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Lucy and I recently had the great privilege of traveling to Israel and Jordan with Dr. Jesse Long, dean of the College of Biblical Studies and Behavioral Science, and a group of LCU students, faculty, staff, and friends. We visited Nazareth, Capernaum, Bethsaida, Megiddo, Jerusalem, Jericho, the Dead Sea, Masada, Qumran, Petra, and Jerash, among many other places. We walked along the streets of Bethlehem, visited the Western Wall, looked over the city of Jerusalem from the Mount of Olives, sang hymns while crossing the Sea of Galilee, stepped into the waters of the Jordan, and shared communion together at one of the possible sites of Jesus's burial.

It was a spiritual pilgrimage, a transformative

experience, yielding fresh insights and a deeper understanding of scripture and the story of God's people. Familiar Bible stories came to life as together we sought to walk in the steps of the Holy One.

Darryl Tippens, in his excellent book *Pilgrim Heart*, writes: "[m]oving towards God requires pilgrimage." Indeed, the life of faith is often described as a journey, "a long, sometimes bumpy, circuitous, and risky adventure." (Tippens at 27)

In this issue of Reflections we share inspiring stories from the road. We feature the 2013 recipients of LCU's Outstanding Alumni Awards—Terry Creech, Bill and Dee Dee Bundy, Les Maloney, and Reagan Crossnoe—and recount their wonderful stories of service and faithfulness. We honor Dr. Gary Estep for his four decades of quiet servant leadership at LCU as professor, dorm parent, dean, mentor, friend, and life-changer. And we share the story of Jo and Marvin Mimms who through their generosity of spirit have blessed future generations of LCU students by means of a significant estate gift.

I hope that these stories and the many others set forth in the pages that follow encourage you, providing a reminder of the kind of people who are part of the LCU journey. The road ahead will doubtless have some bumps along the way, but together we can and will fulfill LCU's great promise. As the African proverb says, "If you want to go quickly, go alone; if you want to go far, go together."

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L. Timothy Perrin, JD President

Front Cover Willie Robertson from A&E's Duck Dynasty speaks to the crowd during the fundraising event, Dynasty of Faith, held in Midland, TX.

Back Cover Dr. Alister McGrath, presents a lecture on C.S. Lewis in a packed McDonald Moody Auditorium.

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LCU's summer camp for highschool-aged teens.





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Phil Robertson, the patriarch of the Robertson family and one of the stars of A&E's Duck Dynasty, demonstrating various duck calls and sharing his personal testimony.

DYNASTYof **BALLON** With the family of A&E's **DUCK DYNASTY**

A s the patriarch of the Robertson family, Phil Robertson never envisioned that his unique duck call would propel his family into the national spotlight. But, he has always been one to take advantage of opportunities, so he and the entire Robertson family are using the success of A&E's "Duck Dynasty" to share Jesus with as many people as possible.

The important message of Jesus, along with many other down-home principals for a good life were shared during the Dynasty of Faith event featuring members of the Robertson family held in Midland, TX, in May. Robertson family members on hand were Phil and Miss Kay, Willie and Korie, and Alan and Lisa (the oldest Robertson brother and wife). The event was hosted by the Lubbock Christian University Foundation to raise funds for LCU athletics. Several Foundation board members reside in Midland and have encouraged an event to be held there benefitting LCU.

"When we first started talking about hosting an event in Midland, we wanted to make sure that we brought in someone with a story that people wanted to hear," said David Pruett, LCU Foundation President. "The values important to the Robertson family reflect the values that are important to us in West Texas."

Dale Redman, CEO of ProPetro Services – the Dynasty of Faith Event Title Sponsor said, "What a great night. The entire event was first class and the Robertson family certainly made it obvious why America is in love with them." He continues, "Their family values and their honest approach to both their faith and their willingness to share was really an uplifting thing to see. I think those who were there experienced a special event and give credit to LCU and the Duck Dynasty folks for making it a night to remember."

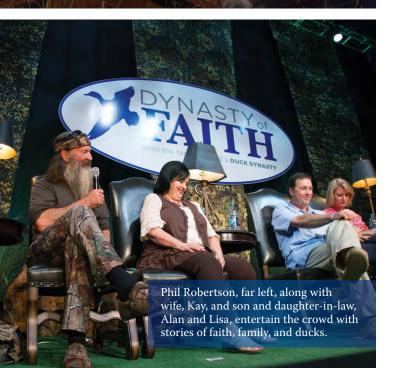
Emcee of the evening and LCU Foundation Board member, Mark Lanier, opened the evening by introducing President Tim Perrin. After cheerfully greeting the crowd and acknowledging sponsors for the event, President Perrin pointed out that he was missing something in his wardrobe, pulled out a camo bandana, wrapped it around his head, and claimed to be ready for the evening with a big smile.

Phil Robertson took the lectern with a string full of duck calls and whistles, ready to share his expertise for calling ducks and his passion for Christ. He took advantage of his opportunity to address the crowd by demonstrating how to use a duck call and then illustrating what it looks like to live for Christ.

A favorite part of the evening for the audience was the Q & A session led by Mark Lanier, as the audience was treated to candid responses to personal questions, allowing deeper insights into the Robertson family. For example, Lanier



President Tim Perrin sporting a camo headband to try and keep up with the fashion of the Robertson family.



asked each of the six Robertsons to name their favorite hymn. Though Willie stole both Korie's and Miss Kay's favorite song, "Just a Little Talk with Jesus," Korie brought up another song that had a very special place in her heart. "He Gave Me a Song" is a hymn she used to sing with her grandfather, the late Alton Howard. Korie became emotional as she talked about how he loved to write gospel songs and get the family to sing those songs along with him. Interestingly, Alton Howard owned a warehouse that at one time housed more than three million church hymnals used in churches today. That same warehouse was sold to Willie to be used as the Duck Commander warehouse seen in the show. "He gave me a pretty good deal," Willie said with a big grin.

The Robertson's were asked if they watch the show and to name their favorite episodes. Phil simply answered, "I suffer through it." But when coaxed further, he admitted his favorite was when he demonstrated how to gut ducks in front of a class of high school students on career day, "I did see the grimaces on their faces ... whooo, those yuppy kids."

Miss Kay was asked about her love for cooking. She answered that it started at age four when she spent time with her grandmother, Nanny, whose passion for cooking encouraged Miss Kay's interest. In their early years of dating, Phil claimed he preferred his mother's cooking over Miss Kay's. His opinion drove Miss Kay to increase her skill, learn from her new mother-in-law, and develop her own style of cooking.

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During Miss Kay's dialogue on cooking, Alan interrupted with this sage piece of advice passed along to the boys from their dad, "If you compliment bad cooking, you will eat bad cooking your entire life."

When asked if Miss Kay ever had a bad cooking experience, she told the crowd Phil once shot a wild boar. She tried cooking it, thinking it would be like pork. After the boar stunk up the whole house, she told Phil, "Throw that thing out!" Miss Kay is known on the show for cooking animals that most people wouldn't touch. One of these is squirrel, and Miss Kay taught the audience the difference between cooking a young squirrel versus an old squirrel. As she got caught up in the exact details of how to make an old squirrel "tender as can be," Alan couldn't help but laugh at his mom.

"I never try to be funny, yet my kids always laugh," said Miss Kay as she laughed along with her sons. Alan replied, "I laugh because Mom always gets so serious when she talks about cooking."





Emcee Mark Lanier commented that he couldn't help but sing the Sesame Street song, "One of These Things Is Not Like the Other," as he looked at the Robertson men. He asked the men to tell the crowd when they had each last shaved. Willie claims 10 years with an annual "spring cleaning" performed by Korie; Phil says it's been between 30-40 years; and Alan simply remarked, "About 9:30 this morning." Though Alan claims the beards are a safety hazard, the other Robertson men say Alan can grow a very nice beard. Nevertheless, Alan's clean-shaven face certainly makes him stand out, at least in the Robertson clan.

During the evening, Alan hinted that we may be seeing him in the upcoming season. Alan recently left his position as the preaching minister of the West Monroe Church of Christ to join the family business. He pointed out that while leaving the pulpit may shock a lot of people, he believes he can reach more people with the message of Jesus this way. Alan was the last to speak to the audience, sharing his personal story of rebellion and redemption.

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By the time the family finished answering questions and opening up the corners of their life, the audience was on their feet cheering. Mark Lanier then led a prayer of blessing over the Robertsons.

President Perrin reflected on the evening, "Dynasty of Faith provided what was surely one of the most unforgettable evenings in LCU's history. The Robertson family inspired and entertained, leaving no doubt why Duck Dynasty is the most popular reality television on the air today." He added, "We were moved by their authentic faith and impressed by their willingness to use the platform they've been given for good."

There is no doubt that this family is currently the most popular family in America. A&E's Duck Dynasty is the number one reality show on all of cable. Family members have authored two of the *New York Times* top 10 best selling books; John Luke trends on Twitter every Wednesday night; and, as Korie put it, "Willie is like the mayor of West Monroe. He's waving everywhere he drives."

Those who were able to experience the evening left with greater insights into a family with struggles similar to those of other families, but also a family whose values are central to their every action. They saw a family who loves each other and who has fun with each other. At the end of the evening, the audience had laughed a lot, some had shed a tear, and everyone was left to consider their own opportunities to use whatever their situations might be as an opportunity and a platform for reaching others with the good news of Christ.

Foundation Initiatives

The LCU Foundation has taken the name "Momentum" as a logo. The aim is to utilize the great momentum established over the last several years, ensuring that LCU has the resources needed to continue offering a premier Christian education to students and to prepare the university for future growth. Since its formation, the LCU Foundation has seen some tremendous successes.

Current key projects include:

- Launch of the Jones Leadership Center
- Funding for LCU Athletics for NCAA Division II transition
- New science building
- Nursing partnership with Covenant Health System & new nursing building
- The Washington Center Internship
 Program

To read more about the Foundation's initiatives visit www.LCUMomentum.org.





