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Communication with alumni of the university has taken many forms over the years. The *LCU Bulletin* was sent to all university constituents beginning in the early 1960s. In the early 70s, a newspaper publication called *Reflections* was created and published twice annually to communicate more particularly to alumni, although it was also mailed to friends of the university. In the fall of 1994, the premier issue of the *Reflections* magazine was mailed out to university alumni, friends, and donors was well received.

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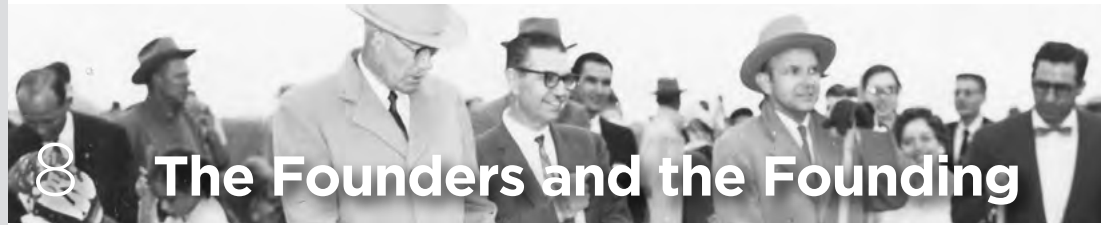
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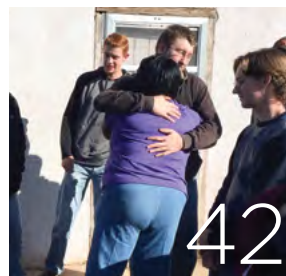
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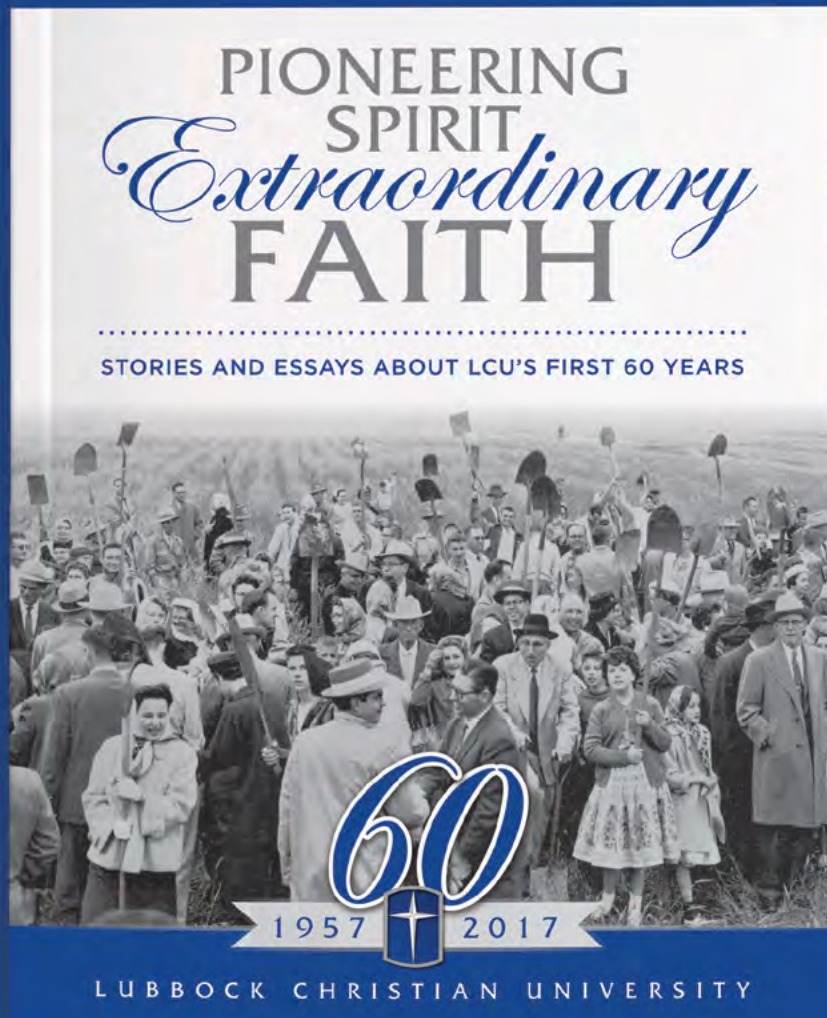
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Sixty essays reveal the rich history of Lubbock Christian University over the last sixty years in a tapestry of stories and viewpoints. The forty-two authors are men and women of faith you will recognize as fellow LCC/LCU classmates, professors and staff—including SMU President Dr. R. Gerald Turner ('66), former LCU President and First Lady Drs. Steven ('65) and Emily ('65) Lemley, LCU Chancellor Dr. L. Ken Jones, and longtime staff and faculty John King, Dr. Rod Blackwood and Dr. Don "Doc" Williams.

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Then and Now, Now and Then

I recently turned 55 years old, which used to seem a whole lot older than it does now! My new stage of life, including eligibility for senior citizen discounts (!), has caused me to spend some time reflecting on how my life is so interconnected with Lubbock Christian University. We are celebrating LCU's sixtieth year right now, and it turns out that I've been around for almost all of the university's existence.

I missed the university's founding because my parents didn't arrive here until year three and I wasn't born until the middle of year five. LCU in the 1960s is a bit of blur for me, but many of my earliest memories are on the LCU campus, participating in the life of the university. Whether it was hanging out with my dad at basketball practice, getting to be in an LCU play under the direction of the remarkable June Bearden (starting in the second grade!), or learning how to lead singing at Music Camp under the watchful eye of the one and only Dr. Wayne Hinds, my growing up corresponded to the university's own journey toward maturity.

LCU's history is, in many ways, my history, and likewise, my history is LCU's.

Your LCU story is probably not exactly the same as mine, but I expect that our stories share many of the same key elements. Men and women of faith who invested deeply in our futures. A community unlike any other. An education that prepared us for life, not just for a job. An abiding commitment to service. A foundational belief in the providence of God. A place full of faith, hope, and love.

In these pages we celebrate our past and together we remember our story. We refuse to live in the past, but we commit to honoring our history, affirming that if we don't know where we've been, we can't know where we are going.

I hope that you will enjoy this special issue of Reflections. I encourage you to find ways to participate in our 60th anniversary celebration. Share your LCU story with us. Strengthen your connections to your alma mater.

Thank you for all of the ways you support LCU and help us advance our mission of changing lives.

Be Forever Blue!

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "L. T. Perrin". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

L. Timothy Perrin, President
Class of 1984

Founders

SEPTEMBER 23, 2016



Larry Hays offers his unique perspective during the lunch on Founders Day, including his experiences as a student, a faculty member, a coach, a father, a trustee, and now as a grandfather of LCU students.

Day

As a part of this year's ongoing celebration of 60 Years, Lubbock Christian University celebrated Founders Day on Friday, September 23, commemorating the day in 1957 when Dr. F. W. Mattox and the original full-time faculty members welcomed the first class of 110 students. The celebration began with a special chapel service that honored our founders and provided an opportunity to worship God for his providence in the university's founding. President Tim Perrin set the stage by reminding the audience of how we should always express our gratitude for the great sacrifice and faithfulness of our founders. Dr. Neil Baldrige, son of the late Don Baldrige, founding trustee, led worship in song. The audience heard from Dr. Emily Lemley, whose father was LCU founder, Dr. M. Norvel Young, and Gaston Tarbet, a member of the first class who was present for the very first chapel service at the college. Dr. B. Wayne Hinds, a founding member of the faculty, led "The Lord Bless You and Keep You," and the Praise Choir sang the inaugural performance of a song written by Dr. Byron Rogers incorporating several well-known and meaningful hymns.

Following the chapel service, the celebration continued with an informal conversation among the first class members as they recounted that first year. After a Founders Luncheon on the front lawn, the day culminated with the dedication ceremony for the newly remodeled Founders Hall in the entrance of the F.W. Mattox Administration building.

Founders Day aimed to recognize that Lubbock Christian University stands on the shoulders of those founders who boldly stepped out in faith to establish a Christian college in a cotton field. The founders of LCU were truly pioneers. Working together, and with God's blessings, they established a strong and sure foundation for the university to build upon for generations to come.

Pictured Top Left: Wayne and Yvonne Hinds viewing the original score of the alma mater that they co-wrote.

Middle: The front entry of the F.W. Mattox Administration Building was dedicated as the Founders Hall during Founders Day.

Bottom: Frank Harmon, Gaston Tarbet, Iva Dell Nowell, Tiwana Maloney, Iris Estes, and Jack Estes pose in front of their original class picture taken in front of the Arnett House in 1957.



The Founders





and the Founding of Lubbock Christian College

This article is an excerpt from the first chapter of “Pioneering Spirit, Extraordinary Faith: Stories and Essays about LCU’s First 60 Years.” The author of this chapter of the book is LCU’s fourth president, Dr. Steve Lemley.

The question is sometimes asked, “Why, would anyone want to start another college in Lubbock in 1957?” After all, several colleges related to Churches of Christ already existed across the country—one was within a half-day’s drive of Lubbock, which was already home to a growing state university—and a community college was slated to open the next year in nearby Levelland.

A partial answer can be found by understanding that those who founded Lubbock Christian University were not alone in their vision. In addition to the one in Lubbock, ten, *yes—ten*—colleges associated with Churches of Christ opened their doors in the decade between 1952 and 1962 in Alabama, Nebraska, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Idaho, Michigan (two), West Virginia, and Texas (two besides Lubbock). The year of 1957 was actually that decade’s peak year of college-founding with three of those ten opening their doors that year. This led one witty writer during that decade to proclaim, “Support your neighborhood Christian College!”

Why were the years from 1952 to 1962 so fruitful for the founding of new colleges?

That boom might be best understood in light of a combination of factors, starting with a history of nearly forty colleges founded between 1840 and 1957 in what is sometimes known as the “Restoration Movement,” or more recently as the “Stone-

Campbell Movement.” Most of those colleges did not survive, but some merged with others, and all reflected a serious and continuing emphasis on education among members of this movement. Other factors included

1. the postwar economic boom which many thought might last forever;
2. an increase in Churches of Christ membership so rapid that some estimated it was the fastest-growing religious group in America;
3. a population explosion known as the baby boom, which promised an endless supply of students;
4. the energy of a new generation of leaders and builders who had fought their way through the Great Depression and a world war and emerged with intense optimism and faith and a desire to put their hands to the creation of new great enterprises;
5. burgeoning college enrollments with accompanying overcrowding, which seemed to have no end in sight;
6. direct encouragement (substantial incentives provided by the G. I. Bill) from national political leaders to supply more college-educated Americans in order to compete with the Soviet

Union, particularly in the sciences and in the “space race”; and

7. the establishment of new community and state colleges across the nation, leading many to think there would always be need for one more.

Overall, then, the church was building, the nation was building, and the huge baby boom generation was looking to fulfill their parents’ ambitions for them—which included a college education.

Lubbock Christian School

But *our* story begins in August 1954, when the bulletin of the Broadway Church of Christ announced the appointment of five trustees for “Lubbock Christian School,” which obtained a state charter for an enterprise that would progress from kindergarten through college. The five were Dr. J. B. McCorkle (who was elected chairman), J. C. Rigney, Paul Sherrod, J. Don Baldrige, and Dr. W. T. “Bill” Rogers, all members and leaders of the Broadway Church. The school would have one employee, Olive Price. She would teach the seventeen children who were to enroll that year. The school was described carefully as “a separate entity from the church” that was “simply using the facilities of the church by courtesy of the elders.” Lubbock Christian School was foreshadowed in an earlier established preschool, also meeting in the Broadway building, taught by Lilly Smith.

Norvel Young was the visionary minister of the Broadway church, one of the largest congregations of Churches of Christ in the late 1950s. He was a significant and widely known preacher but, perhaps even more, he was what one church historian later called a “quintessential builder.” Never satisfied with the status quo, he was driven to initiate projects that he believed could influence—and be influenced by—the church. He had already been a leader in creating the Children’s Home of Lubbock and was an important force in the establishment of this fledgling Christian school that was to meet in the church’s new and very large building. Young was not only able to involve and motivate others to join projects he initiated, he also was able to step back and allow those projects to move forward under the primary leadership of others who had caught his vision.



Dr. F.W. Mattox at the dedication of the administration building which was covered by local media. Notice the loud speaker set up on top of the building.



The campus during the 1958-59 school year.

And so it was that the Christian school began.

Shortly after the opening of the school in 1954, Young apparently began suggesting that it might aim to add a grade each year until it evolved into a Christian college. But by January 1956, months before the addition of a third grade was even announced, Young had presented the idea of starting that college right away at an area-wide meeting held at the Southside Church of Christ's building. His idea was received with considerable enthusiasm by those attending.

Around this time, Paul Sherrod, by then deeply involved in the effort, went to Searcy, Arkansas, to entice Dr. F. W. Mattox to come to Lubbock as the college's first president. Sherrod enlisted fellow trustee Don Baldrige to fly him in the Baldrige Company's airplane, along with future trustee O. T. Shipp. They persuaded F. W. and Mildred Mattox to come to Lubbock to just, as Mattox later wrote, "take a look." Mattox arrived in Lubbock to find that a dinner had been arranged with a large gathering of people at the Pioneer Hotel. They impressed him with their commitment to build a college. He protested, "But I am not a fund-raiser." They replied, "Don't worry, we will raise the money." And so he decided to take the challenge.

After that, things moved quickly. On September 2, 1956, over 2,000 people attended a barbecue given by "Lubbock Christian College" at the Lubbock Coliseum.

