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Almost twenty years ago, F.W. Mattox (LCU's founding president, 1956-74), wrote an autobiography entitled, The Future Is Better than the Past. It is a fascinating account of the remarkable life of Dr. Mattox. One cannot read the book without being reminded of the man's abiding optimism and his unyielding confidence in the providence of God, perspectives that continue to be deeply embedded in LCU's DNA.

The Future is Better than the Past

Indeed, I believe that our best days are ahead. We have a wonderful heritage to celebrate-we stand on the shoulders of giants-but I believe that our future will be better than the past.

Take a quick inventory of some of the recent developments at LCU.

- We set a record enrollment this fall.
- We added ten new, full-time faculty members this year.
- The Rhodes-Perrin Recreation Center, formerly known as the Fieldhouse, is renovated and opened for student use.
- Our Lady Chaps basketball team is ranked number one in the NAIA.
- We have been privileged to host on campus this fall an impressive line-up of speakers and visitors.

There is so much more I would like to tell you about and this issue of Reflections tells some of these stories and several others, providing you a window into the life-changing work that is happening at LCU. Higher education is facing a number of very significant challenges and Christian higher education even more so. These are uncertain and turbulent times. Yet, I am confident that with your continuing support and with God's care and provision, our future will be better than our past. Thank you for partnering with us in our great cause.

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L. Timothy Perrin, JD President

Front Cover Dr. Gerald Turner ('65) addresses the crowd during the Inauguration of President Perrin.

Back Cover Dr. Jesse Long extends a blessing over the Perrins as campus representatives gather around them.

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March 1-2 2 11-15 22 23 29	Spring Theater Production - Shadowlands Forever Blue: The President's Tour in Amarillo Spring Break, campus closed Lanier Theological Library Lecture with Alister McGrath Collide - Student Service Day Good Friday, campus closed
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May 3 3 4 27	Graduation Reception Master's Commencement Undergraduate Commencement Memorial Day, campus closed
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above Dr. Ken Durham, Batsell Barrett Baxter Professor of Preaching at Lipscomb University, delivers the message during the worship and prayer service kicking off inauguration week. Durham was the preaching minister for the University Church of Christ on the campus of Pepperdine University in Malibu, Calif. where the Perrins attended.

 left A choir made up of children from a rea-wide congregations sing during worship.

Inauguration:

A Time for Celebration and Thanksgiving

TIMOTHY PERRIN, JD

2012

DR. L. KEN JONES 1993 - 2011

> A week long slate of activities marked the ceremonial beginning of the presidency of L. Timothy Perrin. He officially began his duties on June 1, 2012, and during the Investiture Convocation on September 27, the LCU Board of Trustees officially and ceremonially invested their charge to him as LCU's sixth president.

The overall theme of the week was "Faith and Learning: The Enduring Idea of a Christian University" and activities were carefully selected to provide opportunities for scholarly dialogue, to show appreciation of the university's heritage and recognition of past LCU leadership, to worship and acknowledge the providential love of God and to share President Perrin's vision for the future.

> President Perrin's inaugural address entitled "Unleashing Our Imagination: Claiming God's Promise" can be viewed at www.LCU.edu/imagination.





1. The week begins with worship led by **Ken Young ('78)** and Best Friends

2. A highlight of the week for LCU students, President Perrin speaks during the Alpha Chi Devo in the SUB

3. **Dr. Larry Rogers ('61)**, retired LCU professor and master woodcrafter, visits with President Perrin in the Wood Turners Art Exhibit in the art galleries of the Ling Center for Academic Achievement. The "L" in L. Timothy Perrin is an abbreviation for Larry, as he was named for Larry Rogers who was a good friend of President Perrin's father, Les Perrin.

4. President Perrin and Baylor President Ken Starr have a conversation on the topic, "Voices of Faith in the Public Square." Their conversation allowed the audience to

glimpse the importance of people of faith living their lives in service to others.

5. Andrew Babcock directs the LCU Symphonic Band and the Praise Choir as they perform together for the Celebration of LCU's Musical Heritage.

6. Former First Lady Emily Lemley and current First Lady Lucy Perrin illustrate through stories the sacrificial spirit evident throughout the history of LCU.

7. President Perrin honors and acknowledges the tremendous contributions of former LCU Presidents during chapel. During the lunch that followed, Dr. Ken Jones, Dr. Steve Lemley, and Dr. Harvie Pruitt recounted the challenges and joys of serving as president of LCU. Dr. Joe Hacker was unable to attend.

















Jerry Harris, Chairman of the LCU Board of Trustees, places the Chain of Command medallion around the neck of new president, Tim Perrin. The medallion was commissioned for this inauguration and contains the names of all the former presidents in the tablets worked into the chain that holds the medallion.

below Life-long friend and LCU classmate of President Perrin, **Kevin Rhodes** (**'84)**, leads the prayer of dedication while former LCU presidents surround the new president.



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INAUGURATION THY PERRIN

James Hobbs ('76) and the Flying J Wranglers entertain dinner guests who attended the Inaugural Celebration Dinner that served as the finale for Inauguration Week.







