michael, renamed 'Kamau.' In addition to planting two ministries,

leading over 130 to salvation in Christ, we became "parents" to a Kenyan student, Teresiah Wanjiku, whose school fees we paid. In Kenya when you "educate a girl, you have educated the world" pointing to the significant and prominent role women play in the nurture and survival of Kenyans. We are now the spiritual parents to Ruth Kioko, the president of Wailing Women of Kenya, an international intercessory prayer group that coordinates the Global Day of Prayer in her country.

We made friends for a lifetime, our children developed a global perspective that will empower them as citizens of the world, and we have seen the hand of God move in a miraculous way to challenge us to rise to greater heights, cast of limitations and restraints and reach for the stars. This sabbatical truly changed the lives of the Laney family. ✠

Dr. Michael Laney is chairman of the Department of Communications and Fine Arts

Sloop Named Director of Charlotte Center

The Lee University Charlotte Center announced the appointment of **Greg Sloop, D. Min.**, as director of the Charlotte Center for Ministerial Training. The Concord, N.C., native assumed the role effective June 22.

Dr. Sloop has been a part of the Lee University faculty since 1999 when he



became a part-time instructor. He assumed the full-time role of assistant professor of Christian ministries in 2002. Sloop replaces Dr.

Thomas L. Tatum, director for the previous eight years, who recently accepted the pastorate of the East Belmont (N.C.) Church of God.

Sloop has served as an evangelist, youth pastor, pastor, and faculty member.

"Education has always been a primary calling in Western North Carolina," Sloop said. "My desire is to see the quality and effectiveness of education in our state be at its height for years to come. I am humbled and honored by the opportunity lead the Charlotte Center."

In 1998, the former East Coast Bible College changed from a residential college campus operated by the Church of God, to a Center for Ministerial Training. Lee University assumed oversight of the program and has operated the center in Charlotte since that time. Tatum was eventually appointed director in 1999 and served in that capacity until his resignation earlier this year. The center has grown from an enrollment of approximately 25 students in 1998 to nearly 120 in the fall of 2006. The Lee University Charlotte Center for Ministerial Training offers the Bachelor of Christian Ministries degree in one of four concentrations: Bible, theology, pastoral ministry, and Christian education. ✠



Dr. Laney and his son James-Michael (center) with members of the Maasai Community tribe



New Faculty for 2007-08

1. Christine Williams, Ph.D.

Assistant Professor of Theatre

- Ph.D., M.A. – Bowling Green State University
 - B.A. – University of Dallas
- Dr. Williams has been an assistant professor at Charleston Southern University for the past five years.

2. Rickie D. Moore, Ph.D.

Professor of Theology and Chair, Department of Theology

- Ph.D., M.A. – Vanderbilt University
 - B.A. – Lee College
- Dr. Moore has been a member of the faculty of the Church of God Theological Seminary since 1982.

3. Troy Gregory, Ph.D.

Assistant Professor of English

- Ph.D. – University of Western Ontario
- M.A. – Dalhousie University
- B.A. – Saint Mary's University

Dr. Gregory taught for the past three years at the University of Western Ontario while also fulfilling responsibilities as assistant professor and director of the Writing Centre at Cape Breton University.

4. Lisa Stephenson, M.A.

Instructor in Theology

- Ph.D. candidate – Marquette University
 - M.A., B.A. – Lee University
- Ms. Stephenson was a teaching assistant at both Marquette University and Lee University.

5. William Kamm, Ed.D.

Assistant Professor of Elementary Education

- Ed.D. – Liberty University
- M.A. – Appalachian State University
- B.S. – Concordia University

Dr. Kamm served as administrator for Lake Park Christian Academy in Indian Trail, NC.

6. Carmen Guerrero, M.A.

Visiting Lecturer in Spanish

- Ph.D. Candidate – University of Florida
- M.A. – Miami University of Ohio
- B.A. – Corporación Universitaria de la Costa, Colombia

Ms. Guerrero served as assistant to the coordinator for the second year program in Spanish at the University of Florida.

7. Mike Iosia, Ph.D.

Assistant Professor of Exercise Physiology

- Ph.D. – University of Alabama
- M.Ed. – Auburn University
- B.S. – University of Southern Mississippi

Dr. Iosia comes to Lee from Baylor University where he has been a Post Doctoral Fellow since 2005.

8. Sherry Kasper, Ph.D.

Assistant Professor of Biology

- Ph.D. – Wake Forest University School of Medicine
 - B.A. – Maryville College
- Dr. Kasper was a Post-doctoral research associate in the Department of Surgery at the UT-Knoxville Graduate School of Medicine.



9. James Frost, M.M.

Assistant Professor of Music

- M.M., B.M. – University of Tennessee at Knoxville
- B.B.A. – Southern Methodist University

Mr. Frost has been residing in Germany working from a private studio since 1995.

10. Randell Ferguson, M.S.

Visiting Lecturer in Mathematics

- M.S., B.S. – University of Tennessee at Chattanooga
- Mr. Ferguson has worked in public schools as both a mathematics teacher and administrator since 1976.