Don Morris, president of Abilene Christian College, spoke briefly and encouraged people to get behind a drive to raise \$500,000 to start the college.

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By September 30, 1956, the bulletin announced that a site for the campus had been selected on West 19th Street. This was to be a purchase of 380 acres with twenty additional acres gifted by the landowner, Dr. Sam Arnett.

On October 14, 1956, President Mattox reported that the total pledged had grown to \$422,000. Fund-raising continued with Dr. Mattox, often accompanied by a new chairman of the board, Paul Sherrod. Sherrod and Mattox, together, traveled through eastern New

Mexico and around West Texas announcing the good news of the new junior college planned for Lubbock, recruiting students, and soliciting financial help.

In April 1957, it was announced that a groundbreaking for the Administration Building would take place the next month. Featured speakers were to be Don Morris (who had continued to encourage the work even as he served as president of Abilene Christian College), Waggoner Carr—Speaker of the Texas House of Representatives—and Dr. E. N. Jones, president of Texas Technological College

For the complete chapter, purchase the 60th Anniversary Book, “Pioneering Spirit, Extraordinary Faith: Stories and Essays about LCU’s First 60 Year.”

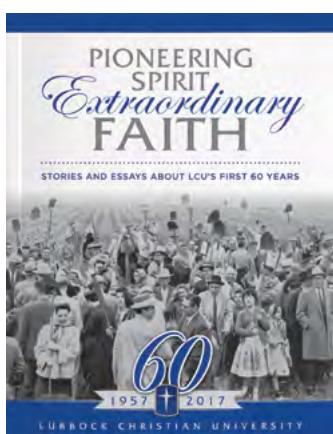
Any story of events that took place more than sixty years ago must be assembled from the few written documents that have been preserved from that time or from information passed along in oral stories. Many names have been mentioned here—but there are others who played significant roles in launching Lubbock Christian College whose names have not been mentioned; some of those names may be lost to history. In recording great events of the past, some deserving people are inevitably given too much

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credit while others are given too little—or none at all. Even if all were known, it would greatly lengthen this story to record the names of every person who gave a gift, participated in a plan, supported the dream, or provided energy and resources at just the right times.

All who love this story can but stand in humility, with thanksgiving, for these courageous people, all of them, whether their roles are well-known or unknown, mentioned here or not. Their sacrifices are yet visible and, in those founders, we have a great cloud of witnesses around us. They are cheering us on with their example. Like them, we look to the future with faith, hope, and love.

In their own way, these sacrificial people resemble those about whom it was written, “Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect” (Heb. 11:39–40).



The complete chapter, “The Founders and the Founding,” contains details about the opposition of a new Christian college in Lubbock, recounts the actual day of groundbreaking, and introduces others who are part of LCU’s history. Purchase *Pioneering Spirit, Extraordinary Faith* to read the rest of this chapter and the other 59 chapters that describe the vision, sacrifice, and faithfulness that mark the LCU story.

As President Perrin has noted about the book, “The LCU story is told through voices that come from every decade of the university’s existence. This diversity of authors and experiences helps to capture LCU’s very heartbeat. This book is not a comprehensive history of LCU, but rather a collection of stories beautifully and lovingly written by individuals who in many cases are sharing firsthand accounts of what happened and who in every case write out of a deep and enduring affection for the university.”



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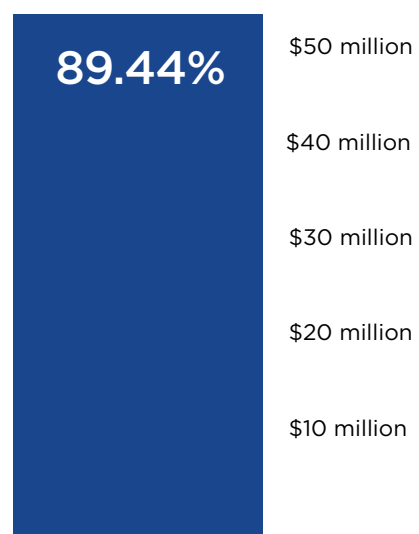
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Obviously, clothing and hairstyles are markedly different, but there are a lot of similarities between this current photo and the inset photo which appeared in the 1958 yearbook. Small class sizes have long been a hallmark of LCU.

RESEARCH AT LCU RECEIVES INTERNATIONAL ATTENTION

Undergraduate research at LCU has grown rapidly, providing unique opportunities for students to hone critical thinking skills through original research. Over the past ten years, numerous students have been chosen to present their research findings at the national level. Some of those students' efforts involved scientific research on the presence of *E. coli* in Lubbock playa lakes with Dr. Bart Durham, Professor Lucy Porter, and other members of the LCU science faculty.

This study, which began six years ago, is receiving international attention because of the recently published article, "Seasonal Influence of Environmental Variables and Artificial Aeration on *Escherichia Coli* in Small Urban Lakes." The article was accepted without revision to the *Journal of Water and Health* and was notable because it was featured in an international publication, and has three co-authors—two of whom were undergraduate LCU students.

"Early on, this project started when we were kicking off our undergraduate research initiative," Durham explained. "We were looking for an open-ended, multifaceted project where any data that we would collect would be good usable data." In searching for a project that could be a good fit to partner with undergraduate students, Durham came across some research from an LCU

colleague, Lucy Porter. Porter had been studying the *E. coli* levels in Lubbock Playa lakes, and noticed that one lake in particular always had lower levels. The two professors wanted to know why.

"We thought, what if we just did a study on the water quality and some of the factors in these local playa lakes? So we started taking the measurements," said Durham. "We sat down and worked through an experimental design, determining that we would have 6 lakes, some of which would have fountains, others that wouldn't, in different parts of town, etc." After they had detailed the methodology of their study, they began to get their students involved, and the project proved to be a major success.

"We probably had over 300 students directly involved in the project, which was huge for us. We also had about half a dozen students who were actively and extensively involved over the course of the study." Durham noted that two students in particular are co-authors on this paper, which is incredibly rare. "Allie Webb was instrumental in working at Advanced Analysis doing the water quality analysis and also with the data analysis. Josh Thomas was invaluable in the field collections. He was there any time I needed him, and towards the end of the project actually ran the field work by himself. This project for both of them was as detailed and involved as many Master's theses."



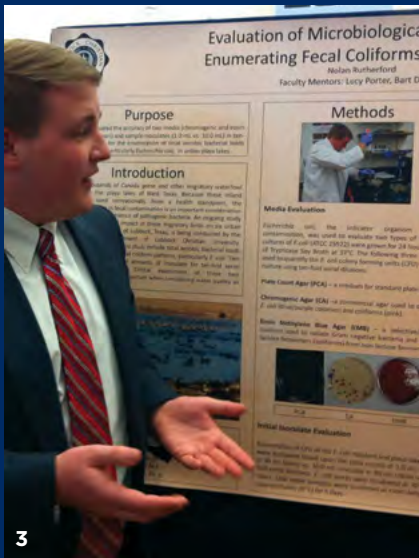
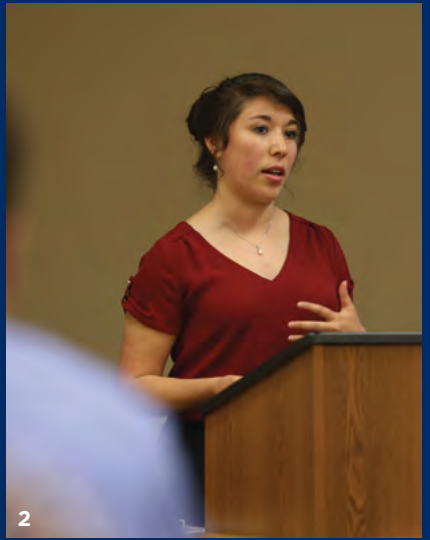
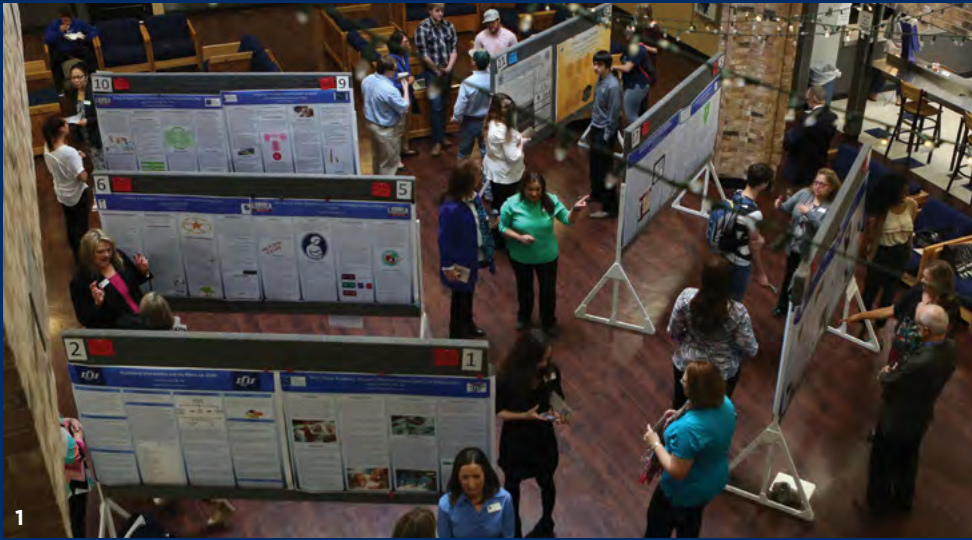
The students were not the only essential resource to the success of the project. The assistance and generosity of Mario Rodriguez, longtime friend of the university, was absolutely critical. “He actually wrote us a check to help us get started with this project,” said Durham, “and also allowed us to use his equipment and testing supplies at Advanced Analysis for free, with his only request being that we have the students come out and learn to do the research themselves.” In the end, the in-kind contributions by Rodriguez and Advanced Analysis to the project is conservatively estimated at well over \$30,000.

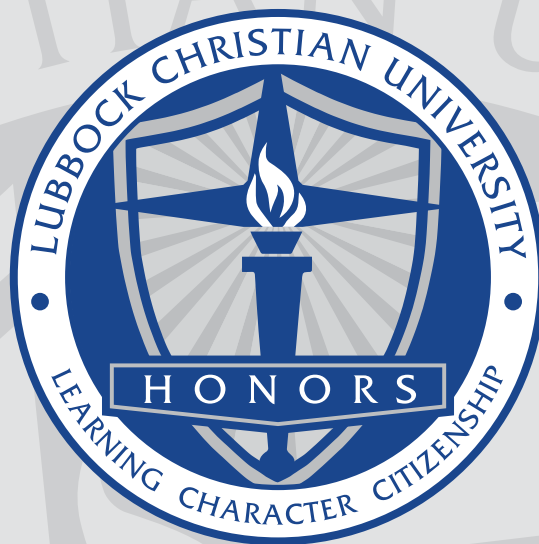
The study itself revealed much about the nature of *E. coli* in the Lubbock playa lakes. “Half of the water that we sampled would go to the Microbiology lab here, for our own students to test,” explained Durham. “This obviously helped us train our students here on the methods to do the testing, which was a big plus. The other half would go out to Mario Rodriguez’s water quality lab. The data showed that in almost every case, the *E. coli* was higher in lakes without fountains,” Durham explained. “The problem was finding out why.”

The team ended up identifying that the extra oxygen that the fountains added to the lakes helped lower the bacteria levels. “In the end, the UV radiation from the increased sunlight in Lubbock killed the bacteria more effectively in an oxygen-rich environment.”

Aside from being the longest-term study of its kind, this project was significant to Durham because of the way that it involved the undergraduate students and gave them such a high-profile opportunity to excel. “There’s a story there with our struggle from the beginning that we got to share with our students that was really the nature of science. To impact 300 students and counting—that is one of the most impressive things that came out of this study. That is the reason that out of all of my publications, this is probably one of the ones of which I am the proudest.”

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HONORS COLLEGE

The LCU Honors Program began in the fall of 2000 with the vision of Dr. Jim Bullock, Humanities professor, and Dr. Rod Blackwood, Provost. Dr. Bullock had investigated the importance of Honors Programs for bringing top tier students to universities, and the university was eager to pursue this dream. Honors education, which features interdisciplinary learning and the importance of experiential learning outside of the classroom, has proven effective in promoting, upon graduation, well rounded leaders with the ability to adapt to multiple contexts and roles and with the goal of serving society.

A key move in the program was the securing of \$7.5 million in endowed funds to assist with scholarships to recruit outstanding students. Dr. Bullock worked with Dr. James Johnson to secure these funds, and the program was therefore more secure for the future.

But both curricular and scholarship limitations kept the program relatively small, though important to the overall academic integrity of the university.

When in 2007 Dr. Stacy Patty took over as director, significant changes began to occur. Dr. Patty moved quickly to expand the program beyond its Humanities and Arts focus, adapting the program to allow for more science and business majors to follow the Honors track. Within six years, the program grew from 70 to 140 students. In the fall of 2016, Honors enrollment reached nearly 200 students.

More important than the growth in numbers, however, is the impact on LCU. The Honors College has initiated

several key programs and strategies that have been very important to the university. Among these are the following:

- The Honors Program was involved in the initiation of the annual LCU Scholars Colloquium, a feature venue for the celebration of student and faculty research. Through this event, the program has brought to campus two Gifford lecturers and several internationally renowned speakers.
- The Honors Program introduced LCU to the National Council on Undergraduate Research, and its annual National Conference on Undergraduate Research, encouraging the formation of LCU's Council on Undergraduate Research, bringing LCU's undergraduate education to the national scene.
- The Honors Program initiated and has directed the LCU in Washington Program, which has now placed more than 70 interns in our nation's capital for semester internships with academic credit. In 2013 LCU received a national award for this program, The Washington Center Private University of the Year Award.