NAIA Era Ends at LCU, Heartland Conference Era Begins

By Chris Due

As 2013 turned another calendar page, July 1 marked an important date in the history of Lubbock Christian University athletics. LCU has completed its membership status with the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) and is officially a member of the Heartland Conference.

During the 1970-1971 school year, then-Lubbock Christian College made the move from a junior college to a four-year school and made the jump from the NJCAA to the NAIA. It became a member of the Texoma Conference in 1970, joining Dallas Baptist, Wayland Baptist College, Texas Wesleyan College, McMurry College, Midwestern State University, and Bethany Nazarene College. LCU was ineligible for postseason play until 1972-1973, and their active sports were men's basketball, men's track & field and baseball.

Larry Hays served as the men's basketball and baseball head coach, and his wife Nell oversaw the cheerleading program. Hugh Rhodes served as the head coach for the track program. The first sporting event (as a four-year program) for LCC was basketball on Monday, Nov. 16, 1970, as LCU went to Marshall, Texas, to face East Texas Baptist College, losing 78-70. They lost the following day 92-67 at LeTourneau Institute in Longview before coming home the next Friday for their first home game, which resulted in a 77-61 win for their first ever NAIA and four-year win (against Texas College). The first track event was Feb. 12, 1971, in Houston at the Astrodome, and the first baseball game was Mar. 10, 1971, against College of Artesia.

Success eventually stemmed from that 1970-1971 season, and over the next 43 seasons the program has grown to support 11 varsity programs and earned 14 NAIA National Championship team titles. Baseball, with over 1,900 wins, produced magical runs in 1983 and 2009 for a pair of titles and also enjoyed 10 trips to the NAIA World Series.

"I will never forget our first national championship in 1983, when LCU's baseball team defeated Lewis-Clark, 12-9, in the championship game," says President Perrin. "I had just concluded my junior year at LCU and I still clearly remember the final out (a strike out) and the celebration that followed. It remains a remarkable accomplishment and it's all the more special because it happened in Lubbock on our home field."

Men's cross country claimed eight consecutive titles during a dynasty from 1990-1997 and also used their running prowess on the track to claim





a pair of indoor titles (1991, 1995) and an outdoor title in 1994. President Perrin comments, "I don't think anyone would have expected at that time (1983) that LCU teams would go on to win 13 more national championships over the next 30 years, a testament to our dominance in crosscountry during the 1990s and our continuing success in baseball and softball."

Softball, one of LCU's most recently added programs, claimed a NAIA Championship in 2008 during a Cinderella inaugural season. The softball program has produced an .861 winning percentage (337-54) over its history.

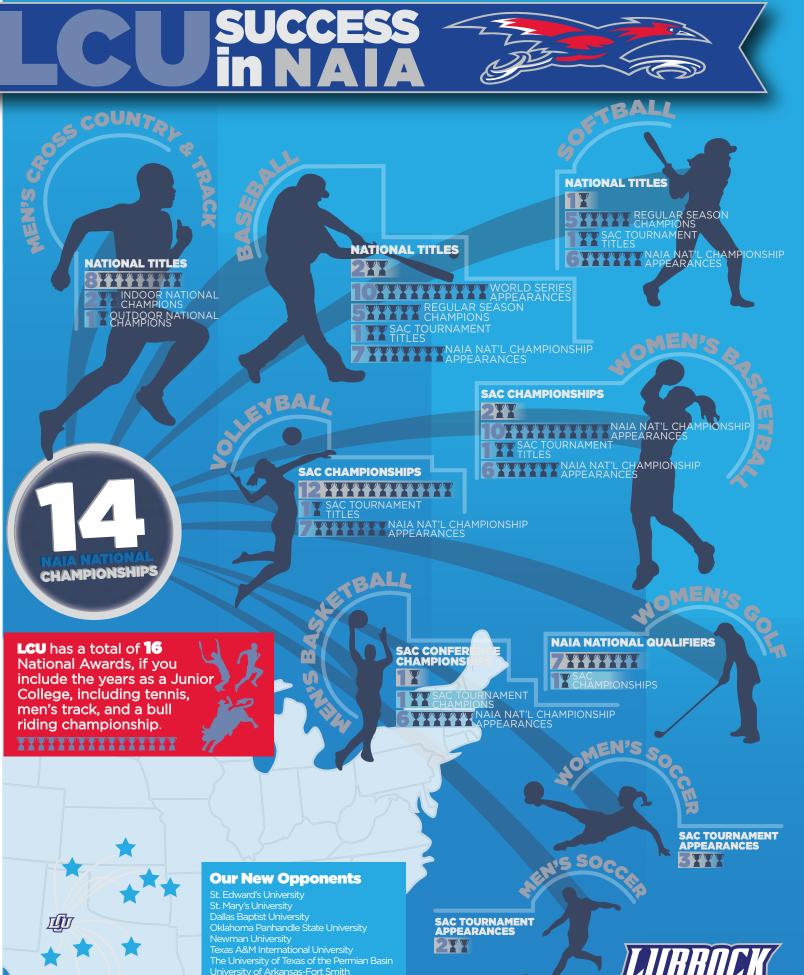
The 1994-1995 season marked LCU's first season in the Sooner Athletic Conference. The Chaps completed 19 seasons in the SAC, with this past season closing out their SAC and NAIA tenure. The Chaparrals and Lady Chaparrals join the NCAA Div. II's Heartland Conference, which is flourishing with 12 member institutions. The conference was founded in 1999 and includes seven universities from Texas, three from Oklahoma, and one each from Arkansas and Kansas. The schools comprising the Heartland Conference stretch from as far north as Wichita, KS., as far east as Fort Smith, AR., as far south as Laredo, TX, and as far west as Goodwell, OK.

In mid-July, the NCAA informed LCU that the school has been accepted into Candidacy Year Two, a major hurdle toward becoming a Division II athletic program. After closing out its final year of membership as an NAIA school this past season, LCU will begin the second year of a three-year process toward becoming a member of the Heartland Conference. The Chaparrals will be ineligible for either NAIA or NCAA postseason play over the next two seasons while going through the candidacy process. If everything goes as expected, LCU will advance to provisional status during 2014-15 and would be eligible for postseason play for 2015-16 if granted full membership status.

President Perrin believes that, "NCAA membership is the right move for LCU at this point in its history. The emphasis of Division II on 'life in the balance' resonates with LCU's approach to athletics and our goals for the student-athlete experience. Moreover, the chance to compete in the 12-team Heartland Conference, which includes six other Texas schools, will increase opportunities to connect with our alumni and friends. We are well prepared for this move with outstanding coaches, very good facilities, dedicated student-athletes, and a supportive community. I eagerly anticipate this next chapter."

THE HEARTLAND CONFERENCE MEMBERS AND THE YEAR THEY JOINED

Rogers State (Claremore, OK) and Lubbock Christian University become the conference's newest members and join founding members St. Edward's University (Austin), and St. Mary's University (San Antonio) and expansion members Dallas Baptist University (Dallas) in 2002 and again in 2004, Oklahoma Panhandle State University (Goodwell, OK) in 2002, and Newman University (Wichita, KS), Texas A&M International University (Laredo) and The University of Texas of the Permian Basin (Odessa) in 2006, the University of Arkansas-Fort Smith (2009), and McMurry University and Oklahoma Christian University in 2012. Eleven of the 12 Heartland Conference members are former members of the NAIA.



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RELEVANT

C.S. Lewis and the Post Modern Generation: His Message 50 Years Later

This March, Lubbock Christian University and the Lanier Theological Library of Houston hosted renowned theologian, Dr. Alister McGrath. Dr. McGrath came to the LCU campus and presented a lecture on C.S. Lewis and the Post-Modern Generation, a topic with which he is very familiar. The late C.S. Lewis has been the focus of Dr. McGrath's research for several years, resulting in a collection of eight major academic essays on Lewis and a recently published book entitled C.S. Lewis – A Life. Reluctant Prophet, Eccentric Genius.

"McGrath is one of the most widely recognized names in the field of theology today. Having a scholar of his caliber and reputation come to our campus was a great boon for LCU, and we are profoundly grateful to Mark Lanier for bringing him to us," said Dr. Jeff Cary, assistant professor of theology at LCU. "McGrath's stellar presentation on C. S. Lewis helped us all see more clearly the importance of both imagination and beauty for communicating the gospel in a post-modern world."

LCU Foundation Board member and founder of the theological speaker series, Mark Lanier, introduced Dr. McGrath. Lanier explained that after seeking out and meeting McGrath, he heard the theologian's plans to gather every single article, book, and speech that C.S. Lewis wrote, to read them all in chronological order, and to write about his discoveries. Lanier asked McGrath to make a trip to Houston and "near-by" Lubbock when he concluded his research. Several years later, McGrath did just that.

Renowned theologian from England, Dr. Alister McGrath, presented a lecture on C.S. Lewis in the spring on the LCU campus.



Dr. McGrath was an atheist when he first went to Oxford. As he tried to make sense of faith, a man recommended the he read the works of C.S. Lewis, who was also once an atheist. McGrath has now been reading Lewis since 1974 and has discovered that he has a lot more in common with Lewis than just matters of faith. Both gentlemen were born and raised in Belfast, Ireland, both went to Oxford University as undergraduates, both ended up as Oxford dons, and both became Christians while at Oxford. The first stage of Dr. McGrath's project on C.S. Lewis, reading all of Lewis' work chronologically, took McGrath fifteen months.

"C.S. Lewis and the Post-Modern Generation: His Message 50 Years Later" was the title of McGrath's lecture to a full house at McDonald Moody Auditorium. Lubbock Christian University was one of only four locations for McGrath's lectures while in America, making this an exceptional opportunity for Lubbock scholars and residents alike.

"Alister McGrath was an engaging speaker; we typically think of British professors as they are portrayed in movies, stuffy and pedantic," said Dr. Susan Blassingame, dean of the Hancock College of Liberal Arts and Education. "McGrath was so passionate about his subject. He made C.S. Lewis come alive during his talk and in the questions. I'm sure he is an outstanding professor and that his students find him equally engaging. I'm grateful for the Lanier lectures and the opportunity they give for experiential learning."