11. Kathy Binns, Ph.D.

Assistant Professor of English

- Ph.D., M.A. – State University of New York
- M.A. – University of Georgia
- B.A. – Western Kentucky University

Dr. Binns comes to Lee from the United States Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, CO, where she was an assistant professor.

12. Heather Cline, M.A.

Visiting Lecturer in English

- M.A., B.S. – University of Tennessee at Chattanooga

Ms. Cline has served as an adjunct faculty member at Lee for the past two years.

13. Susan Harwood, Ph.D.

Assistant Professor of Business

- Ph.D., M.A. – Fielding Graduate Institute
 - M.G.A. – University of Maryland (Heidelberg, West Germany)
 - B.S. – University of Akron
- Dr. Harwood was most recently CEO and principle consultant for Potencia Consulting, Inc. in Knoxville, TN.

14. Stacey Isom, M.F.A.

Assistant Professor of Creative Writing

- M.F.A., Creative Writing – Old Dominion University
- M.F.A., Script and Screenwriting – Regent University
- B.A. – Lee College

Ms. Isom is the founder and artistic director of the Red Clay Theatre in Cleveland.

15. Alexander Steffanell, Ph.D.

Assistant Professor of Spanish

- Ph.D. – University of Florida
- M.A. – Miami University of Ohio
- B.A. – Universidad del Atlántico, Colombia

Dr. Steffanell has been a teaching assistant at the University of Florida since 2003 while pursuing his Ph.D.



16. Lori Mattace, M.S.

Instructor and Library Coordinator for Distance Learning

- M.S., University of Tennessee at Knoxville
- B.A., University of Tennessee at Chattanooga

Ms. Mattace returns to the Squires Library from the University of Tennessee where she worked at the Instructional Technology Helpdesk.



Men's Soccer Aims for Return to National Prominence

Ever since coach Henry Moyo and his Lee men's soccer team dropped the overtime shootout to Azusa Pacific last season in the NAIA national tournament, the Flames have been pointing towards 2007 and another opportunity to make a strong run at a national crown. Only two starters were lost from the 2006 Region XIII championship team. With two All-Americans returning, plus an array of veteran performers, the outlook is extremely bright. Add another excellent recruiting effort by Moyo and his staff and no one can doubt that soccer has ever been better at Lee.

"I think this year we will have good depth, experience and skill," said Moyo, who enters his fifth season as head men's coach. "Hopefully, if all goes well, we will not have to overuse players. We must create some type of squad rotation before that can become a reality. Of course, we will have to wait and see how the pre-season and the regular season treats us with injuries."

Moyo, who directed Lee to a 17-4-1 season in 2006, admits his staff has been fortunate enough in acquiring the services of probably his best recruiting class in terms of experience. "While many of our players are young, they have played the game at decent levels and we are bringing those skills to Lee."

The 2007 schedule is a very challenging one. "Each year as we have grown, we have also challenged ourselves, and this year is no exception," said Moyo. "This will be by far the most daring year for the Flames. We will be tested at the Lindenwood tournament in Missouri as we face Lindenwood University and Missouri Baptist. Prior to that, we have to come through a tough King College Tournament as we host a Bethel College squad that has always had good clubs, followed by King College in Bristol. We also have our rivals Covenant and the University of the Cumberland, a

team that beat us last season here at home. Of course, we also face a Lindsey Wilson team that always ranks among the nation's best. So it is a challenging time for us."

"We will re-visit our goals again this year," said Moyo. "Our goals really have little to do with the games but everything to do with team chemistry. We teach respect for the program and for each other, working for each other and not self! We seek to approach the season game by game. We cannot afford to place any game above the other in importance." 🏆



Lee Athletics Claims Second Commissioner's Cup

A record-setting year resulted in a second-straight Southern States Athletic Conference (SSAC) Commissioner's Cup for Lee University's athletic teams. The Lady Flames claimed SSAC titles in women's soccer, volleyball and women's basketball. Men's soccer, women's cross country, baseball, and softball finished second in conference action and helped Lee outdistance Auburn University Montgomery and Berry College for the crown.

Lee fields 12 teams in NAIA competition and 10 clubs (volleyball, men and women's soccer, men and women's basketball, men and women's tennis, golf, softball, and baseball) earned spots in NAIA national championship. The women's cross-country team did not earn a spot in the national competition, but two individual runners qualified. All totaled Lee had 10 teams that ranked in the top 20. Seven of those teams were among the nation's top 10 (the most ever by Lee athletics in one year). Three Lee coaches earned SSAC Coach of the Year

honors and three players were voted SSAC Player of the Year. There were also two Region XIII Players of the Year and one Region XIII Coach of the Year.

The honors continued as three players were named first-team NAIA All-Americans, five made the second team, two third team and 12 were listed as honorable mention. One Lady Flame was also selected as a Kodak All-American team member.