In the fall of 2016, the university established the Honors Program as the Honors College. This change highlights the central importance of Honors education, which aims to promote interdisciplinary learning, discernment of vocation, and leadership training and experience for lives of purpose and service. The college provides exemplary programming for its students and aims to continue to serve as a catalyst for academic creative work and excellence for the university.

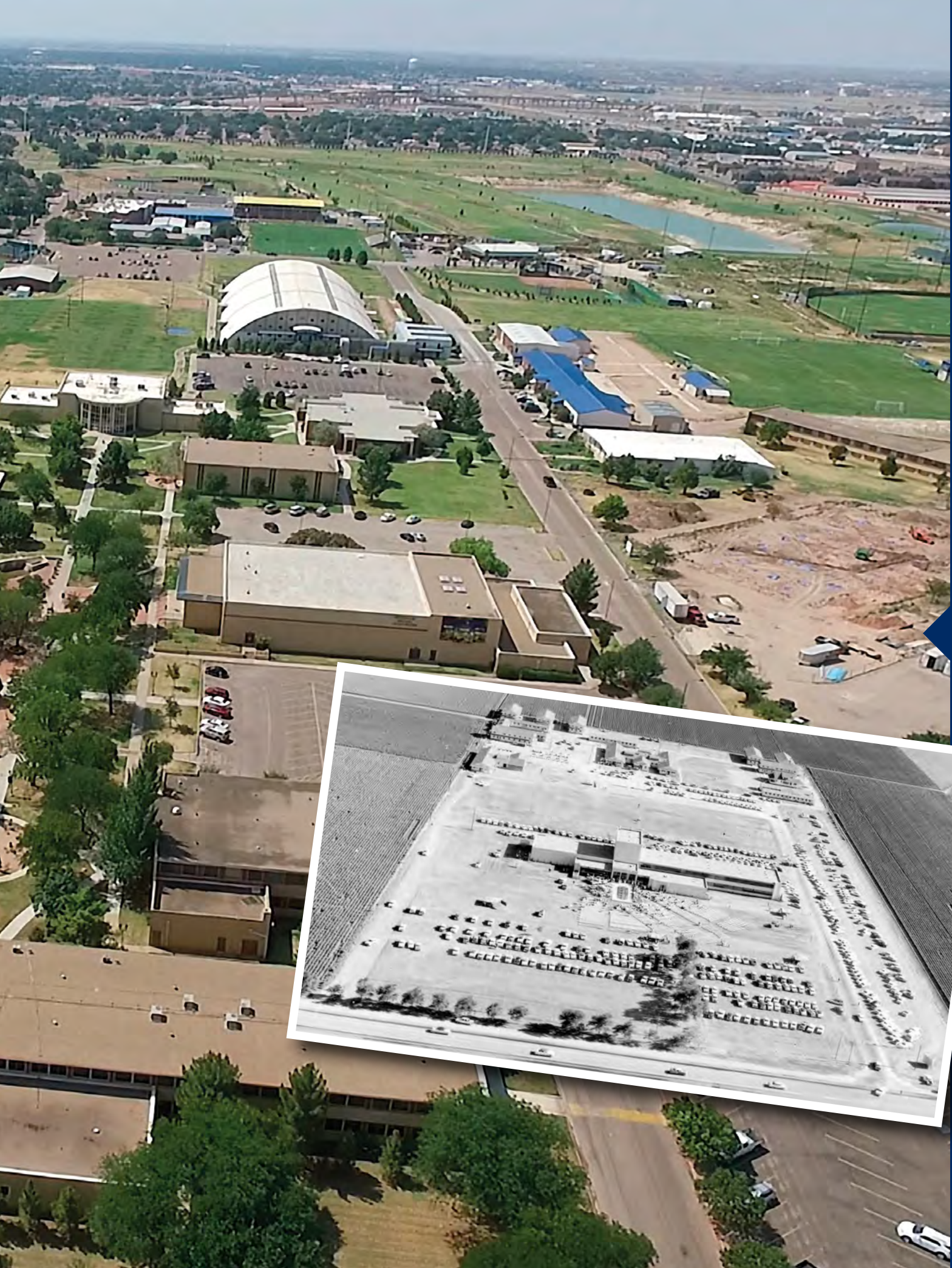
◀ While many LCU undergraduate students conduct research, a part of the honors student curriculum includes their participation in the LCU Scholars Colloquium.
1. Pictured are poster presentations in the SUB.
2. Samantha (Puente '16) Farrow presenting her research findings.

3. Nolan Rutherford ('14) presenting his microbiological research.
4. Honors students are presented their stoles to be worn at commencement and an acrylic award for their achievement.
5. Cassidy Flow, an honors student, was chosen as the student speaker for the Winter 2016 Commencement.

around campus

An aerial shot of the campus taken in the summer of 2016. Notice the prep work for the Ling Science Center near Johnson Hall. The inset photo was taken on August 16, 1958, the day of the administration building dedication. The administration building was later named the F.W. Mattox Administration Building to honor the founding president.





PRESIDENT'S GALA WITH

AARON★WATSON



In October, country music recording artist and former LCU student Aaron Watson returned to the campus for a reception, dinner, and concert. Watson was the featured guest at the LCU President's Circle Gala, an annual dinner held to honor members of the President's Circle. This year, the Baker Conference Center was full for dinner and a private Q&A with Watson facilitated by President Perrin. A concert was held in the McDonald Moody Auditorium following the dinner, where additional guests, LCU students, faculty, and staff enjoyed a memorable acoustic performance by Watson.





The President's Circle, which started in 2015, consists of friends of the university who have dedicated themselves to supporting the university through annual gifts. Members aspire to build on the university's momentum, bringing together other friends and supporters of LCU to advance strategic priorities. Members of the President's Circle are working together to help the university advance its mission of changing lives.

Top: Aaron Watson (center) and two of his band members performed an acoustic set for the event. **Right:** The Marray Maddox family visits with Aaron Watson during a reception held for the Presidents Circle members prior to the concert.



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... TO CREATING PEANUTS THEMED ORNAMENTS, MAGNETS, AND DECORATIONS.



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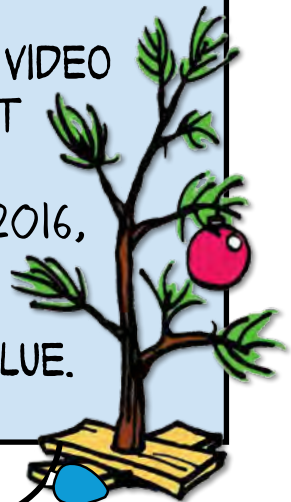
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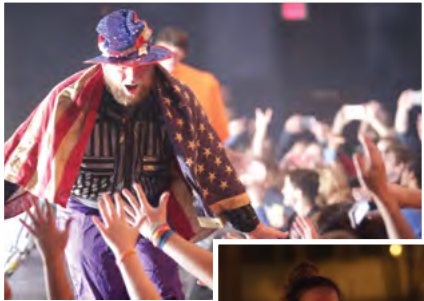


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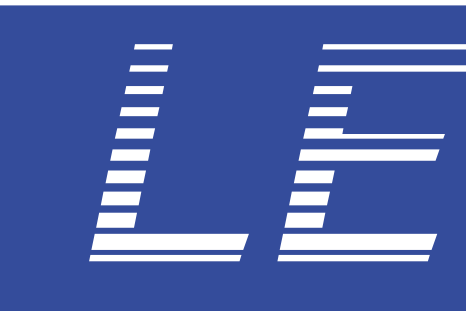
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Saturday evening campers enjoyed an FF5 concert and hot chocolate and s'mores over campfires in the mall.

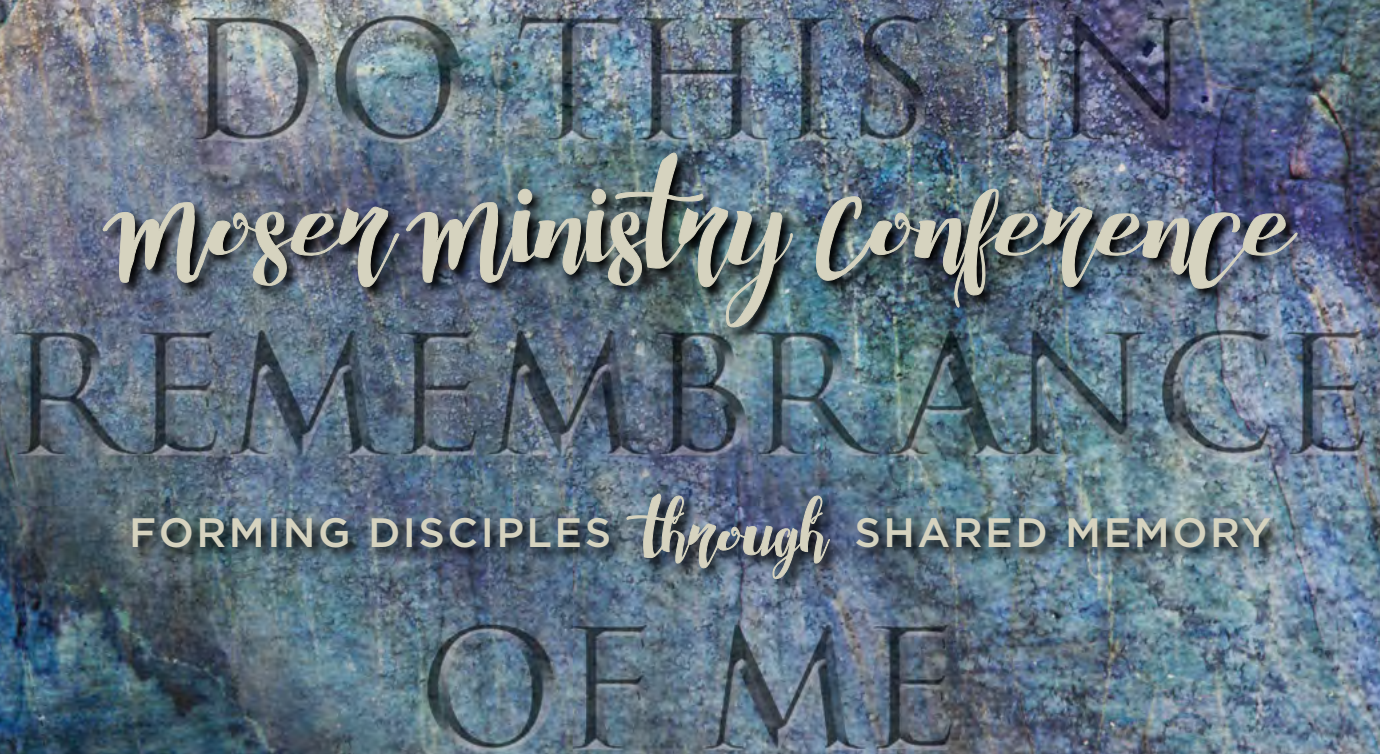


Located in the heart of West Texas, Encounter LE (Limited Edition) is an annual event that provides middle school and high school students the opportunity to recharge their spiritual life during the hectic school year. In only three, fun-filled days, campers experienced inspirational speakers, breakout classes, and recreational events. This year Encounter LE brought in Jonnie W., a Christian comedian, and the band Family Force 5. The keynote speakers for the event were Patrick Mead and Jonathan Stortment.




Patrick Mead delivered an inspiring keynote on Friday evening.





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Moser Ministry Conference
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FORMING DISCIPLES *through* SHARED MEMORY
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THE 2016 MOSER MINISTRY CONFERENCE
HIGHLIGHTED LCU'S SIXTY-YEAR LEGACY
BY THEMATICALLY FOCUSING ON THE
IMPORTANCE OF MEMORY TO THE
FORMATION OF CHRISTIAN IDENTITY.

Now in its tenth year, the annual conference at LCU includes worship, fellowship, and distinguished guest speakers over the two-day event and is attended by students, staff, ministers, and church leaders.

This year's theme, "Do This in Remembrance of Me: Forming Disciples through Shared Memory" was emphasized over the course of six sessions: Monuments of Memory, Songs of Memory, Halls of Memory, Testimonies of Memory, Waters of Memory, and Feasts of Memory. Recordings of the sessions are available for free on iTunes.

"The Christian faith is fundamentally a historic faith, which gives a central place to the role of memory," Jeff Cary, director of the conference and assistant professor of theology, explained. "The practice of memory is all the more important to consider as our host culture adopts an increasingly non-narrative structure of reality."

Awards

Each year during the Moser Ministry Conference banquet, which is held the first night of the event, several Bible students are recognized with awards for their academic achievement and Christian example. Beginning last year, LCU and MissionLink also present the Distinguished Service in Missions Award at the banquet.



Dr. Jesse Long, Taylor Bonner, Jonathan Wynne, Dr. Charles Stephenson

Jonathan Wynne ('16), who graduated with a missions degree in December, was chosen for the K.C. Moser Student Ministry Award. The award is given "in acknowledgment of his spirit of determination, his thirst for knowing Christ, his heart for service, and his passion for living and proclaiming Jesus Christ."

Biblical text major **Taylor Bonner**, received the Charles and Judy Siburt Christian Character Award which is given "in acknowledgment of his recognizable love for Christ and His church, his demonstration of spiritual maturity, and his commitment to growing in Christian virtue."



Larry Stephens, Diane Stephens, and Shawn Tyler

The recipients of the 2016 Distinguished Service in Missions Award were **Larry and Diane Stephens ('72)**. The couple served in Kenya for more than 20 years, working with church planting, Bible studies, and leadership training. This award recognizes the significant impact that Larry and Diane made in hearts and lives in Kenya through their mission work.

