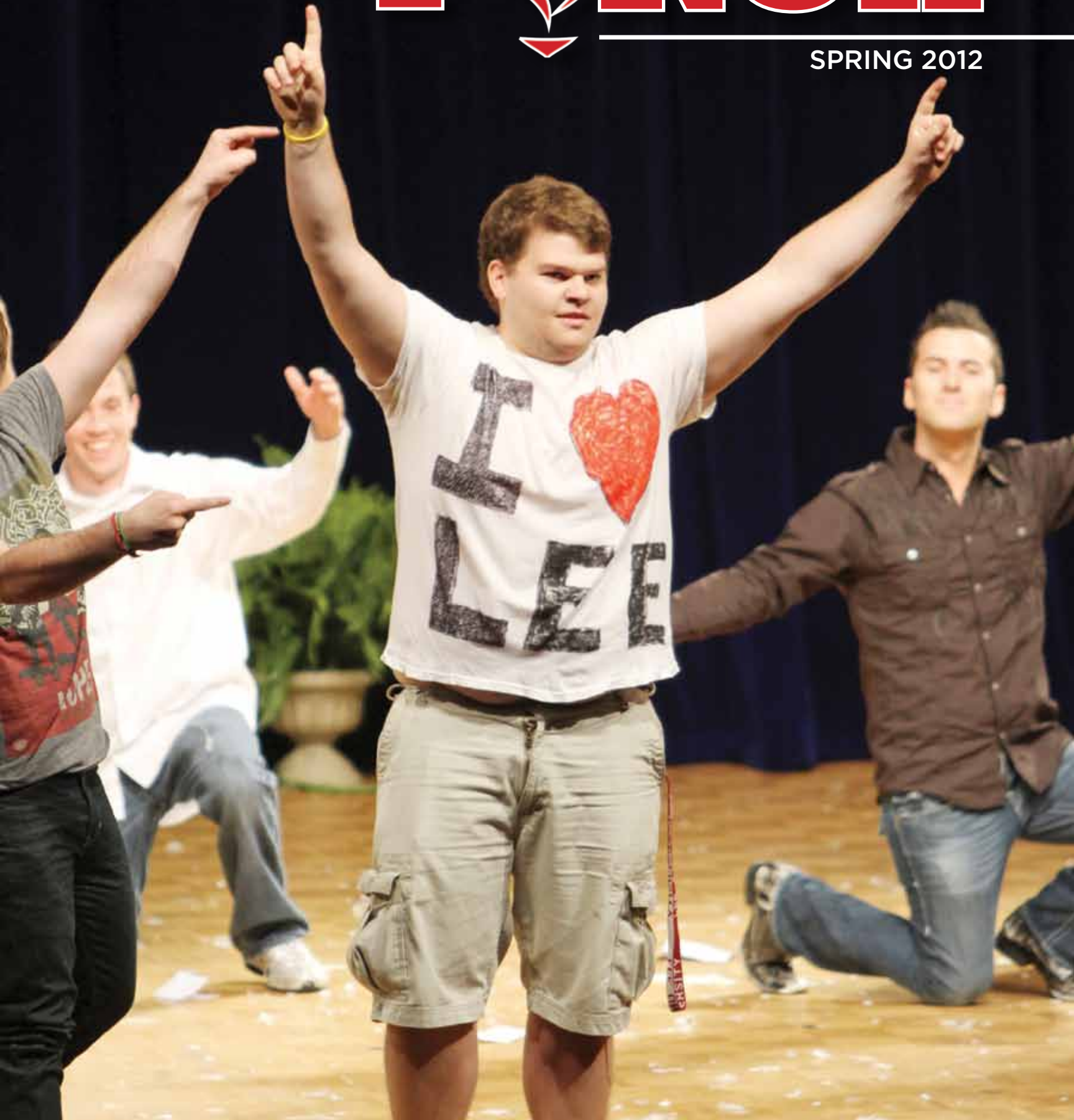


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Lee University: Job Creator

Lee's growth has created opportunities for new offices, departments, and careers which have changed the face of a Lee University experience. *By Cameron Fisher*

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Lee students no longer have to settle for purchasing their textbooks. A changing market now offers students a choice in how they acquire their texts, including electronically.

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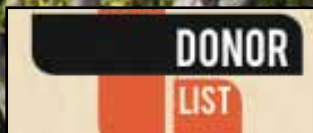
This is the time of year when Lee University recognizes those who have given so generously to improve the quality of the product delivered to the student.

Soccer Gets the "4-Peat"

The Lady Flames soccer team accomplished the unprecedented when they captured a fourth straight national title.

Saying "I Do" in the New Chapel

Two weddings, chock-full of Lee alumni marked the first weekend of weddings held in the new Lee University Chapel.



Use your smartphone to scan this QR code and connect to the Lee University home page.

OPENING THOUGHTS: Dr. Paul Conn

In early September 1963, I enrolled as a nervous seventeen-year-old freshman at Lee College. In those days, Lee had a first-night worship service called "Formal Opening." There was actually nothing particularly formal about it; it was just an opening chapel service with a little music and a sermon by a guest speaker.

The speaker that night was a young pastor from Atlanta, Paul L. Walker, who was then barely in his thirties, and when he preached to that crowd of eager students, he served up a blend of style, passion, and intelligence which I had never seen or heard before. I still remember his topic that night, and the way he lit up the old Lee Auditorium. What I didn't know, couldn't know, was that that he would become one of the most important people in my life – a mentor, friend, role model -- and that forty-nine years later, as he celebrated his 80th birthday, he would have created a legacy as one of the most important individuals alive in the development of the Lee University which both of us love.

Walker was a Lee student in 1949-51. He was one of those campus stars who did everything: president of the student body and the honor society, played piano and trumpet for the college choir, starred in intramural basketball, and his classmates officially voted him "Mr. Lee College" (yes, they actually did that kind of thing back in the 50's.) Later, as a young minister, he served on the Lee alumni board, and returned to campus often to preach in chapel and convocations. As his ministry matured, he was appointed to the Board of Directors, then became Chairman of the Board, and ultimately, while he was the chief executive of the Church of God denomination, he served as the official liaison between the denomination and the president's office.

More important than any of those official roles, however, was Walker's spiritual and intellectual impact on my generation of leaders, and the next generation after us. For thousands of us, he became the voice we trusted within our denomination. Starting that fall night in 1963, I began to see the church through the lens of Paul Walker's vision, and it was a positive, powerful vision of change and faithfulness which shaped our generation in a deep and permanent way.

As an institution, Lee University has never slipped off Paul Walker's radar screen. He has always vigorously advanced its interests, and as pastor of the Mount Paran Church of God, was always first to step up to support Lee financially. The institution has always recognized and honored his loyalty; he was named Distinguished Alumnus of the Year in 1983 and was awarded an honorary Doctor of Letters degree in 1989. His wife Carmelita and he watched their son Paul Dana graduate from Lee, and later dedicated the athletic arena in his memory. Another son, Dr. Mark Walker, currently serves on the Board of Directors. One grandchild is already a Lee grad; another is a current student. In one way or another, Lee has always been part of their lives.

Last month, Dr. Paul L. Walker turned eighty. He was determined to pass that milestone as quietly as possible, so there were no big parties or celebrations. To those of us who saw him in his prime, who watched him challenge the status quo of an entrenched denomination, who listened as he threw off thunderbolts from a hundred pulpits – to us, it will never really matter if he is 80 or 180, he will always be the man who made us care deeply about our church and Lee University, and who showed us how profoundly one person can make a difference.

Today, as I watch and pray over 4400 Lee students, I ask God to give them, like he gave me, men and women they can follow – leaders of integrity, courage, and love for God. People like that are ageless.

Paul Walker

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Programs and careers are created from Lee University's success. by Cameron Fisher

To succeed, basic business principles dictate a concentration first on a bottom line of meeting the basic needs of a business or retail establishment. When the business grows and prospers, it allows for better services, more opportunities for diversity, a freedom to be creative in product offerings—and—the creation of new jobs.

For colleges and universities, the same basic principles apply. Keeping the doors of the classrooms open, employing competent faculty, and offering basic student services are the staples of a college experience. When an institution is able to move beyond the "staples" to a higher level of performance, creativity, and student offerings, the value of the educational dollar goes up dramatically.

Over the last two decades, Lee University has been blessed to look beyond that proverbial "bottom line," to an unprecedented place in its history. A student body, quadruple in size from just a quarter century ago coupled with the generosity of friends and alumni, has allowed for new programs, which also launches careers as new positions are birthed to accomplish the expanded mission.

Facilities Management

Josh York is a great example.

Hired in 2003, Josh is director of Facilities Management. The position has evolved from the original post of house manager for the Conn Center. In 1992, the Dixon Center was built and added to the portfolio. Today, the director of Facilities Management includes Conn and Dixon Centers, Squires Recital Hall, and most recently the Lee University chapel. The position also includes technical support for the Church Street Annex auditorium—the former First Baptist Church.

"Without this office, we would not have the ability to provide quality support for important events like Chapel, Convocation, U-Church, Lee Day, Homecoming, and so much more," York stated. "I have been blessed to be given the opportunity to work with leadership at Lee that encourages and strives for excellence on a daily basis."

Music Events and Special Projects

Nadine Goff came to Lee in 1999 as assistant to the dean of the Curtsinger School of Music after retiring from teaching public school for 22 years. Not expecting to launch a second career, it wasn't long until growth of the School of Music and the increase in number of performance events, caused Nadine's position to change to director of Music Events and Special Projects. The job includes a plethora of responsibilities involved with promoting and managing Lee University music performance events. These include the Presidential Concert Series and Squires Hall Series, large and small ensemble concerts, guest artist events, student junior and senior recitals, and any other event scheduled through the School of Music that is classified as a music performance event. In addition, there are numerous retreats, special dinners for music personnel or students, preparation for annual accreditation visits, and managing logistics for events hosted by the School of Music.

"Music, both classical and sacred, has been such an integral part of Lee University that there are few lives on campus that have not been touched by the many sounds of it emanating from the School of Music and the impressive list of guest artists hosted by the University," Goff stated.



Students assist installing a playground at a local school.

A part of Nadine Goff's portfolio is coordinating student recitals for music majors



Leonard Center

The Leonard Center serves as the clearinghouse for Lee's service-learning program. The team serves students and faculty in developing meaningful service opportunities and provides oversight to the student food bank, Campus Kitchen, and a service council comprised of student-led outreach organizations such as Crossover and The Backyard.

William B. Lamb is director of the Leonard Center. Appointed in 2010, he has been with the program since 2003 when he came to Lee as director of field experiences.

"The Leonard Center has positively affected the Lee culture," Lamb said. "It provides a platform for the Lee community to teach the ideals of service to others as a human responsibility."



The Office of Global Perspectives coordinates the dozens of travel abroad opportunities offered for students each year.

Graduate Enrollment

A burgeoning graduate program prompted **Vicki A. Glasscock** to return to Lee in 2006 to assume the newly created role of director of Graduate Enrollment. The office works with each of the graduate program deans and directors in the areas of graduate admissions, recruitment, marketing, and promotion. In addition, the office coordinates graduate recruitment events, recruitment training, marketing plans and promotional materials, coordinates graduate scholarships, and assists in the establishment of graduate admissions policies and procedures. Since the creation of the office in 2006, graduate enrollment has experienced continuous growth with an overall increase of 37 percent.

Global Perspectives

Beth Thompson serves in the office of Global Perspectives. Lee offers 25-30 Global Perspectives trips annually, led by credentialed faculty as economical and rewarding cross-cultural experiences. Every student must complete an academic cross-cultural experience to graduate. Since the inception of this requirement, Lee has become a national leader in study-abroad programming. The Global Perspectives Program is responsible for making these opportunities not just available, but consistently diverse, practical, and impactful. "As faith-based educators, we have an ethical responsibility to demonstrate for students that there are other ways of knowing and thinking and to carefully structure and encourage opportunities for them to learn in diverse settings," Thompson stated. "Through Global Perspectives, thousands of Lee students have had their lives transformed, many of whom are now teaching and working around the globe."