"I am extremely proud of our athletes and the coaching staff for their accomplishments," said Lee Athletic



Senior Katie Thornton (No. 7) will be leading her team into the 2007 season

Volleyball Fields Another Strong Team

With a program that is considered one of the elite members of NAIA volleyball, Coach Andrea Hudson and the Lee Lady Flames are preparing for another long journey toward the NAIA National Tournament. Coming off a 32-9 record and a 13th conference title, the Lady Flames were ranked as high as 16th nationally last season and claimed still another NAIA Region XIII title. Lee made school history by becoming the university's first volleyball team to win a game in the NAIA National Tournament.

Under the direction of Coach Hudson, Lee volleyball has never suffered a losing season. Going all the way back to 1991, the Lady Flames have racked up 535 wins against just 189 defeats.

The Lady Flames of 2007 will feature the tallest unit in its history. Six players are listed at 6-foot or better and five more are 5-foot-10 or taller. In addition, several key members of last year's squad will return. Coach Hudson also enjoyed a banner season in recruiting, highlighted by the signing of freshman Jacky Toruno which drew tremendous attention as the first

Nicaraguan to sign to play volleyball at the college level. Toruno is currently a member of the Nicaragua national team and will play middle blocker for the Lady Flames.

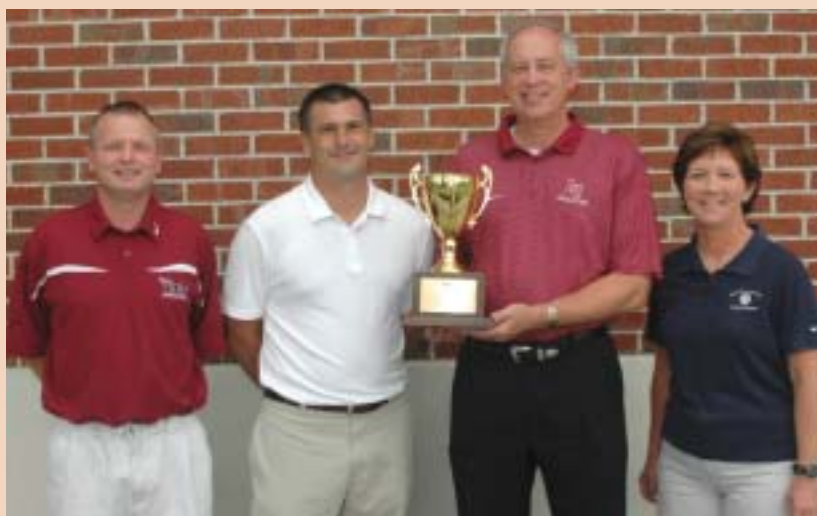
Outstanding size should give the Lady Flames their strongest-ever blocking attack. "We must improve with our first-ball passing and learn to play with a quicker attack," said Hudson.

As usual, the Lady Flames will face a challenging non-conference schedule. Emory University and the University of Alabama Huntsville have become regular Lee opponents. They always field strong NCAA Division III and II programs. Perennial NAIA power Georgetown (Ky.) returns to the Lee schedule this season. The Lady Flames will also have to battle improving SSAC opponents.

The team has simple goals for the 2007 season. "We want to be consistent every time we step on the court," said Hudson. "We want to play together as a team and achieve maximum performance each time we play. The schedule is tougher this year than it has been in a while, so we will be building toward the end result. Whether we are playing the national champion or a common conference opponent, each player has to want to perform her best. Consequently, this will also take constant attention by the coaching staff, but I feel we are up to the challenge." 🏐

Director Larry Carpenter. "Our coaches bring in outstanding student athletes and work hard to see that they succeed not only on the playing field, but in the classroom as well." Carpenter noted that the SSAC is one of the most competitive conferences in the country and to win this award back-to-back is a real compliment to our coaches and student athletes. 🏆

Those displaying the Cup are (from left) women's basketball coach Marty Rowe, women's soccer coach Matt Yelton, Lee athletic director Larry Carpenter and volleyball coach Andrea Hudson.





Women's Soccer Looks to Fourth National Tourney

The Lady Flames finished the 2007 season with a 19-4 record against one of the NAIA's toughest schedules. They defeated Carroll College in the national tournament, but lost to Martin Methodist in the quarterfinals. Several key players went the way of graduation.

"We lost a great deal of leadership and experience from last year's class," said Head Coach Matt Yelton. "The seniors that we graduated left with an incredible record. They never lost a conference game in four years and carried us to three straight NAIA National Tournaments. Our incoming players definitely have some big shoes to fill."

Yelton is quick to point out that there are still plenty of positives when it comes to the 2008 squad. "I don't know of many other programs that can



Jenna Achten

boast of returning a player like (forward) Janaina Novaes," he stressed. "She is a two-time, first-team NAIA All-American, and should be able to cap off her senior year in great fashion. In Jana, we simply have one of the most prolific scorers in the NAIA." In three seasons Novaes has scored a school record 82 goals.

Yelton is a proven recruiter and has again captured several potential stars. He believes the Lady Flames will have one of the best all-around groups of attacking players in the NAIA.

"We have experience with a group of returning players that may have not started many matches, but played a

great deal in 2006. The depth in numbers is something that will be needed as we take on what I believe to be the NAIA's toughest schedule."