In keeping with the theme, and with the year-long celebration of LCU's 60th Anniversary, the conference featured four LCU alumni as presenters: Randy Fenter ('75), Dr. Dyron Daugherty ('95), Gary Head ('13), and Hannah Sutton ('15).



Hannah Sutton ('15) gives her presentation during the conference.

Attendees of the 2016 conference explored together how shared practices of memory guide them to discipleship to Jesus Christ in both missions and ministry.

"The Moser conference is a concrete manifestation of what I take to be an important truth: a Christian university should arise out of the heart of the church," said Cary. "This conference is one way LCU strengthens its organic connection to the church, hopefully in a manner that generates an enhanced sense of shared mission for all participants."

THIS CONFERENCE IS ONE WAY LCU STRENGTHENS ITS ORGANIC CONNECTION TO THE CHURCH

Cary continued, "The Moser conference not only focuses on encouraging and equipping church leaders, it also focuses heavily on our students, especially our ministry majors. We try to facilitate opportunities for practicing ministers and our students to interact throughout the conference. This helps our students not only gain wisdom from those who have been practicing ministry, it also helps our students begin to make connections with those who are already working in churches."

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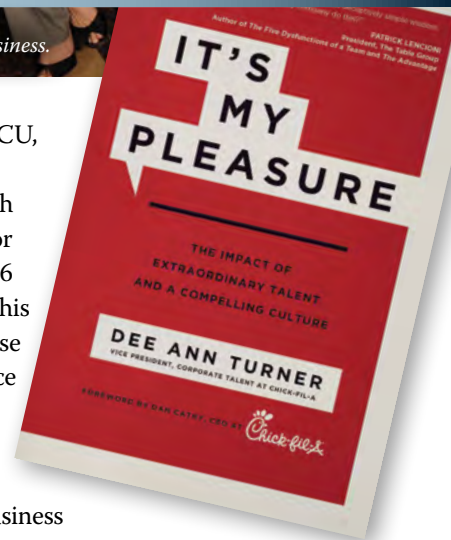


BUSINESS AS A CALLING

Featured presenters Matt Bumstead and Dee Ann Turner are surrounded by students and faculty of the School of Business.

The LCU School of Business hosted their Business as a Calling event in September, which is held annually and features local and national business leaders who speak on the intersection of faith and business. The aim of the event is to encourage business leaders, both present and future, to merge the professional and spiritual dimensions of their lives so that their faith is reflected in their work. This year the sold-out event was held during the noon hour with representatives from major Lubbock businesses and community leaders in attendance. Featured speakers were Matt Bumstead, LCU School of Business CEO in Residence, and Dee Ann Turner, Vice President of Enterprise and Responsibility at Chick-fil-A, and member of the LCU School of Business Advisory Board.

Prior to beginning his work at LCU, Professor Bumstead enjoyed a distinguished 20-year career with United Supermarkets, serving for 9 years as co-president and for 16 years on the company board. In his remarks, Bumstead made the case that business is not simply a place where leaders should try to just do the right thing, but actually the place where doing the right thing can be most powerful. "Business is a series of interactions - relationships - that meets needs and serves," he said. "Is there any better way to show the love of God than meeting needs and serving?"



Is there any better way to show the LOVE of GOD than meeting NEEDS and SERVING?

Turner began working for Chick-fil-A in 1985 and has served in numerous roles for the company. Prior to her current position, she served as vice president of corporate talent for 16 years. Last year, she published *It's My Pleasure*, a book about how the people and culture of a business are linked to success. Turner spoke on how a simple action can often have effects beyond what a business leader can understand in that moment.



Matt Bumstead engages luncheon attendees during his presentation.

athletics

A landmark on the LCU campus since its completion in 1962, the Field House - now known as the Rhodes Perrin Recreation Center - provides opportunities for intramurals and pick-up games and includes three basketball courts, a climbing wall, a futsal soccer court, walking track, group fitness room, the Ramona Perrin Fitness Center, and ESS classrooms and offices.

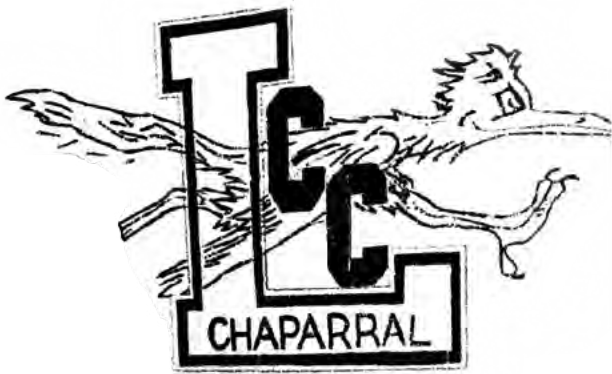


RHODES PERRIN
RECREATION CENTER



Pioneers to

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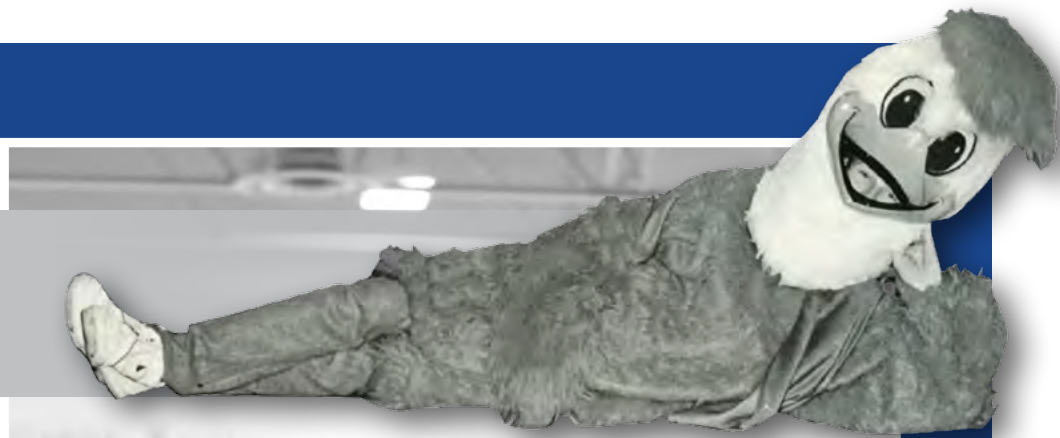
When founding Lubbock Christian College in 1957, the “Pioneer” seemed to be the most logical mascot for a newly-formed West Texas college. The lyrics to the school song already conveniently included the line, “hail to our own Lubbock Christian, modern pioneers.”

However, in the first few years after the founding, students argued that the Pioneer was too similar to mascots of other schools in the region – including the Wayland Baptist Pioneers. Lubbock Christian University students wanted to stand out; they wanted to change the mascot. Detailed in the chapter titled “From Pioneer to Chaparral” in LCU’s 60th anniversary book, *Pioneering Spirit-Extraordinary Faith: Stories and Essays about LCU’s First 60 Years*, there was considerable campus debate over the course of several years, and a persuasive editorial published in *The Duster* school newspaper on the issue.

The student body nominated the “Chaparral” as the new mascot to replace the Pioneer. The Chaparral commanded the popular vote, 269 to 51. The Chaparral was adopted officially as the school’s mascot late in 1964.

Since it became the official mascot, it is commonly referred to as the Chap rather than Chaparral. It has also undergone numerous make-overs and updates through the years – both in print logo designs and the representative costume. In the years following the change, students began to affectionately refer to the chaparral as “Chappy.” In the early 2000s, the Chap was called “Scratch.”

In 2015, a new design for the Chap costume was introduced named “Happy Chap,” in honor of its sponsor, Happy State Bank. Happy Chap now proudly represents LCU at athletic events and local community appearances.



An early version of the Chaparral mascot, circa 1988.



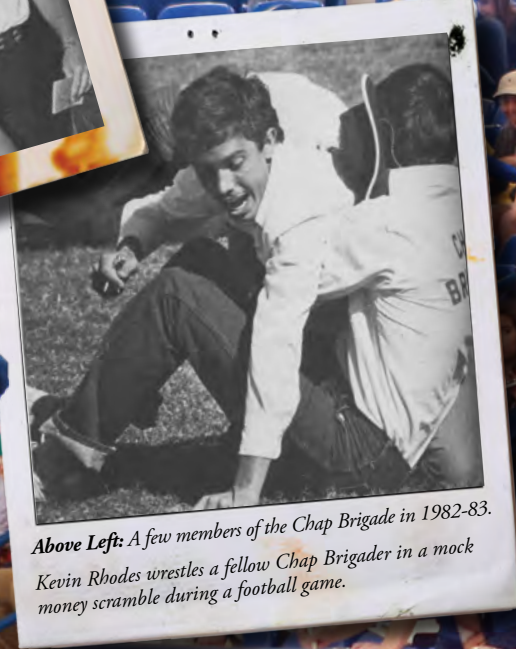
The next iteration of the mascot in the 1990s.



In the 2000s, the mascot was called "Chap Scratch," and later "Chappy" by students. **Right:** The newest version in blue, called "Happy Chap."



Chap



*Above Left: A few members of the Chap Brigade in 1982-83.
Kevin Rhodes wrestles a fellow Chap Brigader in a mock money scramble during a football game.*



Brigade

What do rubber chickens, trampolines, uproarious laughter, and President Tim Perrin have in common? Why, the Chap Brigade, of course!

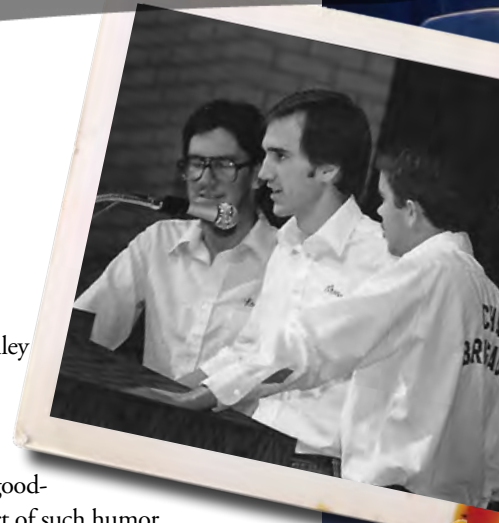
What is the Chap Brigade, one may ask? According to former member Kevin Rhodes ('84), Chap Brigade was a "spirit/heckling/publicity/humor organization." "How prominent and effective each of those things were at any time could be debated," explained Rhodes. "We as Chap Brigade members thought our spirit was highly spirited, our publicity was, uh, public, and our humor was quite humorous – but maybe not always at the same time."

Chap Brigade began in the mid-70s with a distinct focus on "heckling." The group would attend sports events to cheer the Chaps, but also jeer the referees and other teams in the name of "spirit." Of course, the heckling also turned inward, poking fun at susceptible professors and members of the administration. By the time Rhodes was in

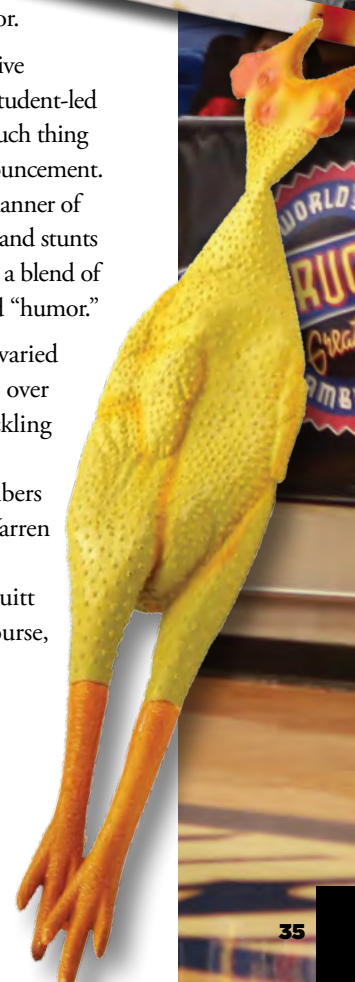
Chap Brigade, Dr. Steven Lemley ('65), fourth president of LCU, was a favorite—and good-natured—object of such humor.

Chap Brigade also performed live announcements in chapel for student-led campus events. There was no such thing as a serious Chap Brigade announcement. Announcements featured all manner of props (hence rubber chickens) and stunts (hence trampolines) to provide a blend of "publicity" with wild and weird "humor."

Though the organization has varied in its involvement on campus over the years, their humorous heckling spirit lives on in such notable Brigaders and dedicated members of the LCU community as Warren McNeill (Vice President of University Relations), Bart Pruitt (General Counsel), and, of course, President Tim Perrin himself.



A 2013 version of Chap Brigade livens up a Chap Basketball game in the RIP.



LUBBOCK CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY ATHLETIC

HALL OF HONOR



INDUCTEES & THE HAMPTON SISTERS

Each year, Lubbock Christian University honors former players from its historic athletic programs during its Hall of Honor Induction Banquet. This year, LCU honored six alumni at the event, including former women's basketball player Sierra Wilcox-Lovorn and former men's basketball players Brandon Jones and Rob Evans, who had his number retired. In addition to the achievements of these alumni, the evening also honored three sisters, all of whom made incredible contributions to the Lady Chaps basketball program: Brittany, Jordan, and Nicole Hampton.

When the head women's basketball coach, Steve Gomez, began his career at LCU in 2003 after coaching high school boys teams, he began to envision a new future for the LCU women's program. There was an intangible element that he knew the team needed, something that Steve described as "transformative." There were good players, experienced players, and players with heart, but he knew that there was something else that he had seen jump start programs and



Top: Jordan (Hampton) Thurston, Nicole Hampton, Brandon Jones Bottom: Sierra (Wilcox) Lovorn, Rob Evans, Brittany (Hampton) Roberts

teams over his time as a coach. After a couple of years, he recruited Jordan Hampton from Canyon High School, and he knew that he had found that intangible.