Employee Benefits

Jason Herndon is the Employee Benefits coordinator at Lee. Because of Lee's growth and success, the university is able to offer expanded benefits programs to many more employees. Managing the task has become a full-time job. Jason's area of focus is ensuring Lee employees are properly informed of and enrolled in benefits plans as they become eligible and that those plans are administered within various legal and carrier guidelines. Additionally, the office delivers the university wellness program, HealthQuest, working with the director of Human Resources to improve processes and address issues brought to HR's attention. "The area of benefits administration is one that offers a tangible opportunity to provide service to most university employees," Jason stated. "To be offering something that is going to help them in their personal lives is very rewarding."

Event Planning

Student enrollment growth has meant new dormitories to house them and classrooms to educate them. Along with these improvements came new and upgraded facilities, attracting student groups from across the nation to attend summer camps. As director of Event Planning, **Kim Brooks** has supervised the hosting of these camps, while covering events in multiple areas and venues on campus during the school year. The office also coordinates, clears, and confirms all classroom and public space on campus. Kim says, "Having input and involvement in so many different events across campus is both challenging and fulfilling. It is a blessing to be part of the signature moments on campus that makes this such a very special place. When you are able to do what you enjoy as your assignment, it never truly feels like a job... it feels more like a reward."

Summer Camps. Kim Brooks coordinates summer camps that bring in more than 10,000 students.

Early Learning Center (ELC)

A growing and more diverse staff and faculty—including employees of all ages and stages of life—prompted the establishment of the Early Learning Center. **Alicia Klepper**, director of Child Care, has been in the position for five and a half years. The ELC, or Early Learning Center, is a wall-to-wall, state-certified, full-time childcare operation that serves children of Lee University faculty and staff. The oversight of 56 children from infancy to preschool is carried out with special attention to educational programming and is located in the Church Street Annex, a facility perfectly suited for this purpose. "Our goal at the ELC is to bring a level of care which is second to none to these littlest members of the Lee family," Alicia said, "and to do it efficiently, affordably, and cheerfully. We serve families in all parts of the university structure, and so our thread is truly woven through the whole cloth. Investing in children is our calling here, and for those children and parents that we serve, we feel our work makes a big difference."

Center for Calling & Career

A generation ago, Lee students visited the counseling and testing office to begin exploration of a career field beyond the walls of Lee College. Today, the Center for Calling & Career exists to provide resources for students, faculty and staff to examine their strengths and discover a clearer sense of their calling. The CC&C provides a developmental approach to making career decisions through StrengthsQuest, a revolutionary program that allows students to focus on their strengths rather than weaknesses. The departmental founding scripture is Ephesians 2:10: For we are all God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do (NIV). Director **Stacy Ballinger** says, "Top achievers understand their talents and strengths, and build their lives upon them. . . . I believe everyone has a vocational passion waiting to be unleashed. (The) goal is to encourage students to discover that passion."



Campus Recreation

After-hours activities for students are one of those "staples" of college life, but the lack thereof can make or break a student's experience. As Lee's enrollment skyrocketed, so did the demand for more intramural softball leagues, ping-pong tournaments, workout areas, and the staff to handle it all. Director of Campus Recreation **Kevin Hudson** started in 1995 with such tasks as coordinating intramural tournaments. Today, the office employs a full-time intramural coordinator, as well as a facilities coordinator for the many recreational venues that have sprung up in the last 20 years.

"We handle all things recreational," Kevin says. These include outdoor adventures, intramural sports, group and personal fitness, and sports clubs. In addition to the programs, Kevin and his staff oversee the DeVos Recreation Center, DeVos Tennis Center, Souther Field, Operations Field, and the Carroll Court Recreation Field.

"Healthier people are happier people," Hudson says. "We provide both structured and informal opportunities for our campus community to enhance their personal fitness. Our intramural sports program has become one of the premier programs in the region, comparable to many larger universities. It connects our students and provides a great outlet physically and socially."



Angeline and her staff place tent cards on seats to direct faculty and graduates.

Office of Academic Events

Gone are the days at Lee when the academic dean and his/her staff easily ordered robes and diplomas for a handful of students who crossed the stage once a year to receive their degrees. While the spring commencement is still a highlight of the academic year, two other full-blown weekends of pomp and circumstance are part of the Lee calendar. And it takes a full-time person to coordinate it all.

Angeline McMullin is in charge of the Office of Academic Events where she plans every aspect of three graduation ceremonies in May, July, and December. Multiple offices report back to Academic Events to ensure every

aspect of a given ceremony runs smoothly. There's the initial academic clearance, followed by printed programs, and final stage preparations. In addition, the office coordinates other academic events throughout the year, such as conferences, seminars, and meetings, and supervises the editing and publishing of the academic catalog and general core handbook.

"Commencement is like a beautiful concert, and our office serves as conductor of the orchestra," McMullin mused. "We feel the weight of the responsibility, but we are honored to serve and help create that perfect day for our graduates."

While every academic, social, and business aspect of the Lee University experience is vital, this cross-section of offices established and careers created through Lee's success demonstrates how far Lee has progressed in the world of collegiate academia.

Gigi Graham, center, cuts the ribbon to Billy Graham Avenue, surrounded by dignitaries, including President and Mrs. Conn, right. Medlin Hall in background.



Cleveland Mayor Tom Rowland, right, presents a replica of the street sign to Gigi Graham during the luncheon.

Campus Street Dedicated as Billy Graham Avenue

Virginia "Gigi" Graham, the eldest daughter of world-famous evangelist Billy Graham, was a special guest on the Lee campus on February 24 for the official dedication of Billy Graham Avenue.

The street, which borders a portion of the north side of the Lee campus from Parker to Ocoee streets, is only the fifth in the United States to be sanctioned by the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association to carry the name.

Graham represented her father for the ceremony where a ribbon was cut on three blocks of the former 15th Street, which was renamed four years ago. A young Billy Graham was a student at Bob Jones College in 1936 when its campus was located in Cleveland, on the current Lee campus. Evangelist Graham has written about his brief time at Bob Jones as a period when he worked at a downtown shoe store, rededicated his life and call to ministry, and where he preached his first two sermons at nearby churches. Graham worshiped at Cleveland's First Presbyterian Church.

"Daddy had not been a Christian very long when he was enrolled here," Gigi Graham told a gathering of approximately 200 guests at a luncheon. "He has good memories of his time in Cleveland, such as the wonderful hospitality of the community." Ms. Graham referred to some difficult times her father encountered while he was a student at Bob Jones. In his writings, Graham refers to being in the president's office (Bob Jones) to tell the president of his intentions to transfer. The meeting took place in the same room where Lee University President Dr. Paul Conn's office is now located.

"God used some of the circumstances from here to shape my father's life and ministry," Ms. Graham concluded. "He began that journey of absolute faithfulness right here."

President Conn said Graham's time in Cleveland may have helped define the track his ministry would take.

"I believe his decision to leave Cleveland, transferring to a different college, expressed an attitude toward Christian ministry which played out in larger dimensions through-

out his life," Conn said. "He rejected what he apparently regarded as a too-confining fundamentalism at Bob Jones College in favor of a more expansive, evangelical approach. That way of understanding ministry, expressed in his simple decision to transfer from one college to another, became the defining characteristic of his career for the next three-quarters of a century."

Cleveland, Tennessee, Mayor Tom Rowland, and his wife, Sandra, hosted Gigi Graham during the two-day visit. It was Mayor Rowland who proposed the renaming of the street four years ago because of its proximity to Medlin Hall, formerly Bachelor Hall, the dormitory building where Graham lived when he was a student at Bob Jones. The Cleveland City Council unanimously passed the motion to rename the three-block section of street and new signs indicating the change were mounted in 2008. Since then, it has been a dream of Mayor Rowland to bring a member of the Graham family to Cleveland for a formal dedication.

The event was held in the Science and Math Complex at Lee, adjacent to Billy Graham Avenue. During the dedication, several gifts were presented to Ms. Graham, and a proclamation from the House of Representatives named February 24, 2012, "Billy Graham Day" in Tennessee.

Following the presentations, the crowd adjourned to the street where a ribbon was cut by Ms. Graham. Special music was provided by the Voices of Lee who sang a medley of tunes connected with Graham's ministry. The group concluded the outdoor ceremony with an a cappella rendition of "Just As I Am," perhaps the most recognizable hymn associated with the Billy Graham Crusades. Ms. Graham completed her visit with a walking tour through Medlin Hall, where she tentatively identified the room where her father lived, based on his recollections from 76 years ago.

Bible Training School relocated from Sevierville, Tennessee, in 1947 when Bob Jones College moved their campus to Greenville, South Carolina. It was then the name Lee College was adopted and remained until the institution was renamed Lee University in 1997.



Traditional textbooks have gone digital, offering interactive features, such as one-touch highlighting and videos that explain topics further, while still being portable on a tablet device (below) or laptop.

When it comes to purchasing textbooks, it wasn't long ago that Lee students had basically one option: buy your books down the street at the Pathway Bookstore. If you were lucky, you might find a gently used version for somewhat of a markdown, but more than likely, the choice was to pay full price. Then, if you were so inclined, once the semester was over, you might be able to sell it back at a greatly reduced price . . . if there was not going to be a revised edition next year.

The textbook industry is evolving, changing the way students choose, purchase, and consume their textbooks. In addition to the growing use of technology in the classroom, a disturbing trend, revealing that many students were foregoing buying any course materials in hopes of staying within a tight budget, demanded affordable alternatives. To help combat the rising cost of higher education and meet the needs of today's tech-savvy students, both rental and digital programs are now available on campus and online through the Lee University Bookstore.

Around the time of the opening of the Paul Conn Student Union in 2000, which included a new and improved campus store, Lee contracted with Follett Higher Education Group, a family-owned bookstore provider that has

operated for more than 137 years. Follett manages more than 950 bookstores nationwide and provides management systems, support services, and used textbooks to over 1,800 independently managed bookstores.

"Our key concern was making sure that students have access to the materials they need to succeed in the classroom," said Lee's vice president for Business and Finance, Chris Conine. "We partnered with Follett to provide an exceptional local, full-service campus store, which will cater to both our school and students' individual needs by providing an assortment of affordable options and convenient access in-store and online."