Tough is the only way to describe the upcoming season. Every non-conference game is either against a top-25 or Division

I level team. "We open the season against Samford University, which is a team that has won four straight conference championships," said Yelton.

The coach says his team goes into every season wanting to reach the national tournament, but they never lose sight of the importance of conference and regional matchups. "Our goal is to continue our streak of conference championships and also of winning Region XIII and reaching the national tournament. Also, we have made it a point to be excellent ambassadors of Lee University athletics. To me if we reach our on-field goals, but fail at our off-field goals, the season has not been successful." 🍌

Cavett Notches 200th Tennis Win

Lee University men and women's tennis coach, Tony Cavett, has reached a milestone in his career. When his men's team defeated Walsh University at the NAIA National Tournament in Mobile, Ala., the veteran mentor picked up win No. 200. The victories show just how much the Lee programs have grown over the past 10 years.

"I want to thank (athletic director) Larry Carpenter, and of course Dr. Paul Conn for the support through the years," said Cavett. "The players are amazingly hard workers on and off the court. They seem to be respected on campus and in the community because of this. My assistant, Al Schuelke, has been a very valuable part of the program. The players think very highly of him. Getting the 200th win was a great way to top off an amazing year at Lee."

Cavett became the Lee men's coach in 1998 and fought hard in two of the NAIA's toughest conferences to turn the Flames into consistent winners by 2002. They have now posted six straight winning seasons and have advanced to the NAIA National Tournament four consecutive years. This past season the



Tony Cavett.

Flames advanced to the Elite Eight of the national tournament for the first time in the school's history. Playing in the rugged Southern States Athletic Conference, Lee was 15-5 overall.

Since Cavett took over the women's program in 1999, the Lady Flames have had eight straight winning seasons. They have appeared in three NAIA Nationals. The Lady Flames completed the 2007 campaign with a 13-5 record.

"Coach Cavett has quietly taken both the men's and women's tennis teams to the top level of the NAIA," said Carpenter. "His athletes are quality young men and women who do well academically while representing Lee in a first-class manner. Winning 200 matches is a major accomplishment, but Tony would be the last person to acknowledge this feat. He is a credit to Lee University and the sport of tennis, and we are proud to have him on our staff." 🍌

Starr Helps Secure Honor for Lee

George Starr, director of Sports Information for the Lee University athletic department helped the university win the "Gary Spittler Award for Excellence in Publications," the top award



given by the NAIA for publications. By winning the softball and women's soccer brochure category and finishing second for the volleyball, men's soccer and baseball brochures, Lee

University was able to garner the coveted award for the first time.

Starr has been the "Voice of the Flames" for more than twenty years. Since becoming the Lee SID eleven years ago, he has increased the number of media guides from 4 to 10 and won several awards throughout the years. He is also sports editor for *Torch*.

"George has a passion for sports and young people," stated Athletic Director Larry Carpenter. "He strives for excellence in everything he does and this award is a result of his hard work."

Lee Builds New Practice Facility

It took Lee University less than three weeks to construct an infield practice area with artificial turf. The new facility is adjacent to the current baseball field, Olympic Field, which has been in place since 1995 and serves as the baseball home of the Flames and nearby Ocoee Middle School.

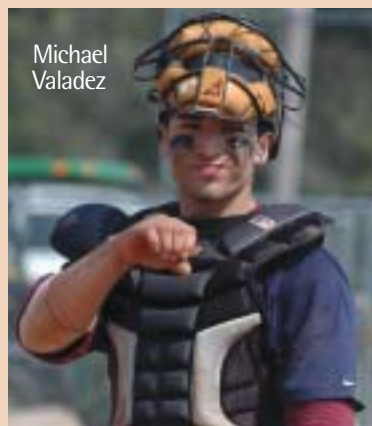
Work on the state-of-the-art practice facility began immediately after the Bradley County Board of Education voted unanimously to approve a new 20-year agreement with Lee for joint use of Olympic Field, which is located on the middle school campus.



Two Signed to Major League Contracts

Two baseball players who helped lead the Lee Flames to the NAIA Region XIII and Atlantic South Super Region titles have signed professional contracts with major league baseball squads.

One summer ago Michael Valadez was at his home in Pasadena, Calif., concerned about his college



future and his baseball career. Today, he's a member of the Cleveland Indians organization and is playing for Mahoning Valley (Ohio) of the New York-Penn League (Class A).

"Lee was really, really good for me," said Valadez after signing with the Indians in Cleveland, Ohio, on the Fourth of July. The outstanding catcher says he "was doing nothing" in Pasadena last August. His phone rang and it was "Coach (Travis) Watson (Lee assistant baseball coach) asking me if I would be interested in coming to Cleveland, Tenn., and playing baseball for Lee."

"Michael worked very hard in the classroom and on his hitting to reach this first step of his goal," said Lee baseball coach, Mark Brew. "Mike's amazing improvement at the plate has continued this summer. Everyone knows he is a great defensive catcher with a great arm, but in the end his bat is what got him signed. We wish him the best of luck and look forward to watching

his progress throughout the upcoming years."

