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As you read through this copy of the Torch, lots of what you read has happened outside the classroom.

In fact, probably most of it happened outside the classroom. Dorm Wars, a national award for community service, a soccer championship, Voices of Lee on national television – all of this and lots more was part of the lives of students in times not strictly limited to their academic work.

A typical student takes about 15 hours per semester. That means only 15 hours each week are spent in the classroom, out of 168 hours in every week. On the face of it, that seems like a huge imbalance: 15 hours in class and 153 hours doing something else.

But it is the “something else” that make the collegiate years such a rich and dynamic time for most undergraduates. The classroom is the core, no doubt about it. A student who “majors” in extracurricular activities is wasting the primary purpose for being in college. On the other hand, a college education is not a commodity, it is a wall-to-wall, life-shaping experience. The times in the dorm, on the choir or team bus, in chapel or discipleship groups, alone in the library, meeting people in places as different as the dining hall or Dorm Wars – those are the times that combine with the intellectual stimulation of the classroom to make college life such a powerful experience.

You can't get that on the internet. You can't get lots of college credits that way, even put together enough of them to earn a degree. Certainly that kind of “college” is better than nothing, and for lots of people, especially adult learners, there are many alternative paths to an education. But in all the experiences of life, especially for young people who are just emerging from their teenage years into a life of their own, there is no substitute for living on a college campus, surrounded by other people on the same journey. It is in those 153 hours not in the classroom, along with the purely academic work, that these students often discover their gifts, their strengths, their goals, and their own deeply personal faith.



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Voices of Lee

Excel on Sing-Off Competition





The already respectable reputation of the Lee University musical legacy took a giant leap forward last December when 10 Lee students captivated a nationwide television audience with their performances on a special four-night NBC telecast.

The Voices of Lee, founded in 1994 as a 16-member vocal ensemble and directed by Danny Murray, competed in the Sing-Off, a first-of-its-kind a cappella singing competition, showcasing eight of the most elite groups performing with voices only and with no coach. The groups, chosen from a national search and audition process, appeared on consecutive prime-time shows December 14, 15 and 16, with a live finale on December 21. The winner, eventually chosen by a nationwide vote via phone, e-mail or text message, would take home a prize of \$100,000 and a Sony recording contract.

In the first three shows the eight groups competed with different themes in front of a live audience and a panel of three celebrity judges which included Ben Folds of the Ben Folds Five, Nicole Scherzinger from the popular musical group Pussycat Dolls and Shawn Stockman, a member of Boyz II Men, the most successful male vocal group of all time. The judges critiqued the groups following live on-stage performances, much like the popular American Idol format. Each night the judges cast their votes to say goodbye to one or two of the groups, leaving three to compete in the live

finale on Monday, December 21. Four of the original eight groups were collegiate ensembles, like Voices, and included the SoCals from the University of Southern California, Noteworthy from Brigham Young University, and the Beelzebubs from Tufts University in Massachusetts.

After surviving the three prerecorded shows, Voices of Lee advanced to the two-hour finale along with the Beelzebubs and NOTA, an all-male sextet from Puerto Rico. The three finalists performed on their own and with special guest singers before the results of national voting were revealed. First to leave the stage was Voices, capturing third in the overall competition. First runner-up were the Beelzebubs, and winning the contest was NOTA.

The ten students who comprised the Sing-Off Voices group included two from the current group and eight alumni who had been members of Voices at least three years. All were still part of Lee University, most of them enrolled in the masters program. The group included Amanda Addinall, Chad Madden, Phillip Nitz, Mark Patterson, Garland Phillips, Lauren Ramkissoon, Bryan Sanders, Paul Tosch, Candace Whittington and LaTisha Wilson.

The process of how the Voices of Lee proceeded to their phenomenal finish can best be told from a member's perspective. Chad Madden, a 2008 graduate and currently on staff at Lee, gives his account of the experience on behalf of the group:



Bringing the House Down - Voices of Lee "Sing-Off" group (left to right): Chad Madden, Lauren Ramkissoon, Mark Patterson, LaTisha Wilson, Phillip Nitz, Amanda Addinall, Paul Tosch, Candace Whittington, Garland Phillips and Bryan Sanders.

letting our light shine

by chad madden '08

Back in the summer, Danny Murray first mentioned to me that he had been contacted by NBC for the Sing-Off and for the group to audition. They (NBC) said they had heard of the Voices of Lee from past performances at a cappella festivals and from Web sites that sell our music.

Just hearing the network initials raised my eyebrows. I thought, "Man, that's incredible and what an opportunity. I wish I could have done that while I was still in the group." Later, once the school year started in August I was approached and asked if I wanted to be a part of it. I was hesitant at first, because I wasn't currently singing. Danny said, "When I was told that the competition was limited to groups of not more than 10 members, I decided to look for recent alums that were still close and still in school. I want those who had a minimum of three years experience with Voices, were proficient singers who have a great love and loyalty to the Voices of Lee."

Danny along with Debbie (Murray) and the 10 of us rode down to Atlanta on September 16, two days before the Voices of Lee 15th anniversary reunion. We didn't really know what we were getting into. We thought we would just try it out and see what happens. In Atlanta there were groups all over the place: barbershop, college, high school and professional. When it came time for our

audition, we just did what we do best, showing them who we are. They liked us, but had one small problem: if we did make it, our director Danny couldn't be there as he always has been. This was something we would all have to get used to if we were chosen.

About two weeks later Danny received a phone call during one of our rehearsals, which were taking place to get us back into shape since many of us had not been singing together for quite some time. Through the phone we heard "you made it!" and we all screamed and cheered, as you would expect.

The first thing we were told was to not talk about it; no word can get to anyone. How do you not tell your friends that you made a television show on national TV? It was hard, but these were the strict rules. If you broke them you risked being disqualified. There was no way we were letting this opportunity get stripped away.

The next question was, "what on earth are we going to sing, and how do we do it without Danny, our director?" We received a couple of songs to record and send back, probably to see what songs fit our style best and what they could expect once we were there. We had no idea who our competition was; that was all kept secret until we got to California.

Meeting all the groups the first day was very interesting.

It's a time when everybody sizes you up; the first impression. We had been categorized as the "church gospel group" from the Web site. Even though that was our "label," making friends with everyone was easy. Everyone wanted to be friends, to get to know one another. It was fun to meet the "best" across America for the first a cappella show that showcased it. In my mind - and I can say for the rest of us - we thought we had already won. Just being considered to be on the show said enough.

Once things started, if you weren't backstage you were onstage rehearsing your number. The hardest part was doing it in front of the producers and no one else. They gave us this, "show-us-what-you-got" vibe, and they had a right to. Everything else was fun, but intense.

What we heard back was always positive. They would sometimes give hints to help us be the most musically proficient and accurate. We were excited to be singing some of the songs they gave us, but they constantly changed. That's one thing that happened a lot: change; and sometimes at the worst possible times. We accepted it and worked through it.

The day of the tapings was the longest. We started at 7a.m. and finished around midnight. We started with hair and makeup, then wardrobe, then sitting and waiting to be called on to do a run through of our song. Everyone sounded spectacular at each practice. We knew this wasn't going to be easy. We practiced, we prayed, we practiced and we prayed again. Always keeping God in everything we did. We knew we didn't get to this point without Him, and we couldn't go any further without Him, either. We practiced the entire show twice before taping. The first two were a run through for everyone, including the producers and cameras. The third was the actual taping. The audience filled in the empty seats. Make up and wardrobe ran around constantly checking to see if you were "camera ready." Stage directors gave cues and points on where to look now and later, where to be when, where to stand...it was a lot to remember.

Danny was able to make it for every show. That gave us confidence and so did the prayers and support from back home. We really did feel it. The one thing we didn't rehearse was the judge's comments. That was all right there on the spot every time. Shawn Stockman gave us the hardest time, but honestly that's who we needed to listen to the most. Nicole Scherzinger seemed to love us from the start. Ben Folds was our fan. He was the most musically inclined and understood all the groups the best. Technically, he knew what we were doing and trying to portray in our music. We always looked forward to his responses which were mostly all positive. Off stage all three judges came around to talk and meet everyone. They were all very supportive. Each one offered tips and suggestions in general, which meant a lot coming from them.

While in Hollywood, we were focused on the show the entire time, not really thinking about afterwards and how this might change or affect our lives in the future. We did have a sense that it would change some things, but didn't know when or how. I do know that God chose Voices to represent a lot of things, like our faith and Christianity, our school, our devotion and hard work along with many others for the world to see. It was a blessing to have even been in the top three. How many can say that? We had a peace at the end of every performance, never knowing when we would be going home or not. We just knew that we had done what God called us to do at that moment.

"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father, which is in heaven" (Matthew 5:16).

Complete details about each group that participated, videos, contestant and judge's bios, as well as hundreds of photos are available by logging on to the Web site www.nbc.com/sing-off. A Facebook page has more than 12,000 fans and contains comments from thousands who followed the Voices during this once-in-a-lifetime experience.



Voices director Danny Murray instructs the group in their special stage box prior to their performance.



Voices of Lee developed a close bond with the members of NOTA, the all-male group from Puerto Rico that eventually won the Sing-Off competition. Like Voices, NOTA was a highly spiritual ensemble and the two groups spent much time backstage harmonizing together to their favorite gospel tunes.

Moments and Milestones

The Sing-Off is just one of the highlights of a recent period of significance for the Voices of Lee. In the last few months, the group has represented Lee in prestigious places and celebrated milestones of their history.



The current Voices group was invited to perform at the opening of the Tennessee State legislature in January. In the center with Danny Murray is Kevin Brooks '90, Tennessee state representative from the 24th district

Fifteen Years of Excellence

Last September, Voices of Lee celebrated their first 15 years of existence with a weekend of activities that brought back nearly 100 alumni of the vocal group. Since their debut performance on September 22, 1994 at "Celebration '94," The Voices have performed numerous times on national television, represented Lee at events around the world and touched the lives of thousands.

More than 200 Lee students have been members of the Voices and those who returned for the 15th reunion participated in a fashion show of outfits from past groups, reminisced, presented a reunion concert, and, of course, attended rehearsals! At the reunion concert a live DVD

recording took place and an endowment honoring founding director Danny Murray was established. In addition, during a concert at North Cleveland Church of God, well-known gospel artist and Voices admirer Bill Gaither made a surprise visit to honor Murray and the group he established a decade-and-a-half ago.

"Some of my best friends in the world are from Voices of Lee," said Chad Guyton, a charter member of the 1994 group. "It's a very special and moving experience to be in a group like this. Working under Danny's direction, with singers of this caliber and with this style gives you a unique perspective. I wouldn't trade my experience for anything."