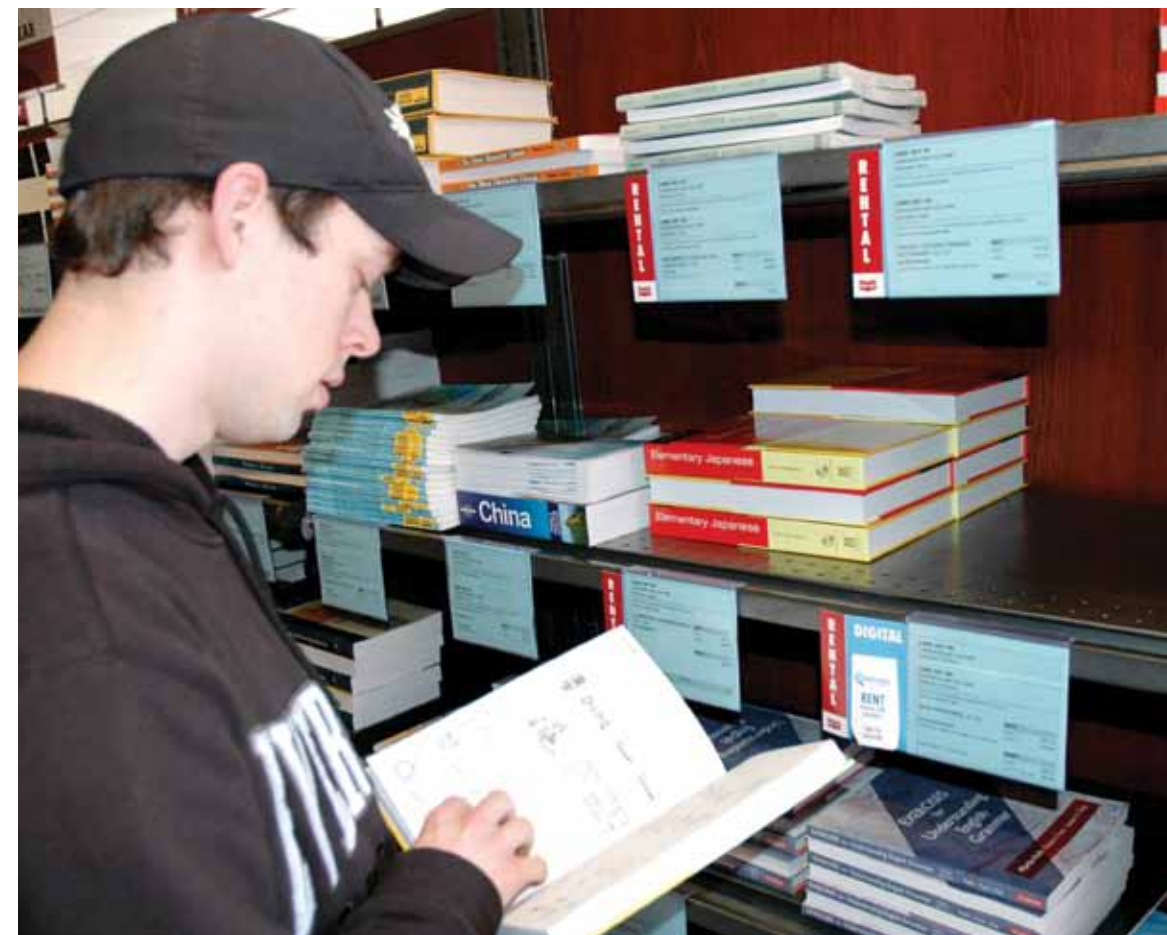
In addition to the largest selection of used textbooks in the industry, the Lee University Bookstore provides cost-saving programs like Follett Higher Education

Group's Rent-A-Text, the nation's largest textbook rental program, and the recently updated digital textbook platform CafeScribe®.

More students than ever are renting their textbooks with Rent-A-Text to take advantage of savings of, on average, 50 percent or more

compared to the price of a new textbook. Rent-A-Text is expected to save students in the U.S. and Canada more than \$200 million in the 2011-2012 academic year.

While a majority of students still prefer to purchase or



Lee sophomore Marcus Hartman of Nashville contemplates the choice between purchase, rental, or digital download at the Lee bookstore;

rent printed texts, Follett's CafeScribe® represents great savings of 40 to 60 percent off the cost of buying new . . . and a much lighter backpack to boot. The newest version of CafeScribe® was released last fall, providing better study tools, greater accessibility, and more titles than ever before. Taking another step forward, Follett recently updated the mobile application for CafeScribe®, making it easier for students to study, highlight, and take notes on-the-go.

CafeScribe® has been or is currently used by about half a million users on almost 40 percent of all college campuses across the United States. Lee students are already taking advantage of the application's valuable study tools by highlighting, creating bookmarks, and utilizing Snap Summary, which allows users to quickly and easily compile their notes and highlights into an all-inclusive, summarized study and reference guide. To provide students with the opportunity to experiment with digital for free, Follett offers three-day trials for most titles. The company created the Try Now, Buy Later program, because it found that after using digital textbooks, two-thirds of students preferred the option.

Store Manager Skip Gienap says, "Each student is unique, and there are multiple factors that can affect whether a student chooses new, used, rental, or digital textbooks, including how they learn, what classes they're taking, and where they're enrolled. Each of these options can be further explored in the campus store or online via efollett.com."

"Skip and his entire team do a great job of helping our students navigate the affordable options available at the bookstore," said Conine. "Lee University continues to partner with Follett to expand the bookstore's offerings and ensure that we meet the needs of our students."

Additional information regarding Follett's Rent-A-Text and CafeScribe® programs can be found at www.rent-a-text.com and www.cafescribe.com.



Bookstore Manager Skip Gienap



Students enjoy the larger menu of Chick-fil-A® in the Paul Conn Student Union

Chick-fil-A® Renovated in PCSU

In an on-going effort to bring the best food services to Lee students, the Chick-fil-A® and Simply to Go retail locations in the Paul Conn Student Union were closed between Thanksgiving and the start of the spring semester. The site was upgraded to a full-service Chick-fil-A®, offering a larger space and more meal choices.

Lee students, faculty, and staff can now purchase such Chick-fil-A® favorites as the spicy chicken sandwich, milkshakes, Icedream®, and the restaurant's full breakfast menu.

"These renovations were the final pieces of Lee's retail dining changes that took place last summer and opened last semester," stated Chris Conine, vice president for Business and Finance. The new franchises available on campus include Subway® (Paul Conn Student Union), Einstein Bros® Bagels (Humanities Center), and Dunkin' Donuts® (Science and Math Complex).



Pfahl

Pfahl Returns to Lead Community Relations

Ellie Pfahl '11 wasn't gone long before she was asked to return to her alma mater to the position of director of Community Relations, a post within the school's University Relations sector.

Originally from Acworth, Ga., Pfahl earned her bachelor's degree in public relations and served as an intern in community relations. She was working in Texas before accepting the invitation to return to Lee's administrative team.

"Ellie was a standout intern," said Merica Stum, the former director, who has taken

the position as director of the annual alumni fund (see story this issue). "Ellie's track record made the search easy. There was not an aspect of community relations that Ellie did not participate in as an intern. She was a natural choice to come in as director."

Lee's community relations office was created in 2003 and supervises such programs as Encore, an educational enrichment opportunity for learners 60 and up, BEST partnerships with local elementary schools, and working with neighborhood and other public initiatives.

President Conn speaks with "Santa," the man behind the blue curtain in Conn Center during the "Ask the President" chapel.



"Ask the President" Chapel Becomes a Highlight of the Semester

Lee students sat with eager anticipation on Tuesday, January 24, as President Conn answered questions gathered from the student body during "Ask the President" chapel.

During the event, Conn lets loose his more comical side and answers questions that have been written and turned in by members of the student body. Typically, this chapel service consists of all sorts of questions, from serious queries about the campus to Conn's assisting in sending male and female students on dates.

January 24's "Ask the President" brought along with the fun and games several weighty announcements. The three most important notices were the future building of a home for the Communication Arts Department, the completion of fund-raising for the chapel, and the choice to renew the contract with Coca-Cola as the sole beverage company on campus. The purpose of "Ask the President" chapel is threefold: to inform, to entertain, and to give students things. Originally, the service was used to inform the student body about their university, but when some students started asking "whimsical questions," the lightened nature of "Ask the President" caught on, Conn said.

"The goal really is to imbed in all the fun and foolishness some serious ideas. There's always some serious questions," Conn said.

"Ask the President" chapel services began shortly after Conn became president and have been occurring for about 20 years. It has grown to be one of the more popular traditions on campus. There have been a number of significant and memorable moments throughout "Ask the President"

history, such as the year administration changed Squires Library's hours on Sundays due to a student's request for the extended hours. Other changes include a \$300,000 revamp of the pianos in the School of Music in the summer of 2010, and construction of a sidewalk over the infamous "Ditch of Death" near Brinsfield Row.

Other memorable moments include the year Conn called all Canadian students to the front to sing "O Canada" after a student asked why the Canadian flag is not displayed during chapel services, and Conn revealing an individual in a SpongeBob Squarepants costume dancing behind the curtain at the back of the Conn Center stage. Santa Claus took the place of SpongeBob when a new student asked the repeat question this year.

In spite of the fun nature of "Ask the President," Conn views the primary reason for the event as a chance for students to talk back to him. Although students can always send an email to Conn at pconn@leeuniversity.edu, the anonymity allowed by "Ask the President" and the solicitation of questions drives students who normally would not voice their opinion to ask the questions that have been bugging them, Conn said.

"It's as much about me hearing from the students as students hearing from me. The context of "Ask the President" empowers," Conn said. "It lets me hear from students in a way that is a little different from normal." Whether students are freshmen just beginning to experience Lee traditions or a senior well-familiar with Lee's rituals, "Ask the President" chapel is a service to be enjoyed by all.

—by Richard C. Yeakley, reprinted from The Lee Clarion

Eight Granted Faculty Tenure

Eight Lee University faculty members were granted tenure status by the Lee Board of Directors during their meeting in January:

Christie Kleinmann, Assistant Professor of Journalism
Kelly Lumpkin, Assistant Professor of Athletic Training
Brad Moffett, Assistant Professor of Music
Austin Patty, Assistant Professor of Music
Shane Griffith, Assistant Professor of Business
Guy DeLoach, Associate Professor of Computer Information Systems
Lori West, Assistant Professor of Biology
Lisa Long, Assistant Professor of Christian Formation



Griffith



DeLoach



West



Long



Kleinmann



Lumpkin



Moffett



Patty

Alpha Delta Tau Is Newest Greek Club

Established in summer 2011, Alpha Delta Tau (Alpha for short) is Lee University's newest female Greek social service club. Alpha president and chaplain Elly Bloodworth said that the group was established after she and a few acquaintances discovered that they had all been praying separately over the same vision.

"A woman in church began to pray over me and stated that God told her that I was going to be in a sorority; at the time, I wanted to tell her, 'Lady, that is not God speaking,'" Bloodworth said. "As I began to communicate with the others, I realized that this was no longer a dream, but a vision coming to fruition."

Alpha consists of nine charter members, and inductions were held in mid-October.

"We want to help enrich women's lives through building a community and foundation of acceptance of one another as women," Bloodworth said. "We plan to create and establish a sisterhood through our motto of 'Love, Strength, and Honor.'"

Alpha plans to partner with several local organizations, including the Ark of Cleveland, Inc., Salvation Army, and missing children organizations.

—Candice McNamara



Members of Alpha Delta Tau assist in distributing complimentary Coke products to students following an announcement that Coke has renewed their contract with Lee.