The inauguration of President Tim Perrin provided the perfect platform for a scholarly discussion of the integration of faith and learning. Once established, the inauguration committee began to weave the theme "Faith and Learning: The Enduring Idea of a Christian University" into the week's festivities. Of special assistance in securing some of the most interesting voices currently contributing to the national discussion of faith and learning was Dr. Stacy Patty, director of the LCU Honors Program, a man with a history of scholarship in the area of faith and learning.

One of the most significant voices in the global discussion of faith and learning is Dr. Robert Benne, the Roanoke College Professor of Religion and director of the Center for Religion and Society, who was invited to be the featured presenter at the Honors Convocation during the inauguration. Even before he was invited to present during the inauguration, the faculty and staff at LCU had been reading and discussing Dr. Benne's landmark book, Quality with Soul (Eerdman's, 2001) since President Perrin arrived on campus in June.

In order to frame the week appropriately, the very first inaugural event was an assembly of area-wide Christians devoted to worship and prayer. The worship service was intended to establish fully the idea that faith in God is central to all that is important



to Lubbock Christian University. Dr. Ken Durham, Batsell Barrett Baxter Professor of Preaching at Lipscomb University, and Ken Young ('78), Senior Minister at Golf Course Road Church of Christ, led enthusiastic worship in the packed McDonald Moody Auditorium.

The next evening, Baylor University President, Judge Ken Starr, presented "Voices of Faith in the Public Square," providing for the audience the genius of the American experiment that faith and people of faith have always been at the core of our public life.

Robert Benne began the Honors Convocation on Wednesday with the idea of "scholarship with guts," describing the fortitude it takes to be a Christian scholar in each discipline. His lecture, entitled "The Transformed Mind and the Christian University," discussed the importance of Christian education with an emphasis on quality while maintaining Christian roots and heritage. In his introduction, Dr. Benne boldly stated that as a Christian University, piety of any kind can never substitute for quality. As an educational enterprise, a Christian university must form thinking Christians, not compartmentalize education and morals.

His charge to be ever vigilant in maintaining an intellectual Christian vision and ethos as we, as a university, pursue life in the academy encouraged much discussion among the Faith and Learning panel that followed his talk. Dr. Benne was joined by Dr. Allison Garret (Abilene Christian University), Dr. Doug Henry (Baylor), and Dr. Richard Hughes (Messiah College and formerly of Pepperdine University) to discuss "The Enduring Idea of a Christian University." Each panel member spoke eloquently on the importance of Christian education, drawing on the history of the relationship between universities and the church.

After each had spoken, the audience was allowed to submit questions to the panel, rousing an interesting discussion. The diverse background of the group added to the richness of the discussion and provided the audience with several different points of view. It was clear that each panelist was well informed and knowledgeable in not only Christian education, but Christian heritage and the ongoing struggle between Christianity and culture.

Dr. Doug Henry concluded the provoking day of discussion with a dinner talk entitled, "Do the Great Books Still Matter?" Henry, who serves as Master of Brooks Residential College, a living and learning environment at Baylor University designed around the Great Books and the British tutorial system, discussed why the Great Books still matter and the benefits of a classical education. Why do we need the Great Books? Because they help us understand recently written books; they enrich our learning experience; and, simply, they move us.

The pinnacle of the week was the Investiture Convocation which included thoughtful presentations from Dr. Gerald Turner ('65) and President Tim Perrin. Dr. Turner recognized the important place in higher education occupied by LCU and encouraged the university to fulfill its Christian mission by focusing on the critically important spiritual questions that are being asked by so many in the word today. President Perrin's inaugural response entitled, "Unleashing Our Imagination: Claiming God's Promise," was a message of great hope and a call for the Lubbock Christian University community to actively and passionately place their faith in a mighty God who is "is able to do immeasurably more than we ask or imagine."

As an educational facility, one must form thinking Christians, not compartmentalize education and morals. "

The variety of inaugural events was meant to stimulate thought and engage conversation. Robert Benne and others remarked that the conversations had been both enlightening and substantial. The Faith and Learning panelists agreed to publish a volume of their essays and remarks, edited by Dr. Patty and President Perrin. As Benne said, "the quality of discussion and the content of the discussion need to be published so that others will be able to think about the ideas presented."

(For a more in-depth summary of the Faith and Learning Panel discussions and video recordings of the Honors Convocation presentation by Dr. Benne and the Panel Discussion with our distinguished guests, go to LCU.edu/faith-and-learning.)



Curt Cowdrey: "Hard-nosed Guide to the World"

by Elizabeth Jackson

Tis teacher information page Lon the Midland ISD website proclaims that "failure here IS AN OPTION" followed by six exclamation points, which I believe is exactly what Alexander Graham Bell, Benjamin Franklin or Albert Einstein would have said. The sentence that follows that proclamation is the premise of his program: "Failure gives the student the opportunity to analyze a real time situation and find the solution using partners, technology and research" and that is followed by ellipses, which means that's not the entire story.