More than 100 former members perform in a special concert at Conn Center for a Voices of Lee 15th anniversary celebration last fall.





Awards, Honors and Recognitions

Since the Sing-off the Voices of Lee have received multiple requests for appearances and have been recognized with honors. During the competition local pride was rampant as the Cleveland *Daily Banner* carried front-page stories and the Chattanooga media reported regularly on the progress of the a cappella group from Lee University. Word of Voices' success traveled all the way to the state capital as they received an invitation to perform the national anthem in Nashville at the opening session of the 2010 state legislature (see photo left). In a "thank you" concert for the community in January, Mayor Tom Rowland of the City of Cleveland read a proclamation of appreciation for both the Voices and director Danny Murray. The group has performed at numerous other venues, including an appearance on the Daystar Television Network on February 2. (above)

A Voice on American Idol

Another member of Voices captured the national spotlight as Jermaine Purifory, a telecommunications major and long-time member of Voices, made it to the prestigious "Hollywood" portion of the wildly-popular talent search program American Idol. Like the Sing-Off, information surrounding contestants' status on the show is strictly monitored, limiting Jermaine's access to speak of his experiences until it is revealed that he has advanced further or made it to the live rounds. In his initial audition, taped last summer in Orlando and broadcast in early January, Jermaine appeared before the judges' panel and received high accolades from all four judges. Judge Randy Jackson stated that Jermaine's performance was "the best audition I have seen this season so far;" this after reviewing thousands at cities across the country. As of February 1, Jermaine was being touted in the top echelon of the Season 9 contestants. EntertainmentWeekly.com had Jermaine picked at #5 out of 20 contestants.

On the show broadcast on February 16, it was revealed that after making it to Hollywood, Jermaine was headed home. If Jermaine had continued through the process, he would have been the second Lee alum to make it that far in the competition. Phil Stacey '02 made it to the Top 7 of Idol season 6 and is currently enjoying a career in Christian music. American Idol season 9 continues each week through May with contestants being voted on by the American public through e-mail, text message and phone.





The site at the corner of Maple and 18th Streets is cleared of houses and ready for development. The City of Cleveland voted to close this portion of 18th Street allowing for future construction of a dormitory.

PLANS UNVEILED FOR NEW STUDENT HOUSING

CONCEPT WILL CREATE A STUDENT 'NEIGHBORHOOD' ON CAMPUS

The Lee University Board of Directors has approved a concept plan for a major expansion and revision of student housing on the Lee campus. When completed it will be one of the most sweeping changes in student housing in the school's history.

Meeting in January, the board of directors approved a plan which will eventually create a housing complex consisting of multiple buildings of various designs and layouts. The plan will increase the housing currently in place near Brinsfield Row, northeast of the campus.

The plan arises from several needs and opportunities which have evolved over the last few years. Student enrollment has continued to rise and along with it, the desire of upperclassmen to stay on campus, yet live more independently, such as in apartment style facilities.

Brinsfield Row, a set of three two-story units built in the mid-2000s, fills this need. Brinsfield Row is located in the most eastern section of campus on Magnolia Ave. The back of Brinsfield has consisted of small houses in various stages of disrepair and which front Maple Street further east. Over the last several months, Lee officials have been negotiating with home owners and landlords of 13 houses and parcels and in January the houses began coming down. By early February the area between Magnolia and Maple Streets and between 16th and 19th Streets had been transformed as bulldozers removed 11 houses and graded the land in preparation of future development. As part of the plan, the City of Cleveland voted to close a portion of 18th Street as they had approved several years earlier for a portion of 17th Street.

When the plan for the housing complex is fully imple



Houses on Maple Street just prior to demolition.



Hughes Hall, at left, seen here from the south entrance to the new science building, stands in the way of development of what will become a beautiful central campus quadrant.



This sketch shows the existing Brinsfield Row townhomes at the bottom and three proposed dormitories. In January, the Lee Board of Directors authorized the building of two of the three dormitories and the City of Cleveland approved the partial closure of 18th Street which will create the circle drive as shown.

mented, there will be a residential complex accommodating close to 300 students. It will include the 128 already in Brinsfield Row, 64 additional beds in two more Brinsfield-type buildings and a new central dormitory with a yet undetermined number of beds. At their January meeting, the board approved to proceed with construction of the two 32-bed apartment buildings in order to be ready for the 2010-11 school year.

In addition to the continual demand for on-campus student housing, inner campus development has necessitated the removal of a campus icon. Hughes Hall, a men's residence built in 1969, now stands in the way of progress on the northwest end of campus. Men housed in Hughes Hall the last two semesters have had virtually no parking and there is no new parking near Hughes in the master plan. With construction of the new science and math complex in its backyard, Hughes Hall with its 93 beds will

be razed this summer opening up that portion of campus to create a magnificent new campus quadrant. Hughes Hall is one of three remaining dormitories on campus with the "community bathroom" floor plan, a concept which has outlived its practicality and popularity. In addition, structural deviations which have developed in the 41 year-old structure have been determined to be more costly to repair than the return investment.

The two 32-person units to be constructed this year, along with a recently acquired 8-unit apartment complex on Church and 18th Streets, will replace the beds being lost with the demolition of Hughes Hall. Other housing units, including Cross Hall and Atkins-Ellis are set to undergo "gender changes" over the summer as the residential life staff attempts to balance the male and female ratio according to student need. No campus residence halls have been, nor will become, co-ed.

CALLING ALL HUGHES HALL ALUMNI!

With the decision to raze Hughes Hall this summer, former residents of the dormitory are invited to send in their favorite memories for consideration of publication in the summer 2010 Torch. If you lived in Hughes at least one semester, send in your recollection (no more than 100 words) via e-mail to torch@leeuniversity.edu no later than April 15, 2010. Please include your name, current city and state of residence, the year(s) you lived in Hughes and the last year you were enrolled at Lee.

Lee University Receives Presidential Award for Community Service

Students Volunteered Over 66,000 Hours to Help Area Disadvantaged

Washington, DC -- February 25, 2010--Lee University was named as one of six Presidential Awardees in the 2009 President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll, the highest federal recognition a college or university can receive for its commitment to service-learning and civic engagement.

The Corporation for National and Community Service, which administers the annual Honor Roll award, recognized the university and its students in the category of "General Service" for their dedication to meeting the needs of the area's most disadvantaged and vulnerable residents. Lee University students committed more than 66,000 hours of service, developing and managing innovation programs that resulted in over 192,000 pounds of food for those in need and assistance to 487 mid- to low-income individuals and families with their tax returns.

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"Congratulations to Lee University and its students for their dedication to service and commitment to improving their local communities," said Patrick Covington, the Corporation's CEO. "Our nation's students are a critical part of the equation and vital to our efforts to tackle the most persistent

challenges we face. They have achieved impactful results and demonstrated the value of putting knowledge into practice to help renew America through service."

"We are thrilled that our service-learning efforts are being recognized in this fashion," said Dr. Paul Conn, Lee University President. "In the last few years, we have succeeded in making service a part of our campus. Lots of people at Lee are working hard to develop and manage a service-learning program that really works, and this recognition affirms all those people."

Lee University's commitment to service extends to each of its students, who must complete two service-embedded courses and 80 hours of service-learning as a graduation requirement. Last year, students led several pioneering service projects including Lee University's Crossover program, a food distribution program which partners with area grocers and retailers to feed local disadvantaged families; the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program, a business student-led tax assistance program for low-income individuals; and the Lee University Developmental Inclusion Classroom (LUDIC), which provides educational planning, family support services and activities for area students with autism-spectrum disorders.

College students make a significant contribution to the volunteer sector; in 2009, 3.16 million students performed more than 300 million hours of service, according to the Volunteering in America study released by the Corporation. Each year, the Corporation invests more than \$150 million in fostering a culture of service on college campuses through grants awarded by its programs; the education awards that AmeriCorps members receive at the conclusion of their term of service to pay for college; and through support of training, research, recognition, and other initiatives to spur college service.

The Corporation administers the Honor Roll in collaboration with the Department of Education and the Department of Housing and Urban Development, Campus Compact and the American Council on Education. Honorees are chosen based on a series of selection factors including scope and innovation of service projects, percentage of student participation in service activities, incentives for service, and the extent to which the school offers academic service-learning courses. In addition to the top honorees, 115 institutions have been named to the Distinction List and 621 were listed on the Honor Roll. For a full list of Honor Roll recipients and to learn more about the awarding agency, go to www.learnandserve.gov.



Highlights of Lee University Service:

- * Lee University's dedication to social service is a mandatory part of the curriculum
- * Students completed 66,200 volunteer hours in community service during in 2009
- * They distributed over 192,000 pounds of food to those in need
- * Students provided tutoring, job-preparation training, and agency referrals
- * Through the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program, business students assisted 487 mid- to low-income individuals and families with their tax returns, securing refunds totaling over \$480,000.
- * Lee University Developmental Inclusion Classroom (LUDIC), enabled university students to partner with local school districts to serve 23 young area students with autism-spectrum disorders. Last year, 160 Lee students served 4,182 hours at LUDIC, assisting with activities and services such as an autism camp, educational planning, and family support services.
- * Lee University's commitment to service involves every single one of its students, who must complete two service-embedded courses and 80 hours of service-learning as a graduation requirement.
- * Last year 71 percent of graduates signed the Lee University Graduation Service Pledge, indicating their understanding of its importance and affirming their commitment to the ideals of the University's service program as they move forward as global citizens.

The Corporation for National and Community Service is a federal agency that engages more than 5-million Americans in service through its Senior Corps, AmeriCorps, and Learn and Serve America programs, and leads President Obama's national call to service initiative, United We Serve. For more information, visit Nationalservice.gov.

Funding a Destiny

Three families establish scholarships for future students



Atkins



Hollands



Johnsons

It is decision time in homes around America. Fall may be half a year away, but families are already deciding which college will be alma mater for their high-school senior. Lee University is the top choice for many, but even with below-market tuition some families will not have a way to pay for their child to attend Lee. Alone they simply cannot close the economic gap.

Thankfully, each year, through the generosity of donors who give to the endowed scholarship program, hundreds of students realize their dream of attending Lee. An endowed scholarship is a cash gift to the university that is invested to create earnings. Those earnings are the permanent source of financial support that is often the difference between a dream realized and a dream delayed.

Endowed scholarships are created for many reasons. Some want to help students studying in a particular academic discipline; or to assist someone from a particular background. Others want to honor family members or memorialize loved ones.