Earning both a Ph.D. in molecular biophysics and a Doctorate of Divinity from Oxford University, Dr. McGrath has a profound field of knowledge about the interaction between Christian theology and the natural sciences, the two major themes for much of his life work. Dr. Alister McGrath is currently the Professor of Theology, Ministry, and Education at King's College London, and the Head of the Center for Theology, Religion, and Culture. He is also Senior Research Fellow at Harris Manchester College, Oxford, and President of the Oxford Centre for Christian Apologetics.

Mark Lanier studied Biblical Languages at Lipscomb University and earned his law degree from Texas Tech University. In 1990, Lanier started his own firm, which now employs 65 lawyers in four different cities. In addition to practicing law, Lanier writes about the Bible and teaches a weekly Biblical class at Champions Forest Baptist Church with over 700 class members. Over the past two years, Lanier and his wife, Becky, opened the Lanier Theological Library and launched the library's speaker series with notable Biblical scholars. Lanier serves on LCU's Foundation Board.

2013 WINNERS

FOLLES

Women 1st place – Zeta Gamma 2nd place – Christliche Damen

Men 1st place – Koinonia 2nd place – Kyodai

People's Choice Award - Sub T-16

B. Wayne Hinds Special Effects Award – Zeta Gamma (Named after LCU Master Follies founder, Dr. B. Wayne Hinds)

Spirit of Follies Award – LOA (Given to the club that exemplifies a good team spirit among themselves and other clubs during the weeks of practice leading up to Follies)



The members of Sub T-16 have aged rather well. Despite their apparent spunk, they were placed in a retirement home where they plan a daring escape.



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Left to right: Jacob Hamil, Sarah Noelle Jarvis, Aaron Parrish, Stephani Whaley, Colton Crawford, and Devon Langford perform the closing number, *Life's a Happy Song*, as performed by *THE MUPPETS*.

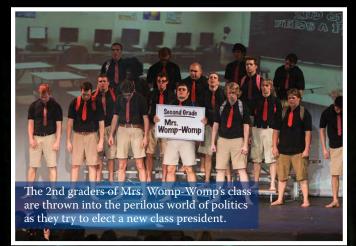
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In a land before time, the dinosaurs of Koinonia are on top of the world until an unexpected prophet, Noah, tells them of the impending flood.

Devon Langford performs *Your Song*.



The flight attendant class goes on their first flight. The ladies of Lambda Omega Alpha overlook some important duties of a flight attendant amidst all of the excitement.





The women of Christliche Damen are thrown back to the good ol' days where they strive to add color to their boring lives.



Are zombies real or just a figment of your imagnination? Are they cold-hearted monsters or just hungry and misunderstood? The women of Zeta Gamma aren't quite sure. They're zombies; all they think about are brains!



The mad scientists of Kyodai kidnap Master Follie's hostess, Devon Langford, in an attempt to disrupt the show. However, they unexpectedly fall to her charms and are defeated. The show must go on.

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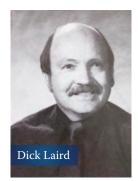


Enactus, known before October 2012 as Students In Free Enterprise (SIFE), is an international non-profit organization that works with leaders in business and higher education to mobilize university students to make a difference in their communities while developing the skills to become socially responsible business leaders.

Lubbock Christian University's Enactus team went to nationals this spring for the first time since 2007. At nationals, the group of 21 students presented an annual report on the projects they have been working on in the 2012-2013 school year. One of the projects was the "Freshman Money Slam Jam," an event which educated new college freshmen about personal financial wisdom. Enactus has also worked closely on the "Waminos" project that promotes the sale of shoes made by craftsmen in Africa. Other projects include a partnership with Ogallala Commons and an app called "Chapsaver" for mobile devices.

"LCU has a long history of advancing to Nationals, and we have actually won the National Championship in years past," said business professor Tracy Mack, who serves as the Sam Walton Fellow for LCU Enactus. "I believe this is the first time we have advanced to the national round since 2007. This group was a great representation of the high quality students we have at LCU."

LCU indeed has a deep history of sending SIFE (Enactus) teams to nationals. The program began on the LCU campus under the leadership of history professor Dick Laird, who led the very first team to national competition in 1981. David Vernon (Business Administration faculty member) took over sponsoring the program after Laird left



LCU to lead the national organization of Students in Free Enterprise.

Vernon joined the Business Administration faculty at LCU in 1986 and quickly became involved in Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE) as the advisor. Advising LCU SIFE to many national wins, Vernon was honored at the SIFE World Headquarters with the Champion of



SIFE, and he was inducted into the Sam Walton Hall of Fame in 2001. His greatest award was the Double Eagle Award, which has only been given to twenty-five other people in history, all of whom were millionaires.

"Dave Vernon had a true passion for mentoring students in the SIFE program," said Dr. Brian Starr, Executive Vice President of LCU. "Much of the program's historic success and current energy can be linked to Dave's vision for SIFE and his guidance of the students who led it."

Cave was above all an encourager. It was said that he believed in us before we believed in ourselves,"

The LCU community and SIFE team were shaken when Vernon died unexpectedly in April of 2005, leaving a huge hole in the LCU community and in the SIFE program.

"Dave was above all an encourager. It was said that 'he believed in us before we believed in ourselves," reflected Dr. Russell Dabbs, professor of economics. "That was definitely the role he played as SIFE director—buildingup the confidence of students, convincing them they could compete with the 'big dogs' at regional and national events. And they did—there is a display case of trophies and plaques in the Administration Building



lobby to prove it. His loss was a blow that is still felt eight years later."

The LCU Enactus team advancing to nationals this year marks a significant achievement for the still recovering organization, which is now under the guidance of Tracy Mack. This year, a part of what the LCU Enactus team was able to

accomplish was due to the Sam's Club Step Up for Small Business grant the team received in November of 2012. The \$1500 grant is to be used toward building and strengthening a local small business' foundation for long-term success through improved business practices. LCU Enactus decided to partner with Kim Silvia, a LCU junior, and her small business, EDA Tech Comm. EDA Tech Comm is a company that helps small businesses build and maintain apps for the success of their business. Partnering with EDA Tech Comm, LCU Enactus developed a coupon app to benefit Lubbock citizens and local small businesses.

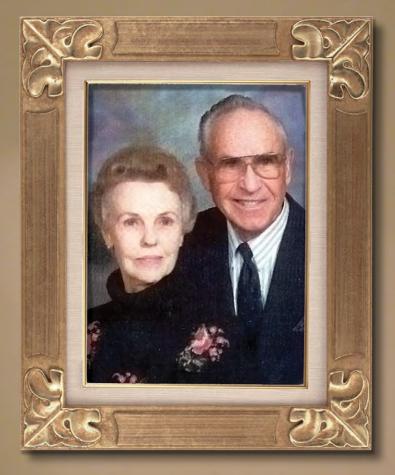


Enactus, though mostly composed of business majors, is full of students who want to make a difference in their community, while growing their skills as business leaders.

"Going to nationals is an unforgettable experience, and we wouldn't have been able

to make it as far as we did if we didn't have the great officers, committee chairs, team members, and of course our sponsor, Mr. Mack to help the entire way," said Enactus president Carly Shelton. "Hopefully, we can make it a tradition for LCU Enactus to go back to nationals every year."





TESTAMENT OF VALUES *Mimms Family Blesses LCU with Estate Gift*

Marvin and Jo Mimms' only son, Mark, came to LCU in 1978 and was a member of the graduating class of 1982. While at LCU, he was an active student engaged in campus life and was also a member of the Aggies Club and the A Cappella Chorus. Marvin and Jo put hundreds of miles on their Oldsmobile as they followed the LCU bus carrying the A Cappella Chorus to various locations around Texas and the surrounding states where the group presented concerts. Mark went on from LCU to Houston, where he worked as an accountant until his death in the fall of 1994.

After his passing, Jo and Marvin made the decision to leave their estate, including the family farm near Lazbuddie, to Lubbock Christian University. During the past several months, the proceeds of the estate have been presented to LCU with an estimated value of over \$1.7 million.

"The estate gift from Jo and Marvin Mimms is a great testament to the values embodied by this wonderful family: hard work, a generous spirit, and devotion to God," states President Perrin. "We give heartfelt thanks to Jo and Marvin for their extraordinary generosity toward LCU. Their gift makes it possible for Lubbock Christian University to continue to advance its mission of changing lives."

The university has been blessed over the years to receive a number of estate gifts. Some of them have been like the Mimms' gift which included their entire estate and others where LCU shared in a portion of an estate. Dr. Steven Lemley has been working with a number of our friends who want to include LCU in their estate planning.

If you have questions about such an opportunity you may contact Dr. Lemley: 806-720-7729 steven.lemley@LCU.edu 5601 19th Street, Lubbock, TX 79407.

LCU ON THE ROAD

LCU kicked off the spring and summer portion of the Forever Blue Alumni Tour with receptions in Lubbock, Midland, Fort Worth, Dallas, Amarillo, Abilene, Malibu, CA, San Antonio, and Austin. We thank all of our alumni and friends who took the time to come to one of the receptions to meet **President Tim ('84) and Lucy (Leard) Perrin ('86)** and to reconnect with LCU.









Above right: **Scott** and **Ginger (White) McCall ('94)** reconnect with Brenda Lindsey (LCU University Advancement Office) at the Fort Worth alumni event.

Above: **Matt** and **Kenee (Carter) Dover ('06)** with Canyon, one of their future Chaparral sons – at the Tower at Cityplace Events in Dallas.

Top Left: President Perrin throws first pitch during the Roundrock game at the Dell Diamond.

Left: President Perrin pictured with classmate **Quentin Mimms** ('84) and Trustee Ray Wilson.



DESTINATION AWAITS EXCURSIONS & AWAITS UNIVERSITY TOURS

Excursions is a direct destination trip for LCU alumni and friends of all ages that is a combination of group sightseeing and exploring and touring on your own. The group walks and uses the public transit systems to get around the cities.