Shortstop Lance Zawadzki was drafted in the 4th round by the San Diego Padres and landed a nice bonus. The talented Zawadzki transferred to Lee for his senior season. The native of Shrewsbury, Mass., played three seasons at San Diego State University for Hall of Fame member Tony Gwynn. He helped the Flames post a 51-15 record. Zawadzki paced the Flames with a .461 average. He had 106 hits, including 26 doubles, seven triples, nine homers and 71 RBI. Lee finished 1-2 in the NAIA College World Series.

"Oh yeah, I'm excited," said Zawadzki during a phone conversation. "Words can't explain how I felt when my name popped up on the TV screen. I was hoping to at least go in the top 10 rounds."

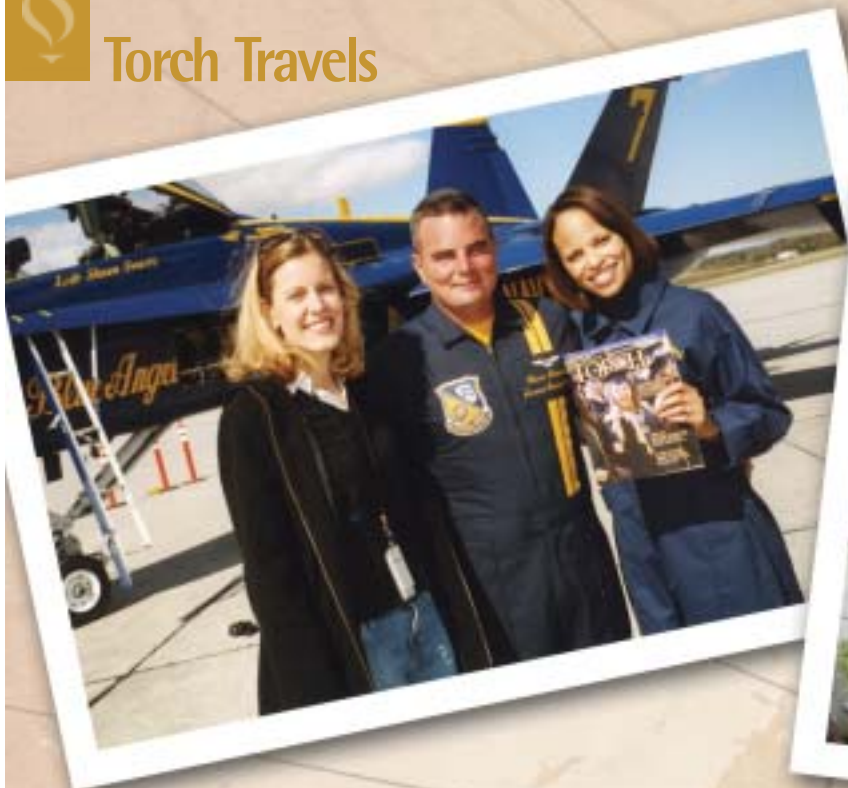
Before the draft, Lee seniors Nick Utley and Andrew Shaver signed professional independent contracts with the Macon (Ga.) Music of the South Coast League. Aaron Simmons and



Michael Oberg are members of the Charlotte County (Fla.) Redfish team. Daniel Howard signed with the Anderson (S.C.) Joes. Tony Perez is playing shortstop for the Florence (Ky.) Freedom and left-handed hurler Craig Trent was a last addition to the Florence staff. Pitcher Gabe Seten was offered an independent league contract, but elected to enter the business world.



Torch Travels



▶ Jessica Morris '03 (right) recently took *Torch* with her on a flight with the Blue Angels. She is joined by the pilot and former colleague Amy Katcher.



▶ R.C. Hodges '57 and his daughter Tanya Hodges Weldon '93 read *Torch* in Meersburg, Germany while they stand in front of the Altes Schloss, Germany's oldest inhabited castle, founded in 628.

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Send prints to the Lee University Alumni Office, 1120 North Ocoee Street, Cleveland, TN 37311, ATTN: *Torch Travels*. High resolution digital photos can be e-mailed to torch@leeuniversity.edu.

▶ Jennifer Edwards Cornett, Richelle Hazen Luchkowec, Leslie McDuffie Johnson and Jill James Nash (all Class of 2000 and former Omega Alpha Phi members) allowed a copy of *Torch* on a recent 'girls' trip' to Chicago.



▶ Marsha Wallace '78, Debbie Reese '75, Cameron Fisher '84, Kate Tindal (enrolled), Donna Fisher '83, Amanda Fisher (enrolled), Nadine Goff '67, Phyllis Altopp, Dave Altopp (faculty), Ginger Goff Crawford '97 and Shelley Goff '94 made a pilgrimage to the Holy Land where *Torch* reading was part of visiting the Garden Tomb in Jerusalem.

Nathan '91 and Tina Tullier '91 ►
brought *Torch* with them on a
recent trip to Havana, Cuba.



Norman Cross '59 took *Torch* to
Istanbul, Turkey, where he posed in
front of the famous Blue Mosque.