Henry and Iris Atkins never had the chance to attend college. They came of age in a time of few luxuries. As one of 14 children Henry knew early that he would have to find work outside the home. He never finished the 8th grade. Iris was a teenager when she went to work in a cotton mill, so that she could send money back home to her parents. For both the life lessons were many and hard.

Yet looking back over their 95 years they feel blessed. "People gave me a chance," Henry remembers. "I had to work hard but I didn't have to do it alone." "That's why we started the scholarship at Lee," Iris adds. "We want to give students an opportunity that we never had. It means so much to know that Lee students are being helped by our scholarship."

The Johnson family chose a scholarship to perpetually memorialize their father, Bob L. Johnson, Sr., and mother, Marie Davis Johnson. His son remembers Bob, Sr. as a "tentmaker" minister who made outstanding and lasting contributions in the areas of centrifuge enrichment and laser technologies at Oak Ridge National Laboratories in Tennessee. His technical expertise was recognized around the country at many leading research institutions.

His greatest strength and accomplishments, however, were in the area of Christian education and spiritual formation. One fellow minister observed of Bob, Sr., "He was a trench-worker in the kingdom. He labored quietly, yet effectively in the Kingdom. His work reflected both quality and excellence." Fittingly, his scholarship will aid the children of missionaries. Every Lee student who receives the Bob and Marie Johnson scholarship will read of this remarkable man who gave all to God and family.

Sean Holland decided to honor his grandfather while he was still living. "I wanted to create something that would last forever to pay respect to the truest Christian I have ever known," Sean explained. Sean and his wife, Erin, decided to create an endowed scholarship for ministerial majors. "My grandfather loved the Church of God and he showed me what it meant to be dedicated."

The Hollands know what it was like to scrape by. "When I came to Lee there weren't many scholarships," Sean remembers. "I want to help change that. I have been blessed and I have the opportunity to bless others." Even though Sean and Erin are young alumni they decided to go ahead and start a scholarship. "Our hope is that over time family and friends will add to the scholarship and we will build something significant."

Thanks to the ongoing generosity of alumni and friends like the Atkins, the Johnsons and the Hollands endowed scholarships will close the economic gap for hundreds of students this fall. As assistant vice president for university relations Jerome Hammond, explains "Each year when you open that letter from a Lee student and read how your scholarship funded a destiny, you'll understand what you've done."

If you would like more information on starting an endowed scholarship at Lee University contact the Office of University Relations at ur@leeuniversity.edu or call 423-614-8310.

Tilley Speaks at Winter Commencement

Dr. David Tilley of Mount Paran Christian School in Marietta, GA, addressed the winter graduates at the university's commencement exercises on December 12 in Conn Center.

December graduation exercises are the third of the calendar year at Lee. The weekend of events included a Commissioning Service on Friday evening, where guests and graduates heard from several class representatives and commemorative Bibles were given to each graduate. Saturday morning was the commencement ceremony, where Tilley delivered his address and diplomas were awarded to a total of 205 graduates.

Tilley was a popular and effective cabinet administrator at Lee from 1988 to 2002, serving for most of that time as the Vice President for Student Life. Tilley attended Lee before receiving his bachelor's degree in political science from the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga in 1971. Upon graduation, he accepted positions with the Cobb County (Georgia) Board of Education as a teacher, and at Mount Paran Church of God in Atlanta as their minister of youth. He received his master's degree in educational administration from Georgia State University in 1975 and he has served in a series of administrative positions in Atlanta area secondary schools.

In 1983, Tilley founded Straight Inc., a drug rehabilitation program for adolescents in Marietta, Ga. He left there to become headmaster at Mount Paran Christian School (MPCS), where he started the high school and moved the campus to East Cobb County. Tilley left MPCS in 1988 and became a vice president at Lee, and later at Houghton College in Houghton, New York. He returned to Atlanta to become headmaster at Mount Paran Christian School in the summer of 2004.



Lee Board Member Deacon Jones Passes Away

One of the longest-serving and charismatic members of the Lee University Board of Directors has died. Bobby Kenneth "Deacon" Jones, owner of several highly successful North Carolina auto dealerships suffered a heart attack and passed away in December. He was 69.

Jones built Deacon Jones Automotive Group into a family-run business of 12 dealerships in Smithfield, Goldsboro, Kinston, Fayetteville, Princeton and Selma. In addition to his benevolence and service toward Lee University, Jones served on numerous boards and in civic organizations in Smithfield and Johnston County.

Deacon Jones and his dealerships earned many awards over the years, including Buick Best in Class, the Silver Dealer Award, and Platinum Dealer status. Last June, Jones was awarded the Lifetime Achievement Award by the North Carolina Automobile Dealers Association, which recognizes dealer members who have displayed a lifelong commitment to the automobile industry. The Lifetime Achievement Award has been awarded to only 36 dealers, who embody the true spirit of successful entrepreneurs, civic leaders and industry stalwarts.

Jones' 23 years of service on the Lee University board has brought him much deserved recognition through the years and has included Honorary Citizen of Cleveland, Tennessee, and the Golden Key Award to the City of Cleveland, awarded by Cleveland Mayor Tom Rowland. The Lee University campus also reflects Jones' generosity with the naming of the Deacon Jones Dining Hall and the Jones Lecture Hall located in the new School of Religion.

Deacon Jones is survived by his wife of 48 years, Faye Woodall Jones, two sons and daughters-in-law, Bobby Kenneth "Ken" Jones II and wife, Donna, of Princeton; Anthony Dale Jones and wife, Lisa of Princeton; and a daughter and son-in-law, Tina Jones Winborne and husband, Steve of Smithfield.

A celebration of life service took place on January 7, 2010, at Johnston Community College Auditorium which featured a prelude concert with the Voices of Lee. Memorial contributions can be made to the Deacon Jones Scholarship Fund, PO Box 2280, Smithfield, N.C. 27577. The fund will benefit Lee University, Johnston Community College in Smithfield, N.C., and Mount Olive College in Mt. Olive, N.C. Any proceeds not designated to a particular institution will be equally dispersed among all three.



Lee University Board – Deacon Jones, third from left, is the second Lee board member to pass away in two months. Edward Hollowell, middle row in the center, passed away on November 9. Members of the current Lee board include (top row, l-r) Hal Dixon, Michael Baker and Bill Higginbotham. Middle row: Dennis Livingston, Lee Storms, Hollowell and Raymond Crowley. Front row: Darrell Rice, Gary Sharp, Jones, Pat Carroll, Quan Miller, Byron Medlin and Cecil N. Brown. Not pictured: Samuel Robeff, Ronald Martin and Jerry Madden.



Stone

Center for Teaching Excellence Opens

The much anticipated opening of the Center for Teaching Excellence on the Lee campus in January is the culmination of careful planning and is related to a Title III grant now in its third year. The Center is housed in the Mayfield Annex and enjoys renovated facilities that are comfortable and inviting. Books and other

resources related to student learning and effective teaching are housed in the CTE and are readily available for faculty use.

The inaugural event took place during the regularly scheduled faculty seminar on January 7. Events featured six consecutive seminars on topics relevant to teaching and learning. A total of 172 faculty members attended the events.

"Lee University is a teaching institution with an outstanding faculty who regard classroom instruction as their highest calling," said Dr. Mary Ruth Stone, director of the CTE. "It provides a place for faculty to hone their skills for transformational teaching and learning. It is equipped with the latest technology and a wide range of print resources and provides technical training and seeks to foster 'good talk about good teaching.'"

The purpose of the Center for Teaching Excellence is "to promote and support efforts that inspire effective teaching and enhance student learning in an atmosphere of

collaboration that respects a wide variety of pedagogical approaches and recognizes individual differences among teachers and disciplines."

The Center will provide:

- A collection of up-to-date resources on teaching, learning, and assessment;
- Access to teaching coaches and peer mentors;
- Comfortable space for small group collaboration;
- Confidential consultation about issues or questions concerning the teaching process;
- Seminars, workshops, and discussions of topics related to teaching and learning;
- Instruction in various aspects of teaching technology;
- Assistance with the application of instructional technology to course design.

A Critical Thinking Skills Task Force made up of one professor from each academic department serves as an informal advisory committee for the Center. A wide range of professors from across the academic disciplines often serve as presenters and facilitators.

"The CTE is one more support for the enhancement of student learning, the primary goal of an excellent teaching university such as Lee," Stone said.

Street Crossing Is Partnership With City

In an ongoing challenge to make safe the crossing of Ocoee Street for Medlin Hall residents, Lee University and the city of Cleveland installed a unique warning system, the first of its kind in the area. A crosswalk has been the only alternative for passage across the three lanes of Ocoee, one of the busiest streets in the city, since Lee relocated back to the city in 1947.

Through the years numerous encounters between students and cars have resulted in various injuries and one death in 1997. In January the city installed four new levels of warning light indicators. When a student approaches the crosswalk, three-foot poles on either side flash brightly, yellow lights blink above, imbedded bumpers shoot light from below and a specially-lit pedestrian-crossing sign also flashes.

"The only other alternatives to make crossing the street safer for our students are to dig a tunnel or build a pedestrian overpass, but both of those would be impractical and costly and there would be no guarantee students would use them" stated Ashley Mew, director of Campus Safety. "This greatly improves the crossing by catching the attention of oncoming drivers who do not always see our students in the crossing."



Powell Crowned Miss Parade of Favorites 2010

On Saturday, November 14, 2009, a new Miss Parade of Favorites began her reign. Alexandria Powell walked across the Conn Center stage to accept her crown on behalf of the College Republicans and New Hope Pregnancy Care Center.

The yearly event features one representative and one escort from various campus clubs, twelve clubs decided to participate in the event. This year's theme, "Best of the Crop" was directed by Ciara Doll.

In her second year competing, Powell's only goal was to make it to the top five.

"I thought if I went out there and did my best to represent College Republicans, then I would be happy," Powell said. "I mean you always hope you win something, but winning [the title] was a pleasant surprise." Powell is a junior telecommunications major from Sandy Lake, Penn.

Escorted by College Republicans President Daniel Diffenderfer, Powell committed the competition to God and her platform which was "Hope for the Silent: Helping Women Choose Life." The organization behind Powell's platform is New Hope, a pregnancy care center in Cleveland that encourages women to carry babies to full term.

This year's top five included: Katherine Metcalf (escorted by Maurice Higgins) representing Pi Kappa Pi, Larissa Curtis (escorted by Brian Sengson) representing Zeta Chi Lambda, Ashley Campbell (escorted by Matt Mullins) representing Student Leadership Council, Taylor Dockery (escorted by Dustin Drummond) representing Theta Delta Kappa, as well as Powell.