The Hampton sisters all attended school in Canyon, where their father was an assistant coach, and they played under coaching legend Joe Lombard. The varsity girls' basketball program in Canyon was nothing short of a dynasty, with multiple state championships and highly-sought-after recruits. During her senior year, Jordan had helped lead her team to a state championship, and along the way picked up numerous awards and accolades for her play. That fall, she committed to playing basketball at LCU under Coach Gomez, along with fellow inductee Sierra Wilcox Lovorn, and the transformation of the women's basketball program began.

Jordan was an outstanding player. Gomez described her strengths on the court, saying, "She was really just a solid player. She was highly productive, and she really understood the game. Her mentality of winning, and winning together, was that something that we were looking for." As she began, and throughout her career, she helped the program achieve success. Her freshman year, LCU reached the finals of the NAIA national tournament, in the early part of what would become a 10-year streak of tournament appearances, which only ended when the team made the transition from the NAIA to the NCAA.

During her junior year at LCU, Jordan's sister Brittany decided that she was going to follow in her sister's footsteps and announced that she was going to play for LCU the following year. After going on to win her own state championship, she got to play alongside

SIERRA WILCOX LOVORN



2005-2009

Sierra (Wilcox) Lovorn was a Lady Chap from 2005 to 2009. She graduated LCU ranking sixth all-time in scoring with 1,365 points, as LCU's career leader in three-point attempts (672), third in three-pointers made (234), and was the program's career assists leader with

633 until 2016. She was LCU's first ever First Team NAIA All-American selection and was the second Lady Chap to receive All-American honors in consecutive seasons.

BRANDON JONES

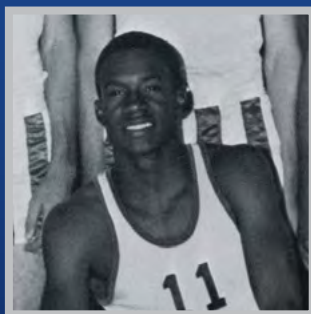


2001-2005

Brandon Jones holds a record with 293 career three-pointers as well as ranking fourth in blocked shots with 93. His 1,597 points scored is fourth-best in LCU history, and the guard also sits in the top five with his 581 field goals made and a 42.7

three-point percentage. He is one of only 2 NAIA All-Americans in LCU Men's Basketball history.

ROB EVANS



1964-1966

Rob Evans, whose number 11 was retired this year, averaged 19.7 points per game on his 51.5 shooting percentage in his career. He was inducted into the LCU Hall of Honor in 1990, and was recognized as Distinguished Alumnus in 2004. Rob was the

first LCC All-American selection in basketball after the 1965-66 season. He continued his playing career at New Mexico State University where he was elected team captain and led his team to two consecutive NCAA tournaments. Rob has enjoyed a successful career as an NCAA Division I coach for almost 50 years.

JORDAN HAMPTON THURSTON



2005-2009

Jordan (Hampton) Thurston was a Lady Chap from 2005 to 2009. Jordan is the third all-time leading scorer in LCU program history with 1,767 points, second in three-pointers (248), and all-time leader in three-point percentage (.471). She was part

of LCU's NAIA National Finalist team in 2006, a 2-time NAIA All-American, and was named the Co-Player of the Year in the Sooner Athletic Conference in 2008-09.

BRITTANY HAMPTON ROBERTS



2008-2012

Brittany (Hampton) Roberts was a Lady Chap from 2008 to 2012. She claimed All-Tournament honors for the NAIA National Tournament in 2013. A two-time NAIA All-American, Brittany is second all-time in career free-throw percentage (.874), ranks third in

three-point percentage (.407) and is fourth on LCU's all-time assists list (397).

NICOLE HAMPTON



2011-2016

Nicole was a Lady Chap from 2011 to 2016. She was a two-time NAIA All-American and the NAIA's career free-throw percentage leader. She is LCU's career leader in points (1,796), assists (659), rebounds (1,053), steals (330) and free-throw percentage (91.1%). She also

claimed 1st Team D2CCA and WBCA All-American honors in her Senior season while helping LCU claim an NCAA DII National Championship title.

her sister as she started her career at LCU. She went on throughout her career to claim spots on the program leaderboard in free-throw percentage, three-point percentage, and assists as she helped keep the momentum of the program going forward. Then, during her senior year, the youngest Hampton sister, Nicole, after winning her own state championship, decided to complete the trio at LCU.

Nicole Hampton played her freshman season alongside her sister Brittany, just as Brittany had done with Jordan. Another playoff appearance, and another solid season for the sisters. During her LCU career, Nicole set program career records in free-throw percentage, assists, steals, rebounds, and points scored. Following Nicole's sophomore year, LCU began the transition from NAIA to NCAA, with a period of two years without postseason eligibility, which would have ruled out Nicole's chances at playing in the playoffs in the NCAA. After much deliberation, Nicole and her teammate Kelsey Hoppel both decided to redshirt their senior year so that they could come back and play in the team's first season of NCAA Division II full membership—a decision that turned out to be rewarded, as they led the team to an undefeated 35-0 record and LCU's first NCAA Division II National Championship.

The Hampton sisters were a part of the women's basketball program at LCU for a total of 11 consecutive years, playing in 309 games, nearly a third of the program's total. The three sisters combined for over 4,700 points, and led the Lady Chaps to a winning percentage of nearly eighty percent during their tenure. The sisters set numerous program records, received numerous awards and accolades, with

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Jordan and Brittany named as two-time All-Americans, and Nicole receiving the All-American award for an impressive three years.

Not only did they have an incredible impact on the court, but off the court as well. Gomez recalled how much their teachers enjoyed having them in class, and he also noted their spiritual presence, adding, “They did so much more here than just play the game.”

“Their witness was not the flashy kind. They weren’t the kids who wanted to lead the devotionals, or get up in chapel and do a testimonial, but they lived consistent, faithful lives,” he said. “Their spirituality wasn’t necessarily out front, but it was more in a servant role, and in a consistency-of-life role, living well before others.”

This humility, present on the court, in the locker room, and on campus, was part of what made their impact so significant. “They were the kind of kids who made the game easier for their teammates,” Coach Gomez explained. “They really made the team work. They were able to receive a lot of accolades while also allowing their teammates to thrive as well, and that is one of their most impressive attributes.”

A former LCU basketball player himself, President Perrin lauded the Hampton’s presence and impact on the campus and basketball program. “The story of the Hampton sisters and their impact on LCU and our women’s basketball program is nothing short of remarkable. They would be the first to say that there are lots of other people who are important parts of this story, but their commitment to excellence on and off the court, their indomitable spirit, and competitive greatness have left indelible marks on LCU and our athletic program.”

The impact that these three sisters had on the women’s basketball program, and on LCU in general, can be summed up by their coach’s words. “I always had great trust in them,” he emphasized. “Off and on the court, I really put a lot of faith in them.”

*Nicole Hampton, Jordan (Hampton) Thurston,
Brittany (Hampton) Roberts*

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community

The freshmen class conclude their orientation activities before the fall 2016 semester with the glow-stick devo.

Right: Incoming students set to attend the new college in the fall of 1957 are introduced by Dr. Mattox at the groundbreaking in May of 1957.





Celebrating 60 Years with **60 SERVICE PROJECTS**

Vision, sacrifice, and faith are the foundation upon which Lubbock Christian University has stood since its founding in 1957. As we celebrate the 60th Anniversary of the University, vision, sacrifice, and faith continue to be the markers that uniquely describe our trajectory and path.

One of the special initiatives identified as being a critical part of the 60th-anniversary celebration began last semester. The Celebrating 60 Years with 60 Service Projects idea is one that has really taken root and is in full force. Organized by the Student Affairs office, the plan is for the university to complete 60 meaningful service projects by the end of the school year. Each department, social club, or organization on campus has been encouraged to find a service project that would leave an impact on those individuals or agencies being helped.



Christian service has been a key component of numerous campus organizations from the beginning. The Service Club was one of the first organizations on campus.

Taken from the 1958 yearbook:
“As the name implies, the purpose of this club is to give service. They render service to missionaries, students, sick people, and all of those in need.”

“The goal was not just to infiltrate an organization and fix a one-time problem. We wanted the projects to fill a real need, and we wanted the LCU community to think long-term” said Randal Dement, Vice President of Student Affairs.

By rallying the various organizations across campus, each group has fittingly chosen service projects that match the interests and the skills of the individuals in the group, using their unique abilities and gifts to help others.

The LCU Veterans of Faith club has sought out veterans in need. Nick Simmons, President of Veterans of Faith (VOF), commented on why his group chose their specific project, “Being a disabled veteran myself, it was natural to help those who have served before us. We have always been taught to look out for one another.”

The VOF group decided to reach out to a former LCU professor who was also a former Coast Guardsman. Unable to care for his yard in his declining years, the former LCU professor was facing a possible citation from the city because of his yard’s condition. The WWII veteran had difficulty maintaining the yard, because of his age, and when the Veterans of Faith heard, they were eager to step in and help. The VOF club spent nine hours removing debris and trimming the overgrown yard. And they have continued to assist in maintaining the yard since their initial clean-up effort. The group has also volunteered to clean up the property of a disabled Army/Air Force Veteran.

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Dement commented, “What the Veterans of Faith club did is what this initiative is all about. We are encouraging the campus, whether the projects are big or small, to build relationships and

use their gifts to serve others, therefore serving the Kingdom of God. We have seen a new culture of service on campus like never before. Many organizations on campus were already serving and doing service projects, but with this initiative, we can see what is going on and be more intentional on the projects we are doing.”

The 60 Service Project initiative is also encouraging alumni to get involved.

Linda Gaither (‘72) heard about the Celebrating 60 Years with 60 Service Projects initiative through Randal Dement and immediately wanted to get involved. She had recently brought food out to a family friend. When she was there she noticed that the house her friend lived in was in desperate need of repairs and maintenance. She knew that this project would be perfect to involve some LCU students.

“We simply asked for students to get involved and they jumped at the chance to help!” said Gaither.

Student Senate members spent a Saturday repainting and making small repairs to the outside of the house, as well as playing with her grandchildren.

Gaither added, “It was a great reminder of what the students are capable of doing if given the opportunity. We saw how generous they were in giving up their time on a Saturday. They far exceeded my expectations.”

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There have always been numerous efforts to provide a lending hand or service in a variety of ways across the campus. The Celebrating 60 Years with 60 Service Projects initiative has brought awareness to some service projects that have been ongoing, and it also created some incentive to provide even more opportunities for service initiative is in full force. And, it has been a reminder for members of the LCU campus community that we are all called to lives of service.

Student Senate members spent a Saturday providing services to a family in need.





Homecoming

Homecoming 2017 was a weekend packed full of events, reunions, and traditions. A few of the headlining events throughout the weekend were the nationally-televised men's and women's basketball games, the annual Alumni Awards Banquet, and one of LCU's biggest traditions, Master Follies. The weekend also marked the release of the 60th Anniversary book, which was featured at the 60th Anniversary Celebration Dinner, held in the Rhodes-Perrin Recreation Center. The dinner included entertainment by singer and alumnus George Pendergrass ('82), who was accompanied by vocalists Jake Lierman ('05), Becca

(Gaultney '08) Matthews, and Susan (Clark '02) Cox, and band members Kris Tryon ('04), and Jarred McNeill ('09) as they performed popular songs representing the six decades of LCU's history. The weekend also hosted numerous decade reunions, social club alumni breakfasts, art exhibits and receptions, campus tours, and departmental luncheons across the campus.

For more Homecoming photos, visit our Facebook page.

For profiles on the Alumni Award winners, go to LCU.edu/Profile/Alumni-Awards-2017.



President Tim Perrin ('84) and former Presidents, Dr. Steven Lemley ('65) and Dr. Ken Jones at the 60th anniversary book signing during homecoming.



Dr. B Wayne Hinds leads "The Lord Bless You and Keep You" during alumni chapel.



Lynn ('74) and Janie (Thomas '73) Harms respond after they are awarded the K.C. Moser Award at the Alumni Awards Luncheon.



*Friends reconnect at the 1970's reunion dinner. **ABOVE:** George Pendergrass ('82) and friends provide entertainment at the 60th Anniversary Celebration Dinner.*

Master Follies 2017

Dreams came true for the social clubs who triumphed with their performances during Master Follies 2017 "Dream On." Between the club acts, hosts and hostesses entertained the audience with dynamic group numbers, charming duets, and stunning ballads to the accompaniment of the LCU Jazz Band.



WOMEN'S SOCIAL CLUBS:

- 1st Place: Zeta Gamma
- 2nd Place: Christliche Damen

MEN'S SOCIAL CLUBS:

- 1st Place: Koinonia
- 2nd Place: Kyodai

SPIRIT OF FOLLIES AWARD

- Lambda Omega Alpha

PEOPLE'S CHOICE

- Zeta Gamma

B. WAYNE HINDS SPECIAL EFFECTS AWARD

- Zeta Gamma



ZETA GAMMA
Eat, Prey, Love!

KYODAI
The Highland Kings

KOINONIA
Koinonia Goes Bananas

CHRISTLICHE DAMEN
Hay! Now We're Walking

LAMBDA OMEGA ALPHA
No Strings Attached

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LCU provided a glimpse of God's beautiful design only to pull me out of darkness and into the light!

—Angel Vega ('14)

#ILoveLCU for being my home... a place where I can laugh and cry and love immensely.