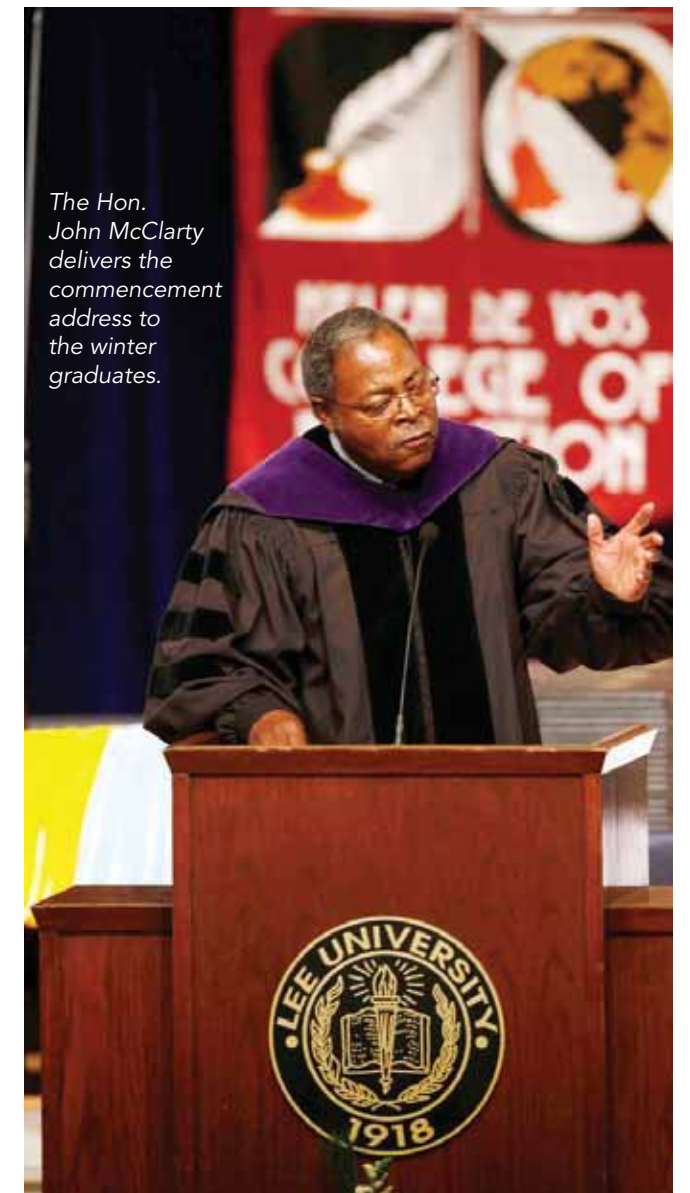
Over 200 Receive Degrees at Winter Commencement

A total of 209 students received diplomas at Lee University's winter commencement, held on the weekend of December 16-17 in the Conn Center.

Of the 209, there were 182 bachelor's degrees, 26 master's degrees, and one educational specialist degree awarded. The two-day event included a Friday night commissioning service, followed by graduation ceremonies the next morning.

Representing the graduates speaking about, "The Lee University Experience" were Jamie Achten, Emily Browning, Kyle Gazak, Stephen Van Goy, Kayla Keyt, and Emmanuel Okenye. Special music was provided by vocalist Daniel McKee, while Kayla Carlisle and Lindsey Taylor offered the invocation and benediction, respectively. Campus Pastor Jimmy Harper presented Bibles to all graduates.

Delivering the commencement address on Saturday morning was the Hon. John W. McClarty, an attorney and judge who currently serves on the Tennessee Court of Appeals as the first African American to represent East Tennessee on this prestigious body. A graduate of Howard High School in Chattanooga, McClarty was admitted to the Tennessee Bar in 1976, and in 32 years of practice, he tried both civil and criminal cases in municipal, sessions, juvenile, circuit, and chancery courts. He was appointed to the Tennessee Court of Appeals by Tennessee Governor Phil Bredesen in 2009 and was recommended unanimously for election to that position in 2010 by the Judicial Performance Evaluation Commission (JPEC). In addition to his legal career, Judge McClarty holds a license in the African Methodist Episcopal Church and is former pastor of the Joseph Chapel A.M.E. Church in Chattanooga.



The Hon. John McClarty delivers the commencement address to the winter graduates.



Stephen
and Jessica
Buchanan

Sister of Lee Student Part of Navy SEAL Rescue

Lee University junior Stephen Buchanan received welcome news on January 24 when he was told his sister Jessica had been successfully rescued from Somalia.

"I got a call from my dad, and he said the president had called and said the rescue had been successful," Stephen Buchanan said. The call came at 10:30 p.m.

Jessica Buchanan was rescued from Somali kidnappers by a U.S. Navy SEAL team early January 25 (Somalia time), according to an Associated Press article.

The Buchanan family had not known about the mission until it was successful. Stephen Buchanan said the rescue made "him proud to be an American citizen" and very grateful to the U.S. Navy SEALs.

Reports saying that Jessica Buchanan's health was declining are thought to have played a role in making the rescue mission a priority. Later reports updated her condition, and it is believed that with medicine she will be fine.

Stephen Buchanan's father was also able to speak with Jessica who said she sounded strong considering everything that happened.

"She's just really looking forward to getting back with us," Stephen Buchanan said.

He said the family was happy to know that Jessica was no longer in captivity.

Jessica Buchanan had been working with a de-mining group of The Danish Refugee Council when she was kidnapped. According to AP reports, she and another refugee worker were "kidnapped by criminals . . . and not by Somalia's al-Qaida-linked militant group al-Shabab." She and another Danish Refugee Council aid worker, Poul Hagen Thisted, were kidnapped in October.

— Joyanna Weber, *Cleveland Daily Banner*

Communication Meets Education in New Major

Starting in fall 2012, Lee students will have the option of majoring in a new communication education program, intertwining a communication and education degree. Students wishing to graduate with a degree in communication education are required to complete 43 hours of communication courses, 27 hours of education courses, as well as one full semester of student teaching. This new degree does not require an internship as opposed to a regular communication degree.

The new major will provide a teaching licensure for grades 7-12 in areas such as public speaking, film, journalism, and newspaper writing. However, graduates can use the degree in the business world as well as in the classroom.

Rebekah Steigler, a junior education major, is considering switching to the communication education program, saying that the dual nature of the program greatly appeals to her.

"This major allows students to still learn techniques in communication in case they decide to enter the business world," Steigler said. "I am thinking about switching to the major so that I can learn more public speaking skills."

Megan Moe, associate professor of communications, will advise the students who participate in the new program. Moe said that she believes employers tend to favor interviewees with degrees in education, because it proves they had a vigorous work ethic simply to get through their major.

Communication graduate Elle Greely is currently seeking a master's program that incorporates communication and education elements.

"I really wish Lee had, had this major when I was there," Greely said. "I'm very interested in teaching and think this major, at the graduate level, is just what I'm looking for."

Communication teaching licensures are fairly new to Tennessee public schools, which in years past have simply asked English teachers to fill in for open communication classes.

"We don't have any licensed Bradley County communication education teachers," Moe said. Moe encourages any students interested in pursuing the degree to try out a few education classes to get a feel for teaching before they decide to take it on as a major.



Moe

Spring 2012 Enrollment Tops Record of 2011

Once again, Lee University has topped another semester record for student enrollment. According to Phil Cook, vice president for enrollment, 4,028 students were part of the spring semester student body, up from 4,008 last spring.

The spring figure is always lower than fall numbers, reflecting the number of students who graduate in December or otherwise complete coursework.



Left to right: Brady Effler, Ben Hurst, Natalie Brouwer, Erik Simpson, Edie Sargent, Matt Smith, Jordan Holt

Lee Students Place in 24-Hour Film Competition

By Matt Smith

A lot can happen in twenty-four hours. We, on the Surprise, Surprise Film Team, learned this lesson in quite a unique way. Our team, consisting of Jordan Holt, Brady Effler, Shashank Shrestha, William Benjamin Hurst, Natalie Brouwer, Chuck Morgan, John Cotton, Erik Simpson, Edie Sargent, Alex Sturgill, and I, entered a competition known as the 24-Hour Film Race in May 2011.

In this competition, we were given the "surprise elements" of a theme, a prop, and an action at 10 p.m. on a Friday evening [which not-so-fortuitously happened to be right in the middle of finals week] and had until 10 p.m. Saturday evening to conceptualize, write, shoot, edit, and upload a four-minute short film matching our "surprise elements" to the Film Racing website.

Following 24 hours of sleepless, caffeine-driven madness, we uploaded our short film "Face Card" to the competition website. Our film was premiered with eleven others, and much to our excitement, was announced as Audience Favorite and took home Best Writing.

But the journey was not over. A few weeks later, we were placed into the Top 32 out of over 350 entries worldwide, and then the Top 24. This placement meant an invitation to the Top 24 Screening in New York City in July. John, Brady, and I hopped on a bus and met Shashank in New York for the screening. We were surprised to learn that we were the only college students present—all but one of the other films screened represented production houses and small studios.

We did not place in the Top 24, but had quite the 72-hour adventure attending our screening, including meeting a managing photo editor for National Geographic while trying to find the subway and taking midnight photos in Times Square. We returned to Cleveland that Sunday night with no new awards, but with plenty of stories to tell. ♡

—Matt Smith is a graduate assistant in theology at Lee University.



Legacies of Lee

NORA CHAMBERS LEE'S FACULTY PIONEER

By David G. Roebuck



Nora Chambers (top right) poses with the first six students to complete a term under her tutelage in 1918.

Month	Day	Student Name	Attendance
Jan	1	Evangelist R.	P
Jan	2	Miller Mary	P
Jan	3	Hamilton Earl	P
Jan	4	Hamilton Oscar	P
Jan	5	Harrell Mary	P
Jan	6	Terrell Bernice	P
Jan	7	Williamson Grant	P
Jan	8	Durham Jessie	P
Jan	9	Evangelist R.	P
Jan	10	Hamilton Earl	P
Jan	11	Hamilton Oscar	P
Jan	12	Harrell Mary	P
Jan	13	Terrell Bernice	P
Jan	14	Williamson Grant	P
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Jan	98	Williamson Grant	P
Jan	99	Durham Jessie	P
Jan	100	Evangelist R.	P

Nora Chambers' attendance ledger from 1918-1919 (above) includes notes on students, including Bernice Terrell who died of pneumonia in December 1918. Below, a copy of Nora's evangelist certificate, issued in 1910.



program with Nora's assistance. Writing in the *Evangel*, she expressed her satisfaction with her educational ministry: "I enjoy my work. As I spend half of my time in the Bible school room and the other half in the office, grading papers, sending out lessons, and so forth. I feel that I have a little part in helping to train workers for the great harvest field."

After 65 years, Nora Chambers Hall is still a prominent three-level women's residence that faces Parker Street on the Lee campus. As it has from the time of its inception, it is part of a three-pronged women's housing complex, connected to the back side of Tharp and Simmons Halls. Through the years, it has been renovated on several occasions, including the addition of an entire first floor when the former Viking's Den was built in with four-person suites in 1988. Nora Chambers Hall received a new entrance and facelift when the back side of the campus was renovated in the 1990s.

Dr. David G. Roebuck is director of the Dixon Research Center and assistant professor of the history of Christianity at Lee University.

Clockwise from top left:

- Nora Chambers used the Bible as her primary textbook
- Fred and Nora Chambers.
- Nora Chambers (front row, fifth from left) sits next to F.J. Lee in 1923. At the time, Lee was BTS Superintendent (president), and general overseer of the Church of God. The school was named for Lee in 1947.

When Lee University relocated back to Cleveland, Tennessee, in 1947, the college honored significant individuals who had served since the school's founding in 1918. The new name, Lee College, which was changed from Bible Training School, recognized the second president, F.J. Lee. Newly occupied buildings on the former Bob Jones College campus now acknowledged past presidents, including J.B. Ellis, J.H. Walker, Zeno Tharp, and E.L. Simmons. Among the renamed buildings was Nora Chambers Hall, which highlighted the distinctive contributions of the first teacher in Lee University's history.

Illinois native Nora Chambers and her husband, Fred, joined the Church of God at the invitation of church leader R.G. Spurling, who licensed Nora as an evangelist in 1910. At that time,

they were attending Holmes School of the Bible in Altamont, South Carolina, where Nora was also on the faculty.

The next summer the couple began ministering in the mountains of western North Carolina and northern Georgia, where they served for two years. Their ministry team had no regular source of income, sometimes walked as many as 25 miles to their next appointment, and faced violent opposition. Accused of trying to destroy the existing churches, one newspaper advised they be "tarred and feathered and driven out of the state." Opponents pelted their houses with rocks, burned their places of worship, and on one occasion beat Fred to unconsciousness. Despite these obstacles, Nora later remembered, "We were all so happy. In persecution, we are to 'rejoice and be exceeding glad.' This is why God was dearer to me than at any other time in my life. He was so precious to us and never left us alone."