"[Both years I participated] there was a stage full of deserving girls. I'm blessed," Powell said. "It was surreal, it's an honor."

For the first time in its 47-year history, the Parade of Favorites pageant was held twice in the same calendar year. Last March Rachael Huber was crowned Miss POF 2009.

"The Student Leadership Council has wanted to add a significant student-led event at the end of the fall to provide a meaningful sense of closure to the semester," said Dr. Mike Hayes, assistant vice president for student life. "The SLC has been evaluating the response to POF in recent years and felt that moving the event to the fall would add the desired end-of-semester experience and infuse the event with energy that seems to more naturally occur in the fall semester."

-- Michelle Bollman



West Wing Complete

In early March a certificate of occupancy was issued for the west wing of the new science and math complex. The two-level section, which includes a lecture hall, was built on the site of the former Beach Science Building which was razed last May.

The east wing was completed last summer and has been open for classroom instruction since August. Work is underway now to complete the exterior landscaping of the complex which will include new sidewalks along Billy Graham Ave. and Ocoee Street, and a magnificent new gateway to the campus through the open-air commons.



Dorm Wars Raises Funds for Organizations

A wildly-popular campus tradition has now gone benevolent

Keeping alive a Lee University tradition, about 1,200 students from seventeen residence halls set out to vie for the title of "Dorm Wars champions," on Monday, Feb. 15 in the Paul Dana Walker Arena. The nearly 2-year-old annual event of dorm pride and university spirit organized by the residential life department expanded its scope this year by reaching out to help 17 different charities and organizations.

Dorm Wars is one of the largest campus events and involves both students and staff. Students from Frontline (a campus visitation day for high school seniors) were also in attendance this year. Students roared in the stands with excitement and determined passion to fight not only for their dorm pride, but for their represented charity. The event culminated with the crowning of a male and female Dorm Wars champion: Simmons Hall for the women and B.L. Hicks for the men. Their victory gave financial support and awareness to The Chambliss Shelter, and the The Jeff Robinette Foundation, respectively.

"Each residence hall is united in its support for the organization they have chosen to represent," said Shannon Balram, resident director of Livingston Hall. "It's not just about competing in Dorm Wars, but having students inspired to serve a cause that is beyond themselves." Balram said each dorm committed itself to serve locally through a service project in support of the organization they are representing. Balram said this addition has created a deeper sense of purpose in the event. Dorm Wars has been about healthy

competition and is also focused on plugging students into local organizations that they can serve throughout the semester. It is about raising awareness for the need to reach out to the Cleveland local community and serve full heartedly.

The organizations represented included: Crossover Ministries, Morton Missions in Paraguay, The Caring Place, Bethlehem Center, Invisible Children, Jeff Robinette Leukemia Foundation, Habitat for Humanity-Cleveland chapter, Haven Place, The Emergency Cleveland Shelter, Blythe-Bower Elementary School, Ronald McDonald House in Chattanooga, Cleveland YMCA through the United Way, Family Violence Center, Chambliss Shelter, One Heart Missions (Haiti), World Vision, and support to a family adopting children from the Philippines.

"I'm grateful for the new found purpose that the residential directors incorporated into Dorm Wars this year," stated Tracey Carlson, director of Residential Life at Lee. "The RDs spend countless hours to organize this event and they have a deep desire to influence and develop the students that live on-campus."

Of the teams that competed, it was the first year that Carroll Courts, the married students housing complex, fielded a team. In addition, the men of Hughes Hall were an especially united group as they played with extra passion, armed with the knowledge that this was the last year of Dorm Wars competition for Hughes Hall as it is currently known. Hughes is slated for demolition later this year.



"Team Nora" of Nora Chambers Hall



The women of Sharp Hall cheer on their team



The Men of Hughes Hall were intent on winning the shopping cart race

Seven Faculty Receive Tenure

In their January meeting, the Lee University Board of Directors granted tenure to seven members of the faculty who have demonstrated long-term commitment and excellence in their careers at Lee. Awarded tenure were the following:



Mava Wilson, Assistant Professor of Computer Information Systems



Gloria Chien, Assistant Professor of Music



Xiaoqing Yu, Assistant Professor of Music



Skip Jenkins, Assistant Professor of Historical Theology



Louis Morgan, Instructor and Librarian for Public Services and Learning



Eric Moyer, Assistant Professor of Education



William Green, Assistant Professor of Music

Echols Presents at ABC Conference

Professor of Business Dr. Evaline Echols recently presented at the 74th annual convention of the Association for Business Communication in Portsmouth, Va. The theme of the conference was "Exploration and Discovery: A Historical Perspective on Developments and New Directions in Business Communication." The conference was attended by more than 400 business communication teachers and business leaders from the United States, as well as several foreign countries.

Echols' presentation included research on "How to Write Effective Newsletters," as well as the procedures involved in teaching a group of business communication students how to interview faculty members and write articles for a newsletter for the Department of Business at Lee. As a part of the experiential emphasis in the department, seven students were involved in researching the topic, interviewing faculty members, writing the articles, and publishing a newsletter, called "The Bottom Line," online.

"It was a pleasure to receive the invitation from ABC to share a new methodology for teaching business communications. Hopefully other faculty members will find the research helpful in their classes," Echols said.



'The Total Package'

Dr. Penny Green Mauldin challenged students and faculty to balance life and its challenges.

After an extended battle with pancreatic cancer, Dr. Penny Mauldin, a professor of chemistry at Lee, died on December 16, 2009. She was 54. She was married to her husband, Dr. Walt Mauldin for 34 of those years and they have two sons, Jeremy and Ryan, and three grandchildren, Audra, Gavin, and Natalie.

The life of Penny Mauldin was recalled by her pastor and her president in eulogies at her funeral which took place on December 19, 2009. Following a devotion to her God and her family, Penny Mauldin's life was further defined by her vocation and commitment to her church. And she took seriously the balance between them.

"Truth was important to Penny, whether in science or in scripture," stated Dr. Mike Chapman, pastor of City Church of Chattanooga. "She had a faith that sustained as she walked through the valley of the shadow of death. She knew that death is a passing shadow and behind it is that joy that comes in the morning...that is truth!"

"Her story was a true love story as she poured herself into the things she loved, whether it be her family, her church or her students."

"The things that Penny Mauldin loved, got her attention," Lee President Dr. Paul Conn told the funeral audience. "Her story was a true love story as she poured herself into the things she loved, whether it be her family, her church or her students." Conn recalled pulling some of her student evaluations of which he said, revealed Dr. Mauldin's intensely personal and effective teaching methods.

The Mauldins returned to their alma mater in 1989 when Dr. Walt Mauldin accepted the call to be the third permanent director of the Lee Singers and teach on the



music faculty. Penny became a member of the science faculty the next year. She served as the Chair of the Department of Natural Sciences and Mathematics, earned a doctoral degree and won the Excellence in Teaching Award in 1996. In those 20 years, Dr. Penny Mauldin quietly amassed a loyal following of science students who praised her in evaluations.

"Students ran out of superlatives to praise her," Conn said of those evaluations. "She knew how to push students to pursue their dreams. She touched thousands of lives in many ways, not just her students and colleagues, but many others all across campus and beyond. All of us who worked with Penny, or studied with her, recognize what an extraordinary leader she was at Lee."

"Everything in Penny's life converged at Lee into a single, productive, beautiful life," Conn concluded. "In Penny Mauldin, we all got the total package."

Walt and Penny Mauldin enjoyed traveling together, including here in front of the Sydney Opera House in Australia.



Lee University 2009 Annual Alumni Fund

Lee University alumni and friends contributed \$416,813 to the 2009 Annual Alumni Fund setting a new AAF record and exceeding the campaign goal of \$415,000. Alumni giving increased 3% in 2009 (from \$404,698 in 2008).

According to Anita Ray, Director of Alumni Relations, "not only did the fund experience an increase in giving during 2009, but the average pledge amount increased 8% and the pledge fulfillment rate increased 3% -- 96% of 2009 Alumni Fund pledges were fulfilled. AAF donors continued to demonstrate their faithfulness and commitment to the mission of Lee University and our students even during difficult economic times."

2010 Alumni Fund Goal: \$420,000

2010 Giving Levels:

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
Honor Roll:	\$1 - \$299
Fair Share:	\$300 - \$499

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Since 1986 Lee University alumni and friends have invested in the Annual Alumni Fund and we want to say thank you in a special way. The Pillar Society honors those who have consistently given to the fund. We look forward to recognizing Pillar Society members during Homecoming 2010.

Recognition levels are as follows:

Patriarch/Matriarch:	20 years or more of consecutive giving to AAF
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Impact:	5 years or more of consecutive giving to AAF

Young Alumni Torch Society

If you graduated in the last 7 years, it's easy to become a Young Alumni Torch Society member:

- Make a gift of any amount to the Annual Alumni Fund for two consecutive years.
- Continue making consecutive annual gifts to the Alumni Fund to maintain your membership.
- When you have been an alumnus of Lee University for more than 7 years, you will continue to receive recognition and appreciation from Lee for your annual giving even though you will no longer be eligible for Torch Society membership.

Benefits of Torch Society Membership:

- Torch Society Pass for admission to all Homecoming weekend events
- Annual Torch Society member milestone gift

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2010 Alumni t-shirt	\$50 donation
2010 Alumni mug	\$250 donation
Two Homecoming weekend passes	\$500 donation
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"Often we are willing to give of our resources but how often do we make sure our resources are being used wisely and in a godly manner. My wife Frances and I give to Lee because we are sure of the outcome of our donations; sure they will be used with godly purpose."

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"Christian professors were a true inspiration to me while attending Lee University. The Christian environment helped me grow in faith and strengthened my relationship with Christ. I enjoyed attending classes with and living in the dorm with other Christians who shared my convictions."

Priscilla Foshee Tarpley '62 & '80



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"Lee University was a great experience for not only myself, but many others in my family. I give to the Alumni fund to be a part (if only a small part) of the amazing growth that Lee has realized over the years. I want to see that growth continue for many years to come."