- Caribbean Cruise November 2013
 Continuing education credit offered for some
 professions.
- Italy's Amalfie Coast & Isle of Capri March 2014

If you are interested in any of the Excursions travel destinations, please contact Kelli Childre, Excursions Director, at kelli.childre@LCU.edu or 806-720-7802.

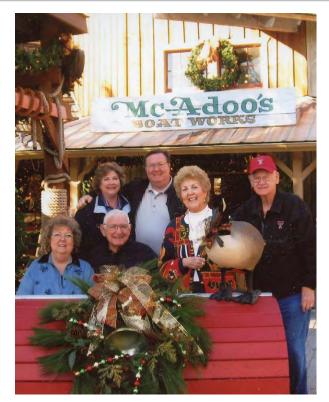
University Tours involves predominately senior travelers and allows for a trip that typically provides door-to-door touring on a chartered bus.

- Christmas in Branson November 2013
- Southern Tour: Savannah, Charleston, Atlanta, and Vicksburg – April 2014

If you are interested in participating, contact Billie Shuttlesworth, University Tours Director, at billie.shuttlesworth@LCU.edu or 806-720-7216.

Top right: A few people from the University Tours group on their annual Christmas trip to Branson, led by director Billie Shuttlesworth (2nd from right).

Bottom right: Dr. Bev Byers (far right) and Lubbock Christian University MSN students on the Athabasca Glacier in Alberta, Canada.





THE PRESIDENT'S TOUR

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Come and meet LCU's president, Tim Perrin, at a reception for alumni and friends of the university in the following areas:

October 6th – Forever Blue: Washington, DC – Reception for all alums and friends of the university in the Washington, DC area. Come meet LCU's President and First Lady, Tim and Lucy Perrin. Join us to hear about LCU Washington from 3-5 p.m. at the Courtyard by Marriott Capitol Hill/Navy Yard in the Admiral Room, 140 L St SE, Washington, DC 20003. Hor d'oeuvres will be served.

October 26th – Forever Blue: Roswell – Reception for all alums and friends of the university in the Roswell, NM area from 2-4 p.m. at the Pioneer Bank Community Room in Roswell. Come join us and hear from President Tim Perrin about his vision for the future of LCU. Hor d'oeuvres catered by Peppers.

October 27th – Forever Blue: Artesia — Luncheon for all alums and friends of the university in the Artesia, NM area from 12:30-2:30 p.m. at the Eddy County Fairgrounds Community Room in Artesia. Come join us and hear from President Tim Perrin about his vision for the future of LCU.

Contact alumni@LCU.edu with any questions or to RSVP for any event. "I'm very excited to see you all during the tour. I look forward to meeting you, visiting with you, and hearing your LCU story. I hope that you can join me!"

- President Tim Perrin



Serving LCU for 42 years, Gary Estep has retired from LCU and his role as dean of the B. Ward Lane College of Professional Studies.

Gary Estep has been methodically preparing students for professions in the fields of health and the sciences since he came to LCU in 1971. His passion for helping students succeed comes from his own competitive spirit which was manifested in his years before LCU when he was a champion bull rider.

His tenacious perseverance benefitted LCU as he served in the roles of dean of the B. Ward Lane College of Professional Studies, chair of the Biology/ Natural Sciences Department, professor of Biology, and advisor for the Pre-Health Professions student organization. This perseverance was especially helpful during the period he served as the dorm supervisor for Johnson Hall.

"Dr. Estep will always represent what is great about LCU, even in retirement," said Dr. Gabe Flores,

Lubbock pharmacist and former LCU student in the late 90's. "His humble, patient approach to teaching will be missed. His worth in leadership, counsel, and sacrifice will never be replaced."

Dr. Estep is recognized by his students for his personal dedication to their education and to the programs designed to prepare them for professional careers. His quiet leadership, engaging teaching, and insightful direction of programs has been invaluable to LCU over these 42 years. Even his slow gait reveals his gentle spirit and masks the tremendous impact that he has had, and will continue to have, on the lives of his LCU students and peers.

"The students who have been fortunate enough to have Dr. Estep as their professor and mentor have left LCU prepared

Dr. Estep will always represent what is great about LCU, even in retirement."







to seek their goals. Many of his former students are now successful professionals, having great influence on the people they serve," commented **Dr. B. Ward Lane ('62)**, vascular surgeon in Dallas and an LCU trustee. "One would be challenged to calculate the good Dr. Estep has done during his years at LCU, and the good that will continue for years to come through the success of his students."

For **Dr. Kenneth A. Stephenson ('86)**, now an orthopedic surgeon in Lubbock, Dr. Estep was the first professor he had any interaction with at LCU. Dr. Estep was Dr. Stephenson's advisor, and he guided Stephenson through his undergraduate degree in biology, leaving a lasting impression that made him well prepared for medical school.

"When I think of him, I think of persistent excellence," reflected Dr. Stephenson. "He has helped hundreds of students reach their goal of an undergraduate degree and hundreds go on to professional studies. He has touched thousands of lives around the world because of his influence through LCU. I am grateful for what he has done for me personally, and for his leadership at LCU for many years."

Four others joined Dr. Estep in retiring from LCU: Linda Cash, Rebecca Vickers, Anita Price, and Rachel Guynn. Dr. Cash worked as an LCU faculty member for 39 years, teaching in the Home Economics Department, Behavioral Sciences Department; she finally channeled her teaching energies on the mental health needs of at-risk-youth. Rebecca Vickers worked in the LCU library 43 years, serving as library director at the time of her retirement. Anita Price worked in the Office of the President for 22 years, mostly as the executive secretary. She served under LCU presidents Steven Lemley, Ken Jones, and Tim Perrin. Rachel Guynn worked in the LCU library for almost 17 years, serving as the library processing clerk and book doctor.







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DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARDS

Lubbock Christian University and the Office of Alumni Relations present the Distinguished Alumni Awards annually during Homecoming and Master Follies Weekend. This year's Alumni Awards Dinner took place on February 9, 2013.

The recipients of the 2013 Alumni Awards are: Terry R. Creech ('81) Dr. Reagan Crossnoe ('94) Bill ('83) and DeeDee (Johnson) Bundy ('77) Dr. Les D. Maloney ('82)

The dinner and awards are designed to recognize and honor LCU alumni who have made significant contributions toward furthering Lubbock Christian University and its mission through outstanding accomplishments, careers, and/or through extraordinary measures of service. "The 2013 recipients of LCU's outstanding alumni awards share not only roots at LCU, but so much more. They have each lived impactful lives, they have achieved professional success, and they share a deep faith," President Perrin shared. "We give thanks for their wonderful example and for all of our alumni who are making important contributions to their communities."

The recipient of the 2013 Distinguished Alumnus Award for significant personal or professional achievement was **Terry R. Creech**, who earned a Bachelor of Science degree from Lubbock Christian University in 1981. He has been a successful certified public accountant in the state of Texas since graduating from LCU, and he currently serves as CEO of Henry Taw LP, the holding company for the Henry family of companies in Midland. Mr. Creech and his wife, Cherie, have two daughters, Kristin (Moyer) and Katelyn.

"Terry Creech's extraordinary professional success is a testament to his hard work, his commitment to excellence, his uncompromising integrity, and his servant's heart," states President Perrin. "You can't be around Terry very long without appreciating his wisdom and his joy for life. We need more people like Terry Creech in positions of authority.

Terry and Cherie have helped to fund and build numerous orphanages in Kenya. They are very involved in the work with Cherie on site at the orphanages multiple times over the past four years.

Mr. Creech is currently an elder of the Golf Course Road Church of Christ in Midland. He has served as a former treasurer and board member





for the following non-profit organizations: Hospice of Midland, Casa de Amigos, and Downtown Midland Rotary Club. He is a current member of the board for Midland Christian Schools, the Henry Foundation, and the Lubbock Christian University Foundation.

Terry points to Dr. Christa Dobbs, long time chair of LCU's Business Administration Department, and Dr. Pat Maddox, professor of Business Administration, as critically important influences on him during his time at LCU. Indeed, he credits Dr. Dobbs with helping him to get a job with a major accounting firm in Midland where he began working after graduating from LCU. Terry and Cherie have funded an endowed scholarship in Dr. Dobbs' honor to benefit future generations of LCU accounting students.

Dr. Reagan Crossnoe was selected to receive the 2013 Young Alumnus of the Year Award in recognition of distinguished service to LCU and/or professional achievement. In order to receive this award, the honoree must be 40 years of age or younger at the time of selection. A 1994 LCU graduate, Dr. Crossnoe is in private practice in Amarillo as an orthopedic surgeon. After initially leaning toward trauma care and emergency room coverage, he now concentrates mainly on a general orthopedic practice. This allows him to help with some trauma and more elective surgery, such as joint replacements and sports injuries. In 2011 he was named the Northwest Texas Hospital's "Doctor of the Year." He has been married to his wife, Mica, for 20 years and they have a daughter, Autumn (15) and a son, Cole (13). The Crossnoes are members of the Church of Christ at the Colonies in Amarillo.

Dr. Crossnoe says the most influential people he came across while at LCU were Dr. Gary Estep and Dr. Byron Rogers. "Although they have significantly different teaching styles, both impressed me with their passion for teaching. Easily approachable, both took extra time with me on multiple occasions to explain a topic I had trouble with."



Dr. Reagan Crossnoe presented with the Young Alumnus of the Year Award by Dr. Gary Estep, former Dean of the B. Ward Lane College of Professional Studies.



Bill and DeeDee Bundy are the 2013 recipients of the F.W. Mattox Award. This award is presented for excellence and outstanding service to the university. The Bundys have been very active in the Church of Christ at two churches in Georgia. Bill served as an elder at North Atlanta Church of Christ and also at Grace Chapel



Church of Christ in Cumming, GA. Grace Chapel was a church plant that began in the basement of the Bundy home, along with four other couples. DeeDee worked in the Right of Way Department for the Texas Highway Department before teaching pre-school in various places around the world as Bill's career took off. Bill was a longtime employee of UPS, serving for 36-plus years as Sr. Vice-President for UPS Europe, Middle East, and Africa before his retirement on January 31 of this year. Prior to his retirement, he stayed on with UPS to help them integrate a company they acquired in Italy. Since retirement, Bill has been appointed president of Eastern European Missions.