After relocating to Cleveland, Tennessee, Nora became a central part of the expanding ministries of the Church of God denomination. Church historian and former Lee University president, the late Charles W. Conn, described her as "a woman of rare intelligence, ability, and, for that early day, education." He added, "Mrs. Chambers was an altruistic and tireless woman, seeking to help and

encourage others at all times." During her years in Cleveland, she served as matron of the orphanage, and filled numerous roles at the Church of God Publishing House. She was a proof reader, edited the children's page in the youth magazine, *Lighted Pathway*, wrote Sunday school curriculum, contributed to the *Evangel* magazine, and served as clerk of the annual Church of God General Assembly meetings. Yet, she remains best known for the six years she served as Lee University's first teacher.

When the General Assembly authorized a school in November 1917, General Overseer A.J. Tomlinson informed Nora, "Sister Chambers, you have been selected to teach the Bible Training School, and we want you to begin January 1 (1918)." She later admitted, "I insisted that a man should be chosen for that position, but finally consented when all my suggestions met opposition."

Nora Chambers became the first to understand the spiritual responsibility of teaching at Lee. She reflected, "I felt such a load settle over me the first morning we opened the school. I didn't think I could carry it, but as the students prepared their lessons, I prayed. Soon I felt the presence of an unseen guest. He assured me that He would be with us and help us, and He did."

Her first class was five men and seven women from four states, but only six completed the term. Tomlinson served as superintendent (president), while Nora did all the teaching, including teacher training, geography, spelling, English, and Bible. The second term she added missions, church history, and music.

Knowing that not everyone could come to Cleveland, the church inaugurated a correspondence



ALUMNI GIVING IN 2011 TOPS \$1.3 MILLION

by Jerome Hammond

Thank you to Lee alumni and friends who so generously supported the University in 2011. The year ending December 31, 2011, was a period of extraordinary alumni support for Lee University. Alumni faithfully gave to **building projects, athletic teams, missions trips, student travel, service projects, and music programs** to name a few. In almost every endeavor of Lee University, alumni gave their financial support. **The total alumni giving to the university in 2011 was \$1,361,268.** This represents a significant rise in overall alumni support with a particular focus on the new chapel. Because of generous gifts from alumni and friends, **Lee successfully completed and dedicated the chapel debt free.**

Alumni also showed a renewed sense of momentum in endowment giving. Recognizing that many students struggle to afford a Lee education, alumni made scholarship giving second only to building projects. **In 2011, Lee received the single largest scholarship gift in the school's history, pushing the endowment to above \$10 million for the first time.**

The Alumni Fund continued to deliver reliable and unrestricted gifts to the university. For 25 years, the fund has been an important source of annual support wherever it is most needed. **This year giving rose more than 8 percent to \$304,818, and 189 new donors said "I'm in"** to supporting their alma mater.

As we begin 2012, alumni **support has never been stronger** and the future of Lee University has never been brighter. But, each year is a renewed opportunity for Lee to strengthen existing support and to attract new and young donors who understand that **the bright future of Lee University cannot be separated from the generosity of people who believe in it.** Now, more than ever, Lee needs the partnerships of its faithful alumni donors, and the support of new alumni donors who are ready to help Lee press on toward that bright future. Let 2012 be the year you say, **"I'm in."**

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STUM NAMED DIRECTOR OF ALUMNI FUND

Merica Patton Stum '97 was recently introduced as the director of the Annual Alumni Fund. Since returning to Lee in 2004, Merica has worked as director of community relations serving as the primary point of contact between the university and important corporate, public, and community leadership. "Over the past seven years, Merica has been the key to our healthy town-and-gown relationships," explained Jerome Hammond, vice president for University Relations. "We have enjoyed unprecedented cooperation between Lee and the surrounding community, thanks in large part to Merica's work."

But when the Alumni Fund position became available, Merica made the decision to pursue a long-awaited desire to do fund-raising for Lee. "Almost since I arrived at Lee in 2004, I wanted to be in fund-raising," she said. "For one reason or another, the timing wasn't right." Finally, at the end of 2011, everything came together. "It was a little scary to get a chance at the job I really wanted. Ultimately, the opportunity to serve Lee in a new and very measurable way outweighed the risks."

Asked about her motivations for leaving a successful position in community relations for the unique challenges of directing a fund-raising campaign, Merica explained: "Because I think of Lee as an 'I'm-in' institution, not a 'me-too' institution. A 'me-too' institution is one that is finished becoming something. It has so many resources and so much history that it is what it is. People go there, work there, or give there to say 'me too.'"

"But, an 'I'm-in' institution needs people who believe in the vision of what it is becoming. The tremendous success at Lee over the last 25 years has gotten us to a place where more people can understand the vision, but the University still needs strong leadership, talented professionals, and faithful donors. Lee University needs people to say, 'I'm in.' As the alumni fund director, I can help strengthen the support for what Lee is becoming."

"By now," she adds, "you can't be surprised to learn that I have a slogan for the Alumni Fund: 'I'm in.' I want it to remind us why we give to the alumni fund. We are building Lee and shaping Lee together. So, with that, I have just one question to ask: Who's in?"

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In what has become an annual tradition, alumni are invited to enjoy a Pasta Pig Out at Bucca di Beppo Italian restaurant in Franklin, Tennessee. This tradition emerged as a way for Lee alumni half-marathon runners to get together the night before the big race. Now all runners and nonrunners are invited to attend on **Friday, April 27 at 6:00 p.m. CST** for this prerace, "carb-loading" pasta dinner. Space is limited, so please RSVP as soon as possible by email to Alumni Relations Director Mitzi Mew (mmew@leeuniversity.edu) or by calling (423) 614-8316. The address of the restaurant is 1722 Galleria Boulevard, Franklin, Tennessee 37067 (Cool Springs).



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Women's Soccer Team Earns Unprecedented "4-Peat"

Coach Matt Yelton and his Lee women's soccer crew wrote NAIA history when the Lady Flames claimed an unprecedented fourth consecutive women's national championship on Saturday, December 3, 2011, by defeating Concordia University (Ore.), 3-0. Ironically, Lee's championship run began in 2008 with a victory over a Concordia team.

During the past four years, Lee's women have established a remarkable record of 90-7-3. Included among the many accomplishments are four national crowns, 15 straight national tournament victories, 10 conference tournament titles, nine conference regular season championships, and eight straight trips to the NAIA National Championships. Since joining the Southern States Athletic Conference, Lee is 66-0-1.

Little wonder why Yelton was named NSCAA National Coach of the Year, the third time during the past four years, at the annual National Soccer Coaches Association of America Awards Banquet on January 13. Forward Jamie Achten was selected as the NAIA National Player of the Year. Achten's No. 2 jersey was retired during a ceremony on February 2. Achten was also the winner of the prestigious CoSIDA Scholar Athlete of the Year award.

Achten was joined on the first-team All-American squad by teammates Leah Fortune and Amy Cochran. Laura Thacker and Ode Fulutidulu were members of the second team. During her four years playing in the nation-

al event, Achten has set a trio of individual championship records and been a part of two team records. She finished the season ranked among the nation's top 30 in eight offensive statistical categories, including first in total assists (26) and assists per game (1.04). Achten was third in total points (70), seventh in points per game (2.80) and tenth in total goals (22). She also holds the NAIA's career assist record (92). Achten is the second player to earn national player of the year honors in back-to-back seasons, matching Westmont's (Calif.) Kristi Sullivan (2002, 03). She also becomes the first four-time All-American in Lee women's soccer history, as she was a first-team pick in 2008, 2010, and 2011, along with a second-team honor in 2009.

"I think this is a wonderful capstone for Jamie's career," said Yelton. "From a coaching standpoint, she has been exceptional in every year of her career; but, I thought this season when she had to battle a pretty serious injury, right as we were heading into postseason, was especially demonstrative of what exactly she means to our team."

Sophomore forward Ashley Aragona was named the MVP of the 2011 NAIA Championship, and Fortune was the tourney's best offensive player. For the record, the Lady Flames have given up only one goal in their last 15 national tournament appearances. Achten, Ode Fulutidulu, Caroline Scales and Laura Thacker were named to the all-tournament squad. Lee wraps up the championship season with a 23-2 record.

The 2011 championship banner was hung and rings were presented during a ceremony at Lee on Feb. 18.

Lee sensation Jamie Achten's #2 jersey was retired in a Feb. 2 ceremony.



Brown Gets 300th Win

Tommy Brown is in his fourteenth year of coaching men's college basketball. His clubs have averaged over 20 wins per season and going into the 2011-2012 campaign, he's taken eight straight teams into NAIA national competition. On January 7, Brown reached a coaching milestone when his Lee Flames presented him with his 300th coaching win, a 89-68 triumph over Belhaven University (Miss.).

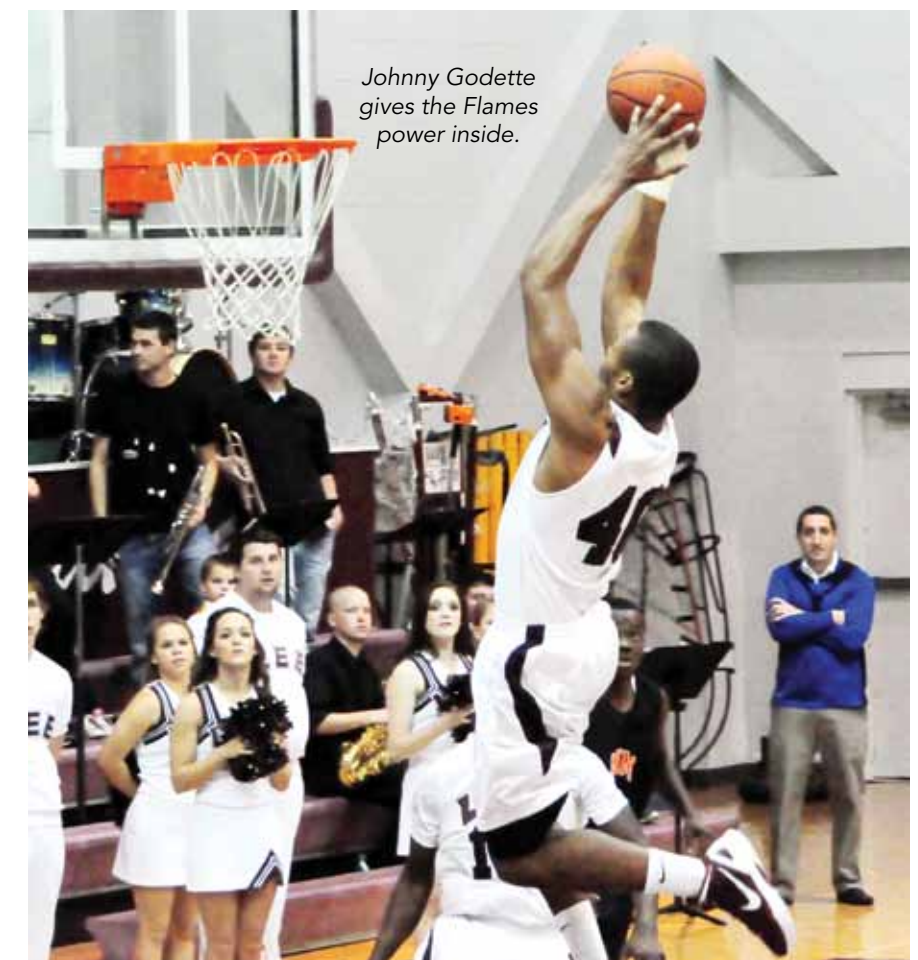
The Flames have remained a Top 20 team in the NAIA rankings all season, but Brown would trade the rankings and his 300 wins if his 2011-2012 squad could have found a way to score a late bucket and turn the tables on No. 1 Shorter University and No. 3 Southern Polytechnic State University. Urged on by an overflow crowd inside Walker Arena against Shorter, Lee was down by one and had a chance for the upset, but a turnover spoiled the party. At SPSU, the Flames were up by four with less than two minutes to play, but the old turnover bug bit them again and allowed the Runnin' Hornet to inject a painful sting. Out of five defeats, heading down the stretch run, Lee has lost two in overtime and another heart-breaker by three points.