Curt Cowdrey is a 1992 graduate of Lubbock Christian University with a degree in Agriculture Business. He is currently the Robotics Coordinator for junior high schools and consultant for elementary and high school students in the Midland Independent School District and teaches at San Jacinto Junior High. He says, "Robotics is a way for students to apply a variety of skills to solve a problem with a tangible object. Using LEGO NXT Mindstorm kits allows kids to see the immediate results in solving a challenge, problem or exercise in which math, science, English and engineering are the foundations." A self-described farm boy, outdoorsman, mechanic, carpenter, modeler, reader, teacher, coach, husband and dad, he is right in his element.

As MISD's Robotics Coordinator for Junior High Schools, Curt has applied for and received close to \$25,000 in grant money for his program through the Midland Education Foundation (2009-2012). Devon Energy also gave the "Science Giant" grant to expand the robotics program. "I find it important to show the public that we aren't just blowing their money and that elective programs in our schools do make a difference. Electives combine all the information from core classes into applicable experiences."

Curt's team at the junior high level is all about those "applicable experiences." Dante Hall, one of Curt's robotics students, lost his vision and tactile sense following a severe asthma attack. Curt's Alpha Chi Delta brother, **Dane Higgins**, also a 1992 graduate of Lubbock Christian University has a son, Sam,







on that same team. In a February 2011 CNN interview, Curt talked about taking Dante in to his Robotics class to help him regain some of the loss of the feeling in his fingertips. Then Sam Higgins talked about the robotic dog the team made for their teammate to lead him to his classes: "We're trying to get it to go to each one of his classes. I think he would love that." Then with absolute kindness and sincerity, Sam said, "I know he will." And in those four words science, technology, engineering, mathematics and love combined to do their greatest work: making a difference in the lives of others. On CNN Dante said, "Robotics is a great class, the greatest class I've ever been in. I haven't been that happy in a long time."

Curt will tell you that he is not the focus; it is the kids who are the important component. He would also say he is just a "hardnosed guide to the world" for kids who need the occasional nudge in the right direction. "I'm proud of the fact that a crusty farm boy can have an impact on kids' lives but more humbled by the fact that I have kids who want to experience what my class is about."

Curt is married to **Donna** (**Weston, '90**) who is an Accounts Manager for Petroleum Strategies Incorporated. "I believe that my wife is to be given most of the credit for allowing me to come to teaching later in my career. [She has had to] put up with all the late hours in concession stands and trips with goofy junior high kids and crazy physics projects in our front yard and driveway."

Both of their sons have gone through the robotics program. Curt's younger son Caleb is a senior at Midland High School and is currently one of the two team captains for the FTC teams. Their older son Chad is a freshman at the University of Texas of the Permian Basin. "I put a lot of stress on Donna about what is next on the 'kaboom' list, but she has let me and the boys do our thing and we have all learned and grown from it. I'm extremely proud of my two boys for being involved with my programs and teams and that they have survived the experience to go on to their own successes in high school and college."

"Here, failure *is* an option!!!!!!" It is an option because the courageous act of trying will either result in failure or success. Winston Churchill said, "Success is not final and failure is not fatal." Curt's team isn't resting on its laurels. They are headed to new successes; they aren't afraid of the failures within the process and they aren't afraid of redefining success as a difference one might make in another person's life along the way.



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COMING HOME

"To arrive where we started and to know the place for the first time" ~T.S. Elliot

by Steven Lemley, Ph. D.

I have had a long relationship with Lubbock Christian University as student, dean, president, and as a member of the Board of Trustees. When I resigned as president in 1993, Emily and I moved away from Lubbock but we never lost the connection; we were back several times a year as I attended board meetings, we visited family members and friends who lived here, and one or the other of us filled speaking engagements.

During our nineteen years away, I worked with Pepperdine University for seven years as provost and for twelve on the faculty. Emily and I were grateful for that productive and stimulating time. But we often talked about how our hearts were pulled toward Lubbock and that we hoped to one day return, if only to retire.

And now we are here. Though our pace has slowed a bit, I have not retired. I am thankful to have been invited to teach a partial load and work as a planned giving counselor.

I ran across a familiar T.S. Eliot quote the other day: "We shall not cease from exploration and . . . the end of all our exploring will be to arrive where we started and to know the place for the first time." It fits my work experience with LCU; I had years as a student (class of 1965) and as an employee for fifteen years, intimately acquainted with every aspect of the University. Then there was "exploration" while maintaining a close-but-outside relationship as a member of the Board of Trustees. And now, once again, I have an inside view.

I want you to know how gratifying it is to see the spirit of Lubbock Christian University alive and well. I am in a unique position to appreciate the remarkable progress during the decades of Dr. Ken Jones' presidency. Now that I'm back "inside," what do I see? I see enrollment doubled since 1993, financial health, and new or renewed campus facilities. I see highly motivated students enrolled in strong academic programs. I see a well-prepared generation of faculty, excited and capable teachers who are also productive scholars. I see a new generation of professional staff. I see in daily chapel a more powerful spiritual experience than ever-and the University's Christian mission is felt across the campus. And I see a new energetic, skilled, wise, and visionary President, Tim Perrin, as he takes up his serious responsibilities with joy and determination.