Steve Moree '82 visited Seoul, Korea,
where he paid his respects—and read *Torch*—
at the Republic of Korea War Memorial.



Perry 81' and
Penny Mears 81' ►
were caught
reading *Torch* on
a recent missions
trip to Newry,
Ireland.



Rising seniors (l-r) Graham Walt, Brian Haitz, Grant Fisher ►
and Isaac Holbert, who participated in the 2007 Semester
in Cambridge program, made sure *Torch* was part of their
trek across Europe, here at the Swiss Alps.





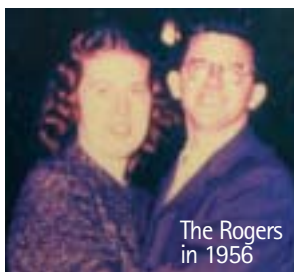
Who's Where

1940-1989

Vetrie Moore Jones '42 passed away on May 5, 2007, following a lengthy illness. She lived in Chester, VA and is survived by her husband of 61 years, Marshall and son, Olen.

Thomas Lipe '44 lives in Marshall, NC, where he is retired from the business world. He has been a pastor since 1976, but continues to pastor at the age of 81. He also has a weekly radio program and is active in prison ministry. Thomas also travels twice a year on golf outings. He has five sons.

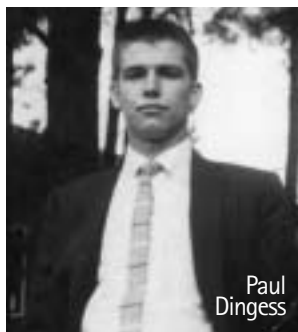
James E. '56 and Oleta Wood Rogers '56 recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. Jimmy and Oleta pastored for almost 40 years in the Church of God before retiring in 1993. The couple lives in Candler just west of Asheville, NC. They have one daughter, two sons, and five grandchildren. If you would like to contact them or send a congratulations card, their address is, P.O. Box 1495, Candler, NC, 28715. ▼



The Rogers
in 1956



50th anniversary



Paul
Dingess

▲ Paul Edward Dingess '58 died of a heart attack on January 10, 2007. Paul, 67, lived in Willoughby, OH and was from Logan, WV. He is survived by two sons, Greg and Mike.

Joel '68 and Reba Harris reside in Birmingham, AL. Joel is the minister of pastoral care at Cathedral of the Cross. Reba is coordinator of the women's ministry at the church. Their two daughters, Pam '87 and Tammy '89, and their husbands, have given them four grandchildren.

Regina Smith Schoate '81, a resident of Cleveland, TN, passed away June 19, 2007. She was a piano instructor

with the Academy of Arts of North Cleveland Church of God for the past 18 years. Survivors include her husband, Phillip P. Schoate '78, and two sons, Jesse and Daniel. Memorials may be made to a special fund for the purchase of a piano for the Bryant Fellowship Hall at the North Cleveland Church.

Wayne '81 and Pamela Coker Brewer '83 are living in Oklahoma where Wayne is administrative bishop for the Church of God in that state. They have two sons.

John Giacullo '86 lives in Readfield, ME, with his wife, Shirley, where John is associate pastor at Family Worship Center in Augusta, ME. The Giaculllos visited their son in Germany where this photo was taken. ▼



The Giaculllos

1990-1999

Debbie Giacullo Langille '90 lives in Clifton Park, NY with her husband, Tom, and their two children. Debbie is a substitute teacher and recently opened her own business as a Mary Kay consultant. She recently won a car on the television show Regis and Kelly and would love to hear from old classmates via e-mail at langilles4@msn.com.



The
Valentins

▲ Nahmed Valentin '90 lives in Dallas, TX where he is currently teaching bilingual second grade for Dallas Independent School District. He married Carolina Galan in December 2005 and they are pleased to announce the birth of their son, Victor Emanuel, born May 15, 2007.

Smartt Participates in White House Ceremony

David Smartt '78, a chaplain in the U.S. Army, had the distinct honor to participate in the 2007 National Day of Prayer service at the White House. He represented the Army Chief of Chaplains. Smartt said "To hear our president reinforce what we know to be true, that prayer changes lives and that it can change the course of history, was enormously inspiring." Chaplain Smartt said the room was filled with lawmakers of both parties and religious leaders of many faiths, when the president called the nation to prayer.

"It was nothing short of an awesome experience," Chaplain Smartt continued. The president said, 'Prayer has the power to change lives and to change the course of history.' As a nation struggling with moral questions, trying to define itself in a post 9/11 world, and as a nation of plenty in a world of need, we must pray. Not just one day a year, but let us pray always. It will be our strength; indeed, it can '...change the course of history.'"





The Smiths

▲ **Shane '93 Lisa Frazier Smith '96** and their daughters live in Florida where Shane is pastoring the Souls Harbor Church of God in Glen Saint Mary, FL. The family recently celebrated the birth of Cianna, on June 14, 2007.