Coming off the bench, senior Ryan Westbrook is averaging over 17 ppg and has earned SSAC player of the week honors. Junior Alex Wells is a prime-time player (12.4 ppg) and senior Tyrone Caldwell (10.8 ppg) and junior Duran Blue (10.3) give the Flames a deadly punch from 3-point range, joining Westbrook in over 40 percent shooting from outside the 3-point line.

Depth will be a strong factor as Brown directs Lee toward a seventh straight appearance in the NAIA Division I tournament in Kansas City. Brice Sharp, rebounding leaders Josh Henley (7.4 rpg) and Johnny Godette (6.4 rpg), Patrick Shaughnessy and Ed Pellot-Rosa, give the Lee staff more options than in past years, especially at the post position.



Coach Tommy Brown has notched 300 wins in his coaching career.



Johnny Godette gives the Flames power inside.

Volleyball Once Again Reaches NAIA Semifinal

The year 2011 produced another outstanding season for the Lady Flames volleyball team, including the team's third consecutive appearance in the Fab Four at the NAIA National Volleyball Championships. The Lady Flames lost a heartbreaking, five-set match to eventual champion, University of Texas at Brownsville.

The Lee ladies, who were ranked as high as No.2 in the NAIA, graduated a class of seven seniors who compiled a four-year record of 150-20, with four Southern States Athletic Conference (SSAC) tournament championships. They had four players named Honorable Mention NAIA All-Americans. Seniors Arlene Ferreira and Christa Hutchison were both honored, joined by sophomore Irene Ojukwu and freshman Marija Zelenovic. All four players were named All-SSAC, with Zelenovic also named SSAC Freshman of the Year.

Senior Sarah Smith was named SSAC Libero of the Year and was joined on the SSAC All-East Division team by Ferreira, Hutchison, Ojukwu, Zelenovic, Gretchen Higdon, and Kelsey Leffew. Lauren Williams joined Zelenovic on the SSAC All-Freshmen team.

The Lady Flames continued their tradition of outstanding performance in the classroom, as well, with five players named NAIA Scholar-Athletes. Hutchison, Smith, Higdon, Courtney Culbreath, and Stephanie Todd all received the national academic honor, and were joined by Leffew and Becky Bourne on the SSAC All-Academic list.



Volley for a Cure has always been special for seniors Courtney Culbreath, Stephanie Todd, Sarah Smith, Kelsey Leffew, Arlene Ferreira, Gretchen Higdon, and Christa Hutchison.



They did it again—\$20,000 was raised by the team for Volley for a Cure. Pictured are Cindy Pace, Lee coach Andrea Hudson, Jan Moses, Kim Brooks, Nanette Turner, Angie Bramlett, Wendy Higdon, and Cindy Pare.

Coach Marty Rowe (on sideline, left in blue shirt) directs his Lady Flames to big win over Shorter University.



Rowe Becomes Winningest Women's Coach

Coach Marty Rowe and his Lee women's basketball team are in the midst of their best-ever start (21-1) and dominating play in the Southern States Athletic Conference (16-0). These marks come as no surprise, since accepting the Lee post eight years ago, his women have averaged over 25 victories per season.

Rowe recently broke the record held by legendary Coach Jack Souther. Before giving

Golfers Take Skills Into Fall Season

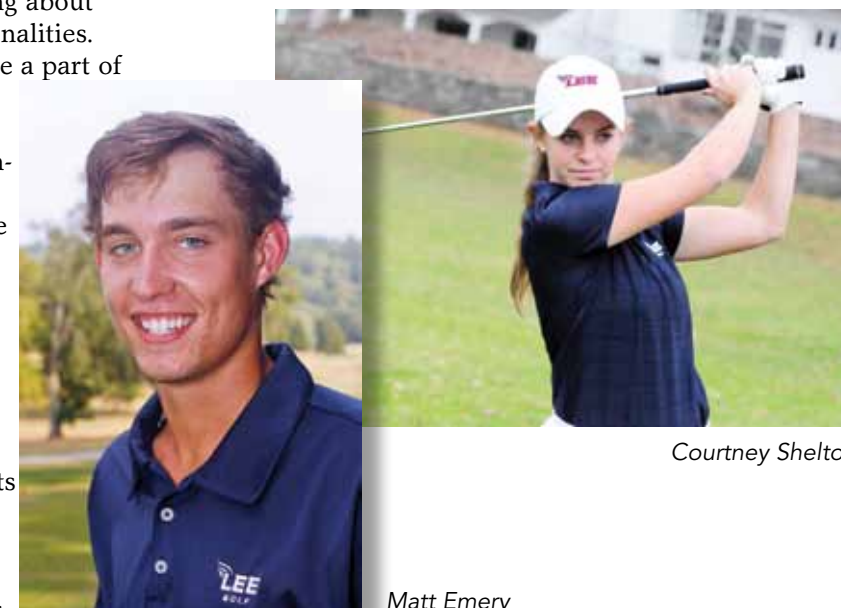
Coach John Maupin describes his women's fall golf season as "Great. I could not have been more proud of the things we accomplished. We began the fall with high expectations and a lot of momentum, based on how we ended the previous year. The top 10 finish in our first trip to the national tournament gave us a lot of confidence heading into the fall. The girls have put a lot of work into raising this program up to compete at a national level, and I think it is evident that hard work paid off."

The Lady Flames were second in the Bill Sargent Invitational, and then grabbed championships in the Blue Grass Fall Classic, NAIA Preview, and BSC Shootout. The Lady Flames have now won five of our last seven regular season events. Said Maupin: "The great thing about this team is that there are no dominating personalities. They have great chemistry, make an effort to be a part of each other's lives, and are respectful of each other. I have been so impressed with Chelsea (Rakestraw), Kristin (Bourg), and Sloane's (Skinner) ability to adapt to each new year. They have essentially been here since the start of the program, so how they have chosen to respond to new teammates and growth has been a big part of our success."

Coach Maupin has enjoyed his share of success since taking over the Lee men's golf program, but he called the fall of 2011 "one of our most consistent falls since I've been the coach here. I was really pleased with the results we had, especially considering the challenging schedule that we played. We competed against seven teams that are ranked in the top 10 in the country and we competed against 15 teams

that are ranked in the top 25. We also had wins against 14 ranked teams. I felt like our guys stepped up to the challenge of our schedule and proved they can play with any team in the country."

Sophomore Matt Emery stepped up big time during the fall season. In ten tournament rounds, five of his rounds were under par, and he spent the majority of the season ranked as the top NAIA player in the country. He finished in the top seven in three of the Flames' tournaments, highlighted by his win at the Chick-Fil-A® Collegiate Invitational where he shot 70-66. Two seniors, Jeremy Lawson and Caleb Roberson had solid falls as well, both contributing several under par rounds at big tournaments.



Matt Emery

Courtney Shelton

Sophomore guard Hollie German goes hard in victory over Shorter University.



Flames Finish First Season Under Coach Paul Furey

Following the nine-year stay of Coach Henry Moyo, Paul Furey stepped in to lead the Lee men's soccer program, taking the Flames from four games under .500 in 2010, to 11-8 overall, earning a berth in the Southern States Athletic Conference (SSAC) tournament in his first season.

Competing in the powerful SSAC, which had five teams ranked in the top 20, including five in the top 10, the Flames finished conference play with a 6-6 record. The Lee men lost a heartbreaking, overtime match to then-No.12 Southern Poly, 2-1, in the first round of the conference tournament. At one point in regular season play, the Flames won six consecutive matches, including a 3-0 win over then-No.12 Bryan College.

Junior Sias Reyneke headlined the postseason awards for the Flames, being named Second Team All-SSAC, a NAIA Scholar-Athlete, and to the Musco Lighting Champions of Character Team. Senior captain Mohamed Aden and goalkeeper Benjamin Perez were also named Second Team All-SSAC.

Noel Pimentel was added to the SSAC All-Freshmen team. Senior Gilbert Ruiz joined Reyneke as an NAIA Scholar-Athlete, with both athletes joining Aden and junior captain Luke Cuthbert on the SSAC All-Academic list.

Matt Ball works in a Lee victory.



Tennis Teams Primed for 2012 Run

The 2012 Lady Flames and Flames tennis team enter the season with high expectations, once again, as both teams return several key players from the 2011 squads.

The Lady Flames are led by their only returning senior, Kelsey Gray. Gray and junior Tarah Garner both boast all-conference honors from the 2011 season. Senior Stephanie Todd joins the Lady Flames for her first season of tennis. Todd was a team captain for the Lee volleyball team that finished third at the NAIA National Tournament.

Annie Sandberg enters 2012 as the lone sophomore on the Lady Flames squad, after competing in No.2 singles and doubles as a freshman. Tonya Walters of Gulf Breeze, Fla., Kelsey Lovingood of Hendersonville, Tenn., Christy North of Snellville, Ga., and Jodie Rice of Calhoun, Ga., all enter as freshmen and will look to break into the starting lineup.

The Flames enter the season with a strong combination of veteran experience and young talent. Senior Michael Yokosuk will once again be the team leader, after earning SSAC All-Conference honors and being ranked in the top 50 in singles by the ITA in 2011. Yokosuk is joined by fellow seniors, Michael Hewgley and Renan Molineiro, both NAIA Scholar-Athletes last season.

Fabio Medina sat out 2011 with an injury, but is fully recovered and represents the junior class with transfer Patrick Kim from South Korea. Kevin Tan enters as a sophomore transfer from Alabama State, joining returners Richard Gamble, Andre Ishida, and Marcelo Martinelli. Flavio Costa is a late addition to the squad and will be battling for a spot in the starting line-up.

Both squads will look for a strong finish in the always powerful Southern States Athletic Conference. The 2012 conference tournament will be played in Montgomery, Ala., followed by the NAIA National Championships in Mobile, Ala.



Michael Hewgley

High Hopes for 2012 Softball Lady Flames

Coach Emily Russell and the Lee University Lady Flames softball team look to have a bright future, as they enter the 2012 season with a new crop of talented recruits joining a number of returning players.

All five Lady Flames seniors have made major contributions over the past several seasons, both in the starting lineup and off the bench. Catcher Nicole Rodriguez and pitchers Brittany Balough and Caitlin Beshears, will look to lock down the battery once again, with Kelsey Barnes (utility) and Tabitha Farrow (outfield) also primed for solid senior campaigns.

A mixture of returning players and exciting new recruits make up a junior class of seven players. Kelli Crawford, Katie Deems, Savanna Bell, Charlie Wooden, and Jenevieve Cena are joined by newcomers Jennifer Ringle and Dezirae Parsons.

The Lady Flames hope to be celebrating a return to the NAIA national tournament.



Ringle (Rio Vista, Calif.) and Parsons (Ocala, Fla.) will be fighting for an infield position with the departure of three infield starters from the 2011 team.

Ana Coscorrosa returns for the Lady Flames after starting all 42 games in 2011, while hitting .421 and being named to the SSAC All-Freshmen team. Hannah Hight also returns and will be working to earn time in the pitching circle.

All three of the Lee freshmen could see significant time, as they battle to earn starting spots on the 2012 squad. Dominique Hannah (Nashville, Tenn.) has shown her quickness in fall practice and is in the hunt to start in right field. Laurel Allen (Cleveland, Tenn., Walker Valley H.S.) will also be in the outfield mix, with semester transfer Jessa Watts (Niceville, Fla.) expected to strengthen the Lady Flames pitching staff.