Many years ago, Emily and I included Lubbock Christian University in our will. I have watched over the years as wills, trusts, and annuities have matured. And I have seen how important this has been to the cause of Christian education in this place. That has made me want to encourage still others to consider including Lubbock Christian University in their estate planning and so, to that end I want to serve. Please call on me for any help I can offer as you take up the responsibility of providing for heirs and the causes you care most about. We have located materials on stewardship and estate planning that may be useful to you as you think through your hopes for the next generation-I would be honored to be asked and will send those materials to you for your own use.

You can email me at steven.lemley@LCU.edu, call me at 806-720-7729, or write me at the University's mailing address: 5601 19th Street, Lubbock, TX 79407.

DESTINATION AWAITS EXCURSIONS & 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.

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- South of France & Barcelona March 2013*
- The Black Forest & Swiss Alps (Germany & Switzerland)
 June 2013*
- New York City July 2013
- Ireland September 2013*
 - * Trips led by LCU Faculty Members

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.

- San Diego, CA & Sedona, AZ March or April 2013
- Holy Land Trip to Israel and Jordan March 2013
 Trip hosted by LCU Professors, Drs. Jesse and JoAnn Long
 accompanied by President and First Lady. Tim and Lucy Perrin
- Mount Rushmore Tour June 2013
 Mount Rushmore, Badlands, Crazy Horse Memorial in South Dakota;
 Field of Dreams in Iowa
- Niagara Falls & Amish Country Tour September 2013
- New York City in the Fall October 2013
- Christmas in Branson November 2013

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







Top right: Excursions group in NYC 2010 before a Broadway production.

Bottom right: Playing cards is always a favorite activity on the University Tours trips.

Bottom left: Dr. Bev Byers (far right) with a group in France 2011 at Chateau de Chambord.

THE PRESIDENT'S TOUR

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PERMIAN BASIN Thursday, January 24

6:30-8:30 pm The Petroleum Club of Midland 501 West Wall, Midland

FORT WORTH

Saturday, January 26 2:00-4:00 pm Ashton Depot 1501 Jones St., Fort Worth

DALLAS Saturday, February 23 2:00-4:00 pm 29th Floor Atrium, Tower at Cityplace Events 2711 North Haskell, Dallas PANHANDLE Saturday, March 2 2:00-4:00 pm Amarillo Botanical Gardens 1400 Streit Drive, Amarillo

ABILENE Saturday, April 20 2:00-4:00 pm The Grace Museum 102 Cypress St., Abilene

"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

Heavy hors d'oeuvres will be served at all events. Contact Lisa Day at Lisa.Day@LCU.edu or 806.720.7237 with questions or to RSVP for any event.



THINKING CRITICALLY ABOUT Civic Engagement

by Kenneth Hawley, Ph. D.

Following the Fall 2011 Poverty Initiative, departments and programs across the LCU campus worked together on our Fall 2012 initiative, Thinking Critically about Civic Engagement, hosting a variety of events and experiences for our faculty, staff, and students to participate in and learn from. Chapel presentations were delivered by LCU professors Tim Byars, J.D., who was featured during the opening and closing chapels for our initiative, by Dr. Kenneth Hawley, who spoke on how rhetoric functions in media and politics, and by Dr. Ethan Brown, who delivered a reflection on the Lipscomb tradition of non-participation.

During the first week of the initiative, on October 4, LCU's Institute for Strong Families hosted "The Heart of Civic Engagement," the Inaugural Healthy Families Conference. This event, also sponsored by the Department of Behavioral Sciences, the Department of Social Work and Criminal Justice, and the Department of Nursing, focused on healthy and holistic ways to identify and address issues of public concern. The goal of the conference was to foster interdisciplinary education and to invite healthcare practitioners to imagine opportunities to engage and serve communities through practical and effective solutions that remain faithful to their professional missions. This effort also featured a dinner for grieving families and a formal dedication of LCU's South Plains Children's Memorial Garden, (see images on page 24 and 25) a space set apart for the reflection, devotion, and healing of those parents who have suffered the loss of a child. This special event marked the beginning of a new ministry on the LCU campus, as hurting families find some comfort in fellowship with each other and in communion with God within the walls of the memorial garden.



Then, on October 9, the Department of Nursing led "Thinking Critically About Healthcare Issues," which included lectures and discussions for students and faculty over the Affordable Health Care Act, Medicaid and Medicare, Health Insurance, and Civic Responsibility for Others in the Community. Students were encouraged to consider volunteering in local charities and faith-based service organizations to create meaningful change at the local level.

On October 11, faculty, staff, and students were invited to hear Shawn Hughes, Dr. Don Williams and Dr. Steve Lemley lead a panel discussion on Presidential Debates. They discussed some of the history of debates, as well as how rhetoric functions within a debate framework. Mr. Hughes presented his current research on audience reactions to the messages within the presidential debates, as he monitors groups who provide instantaneous

evaluations of the speakers and their ideas throughout the debates.