Bill (Liberal Arts, '83) and DeeDee (Bachelor of Science-Education/Secondary Education, '77) are the parents of a daughter, Heather Byars ('00), who is married to current LCU Assistant Professor of English, Dr. Matt Byars ('00). They also have a son, J.E. Bundy ('03), who is married to Megan Stewart ('07). Bill and DeeDee have five grandchildren. The Bundys attend Eastside Church of Christ in Graham.

The Bundys say the most influential people they met while attending LCU were Les and Elaine Perrin, parents of LCU President Tim Perrin. "Les encouraged me to be what I could be. He really kept me from getting kicked out of school once; he's just a fantastic encourager. Elaine just loved me. Made me feel loved, made me feel important."

This year's recipient of the 2013 K.C. Moser Award for excellence and outstanding service to the church is **Dr. Les D. Maloney**. Dr. Maloney is currently the Education Minister at Kings Crossing Church of Christ in Corpus Christi. He has served in a number of capacities during his church career, including as pulpit minister at four different churches, as an instructor for Christian education, as a senior minister, as a Mobilization Brigade Chaplain, and as a U.S. Army Reserve Chaplain.

Dr. Maloney earned his bachelor's degree from LCC in 1982, and he went on to earn a pair of master's degrees from Harding University (1986 and 1989) as well as his Ph.D. from Baylor University in 2005. He has been the recipient of numerous honors and awards, including the Welch Homiletics Award from LCU (1982), the Meritorious Service Medal, the Army Commendation Medal, the Global War on Terrorism – Expeditionary Medal and the Combat Action Badge. He and his wife of 32 years, Margaret, have two sons, Daniel and David, and a daughter, Elizabeth.

Dr. Maloney says that the greatest lesson he learned while at LCU was that "all of the academic study that we are privileged to participate in is 'icing on the cake,' so to speak. The cake is proclaiming and teaching the word of God and bringing others to the Word of Life, the Christ..."





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one week in LomaNegra,

A small community called Loma Negra on the western coast of Peru is a place with stray mangy dogs and trash lining the streets, roofs falling apart on thatch houses, dirt floors, and an unclean water source. Dr. Andy Laughlin led a team of 16 LCU pre-medical students, several medical professionals, and various special interest individuals to this poverty-stricken community that rarely hosts U.S. visitors.

While on this one-week medical mission trip, Laughlin and the team set up a clinic to provide medical, dental, vision, and physical therapy care to underprivileged Peruvians. In total, the team served 461 Peruvians in eye glass fittings, 153 for dental care, 732 for medical care, 51 for physical therapy, and 483 children, all in one week. The Peruvians would form lines outside of the clinic, sleeping outside at the wall, waiting in hopes to see a doctor, perhaps for the first time.

"I don't know what happened to him, we are still waiting," said Dr. Andy Laughlin reflecting on one of the many patients cared for that week. Left with no money and unable to see a doctor, a Peruvian man with a large tumor on his face had traveled a great distance to visit the medical clinic. LCU alum, **Dr. Tom Basye ('83),** analyzed the man and confirmed the aggressive tumor had invaded his nasal cavity and would soon present serious health problems. Uncomfortable with only telling this man to see a doctor, Dr. Basye asked him to ride the bus back with the medical team so they could get him help. By Kathleen Wyly

They convinced the hospital to get the man a biopsy and arranged for an organization to take care of him.

"Had that man left the clinic and had Dr. Basye not done way more than he needed to do, I am quite confident that man would have died," said Dr. Laughlin.

This is only one of the many stories the medical team brought back with them from Peru. Another Peruvian man, blind and in pain, came to the clinic to get help through physical therapy. Physical therapists **Dr. Toby Rogers ('95)** and **Chris Huggins ('04)** decided to do more than treat this man's pain temporarily; that night they bought a walker and gave it to him the next morning. Not realizing the walker was his, the man exclaimed, "I wish I could have one," then cried when the LCU alums told him it was his.

Dr. Laughlin and the team also worked closely with a local minister, Oscar Castro, and his wife, Anna.

"One of the things I'm trying to do is get to know the community more, get to know Oscar more.





If we're going to make a long term commitment in Loma Negra, I need to know how they live," commented Dr. Laughlin. "We need to know what their everyday life is like before we make suggestions or recommendations. We need to know the people of Loma Negra."

To accomplish this goal, Laughlin decided to take a day off from the clinic, and to spend it volunteering for Oscar and the church. Laughlin and six students dissambled the church post by post, moving it to a new location so that it could be enlarged and possibly have a bathroom added in the future.

Early that week, Oscar told Laughlin that he was planning on baptizing a young Peruvian and that he hoped Laughlin could perform the baptism. Friday morning, Laughlin joined Oscar and the church at the river, intending on baptizing one Peruvian and resulting in baptizing ten.

"It was not our purpose to do that, but the opportunity was there and due to that, ten lives will enter into the kingdom of heaven," Laughlin humbly stated. "God works wonderfully and often times he uses us in ways we are not expecting."



The pre-medical students learned valuable and irreplaceable medical knowledge, and gained a new perspective on the world, "Being in each (medical) area made me respect each profession and understand how each profession works. I am thankful I got the opportunity to rotate and help out in each area. This week has changed my life," said LCU pre-med student Nalexus Kunkel daughter of LCU alum **Nicole (Kunkel) Shields ('08)**. "Before I left, I thought I would learn a lot about the medical field and maybe pick up some Spanish. I was wrong. I learned so much more. Seeing the people, their conditions, their life style, made me appreciate everything I have. My perspective of the way I live my life changed."

The trip to Peru not only changed the students' lives and impacted the lives of the Peruvians they served, but the students also left a remarkable impression on the medical professionals.



"(The pre-med students) were all so professional and mature at all times," said Dr. Jack Dyer, medical doctor and board member for Olive Branch Ministries. "They were great ambassadors for the university and a great reflection of those who are molding them."

"I can't overstate the quality of the students on this trip," exclaimed **Jessica Rogers ('96)**, LCU chemistry professor. "I never heard a complaint about the work they were asked to do, the conditions they were asked to live and work in, or the places they were assigned. They approached each other, their leaders, and the Peruvian people with love and patience at every turn."



Alpha Chi Delta and School of Education Help Students in Ecuador

This year for Master Follies, the men of Alpha Chi Delta played second graders engrossed in electing one of their peers as class president. Their impersonations of young children delighted not only the crowd, but also got the attention of the faculty from the LCU School of Education. After the excitement of Master Follies and Homecoming Weekend died down, representatives of the School of Education approached **Beau McNeill** The School of Education faculty saw this as an inspiring opportunity to bless the children in Ecuador with backpacks and give the men of Alpha Chi a chance to help underprivileged children. The social club members were happy to donate their backpacks and felt especially satisfied when they discovered the missionaries who run the camp in Ecuador were **Justin ('04)** and **Juana** (**'04) Reeger,** both LCU alums and Justin, a former Alpha Chi member.

The School of Education has taken a team out of the country over spring break for three years now, but this was their first year to make the trip to Ecuador. The group of twelve education majors and four faculty mentors worked in local schools and at an after-school program at Camp Bellevue in Ecuador.

The future teachers from LCU taught each day at the same school. The local students learned about different



('13), president of Alpha Chi, and asked if the men would donate the children's backpacks used in their Master Follies show. The School of Education had plans to bring boxes of school supplies to Camp Bellevue in Tabacundo, Ecuador, for the School of Education spring break mission trip. "We had a lot of fun picking out our own Spiderman and Dora the Explorer backpacks for our show," commented Beau McNeill. "Knowing that these backpacks could be repurposed for such a great cause seemed like a great idea to the guys in Alpha Chi." areas of content, and their own teachers received helpful pointers on new teaching strategies. The LCU party brought with them several items to assist in their teachings, including white boards, dry erase markers, sidewalk chalk, and other materials gathered during a school supply drive held in Lubbock prior



to the trip, as well as the Alpha Chi backpacks.

"Backpacks in Ecuador cost about three times what they cost here in the U.S.," explained Dr. Cathy Box, associate professor of education and one of the faculty members on the trip. "Many families there make very little money to start with, so a backpack–what we consider essential–is a luxury there, even though it is very much needed."

The trip was a totally volunteer effort. According to Dr. Box, the students did not receive class credit, and they each paid their own expenses for the trip by raising their own support through the generous support of friends as well as fund raising efforts.

"Summing up a trip that was

so amazing and life changing is difficult," Dr. Box stated. "Everything I say seems trite, but the experiences we shared together undoubtedly deepened our relationship with God and made each and every one of us better for the experience–better teachers, friends, colleagues, and Christians with a deeper faith and love for all of God's children."

The expectations of the trip and what it might mean to the students was nothing short of overwhelming, according to Madison Montgomery, LCU junior.

"I really had no idea what to expect at all. I knew it was going to be in a poor area, but I wasn't sure how poor," she said. "We also had no idea what to expect at the schools. So, planning our lessons to teach was very hard. I knew I was going to get attached to these kids and that it was going to be an extremely rewarding experience."

After working with Ecuadorians, the LCU students left feeling they were the ones that were educated most during their full week of teaching.







The term "Social Media" is relatively new to us, but the concept isn't. People are social and we find ways to communicate with one another, whatever our circumstances. Hieroglyphics, sign language, thousands of spoken and written languages and even body language to name a few.

When LCU was founded in 1957, social media consisted of face to face visits on the front porches of America, letter writing, and telephone conversations. Once in a while we picked up the phone to hear someone on the party line having a discussion with another friend - much like reading posts on facebook. Life was less complicated and information was not as accessible, but now we live in the information age and life has changed. Some argue life is better now, and others insist our technology will destroy us. There is likely enough truth on either side of that argument, but the reality remains, life has changed.