Christopher '94 and Carole Medlin Maynard '94 are currently living in Florence, AL. Chris, who received his Ph.D. from Louisiana State University in 2001, is a history professor at the University of North Alabama and recently finished his first book. Funded by research grants he received from the Bush Presidential Library and based on interviews Chris conducted with George H. W. Bush, Colin Powell, and other Bush administration officials, the book deals with the end of the Cold War. Carole, who worked as a public relations editor, is taking time off to stay home with their two children.

Sang Yoon '94 lives in Seoul, Korea, and since leaving Lee has earned additional degrees from Candler School of Theology, Emory University, Yale Divinity School, and Yonsei University Graduate School. He has been senior pastor of Rock of Glory Presbyterian

Church since October 2004. He and his wife Bok Soon Kim have two children.

Chris '95 and Meghan Wilson '95 have been living in South Korea for the past two years and recently welcomed their fourth daughter, Audrey, born August 11, 2006. Chris is a US Army Chaplain and Meghan is a stay-at-home mother. They would love to hear from friends at their e-mail address cmwilson95@yahoo.com ▼



The Wilsons

Gilbert Publishes Debut Novel

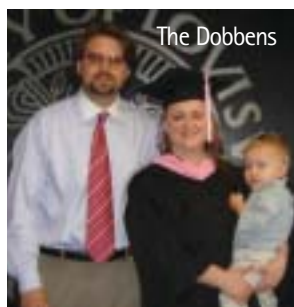
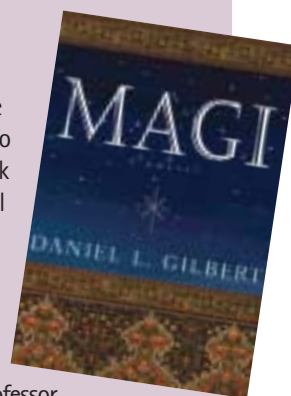
Dr. Dan Gilbert '84 entered the manuscript of his novel *Magi* into the 2006 Paraclete Press fiction contest hoping for some editorial feedback. To his surprise, he received an offer to publish the book which will be on store shelves soon. *Magi* is a novel about the wise men of Matthew 2. Combining a decade of historical research with his stargazing hobby, the novel will appeal to men and women, to science fiction readers as much as to readers of Christian fiction.



Gilbert credits recently retired Lee University professor, Dr. Sabord Woods, with providing editorial advice in the book's early stages and encouraging him to pursue publication.

Jon Sweeney, associate publisher with Paraclete Press said, "More than any other book we will publish this year, Dan Gilbert's *Magi* has intrigued the buyers at the superstore chains. We have been surprised at how many copies Barnes and Noble, Borders, and Books-a-Million have all purchased for the upcoming holiday season. They expect *Magi* to be the surprise debut novel this winter!"

Dan is associate professor of business administration at Tennessee Wesleyan College in Athens, TN. He and his wife Betsy '83 have three children.



The Dobbens

▲ **Jim '96 and Amy McGuffey Dobben '97** live in Louisville, KY. Amy received a master of music degree in piano performance with an emphasis in piano pedagogy from the University of Louisville in May '07. Amy is teaching private piano lessons at her studio, Forte Piano Studio. Jim runs his own marketing company, Dobben Marketing. They have one son.

Christa Green Womack '96 lives in Juneau, AK and graduated this year from the University of Alaska Southeast with a degree in early

childhood education. She has been teaching at the Tlingit and Haida Tribal Head Start for 5 years.

Jennifer Begley Routt '97 lives in Scottsburg, IN, with her husband, Chris, and their two daughters. Jennifer is a school teacher.

Andy Chunn '98 is serving as activity coordinator with Smart Choices for Youth, Inc. He and his wife, Anna, announce the birth of their daughter, Caroline Grace, on August 11, 2006. They live with their four children in Wilson, North Carolina.

Daniel Castelo '98 recently accepted the position of assistant professor of Theology at Seattle Pacific University in Seattle, WA.

Tara McLendon Warren '98 and her husband, Gerry, live in Durham, NC and have



Alum Develops ATM Tithe System

Dr. Marty Baker '83, pastor of Stevens Creek Church in Augusta, Georgia, has pioneered a way for his congregation to say "Charge it!" when the collection plate is passed.

Baker has developed an innovation where members can give to their church via debit or credit card. The system is being marketed by Marty and his wife, Patty '83, through an entrepreneurial venture called SecureGive, which the couple founded in 2005.



There are three of the "giving kiosks" at the 1,100-member church. Models can be table top or free-standing, and come with a computer touch screen, numeric keypad and magnetic-strip reader. The system runs much like any other on-screen prompting credit card system you might find at an ATM. According to Baker, some of the members of the church use the system and then place their receipt in the regular offering basket which is, and will continue to be, passed during each church service.

The concept has received nationwide attention including appearances in numerous publications, such as *USA Today* and *Los Angeles Times* and Marty has been interviewed live on NBC, ABC and CNN. SecureGive kiosks can be found in church lobbies across the country from Ormond Beach, Florida, to Rochester, New York and San Jose, California. The congregations are denominations, as well as independent houses of worship and represent all generations.