Justin Younker '00

Torch Spotlight: Graduate Programs

Graduate Studies in Religion Offers Two Tracks

By Dr. Terry Cross, Dean/School of Religion

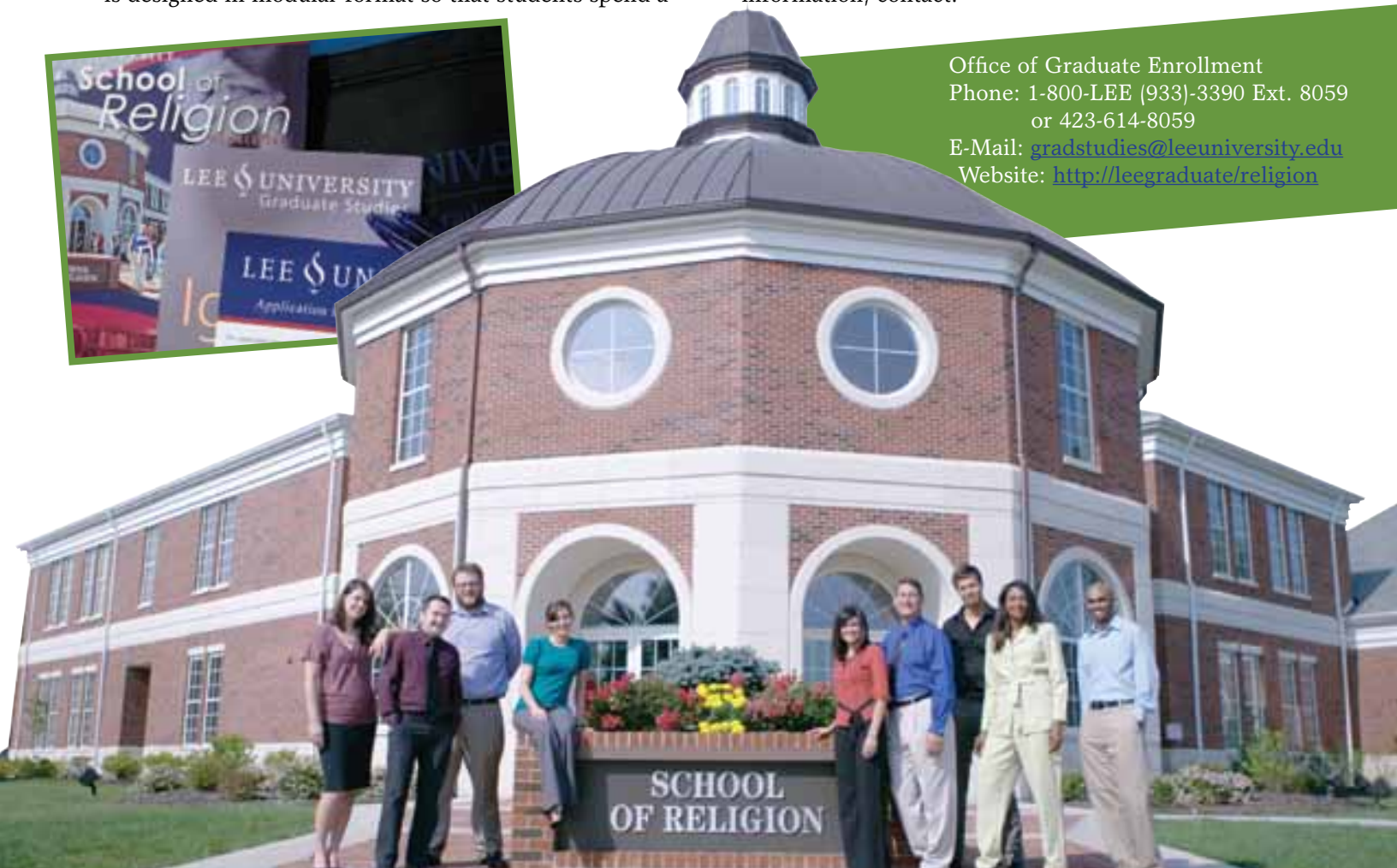
With the fast-moving society in which we live, how does one provide relevant ministry of the good news of Christ while maintaining its ancient truth? One way to do so is by learning about the structures of our culture as well as the foundational truths of Scripture. It is that way which the School of Religion at Lee University has offered its graduate students in religion for the past 10 years.

There are two different paths for such ministry: the first is the M.A. in Youth and Family Ministry and the second is the M.A. in either Biblical Studies or Theological Studies. Students in the M.A. in Youth and Family Ministry receive a well-rounded background of courses on Scripture and theology as well as psychology of youth and sociology of family systems. This program emphasizes ministry to the entire family unit within the context of ministry to the children and youth. Graduates with this degree have engaged in various levels of counseling troubled youth as well as establishing or energizing ministries within local churches for youth. The program is designed in modular format so that students spend a

few days throughout the semester in classes on campus. Students in the M.A. in Biblical Studies or Theological Studies receive intensive courses in the Bible and various doctrines as well as exposure to biblical and theological languages (Greek, Hebrew, Latin, and German). This program emphasizes preparation for teaching or further graduate study. Graduates with these degrees have become teachers of Bible and theology in various Christian schools or have gone on to further graduate training and Ph.D.'s at places like Duke University, Marquette University, and the Catholic University of America.

Both programs are offered to students in two levels, depending on what one's undergraduate major was. For those who have completed the B.A. or B.S. in some study of religion or ministry, there is a 36-hour program that takes about 18 months to complete. For those who have had no study of religion or ministry in their undergraduate programs, there is a 48-hour program that requires some study in theology, Bible, or Greek. For additional information, contact:

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Women's Soccer Claims Second National Title

Yelton Named 'National Coach of the Year'

After directing his Lee women to their second consecutive National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) championship, Matt Yelton was recently named the 2009 Brine-NAIA Women's Soccer National Coach of the Year for the second straight year. The honor was officially announced at the National Soccer Coaches Association of America (NSCAA) Annual Convention in Philadelphia.

Yelton and his Lady Flames were saluted again on Feb. 19 at the annual Tennessee Hall of Fame banquet in Nashville. Lee joins the Union University women's basketball team and the UT-Knoxville track and field team. All three claimed national championships in 2009.

Yelton led Lee to its sixth consecutive Southern States Athletic Conference Tournament title and its second consecutive NAIA Women's Soccer National Championship this past season. The Lady Flames rolled through the national tournament, shutting out all five of their opponents, defeating unseeded Point Loma Nazarene (Calif.), 2-0 in the title match. Lee ranked near the top nationally in a variety of statistical categories. The Lady Flames were first in total assists (80), second in total goals (91) and third in total shutouts (14).

Lee's Christiane Christensen completed an awesome senior season by being selected as the NAIA Player of the Year. Her twin sister Linn Christensen and Marina Lima were all named First Team All-America. Another pair of sisters, Jenna and Jamie Achten received Second Team All-America honors, while freshman goal kicker Leah Wilson earned Third Team All-America recognition.

"These awards are a tremendous compliment to our players and what they bring to the program," said Yelton. "As a coach, it is about getting the right players. Any awards I receive speak volumes about the type of players that we have."

Not only do the Lady Flames make their mark on the playing field, many are standouts in the classroom. Four were named NAIA Scholar Athletes (Chris and Linn Christensen, Kelli Lawson and Kristine Tuck) and seven were singled out as SSAC Scholars.

Yelton's record is 157-29-5 in eight seasons at Lee and 211-69-10 in 13 seasons overall. He also spent five seasons at King College (Tenn.).



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Lady Flames Go Six Years With 20+ Wins

It is full steam ahead for the Lee women's basketball team as they push toward another SSAC regular season and tournament championship. Being ranked No. 6 nationally by the NAIA with only two losses as of mid-February, there is little doubt that Coach Marty Rowe will have his Lady Flames in the national tournament for the sixth straight year.

Lee recorded its sixth consecutive season with 20 or more wins. Following their loss to #1 and defending national champions Union University earlier this year, the Lady Flames ran off 15 straight victories and ended their regular season with a stellar 26-4 record ranked 9th and headed into the SSAC tournament on March 4."

"We don't look at records, rankings and how many wins we have at a certain point," said Rowe, who has

had 10 straight teams (including four at Brescia University) in NAIA National Tournament play. "We want to leave each practice and game feeling like we have gotten a little better."

Senior All-American Katie Nelson is leading the Lady Flames in scoring and rebounding and has been named the SSAC Player of the Week twice. The heart and soul of the Lady Flames is senior point guard Allison Rader who runs the potent Lee offense.

Senior Kayce Addison has become an important person off the bench, while junior Kayla Carlisle, a volleyball standout, has made the switch to basketball and joined Angela Spann and Kally Eldridge as vital parts of the surge toward the nationals.

Brooke McKinnon drives for the Lady Flames



Flames Into Overtime A Dozen Times

The 2009-10 Lee men's basketball team has been involved in 25 games this season (as of Feb. 12) and they have certainly earned the title of "The Overtime Kids." No doubt many college programs play in their fair share of overtime periods during a season. The Flames have taken the meaning to the extreme and have created a possible national record, while whipping up plenty of excitement for fans at home and on the road.

Coach Tommy Brown's unit has been involved in 12 overtime periods. The Flames began the hoop season on Nov. 2 with a double-OT defeat to longtime rival Tennessee Temple University. Eight days later Lee managed to survive another extra-period scare against Bryan College. Lee was only two weeks deep into its season and had already been in three overtimes. The trend continued. On Nov. 19, the Flames traveled to Rome, Ga., and opened Southern States Athletic Conference play against Shorter College.

A three-overtime loss (92-85) to the Hawks left Brown and his entire team stunned. In fact, the Flames turned right around and lost to Berry College two nights later, a

club they defeated by 30 points when the Vikings paid a return visit.

The Flames suffered a third straight setback, and to make matters worse, it was a double-OT home-court loss to Freed-Hardeman University, 68-66.

The Flames rebounded and claimed six straight wins. The streak included an extra period at Bluefield College where Brown had coached before taking the Lee post. Since the loss to Freed, the Flames have run off 15 victories in 17 starts. Their only defeats during the stretch were at No. 1 Mountain State and Southern Polytechnic, but the Flames got revenge on Feb. 22 when they claimed a huge upset win against Mountain State. They finished the season 24-6 at Emmanuel with a win, moved into the Top Ten in the nation and took the top seed at the SSAC tournament.

"It has been crazy," said Brown. "I've been a head college coach for 12 years and have never experienced anything like this. After losing two of our first three games involving overtimes, I hope we have this madness turned in our favor."



#4 Junior Stephen McClellan works in one of Lee's overtime wins

Men's Golf Begins Season in Top Five

The Lee men's golf team will begin the 2010 season ranked fifth nationally by the NAIA. Under the second-year leadership of Coach John Maupin, the Flames took part in five tournaments during the fall and walked away with championships in the Berry College and University of Cumberlands events. They were also fourth in the NAIA Preview at Deere Run and at the Birmingham Southern tournament.