—Kim Wheeler ('88)

#ILoveLCU Although I am only a freshman and have barely been here, this is a place I can gratefully call my 2nd home. When you hear that this campus welcomes you with open arms they aren't exaggerating at the least bit. Not only do the professors know your name but they also care about you and your education. Another special aspect of our professors here is that they pray for you and ask for prayer requests. Not only do your professors know you but also the Dean of Students and President of the University. How many students at universities around the country can say that people of these positions personally know their names and take the time to greet them around campus? There are truly the friendliest people I've ever met on campus here and I don't think it's possible to walk from one location on campus to another without someone saying hi to you or smiling your way. I love the community, fellowship, and powerful faith that shines from Lubbock Christian University.

—Brielle Feauto

Someone once asked, why do we live in west Texas? I responded, "LCU."

—Chris Hayes ('98)



#ILoveLCU because of the people who became so much more than just professors to me. Through mentors like these two and many others (I couldn't find a picture with you, Kenneth Hawley) I watched how to live daily life with Kingdom purpose. Because of the people LCU put in my life, I laughed often, I caught passion and dreams for the future, and I learned about truth and beauty.

—Lindsey (Roach '15) Holt

[LCU] is home. It is family. It is truth. It is safe. It is love. LCU is where I came for an education but left with friends and family. LCU is not where I met my husband, but we both attended and love LCU. LCU has been a part of my life, my whole life. LCU runs deep in my blood and my family. LCU is my family. LCU is everything to me.

—Heather (Nance '12) Howell

#ILoveLCU because of the people. Whether it is the professors I had that were so much more than teachers, the friendships I made that will last a lifetime or the amazing staff that I have been lucky enough to work alongside, I have been so blessed by LCU and everyone there!

—Connor Bryant ('16)

God is present & working in mighty ways at Lubbock Christian University. A place that puts God 1st in all things...God is good!
#ILoveLCU

—Raymond Richardson

I love LCU because the people here care about each other. Also, we treat the students as individuals with unique needs and concerns rather than a number that must fit the rules or leave.

—Janice Stone

#ILoveLCU because it brought me to some of the best friends that will be lifelong friends.

—Jenny Kay Munoz ('16)

I love LCU because of its unwavering commitment to our Lord and its dedication to spreading the Kingdom.

—Connor Wheeler

... I love LCU because of the amazing services they offer in the Center for Student Success. Without them I never would have gotten the Bachelor's degree I received... I love LCU because it feels like my home away from home... I love LCU because LCU loves me!! #BelieveBelongBeBlue #ILoveLCU

—Debbie Snax

There is education with a purpose!

—Jay Lokey

I love LCU because I have the freedom to be a Christian.

—Maureena Ruff

I love LCU because, after moving here alone eight years ago from the northeast, it has become my community, my home, my family.

—Vanessa Bearden

Another day at work reminding me of why I love this place.

As a student, I forged many lifelong friendships and memories at Lubbock Christian University, and those have only increased as I have been able to remain connected to this place first as an alumni, and now as a staff member. Learning from and being a part of the "behind the scenes" has given me a whole new respect for so many of the leaders here, and the personal time that many take to go the extra mile.

There are many more, but these are a few of the reasons why #ILoveLCU.

—Bobby Ray Hooten III ('13)

I love LCU because it's the place that formed friendships that will last a lifetime, and provided me with an education that has allowed me to feel confident in graduate school. Not only that, but I have been fortunate enough to work here, which has just reinforced my love for this school!

—Shannon Sudduth ('14)

I love that I am able to walk around campus or walk into the cafeteria and be greeted by all of the staff, who genuinely want to know how I am doing.

—Derek Jerezano

The people that are the closest to me right now I met here. Some of these people taught me when I was student and NOW they are my colleagues I get to work with daily. My best friends to this day I met here 30 years ago. THIS is why I love LCU.

—Lynne Waide ('91)

Absolutely amazing place!!! Best education department ever and really helped me feel more than prepared for the career I chose! All the professors really care about you and want to see you succeed.

—Lindzee (Sellers '12) Howard

We Love LCU! It's been a wonderful University for my son! Thank You LCU!

—Lisa Alaniz Hilliard

Getting text messages from students over Christmas break...because we're family.

—Jessica (Dahlstrom '96) Rogers

#ILoveLCU because it has been during my time here that I have learned more about myself and the person I want to become than I have before at any other stage of my life. The growth that I have experienced in personal, academic, and spiritual ways I attribute to the faculty and staff mentors who have invested in all of these aspects of my life. I will forever be grateful for the wealth of knowledge that I have learned here both inside and outside of the classroom.

—Emily Sims

#ILoveLCU because it enables me to teach students to open their minds to different perspectives, world views, and cultures to better understand this beautiful world that God created!

—Page Carter

One of my favorite things about LCU is the fact that our faculty and staff are genuinely invested in the lives of the students around them. I have experienced a powerful relationship with a professor who became one of my prayer partners this semester. She prayed over us constantly and was always asking for prayer requests. I can't express (in word form, anyway) just how powerful that prayerful relationship can be. In a time that I am stressed to my wits end, it is a blessing to attend a school where my professors are in prayer over my life.

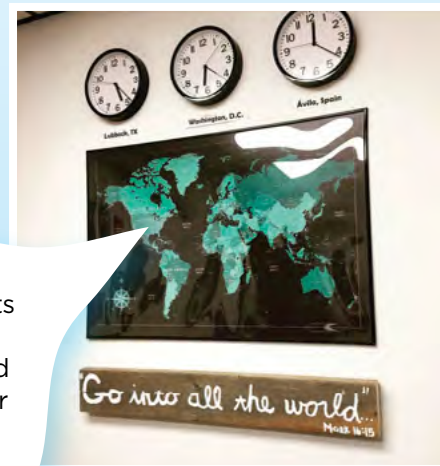
There are SO many reasons to #BeBlue and that is why #ILoveLCU

—Mikeilah Foust



#ILoveLCU because they helped me live my dream—teaching and studying abroad! It was a dream come true!

—Vanda Pauwels



#ILoveLCU because TWIRP made it socially acceptable to ask my eventual husband on a date.

—Danae (Basye '16) Jackson

#ILoveLCU

I love LCU because there are endless opportunities to grow in your faith.

—Allyson Grahn

Authentic is the word that comes to mind when I think of LCU. Yes, excellence and quality are obvious words, but that is not the “separating factor” of the University I love. The faculty, administrators and staff are authentic in their love and concern that each student obtains an excellent and quality education. Not all institutions of higher learning can say that with certainty. I am so glad and proud that I can. #BeBlue

—David Fraze ('94)

I love LCU because of the people! Whether it's students, faculty or staff, the people here lead spirit-led lives, making this place a wonderful place to be. I see the love of Jesus in everyone around me, which makes me a better person too. I am so thankful for the friendships I have made here and for the way God shows his presence to us daily. I am grateful every day to be part of this community. #ILoveLCU

—Janey Bibb

I Love LCU!

—Tami (Goff '96)
Hodnett

#ILoveLCU because it's where I meet the coolest people.

—Michael Hardin ('92)

I love working in a place where I share God's focus with everyone, especially when we can all come together in the middle of the day and worship God at chapel!

—Caiti Archer

Kregg Fehr!

—Andy Young

“I love LCU! All the professors that I have had so far have also been very helpful & encouraging!”

—Robin Baccus

Roads change. Buildings change. Faces change. Seasons change. But, for all those who came before us and for those who will come after us, the mission of equipping students for lives of purpose and service, the sweet spirit that binds us together, and the precious memories that call us home to Lubbock Christian University withstand the test of time. #ILoveLCU for lives changed: Sheila Ludwig Dye (1976–1980), Whitney Kennedy (2006–2010), and Trey Dye (2012–2016).

—Sheila (Ludwig '80) Dye

For the friendships developed through the years.

—Lynn Mason ('79)

Small classes with teachers who know your name.

—Jennifer Dabbs

#ILoveLCU because it is a family and makes dreams become a reality!

—Shelley (Sams '12) Parnell

I love LCU because there is support in every person on campus whether it is a professor, a staff, a custodian, the president, or even a student. LCU fosters a truly Christian Community!

—Justin Archer

I love LCU because the professors have a genuine concern for their students. They are here for and because of them and do everything in their power to help them succeed both physically and spiritually.

—Ryan Allbritten

#ILoveLCU because I found my spiritual family in Praise Choir and learned how to stand with my brothers and sisters.

—Samantha Turley ('14)

I love LCU because of the people. I think about the people who shaped and formed me when I was a student here. I think about the people I work with now, our faculty, staff, our amazing students, and friends of the university. I love LCU because of the Christian mission, the way so many seek to earnestly and diligently follow Jesus Christ and the difference it makes here and across the globe.

—President Tim Perrin ('84)





PRAY FOR LCU

#GIVINGTUESDAY™

Giving can be defined in terms of time, talent or treasure. For Giving Tuesday 2016, LCU asked its community to give the gift of time through prayer. We were honored by the beautiful words that were poured out on behalf of our students and we wanted to share some of those prayers with you.



I thank God for the men and women who lead, teach, and touch the lives of LCU students in unfathomable ways. I praise Him for each student He has led to LCU to become part of a bigger story, a larger family. I pray that each student will see the hands, the feet, the face of God in someone each day, and that they will have the opportunity to touch the life of someone else around them. I ask God to provide peace, perseverance, and clarity during a stressful week.

-Kristi Starr



Father, I pray for all of LCU, but especially for the students. I ask that you grant them peace as they prepare for finals. Give them the strength and wisdom to accomplish their goals. I ask that you remind each one that they are loved by YOU, always and forever, and that all the need to do is ask for your guidance. Fill their hearts with joy and love, fill their minds with knowledge and memories and encourage them to be a shining light in this world.

-Brett Ramsey

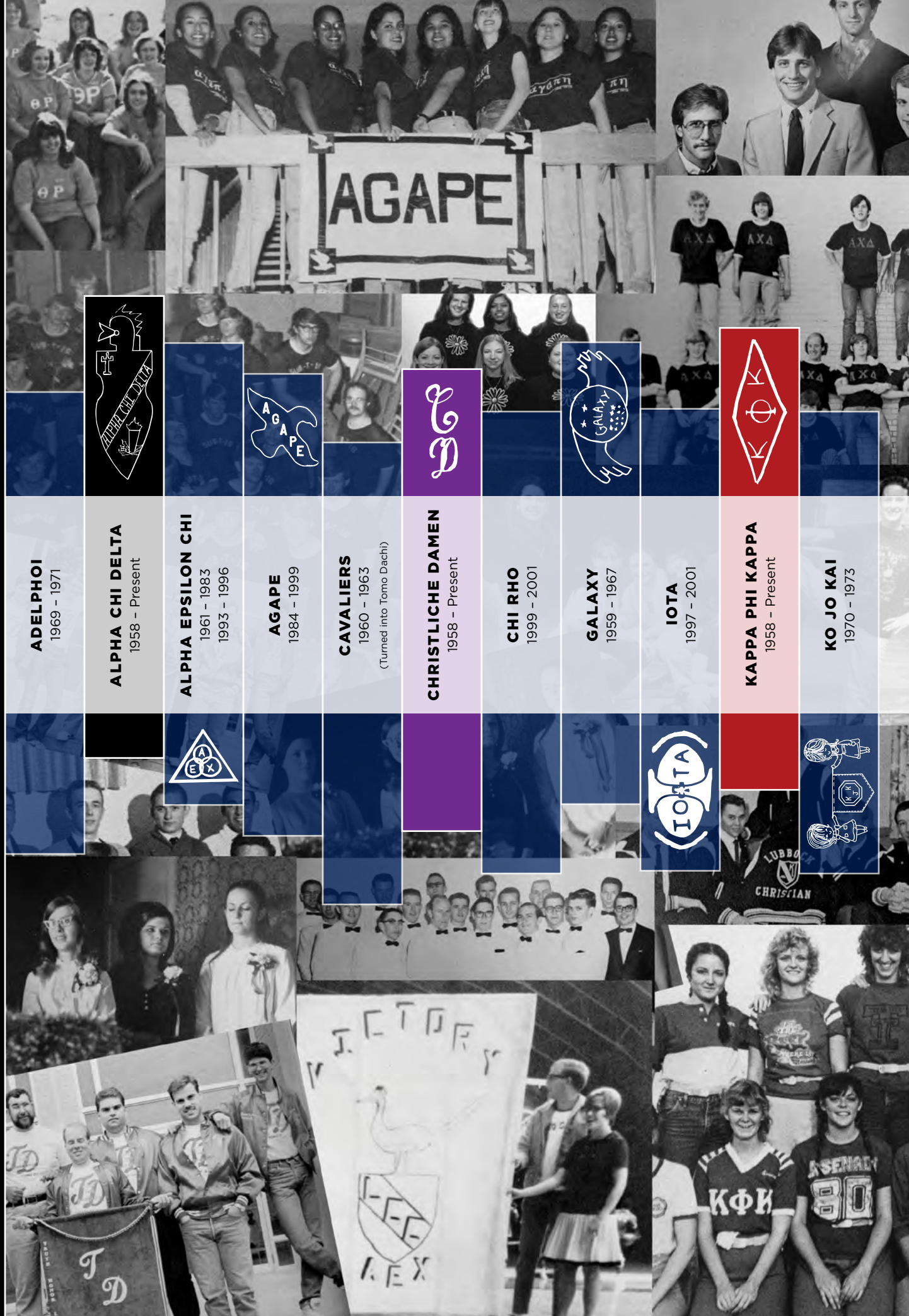


We pray for every student at LCU. May their academic pursuits be challenging, rewarding and successful. For those who know you, may their relationship with you deepen. For those who are seeing you for the first time, may they be drawn to you by what they see and hear. May every life be forever changed by your grace and presence. When their time as a student comes to completion, may each precious life be entirely yours and may they recognize their occupation is your mission field.