The School of Education sponsored "Consider Community," an evening lecture on October 12 with Dr. Lisa Ramirez, National Director of the Office of Migrant Education in Washington, D.C. A prominent advocate for Elementary and Secondary Education, Dr. Ramirez reflected on her personal and professional experiences as she urged students and faculty in attendance to make the most of their influence in the lives of others and in the communities in which they live, work, and serve. Many students expressed how

moved they were not only by her story of determination, dedication, and success, but also by her example of involvement and service—committing to making one life make a difference.



On October 22, a Presidential Debate Watch Party was held for students, faculty, and staff who met to view the final debate between President Obama and Governor Romney. We also heard from Kristen Vander-Plas, an Honors Humanities senior who attended the 2012 Republican National Convention in Tampa, Fla. this year as the youngest woman delegate in West Texas history. Kristen challenged her classmates to see themselves as policy makers—as people who can participate in civic life for the good of their community, state, nation, and world.

Members of the LCU and Lubbock community joined together on October 23 for the "iVote Forum"—a panel discussion of the different perspectives on why we as students, citizens, and Christians should vote. Our special keynote speaker for the evening was Captain Dan Moran, USMC, Ret., a Wounded Warrior who travelled to LCU to speak to us about standing up and being leaders in our community and to remind us of the extensive sacrifices made by soldiers around the world to protect free and unchallenged democratic processes—especially the freedom to vote.

On October 30, Dr. Susan Blassingame arranged an evening roundtable discussion on "What's in a Name: Defining 'Conservative' and 'Liberal'"-where faculty gathered for a conversation in an inner circle, surrounded by an audience of other faculty, staff, and students. Topics included the value of engaging in local, non-partisan efforts to serve communities and families, and some participants offered stories from their own lives, showing how they have been influenced by events and by family members to approach the world of politics and civic engagement from particular stances and preferences. They also considered distinctions like "Compassionate Conservative" and "Classic Liberal," as well as approaches to the Constitution and its role as a founding document. Many of the students in attendance expressed appreciation for how the diverse group of panelists offered thoughtful personal and professional considerations of the topics that often generate more heat than light.

November 5 featured a film screening of *Star Wars* and a panel discussion led by Tim Day and including Dr. Ronna Privett and Dr. Kenneth Hawley. As the first installment of Mr. Day's Fall Film Series "Where Do You Stand: Cinematic Conversations on Civic Engagement," this event encouraged students to consider the political implications of this familiar movie and to see how the characters faced questions of identity, commitment,



and service as they were called to join in the struggle against imperialism. The *Star Wars* narrative presents viewers with the threat posed by faceless enemies and technological horrors, constrasting such rigid, controlling powers with the humanizing forces of community, friendship, and tradition—so that the triumph of good over evil offers participants in the story a world where service to a great and noble cause is not without painful sacrifice and loss, but



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also not without personal growth and ultimate victory. Throughout this process, EquipLCU-our Critical Thinking Initiative—sponsored luncheons for faculty to discuss the issues raised by our various events and guest speakers. Kenneth Hawley led a discussion on the nature of rhetoric and its symbol-using, valueshaping, and knowledge-making role in the political, religious, and business spheres. Drs. Ethan Brown, Brandon Fredenburg, and Jesse Long explored the Lipscomb tradition within the Restoration Movement churches, giving special attention to the obligations Christians might have toward government, military, or public service and to the historical and theological understandings of what it means to live within the Kingdom of God in this world. The final luncheon featured professor Tim Byars, who helped faculty consider what assumptions are brought to the table and what ends are in view when discussing our civic engagement and evaluating our civic education. Much time was spent reflecting on influential figures such as St. Augustine, whose City of God v. City of Man formulation has informed many approaches to what

the role of Christians can or perhaps must be in civic life. All of these opportunities gave faculty time to work through these complex issues in informal and casual yet scholarly and rigorous settings, encouraging further debate and discussion for our academic community.

These efforts involved many areas of campus and were supported throughout by Randal Dement, Josh Stephens, Katie White, Paul Norman, and Sunny Park, as students were drawn into different experiences that featured multiple approaches to the problem of a broken and often confusing and complicated world. We find ourselves in a global community of people who, while organized in various social, cultural, and political identities, routinely struggle to get along, make progress, live justly, and walk humbly with our God. The LCU community was blessed this semester to have a rich and fruitful time of personal, intellectual, and spiritual development that drew our attention to this vital question for Christians living changed lives in but not of this world and for the sake of the Kingdom of God.





ONE VOICE MAKES A DIFFERENCE CIVIC ENGAGEMENT IN ACTION *by Warren McNeill*

Civic Engagement Initiative results in Lubbock City Council Action

Gina Johnson participated in the campus-wide Thinking Critically about Civic Engagement initiative. During the roundtable discussion on "What's in a Name: Defining 'Conservative' and 'Liberal," Gina spoke up, encouraging fellow students to step up and use their voice to vote and make a difference.