Playing without any seniors, Coach Maupin has recruited a solid group of freshmen and sophomores. "This group is only going to get better as they play against good competition," he explained. "We have a very tough tournament schedule this spring."

The Lee ladies, in only their second year of NAIA competition, featured mostly five freshmen in tournament at Austin Peay, Birmingham Southern, Pfeiffer and Lindsey Wilson College. The Lady Flames were third at Birmingham Southern, and finished ninth at Pfeiffer.

"Experience and plenty of practice time is all this team needs," said Maupin. "I am really excited about our women's program."



Lee golf team captured Chick-fil-A title in Rome, Ga., this past fall

Softball Team Hopes to Celebrate

Could 2010 be the year the Lady Flames return to the NAIA National Tournament? On paper Coach Emily Russell's squad looks good. Only standout catcher Bobbi Easler and third baseman Tiffany Walker will be missing when Lee kicks into high gear.

All-American senior pitcher and hitter Johana Gomez heads the list of top notch players

that return for the 2010 season. Gomez finished the 2009 year with a 14-3 record. At the plate her numbers are just as impressive - 12 home runs (44 RBIs) and a .375 batting average.

Junior second baseman Danielle Balough has been a mainstay for the Lady Flames over the past two seasons. Her sister, Brittany, came on strong during her first season as a Lady Flames going 11-7 with a 3.00 ERA.

Senior shortstop Hernanza Ruiz gives Lee a solid middle of the infield combination. Russell will also be counting heavily on sophomore Horseman, Casey Saunders, Savanna Bell and Jenevieve Cena are also expected to make their mark in the SSAC.



Diamond Flames Look to Return to World Series

As expected, the Lee Flames baseball squad is off to a quick start for 2010. The 2009 team tallied an impressive 53-14 season and a third-place finish in the NAIA College World Series.

During Coach Mark Brew's three-years as Lee's head coach, the Flames have won 167 games and lost just 39. In preseason polls the 2010 team is picked just behind Southern Polytechnic State University and fifth in the NAIA national poll.

"Each year our team must create its own identity," said Brew. "We can't live on what previous teams have accomplished. However, I believe that this team is equally as talented as any other team in our program history. Time will tell how good we can be, but I like our prospects of having another great season in 2010."

"It's exciting to be recognized as one of the premier programs in the NAIA," Brew allowed. "However, with that success and ranking, we must work even harder to maintain our status among the top programs. With the new post-season format, the NAIA Poll's have more meaning than ever. When you start at the top, you get the first shot to maintain that level and increase your opportunities for post-season play."



Tanner Moore (36) looks to lead Flames back to NAIA College World Series.

Volleyball Squad Reaches Final Four

Kevin Hudson Wins Inaugural Assistant Coach of the Year Award

It was a history-making year (2009) for the Lee University volleyball team. As expected, the Lady Flames captured another Southern States Athletic Conference regular season and tournament title. Coach Andrea Hudson's squad hosted and defeated Freed-Hardeman University in the opening round of the NAIA National Tournament, and then became the first Lee volleyball team to reach the Final Four of the NAIA Tournament.

It was a disappointed but proud group of Lee volleyballers that dropped a five-set thriller to Georgetown (Ky.) in the national championship semi-final round. Overall, Lee posted a 38-6 mark. The Lady Flames capped off the exciting week in Sioux City by being named the NAIA Volleyball Champion of Character team. Coach Hudson's squad became the first Lee athletic program to achieve the award.

Lee assistant volleyball coach Kevin Hudson, was named the NAIA's inaugural AVCA NAIA National As-

sistant Coach of the Year winner. The AVCA formally presented the awards at the 2009 Jostens Coaches Honors Luncheon in Tampa, Fla., on Dec. 17.

Kevin joined his wife and head coach Andrea guiding Lee to new heights during the past season. Andrea describes her husband as the team's "co-coach." Kevin has been by Andrea's side for 18 of her 19 years as Lee's volleyball coach. They have never had a losing season, won over 40 matches four times, and claimed over 30 victories eight years. All totaled, the Hudsons have combined for 606 wins against just 199 defeats. The twosome have combined for 14 conference championships and taken eight teams to the NAIA National Tournament. "All of the wins belong to both of us," stressed Andrea. "It also represents so many wonderful young ladies we have had the privilege to coach and watch their refusal to lose over the last 18 years."

Starr Receives Communications Honor

The 2009 Cleveland Media Association Excellence in Communications Award was presented to George Starr last December. Starr, who is director of sports information for Lee, is also Torch sports editor and has been the "Voice of the Flames" for more than 20 years.

Starr was recognized by the CMA for his "demonstrated excellence in print and broadcast media for much of his lifetime . . . more than four decades."

Starr's enthusiasm for sports has been life-long. Throughout his childhood he played baseball, basketball and football and played baseball at Tennessee Wesleyan College.

Starr began his journalism career in 1968 at the Daily-Post Athenian in Athens, Tenn., and continued at the Chattanooga News-Free Press as a reporter. He served as sports editor, then managing editor and ultimately executive editor of the Cleveland Daily Banner for more than 20 years.

While working in other news-writing jobs, Starr would take time off to travel with Lee University teams and broadcast their games. His love for sports and the university finally landed him a full-time position at Lee more than 20 years ago.

Starr's nominator for the award described him as a "pioneer" in the area of sports information who has "set the bar" by building one of the top collegiate sports information departments in the state.

Starr's other honors and awards include induction into the Bradley County Sports Hall of Fame, Lee University Athletic Hall of Fame and the Greater Chattanooga Sports Hall of Fame. His work has also earned him awards for his sports reporting, including an NAIA "Excellence in Publications" Award.

Lee University President Dr. Paul Conn said, "My own personal title for George Starr is 'The Hardest Working Man at Lee University.' I've never seen an individual who can turn out more high-quality work, day after day, than George. I have talked him out of retiring several times, and I'll do it again whenever he starts looking lovingly at Social Security. The man is a marvel."



Starr

Don't Quit in the Pit: Power to Turn Any Situation Around!

TV personality, speaker and author, **Danette Easterday Crawford '87** says at some point in our lives we have all faced challenges. Broken and shattered, we find ourselves feeling hopeless. The message of the author will strengthen faith and give encouragement to others, putting broken lives back together.

Don't Quit in the Pit is filled with personal accounts of actual life experiences that weave stories of exploitation and the determination to keep one's faith. Throughout the book Crawford shares her spiritual journey that will show others an amazing path to hope and blessings. The book shows strength and bravery that deals with worldly downfalls including addictions, suicide, divorce, and rejection.

"I am honored to be working with Whitaker House and grateful for this tremendous opportunity to encourage others by extending to them a rope of hope," says Crawford. "All of us, at one time or another, have been touched by hopelessness and despair. *Don't Quit in the Pit* will assure you that you have power to turn even the darkest situation around. Winners never quit and quitters never win. Be encouraged, because tough times don't last but tough people do."

Danette Joy Crawford founded Joy Ministries in 1989 and serves as the organization's president. Crawford's television ministry, *Joy in the Morning with Danette Crawford*, is syndicated reaching over 165 million homes each week in the U.S. and around the world.

Don't Quit in the Pit: Power to Turn Any Situation Around! will be in stores in March or on-line at www.joyministriesonline.org.

William Floyd Medlin '51 died on November 16, 2009, at his residence in Dahlonega, GA. He was 85 and a retired ordained minister in the Church of God. He is survived by his wife of 60 years, **Katie McLain Medlin '50**, daughters and sons-in-law: **Linda '69** and **Don Munn '72**, Denise and Mike Case, son and daughter-in-law: **Mark '92** and Cheryl Medlin, nine grandchildren and seven great-grand children. Donations can be made payable to the Lee University Annual Alumni Fund in memory of Floyd Medlin, Lee University, Office of Alumni Relations, PO Box 3450, Cleveland, TN 37320-3450.

Holley Hoyt Hance '57 is a retired school teacher and lives in Findlay, OH. He and his wife Esther have two daughters and nine grandchildren.

Alumni Authors Crawford Signs with Whitaker House

Terry A. '59 and **Lou Sharp Beaver '59** are retired and living in Peoria, AZ, after more than 50 years in ministry. The Beavers pastored 11 churches in seven states. They recently celebrated their 50th anniversary, have three children, eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Here, the two court on the front campus where Terry was selected "Most Likely to Succeed."



Joann Drews Patten '65 has been married to Bill for 15 years and between them they have five children and 12 grandchildren. The Pattens live in a small rural community in Arizona of about 500 people where they attend and are very active in the Tonto Basin Bible Church. Joann plans to retire from Safeway next year after 24 years of service.

Dwayne '68 and **Shari Newton McLuhan '68** are in full-time music ministry. Dwayne is worship and arts minister at Northridge Community Church in Sun City, AZ. Shari works in real estate and has a website, www.homesbyshari.com. They have a son and two daughters, **Tiffani McLuhan Reid '00** and **Farrah McLuhan Silva '00**.



Larry '75 and **Sue Brummett Perritte '—** live in Marietta, GA, where they are both retired. They recently took Torch to Hamilton, Bermuda, where Sue once lived. They have four grandchildren, including **Brandon Perritte** who graduated from Lee in 2009.

Deborah Cover Smith '79 lives in Cleveland, TN, where she has initiated a ministry called Hearts Set Free, for those dealing with sexual brokenness, and same sex attractions.

W. Dean McKinney '81 was recently hired as director of finance at Access America Transport near Chattanooga, TN. McKinney is a Certified Public Accountant with memberships in the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, the Tennessee Society of Certified Public Accountants and the Healthcare Financial Management Association. He and his wife, Cindy, and their two children reside in Ooltewah, TN.

Kimberly Smith Galluzzo '83 teaches pre-K in a public school system in Dayton, OH. She has one grown daughter. Kimberly says, "My life is like a road with many twists and turns, but with Christ as my Guide it is a pleasant and joyous trip!" Kimberly would love to hear from old friends at kgalluzzo@fuse.net.

Buddy Baird '90 recently moved with his family to Craig, CO, where he is pastor of the Ridgeview Church of God.

Lauryn Stewart Keller '90 lives outside Richmond, VA, with her husband and three daughters. She teaches 4th grade and recently achieved National Board Certification as a Middle Childhood Generalist.

Ralph Pearson '95 is married to Trinity Pearson and they have two daughters. The family lives in Hixson, TN, where Ralph is president and managing partner of The John Salley Soda Company. He is also a member of the board of directors for the 4th Quarter Foundation, a non-profit outreach to South Africa. The family attends North Chattanooga Church of God.