-The Bryants

**We are so grateful for your support!
Please continue to keep Lubbock Christian University in your prayers.**

SOCIAL CLUBS THROUGH THE YEARS



ADELPHOI
1969 - 1971

ALPHA CHI DELTA
1958 - Present

ALPHA EPSILON CHI
1961 - 1983
1993 - 1996

AGAPE
1984 - 1999

CAVALIERS
1960 - 1963
(Turned into Tomo Dach)

CHRISTLICHE DAMEN
1958 - Present

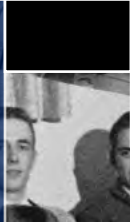
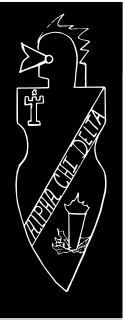
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1999 - 2001

GALAXY
1959 - 1967

IOTA
1997 - 2001

KAPPA PHI KAPPA
1958 - Present

KO JO KAI
1970 - 1973





KOINONIA
1958 - Present



KYODAI
1958 - Present



LAMBDA OMEGA ALPHA
(Love One Another)
1959 - Present



METAH MOE
1958 - 1979



PHILEO
1984 - 1985



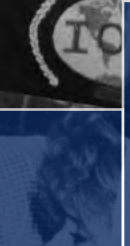
SUB T-16
1965 - Present



SIGMA KAPPA CHI
1958 - 1966



TALITHA KOUM
2003 - 2006



THETA RHO
1961 - 1990



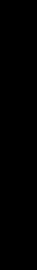
TOMO DACHI
1963 - 1995
(Became Co-ed in 1994)



TRI GAMMA CHI
1990 - 1992



ZETA GAMMA
2007 - Present





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'50s Decade

A photo featuring members of the **first class of the 1957 - 1958 academic year** is in the newly named Founders Hall located in the rotunda of the F. W. Mattox Administration Building.

Frank Harmon ('59) and his wife, LaJuana, live in Lubbock, TX, where they are both realtors for Westmark.

'60s Decade

Don Hicks ('61) is retired and lives with his wife, Sharon, in Clovis, NM.

Anita (Winkley '61) McPherson is enjoying retirement in Amarillo, TX.

Wayne ('61) and Anita (McMinn '60) Moore live in Grand Prairie, TX, where they are enjoying retirement.

Constance (Payton '62) Robinson is enjoying retirement in Abilene, TX.

Linda (Terry) Allen lives in Fate, TX. She is a part-time receptionist at Mesquite ISD and her husband, Algia, is the provost at Trinity Valley Community College in Terrell, TX.

Francis Montandon ('67) lives in Lockney, TX, and works for Barwise Elevator.

David Sumners ('68) and wife, Shirley, are enjoying retirement in Seagraves, TX.

Katrina (Hamby '69) Plank, mother of alumna, **Kindy Plank ('01)**, is retired and lives in Hawley, TX.

'70s Decade

Gary ('70) and Cathey (Clem '70) Weeks live in Silvertown, TX where Gary is a farmer and Cathey has retired from being an elementary school teacher.

Laura (Carter '72) Weaver and her husband, Larry, live in Choctaw, OK. Laura is retired from 29 years of teaching Special Education.

Diane (Clutter '72) and Larry Stephens ('72) were recognized at the 2016 Moser Ministry Conference for their mission efforts in Kenya and with the Livonia Church of Christ in Livonia, MI.

Devonna (Denison '73) Tabor lives in Fort Worth, TX, and is retired after 35 years of teaching.

Larry Taylor ('73) recently retired after 34 years as City Attorney for the city of Olney, IL, while serving concurrently as City Manager for the last 12 years. He is now preaching full-time for the Eureka Church of Christ in Richland County, IL.

Steve Frazee ('75), Chairman of Texas Tech's Department of Agricultural Education and Communications, has assumed a top post within the College of Agricultural Sciences and National Resources as the academic unit's interim dean.

Delphia Harris ('75) lives in Memphis, TN, where she works as the executive director of Strategic Enrollment Management at LeMoyne-Owen College.

Mary (Degge '75) and Dennis Wilhoit ('83) live in Los Alamos, NM. Mary is a substitute teacher and Dennis works for the Transportation Department of Los Alamos Public Schools.

Marsha (Maynard '76) Dowell lives in Helotes, TX with her husband, Sid. Marsha is the Manager of a James Avery Craftsman store, and Sid enjoys portraying Santa Claus at Bass Pro Shop.

Mike Bishop ('77) and wife, Charla, live in Arlington, TX. Mike was recently appointed as an associate professor of Marriage and Family Therapy at Texas Wesleyan University in Fort Worth.

Margaret (Lindsay '79) Dicus and husband, Mike, are retired and live in Mansfield, TX.

Roy Jones ('79) recently moved to Denver, CO, where he works for the Denver Fellows Math Program and tutors second and fourth-graders at DCIS Ford Elementary School.

Diane (Fogarty) Ries and husband, Gerald, live in Choctaw, OK. Diane is the Oklahoma State Banking Department secretary, and Gerald is enjoying retirement.

Gary Swann ('79) and wife Linda live in Lubbock, TX. Gary is a partner and CPA at Garrett and Swann, LLP.

Dr. Bob Whiddon ('79) and his wife, **Debbie (Haney)**, have three children, ten grandchildren, and are celebrating 40 years of marriage this year. They live in Claremore, OK, where Bob serves in the role of Executive Director at Hope Harbor Children's Home and Family Ministries. Before their recent move, the couple lived in Portland, OR, where Bob served twelve years as Founder and Executive Director of the Northwest Marriage Institute, a non-profit serving low-income families and singles in the Portland metro areas.

'80s Decade

Foy Mills, Jr. ('80) and Mitzi (Ayers '80) live in Huntsville, TX. Foy is a Professor and Program Leader of Agribusiness at Sam Houston State University, and Mitzi is self-employed as a Residential Building Contractor.

Michael Ritchie ('80) and his wife, Stephanie, live in Frisco, TX. Michael is a paralegal with Locke, Lord, LLP specializing in Intellectual Property Law. Michael and Stephanie are the parents of **Graham ('14)**.

Susan (Giles '81) Climer lives in Mesquite, TX, with husband, Scott. Susan is enjoying retirement, while Scott is a truck driver for Crete & Shaffer.

Beverly (Lovelace '82) Isbell and husband, George, live in Lubbock, TX, and are the parents of current student, **Riana**. Beverly is a Special Education teacher at Reese Education Center.

Camille (Stewart) Verdugo and her husband Robin live in Gilbert, AZ. Camille is a quality assurance specialist for Early Childhood Intervention at Arizona Cooperative Therapies.

Elizabeth (Petty '83) Bynum and husband, David, live in Honolulu, HI. David is the USN Pacific Fleet Chaplain.

Lonnie ('83) and his wife, **Donna (Rigney '81) Hamil** are the founders of Spring Creek Ministries where they both serve as ministers. Lonnie and Donna reside in Lubbock, TX, and have three sons: **Reed ('11)**, **Ross**, and **Jacob**.

Danny Weems ('83) is the CEO and president of First National Bank of Gilmer, TX.

Amy (Owen '84) Basye and her husband, Ted, live in Sweetwater, TX, where they own and operate The Medicine Place Pharmacy. Amy and Ted have three sons: **Tyson ('13)**, **Jordan ('14)**, and Jon.

Lane ('85) and **Laurie (Luker) Lawrence** live in Bristow, VA. Lane is currently a senior IT program manager at the National Reconnaissance Office, and Laurie is a senior special assistant for the Department of Defense.

Carla (Smith '85) Van Winkle lives in Modesto, CA. Carla works as a third-grade teacher.

John ('86) and his wife, **Randa (Patterson '84) Skipworth** live in San Antonio, TX, where they serve as president and vice president at their company, Skipworth Insurance Agency. John and Randa have two children, **Brendan ('12)** and **Kayli Moore ('16)**.

Shani (Beard '88) Avery and her husband, Murry, live in Artesia, NM, where they both work with the Artesia Public Schools. Shani is an enrichment teacher, and Murry is a high school woodshop and CAD teacher.

'90s Decade

Caron (Gatley '90) McMillian and her husband, Gary, live in Canyon, TX. They are the parents of **Allison** and **Sidney**. Caron is a family nurse practitioner at Northwest Texas Physicians Group.

Gloria (Cruz '91) Gonzales and husband, Mark, live in Lubbock, TX. They are the parents of **Abrian** and future Chap, **Zarin**. Gloria is the Director of United Future Leaders and Assistant Director at the Center for Adolescent Resiliency.

Michael Mozingo ('92) and his wife, Amy, live in Arlington, TX, with their son, Jonathan. Mike is currently the program manager at AVID.

Michael Morrow ('94) received "Fire Officer of the Year" recognition at the New Mexico Fire and Emergency Medical Services Expo. Michael currently works at the Ruidoso Fire Department.

Antoinette (Vera '93) Pirelli, CFC Service Coordinator/Licensed Baccalaureate Social Worker at Texas Panhandle Centers, lives in Amarillo, TX with her future Chap, Frankie.

Dr. Andy Young ('93) has been an LCU professor since 1996. Along with teaching, his primary focus has been in the areas of Crisis Counseling, Emergency Services, and the integration of Psychology and Theology. He serves as the coordinator for the Lubbock Police Department's Victim Services Crisis Team and on the LPD SWAT team as a psychological consultant and hostage negotiator. He serves as the clinical director for the Critical Incident Stress Management Team at LPD, the Lubbock County Sheriff's Office (LSO), and the Lubbock Fire Department. He is also a psychological consultant and hostage negotiator with the LSO. Dr. Young and his book, *Fight or Flight*, were highlighted in an October 11, 2016 *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal* article.

Waylon ('95) and **Candle ('94) Robins** live in Shallowater, TX. Waylon is a physical therapist for Covenant Health in Lubbock, and Candle is a first-grade teacher at Lubbock Christian School. They have two children: current student, **Madison**, and Mason.

Rebecca Akin-Sitka ('96) and her husband, Michael, live in Lubbock, TX. Rebecca currently works at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center as the undergraduate coordinator.

Nathan Dahlstrom released *The Green Colt*, his newest book and the fourth installment in the "The Adventures of Wilder Good" series.

Shanon (Cole '97) Pratt lives in Temecula, CA with her husband Mark, West Coast Director of Operations for United Renovations.

Chris ('99) and **Nacole (Lefevre '01) Beeson** live in Lubbock, TX, with their two sons, Cole and Cylus. The Beesons own and operate Fireplaces Unlimited, Ltd.



Canaan Phillip is the son of **Rachel (Hall '99)** and **Dr. Jared Carey ('98)**. Canaan has a brother, Colton, who is in second-grade. Rachel is a Physical Therapist with Theracare, and Jared is a Chiropractor who specializes in AMIT. The Carey family lives in Lubbock, TX.

'00s Decade

John Quintela ('00) and his wife, Heidi, live in Baker City, OR, with their children: Diego and Noelle. John is currently the District Fisheries biologist for the Bureau of Land Management.

Beverly (Hurt '02) Dekle and her husband, Jeremy, live in Milano, TX, and welcomed a baby boy, Jeremy Jr., in May.

Amy (Hooten '02) Turner lives in Lubbock, TX with her husband Charlie and their three future Chaps, Abbye, Anson, and Audrye. Amy is an instructional coach with Lubbock ISD, and Charlie is a firefighter for the City of Lubbock and owner of Turner Custom Construction.

Ed ('03) and Sarah (Meter '07) Merkel live in Arlington, TX, with their daughter and future Chap, Kellyn. Ed is a senior executive construction manager with Dallas Area Habitat for Humanity. Sarah is a middle school Special Ed teacher for Mansfield ISD.

Stephanie (Moore '03) and Nathan Young live in Midland, TX, with their three future Chaps, Calvin, Bryson, and Landry. Stephanie is a third-grade teacher, and Nathan is the VP of Operations for Annabella Homes.

Elaina Alvarez ('05) was honored as one of the "Top Twenty Under Forty" by the Lubbock Chamber of Commerce. Elaina is the director of Workforce Development at Goodwill Industries of NW Texas.

Matt Gunter ('05) and his wife, Laci, live in Salado, TX. Matt is a branch manager and financial advisor with Gunter Financial Partners – Raymond Jones.



Greg was born on July 23, 2015, and is the son of **Amanda (Ellis '06)** and **Ben Boston ('07)**. Amanda is an Associate Professor of Chemistry at Lubbock Christian University.

Tera (Davis '06) Cruz lives in Morton, TX and is the Business Manager for Morton ISD. She has two sons, Jacob and Nate.

Carrie (Line '06) Reza lives in Wylie, TX, and is a High School English teacher at Sachse High School.

Robert Culverhouse ('07) lives in Eastland, TX, with his wife Tessa, and Future Chap, Griffin. Robert is the registrar and dean of Enrollment Management at Ranger College, and Tessa is the district clerk of Eastland County.

Antonina (Guara '07) Frady-Wadle and her husband, Billy, live in Odessa, TX. Antonina serves as the office manager of Gray Television. Antonina and Billy have a daughter, current student, **Amber**.

Darrell Jenkins ('07) and his wife, Joan, live in Dallas, TX. Darrell is a sales manager at AT&T.

Nona (Cox '07) Johnson and her husband, Connie, live in Lubbock, TX. Nona is retired from Covenant Health Services.

Arturo Martinez ('07) and his wife Milena live in Mercedes, TX, where Arturo is the dual credit specialist at South Texas College.