Making a difference is exactly what Gina is doing. Spurred on by research done for her English 1301 class, she appeared before the Lubbock City Council in late November, voicing her concern about the use of "legal weed" in the Lubbock community. She asked the city council to regulate the sales of synthetic marijuana and similar substances sold in local smoke shops.

Gina's motivation is very personal – her own eighteen-year-old son is suffering the ill effects and devastation caused by using the readily available substances.

Jana Anderson, Assistant Professor of English, says, "Gina began her investigation into synthetic marijuana because of the disastrous impact this substance had on her own family. As she researched the product – both its ease of purchase and its immediate and terrible impact on the body – she wanted to do more than just write a paper. I asked her about the role our civic engagement initiative played in her decision to move beyond pen and paper to immediate and public action."

Gina's response, "The initiative on civic engagement led me to think about the chaos of my own life and watching my son struggle with his addiction. It led me to think about what I could do – or should do –not just as a mother, but as a member of a global family."

At the council meeting, Gina pointed out that

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LCU student Gina Johnson appears before the Lubbock City Council prompted by a class project and the civic engagement initiative.

even though the products are labeled "not intended for human consumption" and marketed as incense or potpourri, they are often packaged with names similar to those of well-known cartoon characters, such as "Scooby Snax" and "Spongebud," a signal that makers and sellers are trying to attract young people.

Council members quickly backed Gina. Councilman Floyd Price, a retired Lubbock police officer, said, "This is a poison."

Because she spoke up, her concerns have been picked up by local television and media outlets, and she was contacted by CNN as well.

Several Lubbock City Council members offered oral agreements to look into regulating sales of synthetic marijuana and similar substances sold in local smoke shops. Because the issue wasn't an action item on the meeting agenda for that evening, the council was unable to discuss a means by which to deal with the situation at that meeting. Following the meeting, several possibilities have emerged for how an ordinance could be created, including the involvement of the police and health departments. The issue has also been placed on upcoming council meeting agendas for action.

Gina states, "Without this initiative on civic engagement, I doubt I would have ever moved forward in working towards the ban on synthetic drugs – and the lives that I believe will be saved would have been lost." Many of her colleagues in her English class wrote about Gina in their reflection papers about civic engagement. One student wrote, "Gina Johnson's passion and conviction will stay with me long after this semester ends. She has shown me that one person with conviction can make a change. I believe that now."

(Gina is completing her first semester as a freshman, Interdisciplinary Studies/Secondary Education major and lives in Lubbock. She cares for her teenage son and daughter as well as two nieces, and she is the care-giver for her mother.)



Elaine Perrin graduated from Harding University, but her true allegiance to Christian education was to Lubbock Christian University, a place that became dear to her when she moved with her husband, Les Perrin, to Lubbock to begin a career in teaching at Lubbock Christian College in 1959. They raised five children in a house across the street from the school, sent their children to school here, and spent many hours at sporting events. Elaine Perrin loved LCU, and her commitment to the school and to Christian education was unwavering.

Elaine Perrin, who died on August 16, left a legacy of a life well-lived. Her children did grow up to call her blessed (Proverbs 31:28). One of those children, **L. Timothy Perrin ('84)**, returned home to Lubbock Christian University to become the sixth president of LCU. In the audience on the day of the announcement, was a beaming Elaine Perrin, proud of her son, but also proud that all of her children were there that day, accompanied by many of their children. As always, in the center of her loving family, and on the LCU campus, she was smiling and happy and justly proud of the accomplishments of her family and of the university she loved.

Mrs. Perrin was known as a committed and demanding teacher of composition and literature. Her students knew that above all else, Mrs. Perrin would tell the truth. If their papers didn't meet her standard, they would know it. If she told them their papers were good, they would walk away with the knowledge that those compliments did not come easily and be proud of their work. Many of her colleagues also knew that Mrs. Perrin believed in making a commitment to do excellent work. Dr. Susan Blassingame, who came to teach at LCU in 1993, remembers Mrs. Perrin as an inspiring colleague: "Elaine was a great reader; her first question to me was always, 'What are you reading?,' and her book recommendations were always good. She often asked



me what I was teaching and <u>why</u> I was teaching a certain book, poem, or essay. She asked about my successes and helped me figure out my failures. I looked to her as a friend and a mentor. She helped me to think Christianly about my teaching, and her guidance was so valuable to me as a teacher at LCU."

One of Mrs. Perrin's former students who now serves as the chair of the Department of Humanities, **Dr. Ronna (Coffey) Privett ('83)**, remembers how Mrs. Perrin developed relationships with her students. Dr.





CShe made space for the creative and unique. She was kind and appreciative."