A Needle in a Haystack

By Perla Trevizo

(Editor's Note: Ray '69 and Joan Davis Conn '74 were working in Haiti when the devastating earthquake of January 12 struck the tiny nation. In the following article, used with permission by the Chattanooga Times Free Press, the Conns tell their story of why they were there and the days following the quake.)

Tracking down 450 children in earthquake-shattered Haiti is like looking for a needle in a haystack, a Cleveland, Tenn., resident said.

But Joan Conn said it's her duty.

"We are responsible for them," said Mrs. Conn, co-founder of the Cincinnati-based Jean Cadet Restavek Foundation. "We want to protect them, provide opportunities for them; it would be immoral for us to walk away."

Restaveks are Haitian children, usually between 5 and 15, who are unpaid servants, often given away by families who can't afford to raise them. The foundation identifies the children and works with owners to allow them to release the child to attend school, according to its Web site.

"When they join our program, we ask them what they hope for, most of them have no hope," Mrs. Conn said. "One little girl once told us, 'I just want to be human.'"

Out of 450 Restavek children the foundation has identified, helped educate and monitor, only 26 are accounted for since the Jan. 12 earthquake, Mrs. Conn said Tuesday. She is on a one-week visit to the United States and flies back to Haiti Thursday.

Of the 59 children in one school that collapsed, only five were found alive. Foundation workers assume the rest died.

None of the 18 others who were in another school that collapsed have been found.

But "it gives you hope to know you were able to find a few," Mrs. Conn said.

Steering between rubble and dead bodies being eaten by pigs on the streets of Port-au-Prince, the foundation's staff, including founder and former slave child Jean-Robert Cadet, drive through the neighborhoods and check in with the school directors, trying to find the children.

When the 7.0-magnitude earthquake struck Haiti, most of the children were in school. Mrs. Conn and the others don't know if the families who own the children took them with them to the countryside or if they are hurt in a hospital, lost or dead.

Their biggest fear, Mrs. Conn said, is that the devastation left by the earthquake will lead to human trafficking in which the children will be sold.

"They are the most vulnerable," said Mrs. Conn.

She, her husband, Ray, and son Clint arrived in Port-au-Prince on Jan. 8 for a three-week visit to work on several foundation programs, including an English program in the city of Port Salut.

The day the earthquake struck, Mrs. Conn had planned to stay in their apartment in the Hotel Montana — which was destroyed — but her husband persuaded her to join him in Port Salut, about four hours away.

It took them a couple of days to make it back to Port-au-Prince and assess the damage to the city and their programs. She said their apartment was gone, while their office in a compound in the neighborhood of Petionville survived.

While missionaries and other foreigners caught in the middle of the devastation returned home, the Conns decided to stay and help with the relief effort.

"We couldn't leave. We had ...," she said, pausing as tears fill her eyes.

"We had staff," she continued. "We had the children. Things are hard in Haiti already as it is."

The foundation has been able to feed the children and people in areas outside the Petionville compound thanks to a container full of blankets and 70,000 meals of rice, vegetables and soy protein that arrived the day of the earthquake.

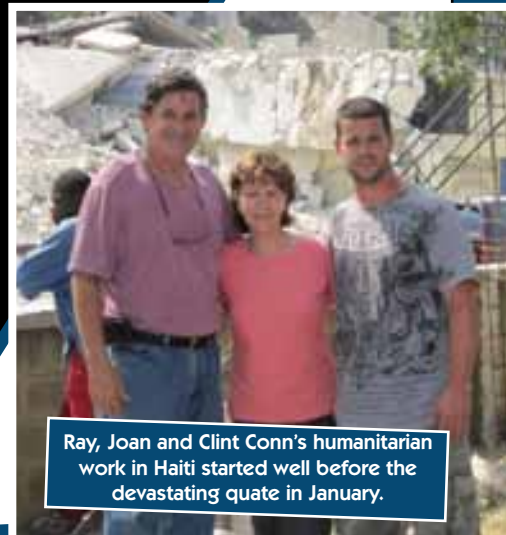
The foundation in Cincinnati donated the items in May and has tried to deliver them since. The container's arrival just in time is one of the many miracles the Conns said they've witnessed.

"We don't think it's a coincidence," said Desha Conn, the Conns' daughter, who is helping manage the foundation out of the Cincinnati office. "(The donations) are in areas where aid is not arriving."

While they continue to look for and ensure the safety of any potential child slave — often those who walk with their head down, dressed in rags and barefoot — they are helping rebuild area schools and walls around them to increase security, which Mrs. Conn believes is going to be a huge issue in weeks to come.

They also need tents and buildings to house the children and Haitians or Haitian-Americans who speak English and can work with them, she said.

"I know we can make an impact, especially for these kids who are so vulnerable and don't belong to anyone at this point," Miss Conn said.



Ray, Joan and Clint Conn's humanitarian work in Haiti started well before the devastating quake in January.

The Jean Cadet Restavek Foundation provides direct relief and education opportunities for children in Restavek, advocates for these children throughout Haiti and raises global awareness of this horrible system, which takes advantage of the poorest of the poor. Donations can be made at www.restavekfreedom.org or individuals can help raise relief funds by forming a group and inviting friends and family to help: www.restavekfreedom.org/event/restavek.

Ask Jessica Mancari just what inspired her to pursue a career with the U.S. House of Representatives and she might give you an odd answer – a television station and her father.

Mancari's love of communications was initially sparked by an elementary school field trip to a local television station, intensified by an elective communications course she took during her senior year at Thomas Dale High School. Growing up with an Army dad gave her a desire to serve her country.

"Coming to Capitol Hill was a perfect way to marry those two passions – communications and American government," says Mancari, who now serves as communications director for Congressman J. Randy Forbes.



Mancari with Congressman Forbes

Mancari's political career began with the Village News, thanks to an article calling for interns at Congressman Forbes' office. "My mom came to me one day and she had known that I was looking for a summer job, but I didn't want to do what I'd done in the past – working in a restaurant," explains Mancari. "I wanted to do something more career-focused and that I could use after graduation. When I was home on summer

break and got a copy of the Village News, my mom said Congressman Forbes was looking for interns and that I should apply."

Though she didn't expect to land the position, Mancari soon found herself working in Forbes' Colonial Heights offices for the summer. "It's kind of gone from there!" she says. After her summer in Colonial Heights, Mancari also worked as a press intern in Forbes' Washington, DC, office before landing a full-time administrative position after graduating from Lee University in 2006.

While Mancari is no stranger to the competitive nature of some staffers in Washington, she doesn't share their sentiments. "There are some people who come just to work for Congress – they call it 'climbing Capitol Hill,'" she says. "After working with Congressman Forbes in college, I was interested in coming to D.C., to work for my Member of Congress."

Mancari's job as communications director is fulfilling both on professional and personal levels. Visiting Capitol Hill to see its inner workings and communications directors in action, she knew that she'd found her calling. "I'm very fortunate to be not only a communications director, but to work for Congressman Forbes. That's my dream job," she says. "Randy is someone who I respect – not only as my boss, but personally, in his priorities, his convictions, his honesty. He's not just my boss; he's a role model for me. I feel very fortunate to work for someone I respect so much."

In addition, working with her Member of Congress allows Mancari to retain a personal connection to the issues he works on. She says, "When he secures funding for the I-295 Meadowville Interchange, I understand on a personal level how important it is to the region. When the building in Chester Village collapsed, I felt the same sense of shock as individuals from that area. When our office gets an appearance request for the Thomas Dale-Bird game, I know it's not the typical high school football game!"

Informing Constituents

By Elyse Reel, Village News On-Line

Unsurprisingly, however, one of the biggest issues facing Forbes' office at the moment is the health care debate. "The Congressman has really tried to put an emphasis on meeting constituents where they're at," explains Mancari. "Right now, our plan has been to use the internet and social networking sites to reach people." Forbes' blog and Facebook page allow him to post comments and ideas and gives constituents a chance to reply back. "He has said that we can have differing opinions, but we should have a discussion about the issues," Mancari says. "This is what he's tried to create through Facebook, his blog, and other online resources."

As communications director, Mancari makes it a priority to stay in communication with Forbes; her status as the Congressman's spokesperson means knowing his thoughts and feelings on the issues is extremely important. In order to stay abreast of the ever-changing news tide, Mancari finds herself in the office at 7:30 or 8 a.m., scanning the news and sending press clips to Forbes and members of the Congressional staff. "I work directly with Randy to see what he wants to be sharing and communicating that day," says Mancari. "That includes the information for his website, what he wants to say at events he's speaking at, and what resources he wants to make available for constituents." The workload means that she doesn't find herself heading home until 7 p.m., but also allows each day to be a new experience. "You can guess what's coming down the pike, but you can never be sure until it actually gets there," she explains.

Though her long-term goals include possibly opening a private public relations firm, for now, Mancari is content where she is. "I love my job!" she enthuses. "I enjoy seeing the potential in things – ideas, messages, and people – and how best to reach that potential. I think as long as I'm doing that, I'll be happy."

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Torch Travels



Iris LaBine '09, David LaBine '82, Louise Fowler Pruitt '46, Teresa Hamilton Burns '74, Sharon Champion Burgess '92 and Nancy Champion LaBine '81 read Torch in Busnell, FL, at the Dade Battlefield Historic State Park where everyone gathered for a reunion of the Louise's descendants.

Massawe Collie '09, Sam Stallings '01 and Rachel Hacman '09 show off Torch in China, the land of their ministry and employment, English Language Institute/China (ELIC). Massawe is serving in Changchun, Jilin, Sam is in Beijing, while Rachel serves in Nanchang, Jiangxi.



Former Student Donates Kidney to Former Professor



Hoover



George

A former Lee faculty member and a Lee graduate who was his student are both reporting "textbook" results from a recent kidney transplant experience. **Dr. Bill George '62**, who taught at Lee 1971-76 and 1984-92, was the recipient of a kidney donated by **Phil Hoover '85** of Chicago.

After kidney failure in August 2007, Dr. George underwent kidney dialysis three times weekly for almost two years, until another former student, **Dr. Fred Garmon '80**, volunteered to donate a kidney. After a complication prevented the donation, Garmon placed on the social networking site, Facebook, an announcement: "Find a Kidney for Bill George."

Coincidentally, or providentially, as Phil and Dr. George express it, Phil had signed up for Facebook the day before the announcement appeared. When he read it, he prayed, "Father, surely in this big family, You have someone who can give a kidney." Immediately Phil sensed that the Lord was saying to him, "You are a match," and he got in touch with Dr. George.