How we stay connected, how we educate, research, publish, and make purchases are now deeply entangled in the web of technology. Staying in touch with alumni, recruiting new students and communicating across campus has changed. Staying connected is critical to the future of Lubbock Christian University, and we are working to make that connection easier and more meaningful for you every day.

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IMPACT OF SOCIAL MEDIA ON EDUCATION

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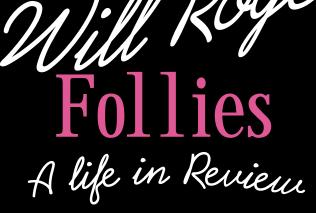
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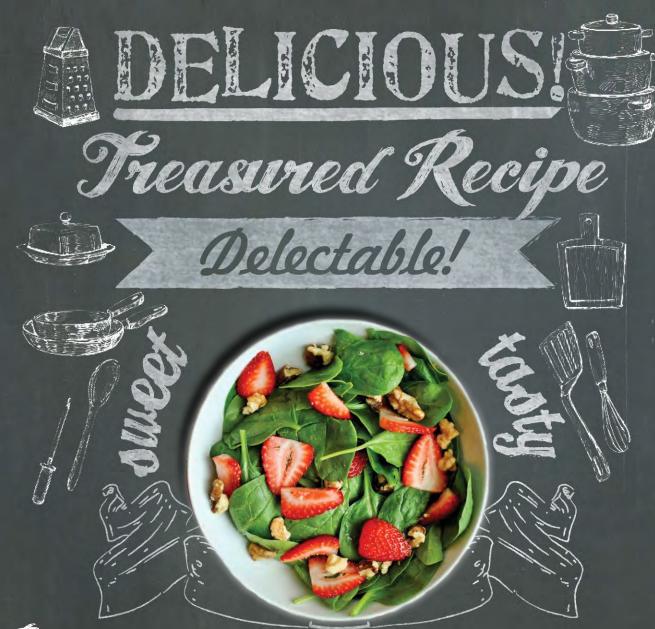
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In a blender, combine the vinaigrette, sugar, salt and mustard. While processing, gradually add oil in a steady stream. Stir in poppy seeds if desired. Transfer to a small pitcher or bowl. Refrigerate until chilled. Just before serving, toss the spinach, strawberries, cheese and pecans in a large bowl. Serve with the dressing. ~Maxine Ricketson

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This recipe is one of the many delicious selections compiled in Treasured Recipes, the 50th Anniversary edition of the LCU Associates Cookbook, available for purchase by calling 806-720-7485 or emailing carol.dahlstrom@LCU.edu.



The LCU Associates cookbook. Treasured Recipes, was the 2nd place national winner of the annual Morris Community Cookbook Awards. Among other reasons, Treasured Recipes was picked for raising \$41,250, a portion of which was used for restoring the historic Arnett House that is showcased throughout the cookbook.





SPOTLIGHT ON SPORTS Highlights from the World of LCU Athletics

LCU head baseball coach Nathan Blackwood turns his lineup into an umpire during the 2013 season. The Chaps wrapped up NAIA play with two national titles, earning the number one spot in both 1983 and 2009.



Lady Chaps softball coach Daren Hays makes a visit to freshman pitcher Katera Eltsossie during another national tournament season. The LCU softball program won a national title in its first season of competition in 2008 and they advanced to the national tournament each year they were in the NAIA, finishing third in the nation in 2013.



recorded a fifth place finish. Schopp, along with junior teammate, Mariah Montoya, were named to first-team NAIA All-America honors.

ALL-AMERICANS

Baseball Christian Vazquez, SS, Junior Men's Cross Country Isaias "Izzy" Miranda, Senior

Women's Basketball Nicole Hampton, Sophomore

Softball Latainna Eltsosie, Senior; Mallory Koschany, Junior; Megan Sullivan, Junior

ACADEMIC RECOGNITION

LCU Women's Basketball was named to the "WBCA (Women's Basketball Coaches Association) Academic Top 25" with the fourth highest GPA as a program in the country.

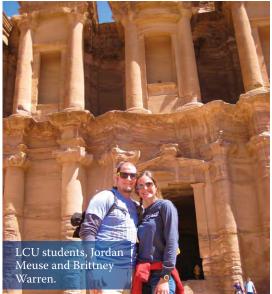


University News & Events

Spring Break in the Land of the Holy One

Spring Break for Tim and Lucy Perrin was spent on a trip to Israel and Jordan led by Drs. Jesse and JoAnn Long. Joined by a group of LCU students, faculty, staff, and friends, they left Lubbock March 9, 2013, travelling to Israel and Jordan. The group was transported in time to a place where they were able to walk on some of the same paths it is believed that Jesus walked. They visited Bethlehem, the birthplace of the man who changed the world forever. They looked out over the city of Jerusalem from the Mount of Olives, and they put their feet into the waters of the River Jordan. It was a life changing experience for the entire group.

Dr. Jesse Long, Dean of the College of Biblical Studies and Behavioral Sciences expertly led the group, drawing on his scholarship of Biblical times and on his archeological passion to create a memorable experience. Watch for future opportunities to join Dr. Long on this historical adventure into the life and earthly times of Jesus Christ.









Tim Leslie

Tim Leslie, DDS ('80) has been appointed to the LCU Board of Trustees. Before his appointment as trustee, he served on the advisory board for LCU Athletics. While at LCU, Leslie was a member of Kyodai and the Chap Baseball team for four years and was named an All-American athlete his senior year.

He has a private dental practice in Lubbock, where he and wife, Susan, reside. They have two adult sons: Logan and **Brent ('13)**, who graduated this spring and who was also an LCU baseball player.



New Dean Dr. Toby Rogers ('85) was

appointed as Dean of the B. Ward Lane College of Professional Studies. He takes

over the position held by Dr. Gary Estep, who served the last year as the interim dean. Dr. Rogers graduated from LCU in 1995 with a B.S. in Biology and then went on to receive a M.S. and Ph.D. in Physical Therapy from Texas Tech University. In 2003 he returned to LCU as an exercise and sports science professor and has served as chair of the Exercise and Sport Sciences Department.

Scholars Colloquium

The 2013 Scholars Colloquium saw

100 presentations and 52 research posters from LCU's top scholars. The colloquium included students, faculty, and staff who presented on topics such as Adolescent Cognitive Development (Dr. Steven Bonner and Dr. Dean Culpepper), E-coli in Lubbock's Urban Lake Ecosystem (Allie Webb), and Empowerment through Self Representation: An Auto-ethnographic Study (Caitlin Brinsfield). The anchor for this year's colloquium was internationally renowned scholar and research





Judge James Browning served as LCU's May commencement speaker. Judge Browning has served with distinction as a leading attorney and jurist for three decades. In August of 2003, he was appointed by President George W. Bush to the United States District Court for the District of New Mexico, an appointment he continues to hold.

ebiologist, Dr. Haile Yancy, who is a senior biologist at the FDA's Center for Veterinary Medicine. Dr. Yancy spoke on Celebrating Research across the Disciplines.

Arnett House 100th Birthday

Remember when this white frame house, the Arnett House, was the first building on campus? It was the first administration building and later was used for offices, a print shop, and even dorm space.

Built in 1915, it was the original home of the Arnett family who gave the land for the school. The house was moved from downtown to a cotton field on west 19th street in 1957 and later became known as the Arnett House when the Associates of LCU renovated it for their headquarters and reopened it in 1979 at the current location on 22nd street.



In anticipation of celebrating the 100th birthday of this historic home, the Associates are collecting memories of those who remember those days. If you have memories to share, please email them to Jan Crockett at jan@crocketts.cc or mail to Associates of LCU at 5601 19th St. Lubbock, TX 79407.

LCU Students Visit the Capital

A few LCU students who receive

a Texas Equalization Grant (TEG) travel to Austin during legislative sessions to visit with elected officials from the South Plains to reiterate the importance of the state grant allocation program. Forty-eight LCU students received assistance from TEG this past academic year.







1964 Reunion: Homecoming 2014

Felton Dickons 911 Crowley Rd Arlington, TX 76012 fdickens2000@yahoo.com Felton has a grown son, Daron Mark Dickens.

1965

Amy (Bailey) Bissell 216 Fordham Cir Pueblo, CO 81005 amybissell@yahoo.com Amy is married to Wayne. They have two grown children: Beth and Terry.

1966

Exa Lee (Peysen) Smith PO Box 267 Munday, TX 76371 jlsmith@srcaccess.net Exa Lee married Joel Smith September 12, 2009. Exa Lee is a retired Federal employee. She has four children and twelve grandchildren; Joel has four children and nine grandchildren.

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Beecher Stots 3620 Trinity View Dr McKinney, TX 75071

1973

Steve Lewis 15923 Vista Del Mar Houston, TX 77083 sc4730@sbcglobal.net Steve is married to Cynthia.

1974 *Reunion: Homecoming 2014* Woody (Rush) Wyatt **41 Lakeside Dr Newnan, GA 30263** rushwyatt@bellsouth.net Rush has been married to Yvonne for 38 years and has three daughters: Stacia, Jennifer, and Rushina. He has three grandchildren: Sorrell (12), Sarah (9), and Michael (3). He has been preaching at Westside Church of Christ in Newnan, GA for the past 9 years.

1976

Jean (Lynch) Carpenter 3300 FM 1431 Round Rock, TX 78681-1075 ferman2@juno.com Jean and husband, Ferman, are the proud grandparents of twin grandsons, Max and Asher, who were born in September to daughter and son-in-law, Nancy and Jacob Miller ('08) of Lubbock. Proud greatgrandmother is Kathryn Lynch Thompson (former LCU employee).

Cathy (Cargill) Privitt 1300 N 45th St Apt 511 Corsicana, TX 75110 cprivitt@gmail.com Cathy has three children: Heidi Renee Garza, Elizabeth Anne Light, and Galen Joseph Privitt.

1978

Terry (Beistle) Ford PO Box 46 Hartley, TX 79044-0046 dtford@valornet.com Terry and her husband, Donald, are the proud grandparents of granddaughter, Charley Paige, born August 26, 2012 to son and daughter-in-law, Adam and Jackie (Baker) Ford ('05).