"I definitely believe this is a big portion of future giving," Marty said. "For Stevens Creek, 20 percent of those using the system have never given to the church before the kiosks were installed. We are hitting the generation that lives life with their debit card."

To find out more about SecureGive, visit www.securegive.com.

one daughter. Tara holds a Masters in Public Health from UNC-Chapel Hill, and is working part-time in the pharmaceutical industry while being a stay-at-home mother. Her family attends the Cary Church of God in Cary, NC.

Holly Benton Ackerman '99 is married to Wilson Ackerman and they have one daughter. She has been working in the Early Childhood Field since Lee graduation. In October 2006 she became the STARS for KIDS NOW program coordinator for the Division of Child Care in Kentucky. The STARS for KIDS NOW program is a voluntary rating system for child care facilities.

Jeanine Moore Finchum '99 and her husband, Wes, reside in Camas, WA with their two children. Jeanine will be teaching music for

the Evergreen School District this fall, while Wes is an executive manager for Northwest Community Management Company. They would love to hear from old friends.

2000-2007

Heather Pope Mercer '00 worked as associate director of financial aid at Campbell University from 2000-2002. She is married to Phillip

Mercer and they live in Lucama, NC. After teaching Music at Community Christian School in Wilson for three years, Heather is now a stay-home mom for her two children and is involved

Buras Honored By President

Lee alumna Suzanne Buras '77 was recently honored by President George W. Bush with the Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching for K-12 mathematics teaching. She was honored with 93 other recipients from across the country.

"This was both a humbling and affirming award and an incredible week spent in Washington, D.C., with a lot of amazing people. I stand awed at God's grace," she said.

Suzanne lives in Covington, Louisiana and has taught at Lake Harbor Middle School in nearby Mandeville for the past seven years, and she was the Louisiana Junior High Teacher of the Year in 2003. She also taught four years in Central America.

The Presidential Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching are the nation's highest honors for teachers in these areas. The awards recognize highly qualified K-12 teachers for their contributions in the classroom and to their profession.

Each year, the president recognizes outstanding kindergarten-6th-grade or 7th-12th-grade mathematics and science teachers with these awards, which include an all-expenses paid trip to D.C. for a week of celebratory events and professional development along with a \$10,000 stipend.



in worship ministries at Farmington Heights Church of God.

Stephanie Capps Gibson '02 has been married to Brandon Gibson for 10 years. They recently returned to Stephanie's home in South Carolina where they are working with her home church to begin a ministry to young adults and begin an after-school program.

Joshua '02 and Misha Foster Vernatter '03 have two sons including the latest, Akio, born March 4, 2007. Misha received the MSW degree from Wurzweiler School of Social Work in 2006, and is currently a long-term care social worker for St. Joseph's hospital in Yonkers, NY. Joshua received the MD degree from Albert Einstein College of Medicine and is beginning residency at Long Island Jewish Medical Center.

Samuel I. Burleson '03 of Weaverville, NC, received the master of divinity degree from Princeton Theological Seminary on Saturday, May 19, 2007.

Paige Phillips Swanner '03 lives in Dunlap, TN with her husband, David, and their three children. Paige is a fifth grade teacher at Sequatchie County Middle School, while David pastors the Lewis Chapel Church of God.

Ronald Ramlogan '05 has done extensive work for Operation Smile Home for Children, a children's orphanage in Trinidad. He is co-founder and director of

SmileMakers, Inc., a company which provides funding for various projects at Operation Smile. Ronald is also director of a real estate company and is pursuing a degree in Actuarial Science.

Terry and Kara Freeman Huey '06 live in Acworth, GA and have two children. Terry is a youth pastor and Kara is a nurse. They would love to hear from friends at jc14me@hotmail.com.

Sarah Moorman '06 is working for Teen Challenge in Columbus, GA. She has been on residential staff for three years and directs a 65-member all-girls choir.

Lisa Davis Turner '06 and her husband, John '07, will be moving to Rochester, MN where Lisa has accepted a position as regional sales representative for Pharmaceutical Specialties Inc.



▲ **Matthew Thomas Propes '07 and Jennifer Belisle '04** were married on June 9, 2007, in Cleveland, TN. Jennifer is employed by the South Carolina Church of God State Office in the youth and Christian education department and Matthew is the associate pastor at Donaldson Church of God in Greenville, SC.

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- **E-mail:** torch@leeuniversity.edu. Please include all the information requested above
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High resolution digital photos can be e-mailed via the Web site link, to torch@leeuniversity.edu, or mailed to the above address.

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- Class reunions for the classes of 1967, 1977, 1987, 1997

Organizations!

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- Clarion reunion
- Pi Kappa Pi 20th Anniversary
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Athletic Groups!

- Flames Volleyball reunion
- Flames Softball reunion
- Alumni Baseball game

Events!

- Flames basketball and volleyball
- President's Circle luncheon
- Homecoming 5K Run
- Music, drama and more!

In September watch your mailbox and the Lee University Web site for Homecoming 2007 registration and further announcements.

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