After several months of tests, delays and more tests, the surgery took place at the University of Alabama Medical Center on October 28, 2009. Phil's kidney was removed by laparoscopic surgery, and he was walking three hours after the procedure, discharged from the hospital three days later, and was back in Chicago a week afterwards. Phil, a Huntsville, Ala. native and 10-year Air Force veteran, said he is doing "wonderfully well" and his "bodily functions are perfectly normal."

In addition to Garmon and Hoover, six other students offered on Facebook to become donors. Dr. George said he was "touched and overwhelmed by the thoughtfulness and generosity" of the students he had taught. "There probably are not too many schools like Lee where students would respond as these have done," he observed.

Dr. George has returned to his work at Church of God World Missions and suffers no ill effects. His doctors have stated that his surgery was "a textbook case," and his recovery is "right on schedule."



Jeremiah
Pierce '02 and
Chad Love '02
with Torch off
the island of
Anegada in the
British Virgin
Islands on their
Beneteau 39.3.

Jacobs Establishes Mentoring Institute

Judy Jacobs Tuttle '86 is

known primarily as a soulful worshipper, but since establishing *His Song Ministries* in 1989, Judy has broadened her ministry influence far beyond singing. She has several CD projects to her credit, including her latest soon-to-be-released project, *Judy Jacobs Live*. She has authored three best-selling books: *Take It by Force*, *Stand Strong*, and *Don't Miss Your Moment*. In addition to hosting a television program, *Judy Jacobs Now!*, she travels to local churches and international conferences to spread the gospel.

Judy credits her accomplishments to a strong Christian heritage and godly mentors. As the youngest of 12 children born to Native American parents in North Carolina, Judy has a significant heritage of strong, spiritual women through her grandmother, mother, and sisters. As she explains in her book, *Don't Miss Your Moment*, "Seeing my parents' commitment to prayer and fasting gave me a hunger and desire for the things of God."

While attending Lee University, Judy met a lifelong mentor in Danny Murray while singing and traveling with *Harvest* for six years. "Over the last 30 years, I have watched a vivacious college singer turn into a refined wife, mother, and minister whose message has touched millions," Murray said. "Judy gets it right. She doesn't try to get God to endorse her ideas; instead, she fasts and prays until she hears the will of God and then carries it out with all her might."

With a passion to help others fulfill their dreams and callings, Judy launched the International Institute of Mentoring (IIOM), which offers a twelve-month program of mentoring through on-campus workshops and conferences along with on-line networking and learning opportunities. "We have to equip and impart into men and women to 'Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel.' That's what this mentoring institute is all about." To house the IIOM, Judy and His Song Ministries dedicated a new multi-purpose center last fall in Cleveland, Tenn.

Judy's desire to reach the world for Christ is proven in her mentoring of pastors and leaders from more than six other nations through IIOM as well as crusades. Her ministry also supports orphanages in Honduras and Mozambique. Judy is also the only Native American female who has the status of nongovernmental officer in the UN. This prestigious status allows her to enter any country as a nongovernmental officer to bring hope, help, and encouragement to those who need it most.

Judy says, "I want to be known as a worshipper of the true and living God. I want to be known as a prayer warrior who saw the face of God who walked as Enoch did, as someone who was obedient to the call of God on her life. I want to be known as a woman of integrity, a woman of godly character, of godly purity and to leave a legacy of faith and hope. I want to be known as a world changer and a history maker – a woman who sought hard after God. I want it to be said of me – she pleased God."



Jimmy '98 and Rachael Whitmer Martin '00 welcomed their second daughter on September 25, 2009, Margaret Faith Martin. The Martins both work in Chattanooga, TN, in banking. Rachael works for SunTrust Bank as the regional credit portfolio manager for the Eastern Tennessee Region and Jimmy works for First Tennessee Bank as a commercial portfolio manager.



Adrian Matthew Tejada '98 received a master of public administration degree from Troy State University a year after graduating from Lee. He then joined the U.S. Army and became a commissioned officer. He and his wife, Evelyn, recently returned from his second tour in Afghanistan and they are now stationed in Okinawa, Japan.

Travis Towne '99, '00M is presently serving as an Aviation Operations Specialist in Al Kut, Iraq, with the Arizona Army National Guard 2-285th AV BN from Phoenix, AZ. Travis prepares to load onto a CH-47 for training in Tallil, Iraq.



Michaela Rose Barno '00 is living in Mililani, HI, where she and her husband are stationed at the Army's Schofield Barracks, where he is a brigade dentist. The Barnos just welcomed their first child, Grayson Michael Barno, on December 28, 2009. Michaela says, "I'm blessed to be a stay-at-home mother for my sweet new son. We will be here until 2012, so get in touch if you make it to O'ahu!"



Sean '00 and Carrie Beth Lambert '00 (right) live in Peru where Sean works for the U.S. Embassy. Carrie's brother Erik Kemerling '96 and his wife, Kristin, recently paid them a visit and brought along a Torch magazine.



Jared Dupert '00 is married, has three daughters and is living in Sioux Falls, SD, where he is in ministry at a church as the youth and young adult pastor.

Matthew Phelps '00 married Rebecca Brown on October 16, 2009, in Chattanooga, TN. Matthew works for Life Care Centers of America in Cleveland, TN.

Hoyt Lee Knox Jr. '01 died November 19, 2009 at his residence in Etowah, TN. He was 39. Survivors include his mother, two brothers and sisters-in-law, grandmother, nieces and nephews.

Kristen Keller Ross '01 is a homemaker and lives in Colorado Springs, CO, with her husband, Ramsey, their son and newborn daughter, Corrine Elise, born in August 2009.



Kathryn Barton Donev '02, 'M05 and her husband, Dr. Dony Donev, are living and active in ministry in Bulgaria.



Charles Riley '02 is living near Raleigh, NC, where he is coaching and teaching. He is married to Kristin Stone.

letters

Words cannot express how much I appreciate and enjoyed the totally obvious thought and hard work you (Delta Zeta Tau) undertook to make our 45th reunion such a memorable and moving experience. The beautifully appointed breakfast "banquet" with all the memorabilia, multimedia presentations and bios, and designated little sisters, made the morning so special to me. I particularly enjoyed leafing through the "decade" scrapbook. Seeing my husband's first car on those pages, the '61 Buick we all were so diligently scrubbing at our car wash fund-raiser, reminded me of the heartfelt connection we had between campus and community, camaraderie and service.

In bringing old memories and old friends together, you also created new memories in an incredible venue for us to make new friends and cross generational bridges! I believe three decades were represented at our table, and we laughed about and shared "the way it was in our day." I had the honor of "explaining" what Mum was, and that, yes, "they" were really named The Armpits and performed on campus. I will always cherish the memory of sitting at the same table with newly-discovered sisters and of helping each other cry as we watched wave after wave of emotion wash over my new friend's face (Melissa Key!) as her biography was read for Alumna of the Year.

I have attached a picture of my twin sister, who is a Sigma charter member, and myself, taken at the flag football game Saturday afternoon.

Maybe in forty-five years, you will understand how I feel; until then, just know how treasured those moments together this past weekend are for me, now and for years to come. Thank you all from the bottom of my heart for all you have done, do now, and will do to make our world a better place to live, to love and to serve. You are indeed, "the Lovely Ladies in Red"

All my love and gratitude, continuing to serve,

Glenda Cannada '69 (ΔZT Tap 5)



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Aubre Hendel '03 married Scott Cole in August 2009 and the newlyweds live in Hamilton, OH, where Aubre is a guidance counselor.

Jessica Butts '04 is ministering as a youth pastor in Panama City Beach, FL, at Lighthouse to the Nations. Jessica says, "God is doing amazing things in Panama City Beach!"

Justin Watson '04 lives in Aberdeen, WA, with his wife, Allison and their two children. Justin works as a private therapist.

Emily Loftis '05 recently finished a master's degree in journalism at Indiana University. She is currently working as a news reporter at WFIU, the Bloomington, IN, affiliate of National Public Radio.

James White '08 recently completed U.S. Navy

basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, IL. During the eight-week program, White completed a variety of training which included classroom study and practical instruction on naval customs, first aid, firefighting, water safety and survival, and shipboard and aircraft safety. An emphasis was also placed on physical fitness. The capstone event of boot camp is "Battle Stations". This exercise gives recruits the skills and confidence they need to succeed in the fleet. "Battle Stations" is designed to galvanize the basic warrior attributes of sacrifice, dedication, teamwork and endurance in each recruit through the practical application of basic Navy skills and the core values of Honor, Courage and Commitment. Its distinctly "Navy" flavor was designed to take into account what it means to be a sailor.

Branden Crook '09 is a case manager for the Bradley County (TN) juvenile behavioral unit.

Lee Alum Wins Emmy®

Jordan Lee '07 won an Emmy® Award for his involvement with the design of a project with ESPN.com. He received the award in New York City last year at the 30th Annual Sports Emmy® Awards in the category of "Outstanding New Approaches - Short Format."

"I am very honored to receive such an incredible award," Lee said. "I always pour my heart into everything I do. My hard work and dedication to doing what I love has been recognized, and for that, I am really grateful."

The title of the project was "No Love Lost" and presented videos of a century of Chicago Cubs baseball in a new and innovative way. Each video featured a person from every decade of the past 100 years telling their stories about being Cubs fans. Billy Corgan, lead singer of the Smashing Pumpkins, is featured as one of the people in the project relating his Cubs experience.

Lee worked in collaboration with ESPN and a design studio with whom he was contracted. According to Lee, the design aspect of the web project took about 30 hours to complete.

"I worked heavily on the design surrounding the video presentation," Lee said. "The idea was to implement the videos with the famous Wrigley Field scoreboard."

Lee, originally from Marysville, WI, won the Emmy® as one of the coordinating producers and sole web designer on the project. Winners in 32 were honored.

The Sports Emmy® Award recognizes outstanding achievement by individuals and programs broadcast throughout the 2008 calendar year. A graduate of Lee University's Department of Communication and the Arts, Lee is currently working as a designer for web and print in the Seattle area. Along with design, he also offers his clients PR campaigns and brand management solutions. His work can be viewed at www.jordanwlee.com.

"I look forward to my future in design and communications. I hope this award will open new doors for me and that I can make a lasting impact by helping others in the world through my passion of art and design."

"No Love Lost" can be viewed at the following URL: <http://sports.espn.go.com/espn/eticket/story?page=cubs100>.



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