Baseball Chases World Series Title

For five consecutive years, head coach Mark Brew and the Lee University Flames have reached the NAIA World Series, with two, second-place and two, third-place finishes in the past four years. The Flames take high expectations in 2012, with the No.1 goal of earning their first NAIA World Series title.

The Flames have brought in another crop of outstanding athletes in 2012, joining the returning core of experienced upper classmen. Kris Hall is the most notable returner for Lee, after being named to the SSAC All-Division team in 2011. Hall, who will be transitioning from the bullpen to the starting rotation, has caught the attention of professional scouts, as he was named No.80 in the top 100 college draft eligible players by Baseball America.

Other returning starters include first baseman Roberto Reyes, and fifth-year seniors, third baseman Preston Scoggins and second baseman Max Harvell. After a year off due to injury, catcher Taylor Comford will return in 2012, after playing in 54 games two seasons ago. All four players will look to mesh with the incoming players to fill the infield and catching positions.

The Flames will be looking to fill all three outfield positions in 2012, after graduating Seth Walker and Michael Brown, and losing Jonathan Clark to the MLB Draft. Chris Grayson, who spent time in the outfield and at designated hitter, also signed after being drafted by the Texas Rangers. The Lee pitching staff will also see turnover from 2011, as several recruits will join seven returning pitchers to compete for the remaining positions in the starting rotation and bullpen.

Boasting a No.3 preseason ranking, the Flames began play with a nine-game homestand, starting Feb. 3. Conference tournament will be played April 26-May 1 in Columbus, Ga. Lee will be looking to qualify for the National Tournament Opening Round for an opportunity to return to the NAIA World Series, May 25-June 1 in Lewiston, Idaho.



Chris Hall

Kelsey Gray

If You Attended Lee, You're an Alum!

A common misconception is that if you didn't graduate from Lee, you're not an alumnus (male) or alumna (female). The truth is, all that is required is at some point to have enrolled in classes, and you're part of Lee University alumni, no matter when you were here!

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Who's WHERE & Torch Travels

1950s - 1970s



Vivian Jackson Smith '55

died December 17, 2011. While attending Lee, she met Lou Smith, and they married May 27, 1955. They later returned to Lee where Lou resumed his studies and became the assistant dean of men. Vivian retired from Sun Trust Bank in 1996 and was an accomplished pianist and choir director. She is survived by her husband, Louis Smith, and their five children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.



Smith



Odis '61 and Sharon King Huffstutler '59

of Snead, Ala., celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on September 15, 2011. Odis worked in quality assurance with Goodyear Gadsden for 36 years before retiring in 1998. Sharon was director of gifted services for the Blount County schools before retiring in 2000. They have traveled extensively since then, including a Baltic Cruise to Norway where they posed with *Torch* at Oslo's Frogner Park, which features statues by Gustav Vigeland, Norway's greatest sculptor. The Huffstutlers are the parents of **Bryan Huffstutler '85** and **Rebecca Tibbs '91**.



Huffstutlers



Dawn Wooderson '68

lives in Aurora, Colo., where she recently published Vol. 2 of the popular *Songs of Faith* sing-along CD and large-print hymnbook series. *Songs of Faith* is designed for older adults in churches, homes, hospitals, prisons, long-term care, and Alzheimer's care. Dawn teaches professional development courses for activity directors, church leadership, and medical staff, and presents music and mental fitness classes for senior adults. www.MusicByWoodSong.com



Marie Sharp Mayo '70 retired in 2010 from the Social Security Administration with 36 years of service. She married R. Ken Mayo Sr. in 2010, and together they have five children and twelve grandchildren. They live in Tallahassee and attend Evangel Assembly. Marie says, "I enjoyed meeting new friends and attending classes at Lee. I remember Dr. Bilbo's Old Testament Survey class, prayer meetings in Nora Chambers Hall, Pop Rushing's hot honey buns with soft vanilla ice cream, the chapel services, and great ministers in the local churches. Life at Lee gave me a chance to see diversity in people and ideas."

Dr. Lyn Murphy '73 was recently honored with the Excellence in Teaching Award at Dalton (Ga.) State College, where he is a professor. He and his wife, Betty, live in Rocky Face, Ga., and have two grown daughters.



Tammy Boyd Simmons '81 began working at Ft. Benning, Ga. with the 199th Infantry Brigade as an instructional systems specialist in August 2011. Tammy's job is to analyze, evaluate, and develop curriculum and training methods for the Officer Candidate School and Infantry Basic Office Course. Tammy says, "I am so excited to finally be able to directly use my Lee degree in psychology in my job. Then there's my instruction and curriculum master's degree, and 26 years of actually teaching." In January 2012, Tammy was honored with the Commander's Award of Excellence. Part of the narrative read, "Mrs. Tammy Simmons has devoted tremendous time and effort to create a tailored Critical and Creative Thinking class aimed at the junior leadership level. . . . Her drive and energy have been extremely valuable in this effort, and this program has already been acknowledged by the Commanding General of the Maneuver Center of Excellence as probably one of the very most relevant courses for our Junior Leaders in existence today." Tammy is married to Terry, and she has four sons.



Ed Tyner '79 is currently working at the Pentagon in the Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD) reviewing policies/programs for the Department of Defense (DoD) families with special needs. Most of Ed's adult life has been outside the United States with DoD education activity. Ed says, "Being back in the nation's capital for a year now has been exciting."

1980s

Meredith Hepburn Lovegrove '82 lives in Cocoa, Fla. with her husband Phillip and their children. Meredith says, "I really enjoyed being a member of the Evangelistic Singers! I will never forget when we toured Florida . . . what an awesome privilege and experience, to enjoy college! That is why I am so excited our son wants to attend Lee University! Thank you, Lee University, a.k.a., Lee College!"

Karen Lee-Nix '83 is president of All American Trivia Games, LLC, which produces a presidential trivia game, Hail to the Chief, now available on the iTunes store. The boxed game is available on the website www.allamericantrivagames.com.

Cary Studdard '84 is executive pastor at The Church At Covington in Covington, Ga.

Maloy Strickland '86 lives in Shreveport, La., with his wife, Eunice, and their child. Maloy serves as minister of music/worship and assistant pastor at Christ Pointe Church of God. Maloy says, "My 'tent-making' job is teaching elementary music at a local public school."



First Weddings Showcase Chapel Versatility

Top Left - Matt and Jade Fisher
Top Middle - Ryan and Bethany Casteel

When plans for the Lee University chapel were first unveiled, talk began to surface of how it would be a perfect wedding venue. As construction progressed and a clear picture of the beauty and setting of the edifice emerged, talk intensified. Prospective brides and grooms, alumni and non-alumni, are scrambling to reserve dates for that special day.

The reasons the new chapel is already the wedding location of choice among alumni and non-alumni alike, are numerous. Candles are not allowed and floral decorations are limited, but the chapel is so intimately decorated, few additional amenities are needed. The seating capacity of 200 to 250 is perfect. In addition, the chapel is a wedding photographer's dream, as innumerable sites, both inside and outside, provide breathtaking settings. The chapel has an indoor gathering area and bride's room downstairs and a courtyard capable of accommodating a large reception. In addition, other reception sites, such as the historic Centenary Room, are just a few steps away.

Appropriately, the first two weddings held in the new

chapel the weekend of December 17 and 18 were full of Lee alumni.

The first wedding was held Saturday, December 17, where **Bethany Underwood** and **Ryan Casteel** said their vows. Bethany is a senior at Lee. Her parents are **Vickie Stone Underwood Vest '78** and the late **Christopher Underwood '71**. Performing the ceremony was her stepfather, former Lee University president **Dr. Lamar Vest**.

Less than 24 hours later, **Matthew Fisher '08** and **Jade Taylor '10** tied the knot. Matthew was hired last fall to teach in the Communications Department at Lee, where his father, **Dr. Robert Fisher '80** has been a psychology professor since 1983. His mother, **Kim Lackey Fisher '83** is a local elementary school principal. The bride and groom's parties on both sides of the first weekend of weddings were also filled with Lee alumni.

Although the new chapel was designed to serve more purposes than a wedding venue, its beauty and serenity make it the ideal setting for couples to share the most important day of their lives.

Baxter Cotton '87 is serving as project manager of the Literacy Design Collaborative for Forsyth County Schools. The LDC is a literacy effort that is grant funded by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. Forsyth County is one of ten school districts in the nation to receive this grant funding.



Taz Randles '88 is currently stationed in Afghanistan where he serves as a chaplain. Randles (middle) is shown here in Dwyer, in the Paktika province of Afghanistan.

1990s



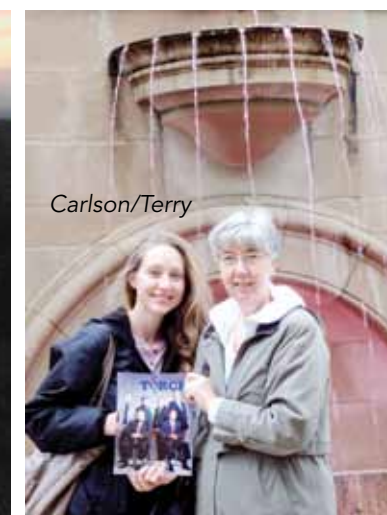
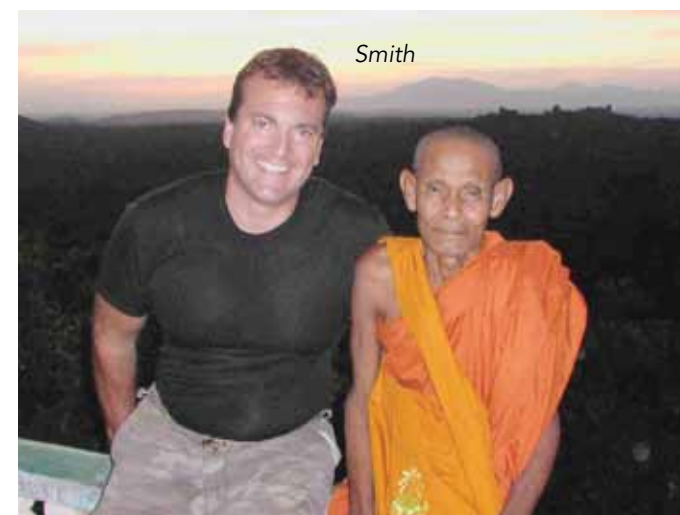
Steve Johnson '91 recently completed research on one of Cambodia's greatest kings, Jayavara VII. To complete the research, he spent two summers in remote areas of Cambodia, including time with Monk Sav Sarong, (pictured) who lives among tigers in Wat Tamov. Steve's article appeared in the quarterly bulletin of the Angkor National Museum and he has been appointed one of its coeditors. He also maintains the Facebook page, The Khmer Art Forum. Steve's occupation is a history teacher at Riverside High School and Limestone College in Greenville, S.C.



Jody Smith '92 and his daughter, Kayla, took their first international missions trip to Myanmar where they visited a network of orphanages in the Yangon area, including the Love Orphanage and the overseer of the Widow's Home, Elijah. Kayla is a high school senior. Jody is regional vice president for a chemical distribution company in Henderson, Ky.



Reba Terry '94 and her daughter, **Heather Terry Carlson '01** toured the Cathedral of Learning on the University of Pittsburgh campus and took Torch with them. Reba is executive director of The Caring Place, where Heather recently resigned as a counselor to become a homemaker.





Olsen



Lisa Olsen '96 lives in Virginia Beach, Va. where she works for Regent University in the Robertson School of Government as career services and quality manager. In the past, she has worked for the Endependence Center, Inc. of Norfolk as a consultant where she coordinated the annual Community Recognition Program's fund-raiser in 2000. In addition, she developed a fund-raising plan for the organization.