Privett attended Vandelia, the church home of the Perrin family, for many years, and knew the Perrins as wonderful teachers and mentors to their students: "She and her husband Les Perrin helped throw a wedding shower and met with me and **Bryan ('83)** for pre-marital counseling. Les Perrin performed our wedding ceremony, and so she was there at my wedding. She continued caring about me when I was no longer her student – I think she thought of all former students as her continuing students – asking me what I was reading. In one of the last conversations I had with her, she was asking me about the Native American literature I was teaching. I always respected her opinion."

Dr. Emily (Young) Lemley ('65), wife of **Dr. Steven Lemley ('65)**, former president of LCU, was a good friend of Elaine Perrin's and wrote the announcement of her death for the LCU website. She remembered Mrs. Perrin's great work as a volunteer for the LCU Associates, hosting luncheons at the Arnett House and bringing many guests to Associates' events, always working to develop relationships with people who might benefit the students of LCU. She wrote of Mrs. Perrin, "She made space for the creative and unique. She was kind and appreciative. I admired her and am thankful for her life. I take her example to heart."

Those who attended the memorial service for Elaine Perrin heard stories from members of the church, from her colleagues at LCU, and from her family. We were reminded of Mrs. Perrin's love for beauty in all things – the written and spoken word, paintings and sculpture, music, and nature. A grandchild read a beloved poem; we saw paintings by Georgia O'Keefe, a favorite artist; we heard stories about caring for her lovely garden. The service was so true to the spirit and character of Elaine Perrin. Mrs. Perrin was a softspoken but formidable woman who loved the Lord and demonstrated His abundant grace in everything she said and did. She is missed by hundreds of





family, friends, and former students, and she will be remembered for her influence on those she touched and on the university she loved.

Mrs. Perrin is survived by her five children, **Doug Perrin ('74)** of Sante Fe, NM, **Emily Rider ('75)**, **David Perrin ('80)**, and **Tim Perrin ('84)**, all of Lubbock; and **Mark Perrin ('95)** of Dallas; their spouses, Dana Perrin, **Dawn (Kelly) Perrin ('80)**, **Lucy (Leard) Perrin ('86)**, and Becky Perrin; 13 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.



THURSDAY

11.00 AM • HOMECOMING KING AND QUEEN CORONATION (MCDONALD MOODY AUDITORIUM) Homecoming King and Queen will be crowned during daily chapel time.

5.00 – 6.00 PM • FIFTH ANNUAL NURJING ALUMNI EVENT (CARDWELL WELCOME CENTER) All nursing alumni and community partners are invited. RSVP with Lisa Day by email lisa.day@lcu.edu or by phone 806-720-7237.

6.00 PM • WOMEN'J BAJKETBALL GAME (RIP GRIFFIN ATHLETIC CENTER) Come cheer on the Lady Chaps as they take on St Gregory's University.

8:00 PM • MEN'J BAJKETBALL GAME (RIP GRIFFIN ATHLETIC CENTER) Come cheer on the Chaps as they take on St Gregory's University.

FRIDAY

8.00 AM – 12.00 PM • THE CHAP STORE OPEN (CAMPUS BOOKSTORE) The Chap Store will offer a 25% discount on one LCU item per purchase – diploma frames and CD's are excluded.

9.00 AM - 12.00 PM • ALUMNI ART EXHIBIT (DIANA LING CENTER FOR ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT) Works from various alumni artists may be viewed in the gallery.

2.00 PM • BAJEBALL GAME (HAYJ FIELD) Come cheer on the Chaps as they take on Texas College.

4.00 PM • QUEEN'J TEA (PREJIDENT'J HOME)

Reunion year queens and the courts along with the 2013 Homecoming Court will enjoy a tea at the president's home hosted by First Lady Lucy Perrin.

5.30 - 7.00 PM - ALUMNI EXHIBIT RECEPTION (DIANA LING CENTER FOR ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT)

Meet the artists that have works on display for the Alumni Art Exhibit.

6.00 PM - ALL CLASS REUNION "COME & STAY" RECEPTION (BAKER CONFERENCE CENTER)

LCC/LCU classes of 1963, 1968, 1973, 1978, 1988, 1993, 1998, 2003, and 2008 can head to the Baker Conference Center to enjoy a free reception with heavy hors d'oeuvres and a chance to reminisce about all the fun had during their days at LCC/LCU. Details for other reunion events will be discussed as well. Dessert and coffee will be provided for individual class reunions the remainder of the evening, so feel free to stay as long as you would like. Dress is casual. RSVP appreciated to Lisa Day at 806.720.7237 or lisa.day@lcu.edu

7.30 PM • CLASS REUNIONS DESSERT RECEPTION (VARIOUS LOCATIONS)

Reunion groups are invited to move from the all class reception to specific areas for their class reunions to spend time with friends from their class and enjoy a coffee bar and desserts: Class of 63 – Arnett House; Class of 68 – Katie Rogers Parlor; Class of 73 – Betty Hancock Parlor; Class of 78 – Bozeman Room; Class of 83 and 88 – Coke and Nacho Bar in the Café; Class of 93 – Baker; Class of 98 – SUB; Class of 03 – Koffee Kup; Class of 08 – Cardwell Welcome Center (meet at 8:30 for evening's programming)

7.30 PM • MAJTER FOLLIEJ 2013 (M©DONALD MOODY AUDITORIUM)

This event is one of the longest standing traditions at LCU and is for the whole family. Social clubs along with hosts and hostesses present "The Real Master Follies."