1979 *Reunion: Homecoming* 2014 Margaret (Lindsay) Dicus 4022 Township Ave Simi Valley, CA 93063 mmmcb@sbcglobal.net

1980

Kerry and Pam (Zahn) Miller ('82) 11860 Starfish Ln Malibu, CA 90265 kerrycmiller@gmail.com

Greg Parham 4901 Kinsey Dr Apt 1914 Tyler, TX 75703 gparham43@yahoo.com Greg is the father of Tanner (22), Brooks (14), Tori (12), and Trevor (10).

1983

Danny Kingsley 8008 West 34th St, Lot #58 Lubbock, TX 79407 daddydan40@swbell.net Danny was elected President of the Texas Association of Single Square Dancers for the 5th year, having been a member for 23 years. In May, he was given the honor of Ranch Host of the Year for the National Ranching Heritage Association, where he serves as Ranch Host, coordinates an Old Period Country Western Dance team, and serves as event photographer. Curt and Kathi (Igo) Miller 1302 W 7th Street Friona, TX 79035

Curt and Kathi are the proud grandparents of twin grandsons, Max and Asher, who were born in September to son and daughter-inlaw, Jacob and Nancy (Carpenter) Miller ('08) of Lubbock.

1984 *Reunion: Homecoming 2014* Melisa (Tatum) Roberts 1416 Monticello

Lubbock, TX 79413

Melisa is currently the Chief Lending Officer and Executive Vice President of Lone Star State Bank of West Texas. She is married to Steve Roberts ('88) and they have two daughters: Sydney (currently attending LCU) and Macy (senior at LCHS).

1985

Thomas Hammett 108 Candlewood Ct Lincoln, CA 95648 tomandkayhammett@starstream.net Thomas is married to Kay.

1986

Rick Stephens 281 Greystone Ct Lemoore, CA 93245 rstephens@leprinofoods.com Rick is married to Tammy and they have four children: Aime ('01), who is married to Brent Hill ('01) and has 2 children, Briggs (8) and Adley (4); Alexia Gray ('07); Graysen (14); and Cade (10). Rick is the purchasing supervisor for Leprino Foods.

Kenneth Stephenson

5511 19th St Lubbock, TX 79407 ken4feet@aol.com Ken is currently an orthopedic surgeon at The Center for Orthopedic Surgery in Lubbock. He is married to Jana (Rogers) Stephenson ('86) and they have three children: Aaron, Kara, and Kaitlyn (all attending LCU).

1988

Terri (Brack) Rosica 17 Rockville Ave Lexington, MA 02421 terri.rosica@gmail.com

1989 *Reunion: Homecoming 2013* Amy (Blume) Taylor PO Box 292 Fredericksburg, TX 78624

amytaylor.rn.123@gmail.com

Amy married Paul Taylor on December 7, 2012. She works in the emergency room at University Medical Center at Brackenridge (Austin). She is currently working on her Doctorate of Nursing Practice to become an Emergency Nurse Practitioner. Paul is a disabled fireman.

1991

Machell (Ray) Gassett 15100 SW 79th St Mustang, OK 73064 rmgassett@yahoo.com Machell and her husband, Richard, have four children: daughter, Jessa Janiah; son, Jayden Josiah; son, Jack Easton; and daughter, Joelle Weston.

1992

Debby (Smith) Hester 3701 95th St Lubbock, TX 79423 debbyhester@gmail.com Debby and her husband, James, adopted four children in July 2011: Ella and David, both 7 years old; Isabel (age 5), and Philip (age 4).

1993

Mondie (Boucher) Rhodes 5825 8th St Lubbock, TX 79416-4121 mondie6@suddenlink.net Mondie is the proud grandmother to Jace Anthony, who was born August 28, 2011 to daughter and son-in-law, Markayla ('12) and Caleb Howell of Lubbock.

1994 *Reunion: Homecoming 2014* Todd Green 6525 W Kings Ave Glendale, AZ 85306 toddallangreen@gmail.com

Dr. Scott and Ginger (White) McCall 3601 Cove Timber Ave Granbury, TX 76049 mcallsingranbury@yahoo.com

Cathy (Crafton) Sawyer 811 W 12th St Post, TX 79356 csawyer@postisd.net Cathy has a son, Zachary Joel Sawyer (9).

1995

Lane Andrews PO Box 5605 Bella Vista, AR 72714 Lane received the Sam M. Walton Award of Excellence Blue Coat award which is the highest award given by Sam's Wholesale Club. He is married to Elizabeth (Pritchett) Anderson ('94).

Craig Harlow

Craig was appointed US Immigration Judge in Virginia in February 2013. He is married to Kassie (Price, '89).

1996

Heidi (Black) Coombes 2124 Fountain Dr Lewisville, TX 75067 family@khcoombes.org Heidi is married to Kenneth. They have four children: Elliott (12), Eddison (6), Everett (4), and Juliett (almost 2).

1999 *Reunion: Homecoming 2014* Ernie Granville, Jr.

2506 Valhalla Ct Bozeman, MT 59715 e_granville@yahoo.com

2001

Danny and April (Brown, '03) Pectol 6037 73rd St Lubbock, TX 79424 dpectol@childshome.org; apectol@childshome.org Danny and April are the proud parents of son, Aedan Thomas Pectol, born November 3, 2012.

2002

Barbara Elliot 5211 Country Road Lubbock, TX 79424 Barbara was recently promoted to Vice President for Plains Bancorp, Inc., holding company for First United Bank.

Brandon and Dana (Deweber) Joy 2403 Magan St Plainview, TX 79027

bdjoy2002@yahoo.com Brandon and Dana are the proud parents of Adalyn Brooke, who was born October 16, 2012.

LynnAnne (Joiner) Lowrie 4506 Trevino St Midland, TX 79705 Ivnnanne.lowrie@LCU.edu

LynnAnne and her husband, Doug Lowrie, are the proud parents of son, Athen Michael, who was born October 21, 2012.

Clint and Stephanie (Dupont) Rhodes 6865 Moss Ln North Richland Hills, TX 76182 crhodes@fwc.org Clint and Stephanie are the proud parents of their new son, Dawson.

Anthony Rodriguez

98 N Lace Arbor Dr Spring, TX 77382-1200 a16agr@gmail.com Anthony has been named Internet Media Director at Gullo Ford in the Houston area. He is married to Pieper (Stewart) Rodriguez ('03).

Beth (Atkinson) Ryan P.O. Box 1612 Roswell, NM 88202-1612

bethryanlawfirm@gmail.com Beth was recently appointed to the Environmental Improvement Board by the Governor of New Mexico. She is married to Zack Ryan ('03).

2003

Emily (Stewart) Hood 1514 Seminole Ave Denton, TX 76209 emilystew@gmail.com Emily and Jeff have 1 year old twin boys: Jeffrey Kyle, III and Phillip Ray Emory.

Justin Thompson 880 Creek Cove Way Loganville, GA 30052 justinthompson@suddenlinkmail.com Justin and his wife, are the proud parents of son, Jace Rylan, born August 22, 2012.

2004 *Reunion: Homecoming 2014* James ('11) and Ronelle (Kruger) Howell 5906 10th Dr Lubbock, TX 79416-5040 van.howell@lcu.edu; ronelle@howellfam.com James and Ronelle are the proud grandparents to Jace Anthony, who was born August 28, 2011 to son and daughterin-law, Caleb and Markayla ('12) Howell of Lubbock.

Chris and Samantha (Tabner) Huggins 724 Alexandria Ln Joshua, TX 76058 samanthahuggins@gmail.com

Heath and Sara (Fannin, '05) Simpson 10007 Iola Lubbock, TX 79424 hsimpson@lubbockisd.org; sarasimpson@lubbockisd.org Sara and Heath welcomed daughter, Berkley Anne, on May 22, 2012. Hudson is the proud big brother.



Jenna (Roberts) Sprott 1157 Portland Ave Abilene, TX 79605 sprottdj@gmail.com

Jenna and her husband, David, live in Abilene. Jenna stays home with their two children, Brynleigh (3) and Holden (1).

2005

Shenai Alonge PO Box 64672 Lubbock, TX 79464 shenai.alonge@LCU.edu Shenai is mother to Adia (6).

Maggie (Green) Carrillo 4903 Brianna PI San Antonio, TX 78251 maggie.carrillo07@gmail.com Maggie and her husband, Emilio, welcomed son, Samson Zane Carrillo, born May 17, 2012.

Adam and Jackie (Baker) Ford 617 Bailey Ave Dumas, TX 79029 jrena15@yahoo.com Adam and Jackie are the proud parents of daughter, Charley Paige, who was born August 26, 2012.

Landon and Kecia (Nichols) Jackson ('08) 3610 76th St

Lubbock, TX 79423 kecia.jackson@LCU.edu Landon and Kecia are the proud parents of a daughter, Harleigh, who was born January 31, 2013. Landon earned his Master in Leadership in 2010 from LCU. Kecia served as the resident supervisor in Katie Rogers Hall for several years and now works in the President's Office on campus.

2006

Marci Beene 5407 23rd St Lubbock, TX 79407 marci.beene@suddenlink.net Marcia is the digital media arts teacher at Hutchinson Middle School in Lubbock. She had two of her students win awards in the National Scholastic Art Competition in New York. Eighth grader Alexis Cardenas was awarded the American Vision Award and was also recognized as Best in Show. Breanna Garcia, 8th grader, was named as the Silver Medal winner.

Amanda (Ellis) Boston 10804 Richmond Ave

Lubbock, TX 79424

amanda.boston@LCU.edu Amanda ran in the USA 50 Mile Trail Championship near Rocksprings, TX and finished 5th among the female runners with a time of 9:09:55. She is 5th among the nation's female ultra trail runners and 17th among all ultra trail runners in the U.S. both men and women.