Lisa's success is magnified by the fact that she was born with no arms or legs, a condition known as total amelia, a result of her biological mother taking the drug thalidomide in pregnancy. Born in India and at first left to die, Lisa was raised until she was 5 years old at a mission in Bombay. She was eventually adopted by her mother, Marie Olsen, a missionary from New York, who worked with Christian Bible Fellowship.

At Lee, Lisa majored in communications and graduated cum laude. Her disability did not stop her from being involved in numerous activities, including traveling to England for the Semester in Cambridge program.

After Lee, she pursued a 20-year dream of learning to drive. She underwent driver's training at The Woodrow Wilson Rehab Center in Fishersville, Va.

Over the last several years, Lisa has cared for her mother who has suffered with breast cancer and Alzheimer's. In 2009, she made the painful decision to place her mother in a nursing home.

Lisa says, "One of my greatest challenges was securing employment after earning my master's degree. I believe my disability played a major role with not landing a job, until Regent hired me."

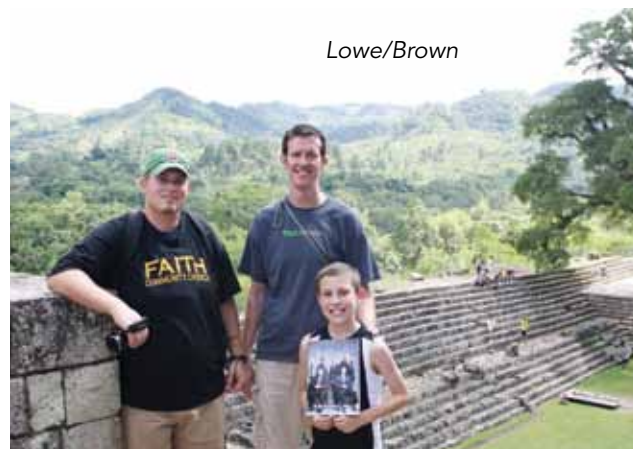
Her disability, while a hindrance in many aspects, has opened up numerous doors of opportunity for witness and testimony. She has appeared on television more than two dozen times and has been able to speak in person at numerous retreats and seminars.

"Everyone faces challenges throughout their lives," Lisa says. "I've learned to face life's obstacles without the assistance of having arms and legs. Nevertheless, the Lord's divine hand has been very evident from my birth through adulthood."

Lisa plans to pursue more opportunities for motivational speaking and is available to be contacted at lisaols@regent.edu, or on Facebook.



Jason Lowe '97 (center), **Jason Brown '01**, and Noah Lowe recently took a missions trip to San Pedro Sula, Honduras, where they posed with *Torch* among the Mayan ruins of Copan. Jason Lowe is lead pastor of Faith Community Church in Beckley, W.Va.



Lowe/Brown

Vanessa Lynch '97 was recently appointed executive director of the Wetumpka, Alabama area Chamber of Commerce. After graduation, she worked three years in public relations and marketing, and spent a decade as a songwriter in Nashville. Lynch is an avid runner and kayaker, and recently competed in the Attack on Swayback. Vanessa said of her new job, "I think Wetumpka could easily capitalize on Swayback and the Coosa River," she said. "The Coosa River is a gold mine. . . . I could see Wetumpka being one of the top places to live in the Southeast for recreation lovers."

Nick '98 and **Tammy Lloyd Haines '98** have been in music ministry in the Church of God for thirteen years, serving in churches in Delaware, Tennessee, Texas, Maryland, and South Carolina. They recently returned to Cleveland, where Nick is enrolled in the master's program. They attend church at Mt. Olive Ministries where Nick is involved in the music ministry. They have two children.

2000s

Rachel Jones Pirkle '01, and her husband, Ken, live in Rome, Ga. and have two children, including their newest addition, Alden, born on January 23, 2011. Rachel says, "Lee provided a great education in addition to an environment that challenged my faith to grow."



Ken '02 and **Monet Calloway Samuelson '01** were both hooded for doctoral degrees in educational leadership during commencement ceremonies at East Tennessee State University on December 17, 2011. This is the third graduate degree together earned by the couple in six years. In addition to their doctorate degrees, each holds a master's in school administration (Western Carolina University, 2007), as well as an educational specialist degree in school system leadership (East Tennessee State University, 2009). The couple met while earning their undergraduate degrees at Lee. They live in Pineola, N.C., and have two daughters. Ken serves as a teacher of exceptional children at Avery Middle School in Newland, N.C., while Monet is principal of Viking Academy and Challenge Academy at Avery High School in Newland.



Ish Serrano '01 lives in Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo. with his wife, **Shelley '01** and their four children. Ish is chaplain of the 31st Engineer Battalion. Ish says, "This is our second duty station since we came into active duty. I have been to Iraq, and now I'm back home taking care of basic training soldiers."

Dorene Failer Powell '02, and her husband, Brian, announce the birth of their son, Evan David Powell, born May 30, 2011, in Pittsburgh, Pa.

Michael '04 and **Brenda Jones '04** live in Omak, Wash., where they are starting a ministry on the reservation of Confederated tribes (Nez Perce, Coleville). Michael says, "God is blessing the ministry and opening doors daily. . . . Several professors at Lee lifted me up out of scholastic poverty, and now I have the tools to build a strong ministry. Thank you, staff of Lee University."



Chase Holsomback '05 was diagnosed with a hemorrhaging vein malformation following a routine MRI last year. Neurosurgeons were concerned that the vein could rupture or continue to bleed and cause brain damage or even speech impairments. Chase underwent brain surgery at Emory University Hospital, in Atlanta, Ga. on December 27, 2011. Forty-five Lee University alumni from Theta Delta Kappa and Epsilon Lambda Phi formed an online prayer chain and prayed for 24 hours throughout the day of his surgery. Chase was released from the hospital after only three nights and no physical therapy is needed nor are there any long-term effects from the surgery. After merely two weeks post-op, Chase has returned to his pastoral position at Mount Holly Church, in Carrollton, Ga. Chase is married to **Sarah Holsomback '05** and they have a daughter, Eva.





Jacobsen

2010s

Jamie Gann Jr. '10 is an elementary music teacher with the Blount County, Tenn. School System. He is also music director at St. John United Methodist Church and a performer with the Foothills Community Players.

Joshua Nelson '10 recently took a position as music director at Saint Joseph's Catholic High School in South Bend, Ind. Joshua says, "I am blessed and privileged, not only to teach the students history, theory, instrumental and vocal music, but also I have the opportunity to lead the entire student body and faculty in worship each month and prayers at the start of each class."



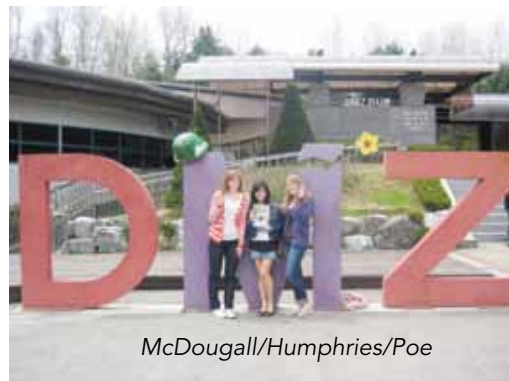
Harmoni Jacobsen '07 married Vytas Jesunas on July 29, 2011. Their ceremony took place at the historic Mabel Tainter Theatre in Menomonee, Wis. The couple resides in Prentice, Wis. where Harmoni is the director of choirs and general music for the Prentice School District. She also directs the school musical, forensics, and glee club. Harmoni says, "I can't wait to show Lee University to my husband this spring break and see all the new buildings!"



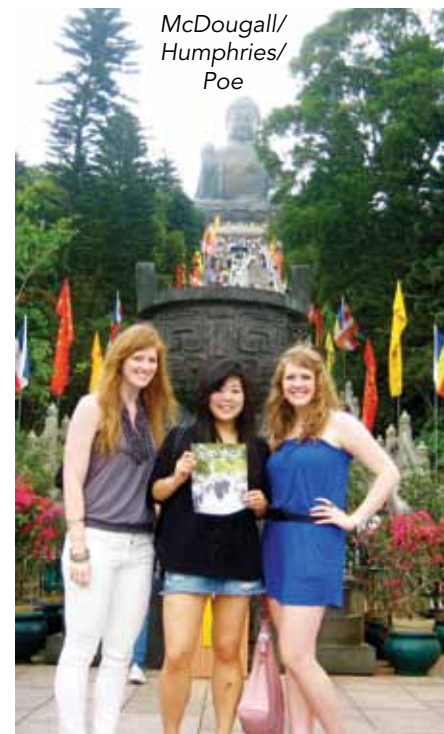
Rachael Webb '07 and **Derrick Milligan '09** are both teaching English as a second language (ESL) in Yongin-Suji, a small suburb outside of Seoul, South Korea. Rachael says, "We didn't know each other at Lee, but I found Derrick by looking through the 'people you may know' list on my Facebook page when I was bored. We had a bunch of friends in common and his name was written in Hangul (Korean), so I clicked on his picture and sent him a message. We've become real friends now (not just on Facebook), and we often enjoy talking about good times at Lee. Not only did we go to the same college and move to the same town across the globe, we have also discovered that we have the same Lee sweatshirt! So, we just had to pose for a picture with *Torch* in our matching sweatshirts."

Milligan/
Webb

Rachel McDougall '08, **Kimber Humphries '08**, and **Heather Poe '10** visited the DMZ on the border of North and South Korea and also took a trip to Hong Kong where they posed with *Torch* at the foot of the largest Buddha statue in the world. The trio all taught at the same school in Gwangju, South Korea.



McDougall/Humphries/Poe

McDougall/
Humphries/
Poe

Amber M. Moore '09 is a second-year law student at West Virginia University College of Law. In January 2012, she was elected editor-in-chief of Volume 115 (2012-2013) of the *West Virginia Law Review*.

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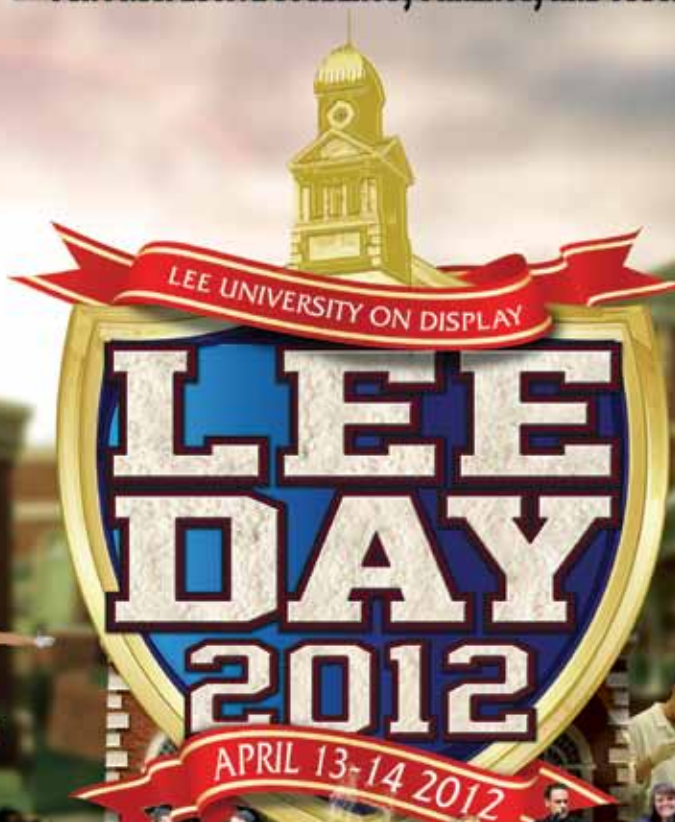
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