Jodi (Hawkins '07) Posadas and her husband, Eric, live in Round Rock, TX, where Jodi works as a school development coach.



Jesalyn Susan, born April 11, and brother Judah Roy, age 4, are the children of **Jacinda (Judah '07)** and **Roy Evan Simmons, Jr ('07)**. They live in Clyde, TX, where Evan is the executive director of Junior Achievement of Abilene, and Jacinda is a CPA for Aaron Watson Music.



Gene L. Whitmore ('07) has been appointed to the Finance Committee of the National Guard Association of the United States (NGAUS) from Area VI. Since 2010, Whitmore has been serving as a member of the Investment Advisory Committee to the Department of Defense Investment Board, which oversees investment policies, objectives, and strategies for the Military Retirement Fund and the Medicare-Eligible Retiree Health Care Fund. Whitmore's usual duties are as a chaplain, with these additional duties using civilian-acquired skills.

Matthew Wilson (MS '07) is currently pursuing a Doctorate of Education degree at Wilmington University in Delaware, where he is the assistant professor and department Chair of First-Year Experience and English as a Second Language. As a 5-year pancreatic cancer survivor, Wilson is very involved in his community and serves as an advocate for helping others affected by this disease.

Tyler (Snow '08) Klingman and her husband, Brian, live in Fort Worth, TX.



Rebecca (Gaultney '08) and Jake Matthews celebrated their one-year wedding anniversary on November 21, 2015.

Travis Armstrong ('09) and **Jennifer (Cutright)** live in San Antonio, TX. Travis is currently the fitness manager at Baptist Health System.

Terry (Tucker '09) Delaney and husband, John, live in Lubbock, TX. Terry is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Nursing at LCU, and John is an IT Clinical Application Consultant for Tenet Healthcare. They are the parents of **Dylan ('16)**, current student **Davis**, and future Chaps, Dawson and Dustin.



Annabelle Sloan is the daughter of **Allyson (Click)** and **Stuart Joy ('09)**.

'10s Decade

Congratulations to **Dr. Melanie Liann Gallagher ('10)** on graduating from Texas Tech with her doctorate in political science.

LoriAnn Gutierrez ('10) lives in Albuquerque, NM, and is the treatment coordinator at The Bair Foundation.



Brynley Ruth is the daughter of **Melissa (Green '10)** and Justin Owings and the granddaughter of **Linda (Russell '82) Green**.

Cooper Schoolcraft ('10) lives in Midland, TX with his wife, Paige. Cooper is the security manager at Basin Electric & Technology.



Hallie was born on July 18, and is the daughter of **Cassie (Bloskas '10)** and Matt Speer. She has two older siblings, Beth and Evan.

D'Naye (Pounds '11) and **Eric Conklin ('11)** live in Artesia, NM, with their daughter, Charlotte. Eric is a compliance consultant at Enviro Ag Engineering Inc.

Anissa (Stevenson '11) Johnson and her husband, Jeffery, live in Lubbock, TX, where Anissa is the patient placement coordinator and housing supervisor at UMC.



Ava is the daughter of **Melanie (Burgess '11)** and **Taylor Smith ('11)**.

Dr. Stephanie Vander-Plas ('11) is currently a senior resident physician with the Texas Tech Pediatrics Department in Lubbock, TX.

Nicole (Duzan '11) Webb and her husband, Charles, live in Great Falls, MT, with their future Chaps, Cheyenne and Charles.

Shannon Gilmore lives in Longmont, CO, and works for the Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association as an OASIS analyst.

Heather (Bullock '12) Fuller lives in Roswell, NM, with her husband, Daniel. Heather teaches third-grade at Washington Avenue Elementary, and Daniel is a lieutenant with the Roswell Fire Department.

Matthew Goss ('12) lives in Lubbock, TX, and is a pilot and aviation officer with the US Army.

Kristin Murray was recognized as one of Lubbock's "Twenty Under Forty" by the Lubbock Chamber of Commerce for her work as the director of human resources at Arbor Hotels.

Devon (Langford '13) and **Kyle Bullock ('13)** live in Roswell, NM. Kyle recently received his degree from the International School of Gemology and is now a registered gemological appraiser. Devon is the choir director at Grace Community Church.

Katherine (Capps '13) Eason and her husband, Dakota, live in Auburn, WA. Katherine is the retreats director at Black Diamond Camps.

Drew Gray ('13) was honored as one of Lubbock's "Twenty Under Forty" by the Lubbock Chamber of Commerce. Drew is in charge of Multifamily Acquisitions at Stellar Family of Companies.

Brent Leslie ('13) is the senior vice president of Risk Management and Investments at Aim Bank in Levelland, TX. His wife, **Kyleigh (Lucia '16)** is a member of the support staff at Hall and Hall Real Estate.

Kristen Vander-Plas ('13) graduated from Texas Tech School of Law in the spring of 2016. She received "Best Individual Advocate for the State of Texas" recognition by the Texas State Moot Court Competition. She is clerking for Justice Don Willett of the Texas Supreme Court.



Alice Rose is the daughter of **Jessica (Russell '14)** and **Dustin Richardson**. They live in Lubbock, TX, where Jessica is currently working at LakeRidge Country Club as the private events director.

Chase ('14) and **Dr. Cara (Huggins '13) Smith** live in Lubbock, TX. Chase serves as the minister of Community Life at Carpenter's Church and Cara is working as a physical therapist with UMC Team Rehab.

Krystal Carranza ('15) lives in Lubbock, TX and is a registered nurse at UMC.

Andrew Hettick ('15) lives in Lubbock, TX, and is a security technician at CoNetrix.

James ('14) and his wife, **Amanda (Stephens '15) Masterson**, live in Arlington, TX. James is the youth minister at Mansfield Church of Christ and Amanda recruits prospective LCU students in the Dallas/Fort Worth area.

Amber (Hill '15) Tucker lives in Lubbock, TX, and is an assistant director and performance improvement coordinator.

Tucker Brown ('16) is currently a student at Texas Christian University in the Ranch Management Certificate Program.

Connor ('16) and **Kaley (Lokey) Bryant** were married on June 27, 2016. Connor is a sixth-grade math teacher, and Kaley is a student in LCU's School of Nursing.

David Lee ('16) lives in Fort Worth, TX, and attends Brite Divinity School at TCU. David is currently the children's minister at First Christian Church in Rowlett, TX.

Aaron Peralez ('16) lives in Lubbock, TX, and works at Meadow ISD as a Junior and High School English teacher, and UIL coach.



Hudson James is the son of **Jordan (Hudson '16)** and **Austin Staggs ('16)**. The family lives in Fort Worth, TX. Austin is currently a student at Brite Divinity School at TCU and is the youth minister at First Christian Church in Rowlett, TX. Jordan is a registered nurse at Cooks Children's Hospital.

Amanda (Scott '16) Young and husband, Samuel, live in Lubbock, TX. Amanda is a second-grade teacher at Joan Y. Ervin Elementary.

Send updates on your career, location, & family.

At your request, we will send you a complimentary LCU onesie or size 6, 12, or 18 mo. t-shirt for your new baby's photo representing LCU as a future Chap. Wedding photos of you and your LCU guests throwing the Chap sign will also be accepted for print. Always include LCU alumni class year, married, and alumni maiden name, career, and job position, mailing address, email address and phone numbers. Also, we invite you to join us in celebrating the lives of alumni, former students, and others among our LCU family listed in the In Memoriam section.

Contact us at Alumni@LCU.edu or 806.720.7218

Elise Buraczyk ('17) will begin working for the Peace Corps in Zambia after her graduation from LCU in the spring. She interned with the Peace Corps in the summer of 2015, and the experience influenced her to apply for service with children's health.



In Memoriam

'60s DECADE

Brenda Cribbs went to be with her Lord on July 30, 2016. Brenda played in the Lubbock Community Band, was a member of the Lubbock Women's Club, and a member of Broadway Church of Christ. She is survived by her children: Jeff Day, **Tim Day ('05)**, and Andy Day; stepchildren: Susan Martinez and Stan Cribbs; brother **Lynn Sherrod ('60)**; 12 grandchildren, including **Jeff Day ('10)**, **Amanda (Day '12) Hunter**, **Kelsie Day ('12)**, and **Shaylie Day ('14)**; and 3 great-grandchildren.

Pamela Jo (Searsy) Owen passed from this life on October 21, 2016. Pam graduated from Ropesville ISD, then attended Lubbock Christian College, and received a Bachelor of Science

in Education degree from Stephen F. Austin. She served as an English, History, and Special Education teacher in several Texas cities. She is survived by her mother; brother, Doyle Lynn Searsy; sister, Kathy Elaine Searsy Pellette; and her sons.

'70s DECADE

Kenneth Blair passed away on November 1, 2016. Ever passionate about spreading the Gospel, Kenneth preached and taught Bible classes in several countries across three continents. He loved preaching and deeply valued the relationships he developed in the almost forty-five years he preached. Kenneth is survived by his wife, **Janis Cookie Blair**, five children, and many grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his parents and grandson.

Yvonne (Marney '73) Cash passed away on December 17, 2015. She was a teacher in the Forgan School System, a member of the Forgan Church of Christ, and a member of the Oklahoma Teachers Association. She is survived by her husband, Delbert Cash, Jr.; her sons, Lester Ray Cash of Redding, Pennsylvania and Thomas Harvey Cash of Forgan, Oklahoma; her mother, Dorothy Yearly of South Texas; five grandchildren and a host of other relatives and friends.

Danny Welch ('75) of Providence Village, TX, passed away on April 15, 2016. He was married to **Marylyn (Childers)**, who preceded him in death. Danny is survived by his mother, Carolyn Welch, and sister, Bonnie Yeager; children: Maryssa Hamilton, **Megan Welch**, and Maxwell Welch; and many grandchildren.

'90s DECADE

Kimberly (Kemp '99) Shuey of Abernathy, TX, passed away on July 5, 2016. Kimberly taught Integrated Physics and Chemistry in Biology. She is survived by her husband, Chris; three children, Korryn McMinn, Jenci McMinn, and Jacob McMinn; stepdaughter, Chrislynn Shuey; and her parents Robert and Debbie Kemp.

DR. BRUCE EVANS



Dr. Bruce Evans passed away in August 2016. In 1970, Dr. Evans was hired and appointed as Lubbock Christian College's first Chairman of the

Teacher Education Division. In 1971, he was given the role of Vice President for Planning and Institutional Studies. In that position, Dr. Evans played a vital role in helping the university move from a two-year college to a four-year university. In June of 1972, Dr. Evans was named Provost and Chief Executive Officer. Dr. Evans left in 1975 to become the President of College of the Southwest in Hobbs, NM, and later served in an administrative role at Abilene Christian University.

'10s DECADE

Sunday Rosio Manzanares passed away Wednesday, Oct. 5, 2016. Sunday was enrolled in the LCU Nursing Program and had recently earned a CNA certificate. Survivors include her children, Maria Nikole Manzanares, and Mercedes Gonzales; grandchildren, Jonathan Matthew Martinez, Jr., Adam Orion Rios, Audyanna Leigh, and Olivia Rosio Luna; siblings, Corina Rodriguez, Valerie Martiarena, Carmen and Elizabeth Manzanares, Steve Rodriguez, Baldemar Manzanares, and Mark Manzanares. She is preceded in death by her father, Baldemar Manzanares; and sister, Sonia Manzanares.

HONORARY

Evelyn Joyce Jones Williams passed away on June 23, 2016. Joyce was active in the LCU Associates for many years. She acted upon her passion for education and love for advancing the kingdom by giving a significant life insurance policy to LCU for the enrichment and ministry to many future generations of students. Faculty, staff, students, and members of Joyce's family recognized "Joyce Williams Day" in honor of her life during Chapel on November 18, 2016. Joyce is survived by her son, **James Williams ('68)**; and grandchildren, Austin Williams, **Ashleigh (Williams, '04)** and husband **Jeremy Baumgarten ('09)**, and current LCU student, **Hillary Goodwin**.

PERCY FRANCIS



Percy Francis passed away August 20, 2016. Mr. Francis was the founding business manager for Lubbock Christian College. He served in that

role for 13 years, and in 1973, became the Vice President of Business Services at Temple Junior College, where he served for 20 years.

FIFTH ANNUAL LCU & LANIER THEOLOGICAL LIBRARY LECTURE



Through the generosity of Mark Lanier and the Lanier Theological Library, LCU hosted the fifth annual lecture featuring internationally renowned speaker and author, Melvin Tinker. Authoring over sixty published articles and numerous books, Tinker's lecture "The Tyranny of Tolerance: How We Can Be Truly Tolerant in an Increasingly Intolerant Age," is a topic covered in his most recent book, *A Lost God in a Lost World: From Deception to Deliverance; A Plea for Authentic Christianity*. Tinker also presented a very thoughtful message to students in chapel. Both of Tinker's presentations can be found at LCU.edu/Tinker.

UPCOMING EVENTS

For more information on LCU events visit: LCU.edu/Events

March 4

ElderLink

ElderLink Lubbock is a one-day conference for church leaders and leadership couples.

March 9-10

Healthy Families Conference

March 26

Area-Wide Worship

March 30-31

Scholars Colloquium

April 3 & 17

Ready, Set, Blue

April 7

Lubbock Christian University and Wayland Baptist University Combined Choir Concert

May 5

Graduate Commencement Ceremony

May 6

Undergraduate Commencement Ceremony

ENCOUNTER

WHO: Entering 9th Grade through High School Grads
WHERE: Lubbock Christian University
WHEN: June 11-17, 2017
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CAMP CHAMPION

WHO: Middle School Students
WHERE: Lubbock Christian University
WHEN: June 25-30, 2017
COST: \$295

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