Nici Rogers 5901 Venita Ave Lubbock, TX 79407 kellir65@aol.com

2007

Curt Kautz PO Box 152 Dickens, TX 79229 bc84tx@yahoo.com

Talin and Amanda (Mahanay, '05) Pepper 1001 McMillain St Joshua, TX 76058 amanda_pepper@msn.com

Evan and Jacinda (Judah) Simmons 2441 Township Ct Abilene, TX 79601 jacindasimmons@gmail.com Evan and Jacinda are the parents of Judah Roy Simmons, born February 9, 2012.

Shawnna (Duncan) Upshaw 3904 Thomason Dr Midland, TX 79703 s_upshaw@att.net Shawnna and her husband, Tim, are the proud parents of Kordale Drew, who was born August 1, 2012.

2008

Jeff and Rynn (Miller) Day 505 Cumberland Trl Enid, OK 73703 rynnmiller@gmail.com

Kelsey and Allison (Layton, '09) Maxwell 2603 112th St Lubbock, TX 79423 maxwell8109@gmail.com Kelsey and Allison are proud new parents of son, Bowen Craig, born June 10, 2013.

Jacob and Nancy (Carpenter) Miller 5751 37th St Lubbock, TX 79407

nancy3_04@hotmail.com Jacob and Nancy are the proud parents of twin boys, Max and Asher, who were born in September. Jacob is a supervisor for City Bank and after completing two years of teaching at Lubbock Christian High School, Nancy stays at home with the boys.

Melissa Waggoner PO Box 782 Sanger, TX 76266 melissa.b.waggoner@gmail.com

2009 Reunion: Homecoming 2014 Preston and Sarah (Poole, '10) Cox 122 Meadowlark Cir Georgetown, TX 78626 pcox2124@gmail.com Preston is currently serving at the Georgetown Church of Christ as the Spiritual Engagement Minister and Sarah works as a Licensed Bachelor's Social Worker (LBSW) at a local long-term care facility. Sarah is working toward a Master's Degree in Social Work from the University of Texas-Arlington.

Myka (Grantham) Gauna PO Box 605 Panhandle, TX 79068 myka.gauna@region16.net Myka and her husband, Mani, are the proud parents of Matti Joyce, who was born May 11, 2012. Proud sibling is Shaedon.

Caleb and Kendra (Harrington, '10) Harrelson 6409 Autumn Ridge Dr Mobile, AL 36695 kendraelyn@gmail.com Caleb and Kendra are the proud parents of daughter Jenya Elyn, who was born January 3, 2012.

Calder and Ceri (Parker, '08) Hendrickson 4808 Grinnell St Lubbock, TX 79416 ceriH@readyplaysports.com Calder and Ceri (Parker) Hendrickson ('08) are the proud parents of their daughter, Celah Rae, who was born July 18, 2012.

Gregg and Courtney (Pharis, '11) Johnson 913 Kewanee Ave Lubbock, TX 79416 cejohnson0711@gmail.com gregg is a wellness coach and athletic trainer at Covenant Hospital and Courtney is a RN in the NICU at Covenant. They have one child, son Jaxon Scott, who was born October 6, 2010. Alan and Haylee (Ward, '08) Swinford 8909 Sawgrass PI NW Albuquerque, NM 87121 daswinford@yahoo.com Alan and Haylee were married July 29, 2011.

2010

Bekah (Stinson) Coggins 6921 E FM 41 Ropesville, TX 79358 cogginsfam@yahoo.com Bekah is married to Drew.

Ryan Green 5710 4th St #2022 Lubbock, TX 79416 ryan.green@plainview.k12.tx.us

Cassie (Bloskas) Speer 5715 2nd St Lubbock, TX 79416 speer.cassie@yahoo.com Congratulations to Cassie and her husband, Matt, on the birth of their daughter, Beth Grace Speer, born March 19, 2012.

2011

Gabe and Jessica (Dye) Fisher 2600 Ivanhoe Ln, #302 Abilene, TX 79605 jbd11b@ACU.edu Gabe and Jessica welcomed a son, Ethan Andrew, on January 24, 2013.

Cliff Wilke 368 Middle Rd Riverhead, NY 11901 cjwilke54@gmail.com

Cliff is the illustrator for a new book series, The Adventures of Wilder Good, which has been released by Paul Dry Books this summer. To learn more, visit www.wildergood.com. Cliff teaches art to at-risk teenage boys in Long Island, NY and is married to Alyssa (Park) Wilke ('13).

2012

Markayla (Boucher) Howell 2704 Genoa Ave #KK2 Lubbock, TX 79407 markayla.howell@live.com Markayla and her husband, Caleb, are the proud parents of Jace Anthony, who was born August 28, 2011.

Kyle and Amanda (Day) Hunter 4201 B 50th St Lubbock, TX 79413 aday4121@LCU.edu Kelsey Rickard 3631 59th St Lubbock, TX 79413 krickard2679@LCU.edu Kelsey is a Match Support Specialist for Big Brothers Big Sisters.

Mallory Thomas 100 N Virginia St Crane, TX 79731

mthomas@craneisd.com

Katie White

2102 West Lp 289 Apt 23 Lubbock, TX 79407 katie.white@LCU.edu Katie works for LCU as the Student Involvement Coordinator in the Office of Student Affairs.

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Lillian Grace McCully, daughter of Jonathan and Denise (Brensing) McCully ('06) of Dupont, Washington.



Canyon Carter Dover, son of Matt ('06) and Kenee (Carter) Dover ('06) of Farmers Branch, Texas.



Levi Jude Setliff, son of Ben ('08) and Tori (Frazier) Setliff of Lubbock, Texas.



Jace Rylan Thompson, son of Justin ('03) and Jami Thompson of Loganville, Georgia.



Jaxon Scott Johnson, son of Gregg and Courtney (Pharis, '11) Johnson of Lubbock, Texas.



Holden Sprott, son of David and Jenna (Roberts) Sprott ('04) of Abilene, Texas.



Kordale Drew Upshaw, son of Tim and Shawnna (Duncan) Upshaw ('07) of Midland, Texas.



Adalyn Brooke Joy, daughter of Brandon ('02) and Dana (Deweber) Joy ('02) of Plainview, Texas.



Kye Allen Thomas, son of Aaron and Mallory Thomas ('12) of Crane, Texas.



Harlow Jane Wattenburger, daughter of Blake ('04) and Eva (Eason) Wattenburger ('03) of Frisco, Texas.

In Memoriam

- Inez Baucum (Former Faculty) passed away January 14, 2013, after a brief illness, at the age of 97. Inez served as Assistant Professor Emeritus of Social Work at LCU from 1970-1990. She was instrumental in establishing LCU's social work program, helping to achieve national certification for the program.
- Ethel Behner of Lubbock passed away on March 8, 2013 at the age of 86. She was one of the charter members of the Lubbock Christian Associates, serving as President, Vice-President, and multiple terms as Treasurer. Her husband, Vernon, preceded her in death. She is survived by three children and their spouses, Kay and Ronnie Agnew, Martha and Clay Birdwell, and Bill ('87) and Sandra (Ashley) Behner; nine grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.
- Fara (Wynn) Burk ('87) passed away at the age of 84 on February 4, 2012. She received her BA while serving as dorm supervisor at Katie Rogers. She is survived by daughters, Nanette Soto and husband, Leslie, and Janet Bruns; son, Mike Burk and wife, Karen; foster children, Barry and Craig Quinn; five grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.
- Patty Campbell ('72) of Alamogordo, NM, passed away December 24, 2012. She is survived by her parents, Rick and Doris Rickman and her brother, Allan Rickman ('79).
- Gordon Don Crocker ('59) died in Los Alamos, NM, December 23, 2012. Don is survived by his wife Judy (Aplington) Crocker, and their son, James Andrew Crocker.
- Peggy (Maynard) Crouch (Former Faculty) of Lubbock left this life at the age of 78 on June 4, 2013. Peggy began working at LCC in 1972. Those left to cherish her memory include her husband of 60 years and former faculty member, Dr. Leon Crouch; daughter, Cathy (Crouch) Akin ('08); sons, Jim Crouch ('79) and his wife Tina (Landon, '81), Eddie Crouch, and Charles Crouch ('85) and his wife, Ginger (Stokum) Crouch ('87).
- Donald Ray Dawes ('60) passed away after suffering a heart attack on June 19, 2012. He is survived by his wife, Melody, who had worked in the LCU Bible Department; three children, Rachel Sawyer, Rebekah Porter, and Marcus Dawes.
- Susan Grisanti (Faculty) passed away March 4, 2013. Susan taught guitar as an adjunct instructor at LCU from 2007 until her death.
- Doris Murray Gunn (Former Staff), former "dorm mother" for LCU, passed away at the age of 91 on June 29, 2012. Survivors include one son, Jack Murray, of Benbrook; six grandchildren, and several great grand-children.
- Robert "Bob" Holcomb ('61) passed away May 21, 2013. Bob is survived by his wife, Rhoda Antoinette "Toni" Holcomb.
- Luther "Leron" Johnson ('98) passed away after a long struggle with his health. He is survived by his wife, Rose (Whitney) Johnson ('95); four children, Darian Leron Johnson, Tye Whitney Johnson, Deja Marie Johnson and Tia Rose Johnson.
- Linda (Kelley) McNeil ('59) of Lubbock passed from this life December 22, 2012, at the age of 73. Those left to cherish her memory include her husband, Leslie; son, Sean McNeil and his wife, Crystal (Whitlow, '90); daughter, LeighAnn Heil ('90) and her husband, Robert, of Round Rock; and three grandchildren.
- Tom L. "Dusty" Sullivan ('63) of Sherman passed away July 17, 2012, after fighting a courageous battle with cancer. Dusty is survived by his wife, Lilta; two sons, Randal Sullivan and wife, Carrie, and Eric Sullivan; and three grandchildren.
- Clifford Ray Utter ('75) passed away on February 25, 2013, after a long battle with ALS (Lou Gehrig's disease). Clifford was preceded in death by his wife, Donna (Dix) Utter. He is survived by his children: David Utter, Vicky Stinson, Michael "Micky" Utter, Stephany Mast, and foster child, Bonnie Breuer.

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