JATURDAY

8.30 AM • JOCIAL CLUB BREAKFAJTJ

Good Current Club members gather for breakfast in various locations on campus and around town. These breakfasts provide a great time to relive the glory days of club, see old friends and support current club members. Alpha Chi – LCU Dining Hall; CD – Katie Rogers Parlor; Kappa – LCU Dining Hall; Koinonia – SUB (new location!); Kyodai – Green Lawn Church of Christ; LOA – Green Lawn Church of Christ; Sub T – Golden Corral at 5117 S Loop 289 & Slide Rd. (Treat Yourself); Zeta/AEX alumni – Cardwell Welcome Center, Conference Wing

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10.15 AM • ALUMNI CHAPEL (MCDONALD MOODY AUDITORIUM)

Alumni Chapel offers a special time of worship led by alumni and the presentation of the 2013 Homecoming Court. President Tim Perrin will deliver the message.

11.15 AM • BEJT FRIENDJ 30TH YEAR REUNION AND REHEARJAL (KATIE ROGERJ PARLOR)

If you are a former member of Best Friends, come celebrate 30 years of memories. Warm up your singing voice for a song arranged especially for BF alumni. Contact Windy Babcock at windy.babcock@lcu.edu for more information. If we get the song down, you'll sing at the BF concert and reception on Saturday at 5:30pm.

11.15 AM • BUJINEJJ ADMINIJTRATION/TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT REUNION (ADMINIJTRATION BUILDING, JUITE 112)

Come by for some refreshments and conversation with old schoolmates and your former professors. We will have good refreshments and great conversation.

11.15 AM • COMMUNICATION J/FINE ARTJ DEPARTMENT REUNION (DIANA LING CENTER FOR ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT)

Join LCU faculty from the Communications /Fine Arts department to catch up and reminisce!

11.15 AM • EXERCISE AND SPORTS SCIENCES DEPT. REUNION (RHODES PERRIN RECREATION CENTER MEZZANINE - UPSTAIRS)

Take this opportunity to meet up with old friends and professors in the new and improved Rhodes Perrin Recreation Center. Refreshments will be provided.

11.15 AM • EDUCATION DEPARTMENT REUNION (MADDOX PUGH EDUCATIONAL CENTER)

More pounds, less hair - still the same GREAT people! Come by and share some fond memories and laughter with the faculty and staff from the School of Education.

11.30 AM • GOLDEN ANNIVERJARY LUNCHEON FOR CLAJJ OF 1963 (BAKER CONFERENCE CENTER)

Class of 1963, faculty, staff, friends and family, this lunch is for you. 2013 is the 50th year reunion for the Class of 1963 and we want to honor all of you in a special way. RSVP to Lisa Day by email lisa.day@lcu.edu or by phone 806-720-7237.

12.00 PM • FAMILY LUNCHEON (CAFETERIA)

Bring your family and enjoy a variety of options for lunch in the updated Cafeteria. Lunch will be \$5 per person with children under the age of 10 eating for free. All alumni and guests are welcome to attend. RSVP appreciated to Lisa Day at 806.720.7237 or lisa.day@lcu.edu.

12.00 PM • BIBLE 101 FOR ALUMNI AND FRIENDS (CARDWELL WELCOME CENTER)

At this luncheon, learn how the Lord is working through the Bible Department and hear about the opportunity to become a member of the Friends of the Bible Department. RSVP by February 1st to Carmen Puente by email carmen.puente@lcu.edu or by phone 806-720-7651.

12.00PM • NATURAL JCIENCEJ DEPARTMENT AND AGGIEJ REUNION LUNCH (NATURAL JCIENCEJ CENTER)

The Aggie Club will be providing their legendary barbeque for all previous Aggies, Aggie Belles and Natural Science Department alumni. If you were a part of the Natural Sciences at LCU, make plans to attend. RSVP with Sheila Click by email sheila.click@lcu.edu or by phone 806-720-7701.

1.00 PM · BAJEBALL GAME (HAYJ FIELD)

Come cheer on the Chaps as they take on Texas College.

1.00 PM • WOMEN'J BAJKETBALL GAME (RIP GRIFFIN ATHLETIC CENTER)

Come cheer on the Lady Chaps as they take on Oklahoma Baptist University.

2.00 PM • HUMANITIES DEPARTMENT REUNION (AMERICAN HERITAGE LOBBY)

Come by and see your former Humanities professors for a time of fun and fellowship. Refreshments will be served. Contact Susan Bailey for more information at 806.720.7601.

3.00 PM • MASTER FOLLIES 2013 (MCDONALD MOODY AUDITORIUM)

This event is one of the longest standing traditions at LCU and is for the whole family. Social clubs along with hosts and hostesses present "The Real Master Follies."

3.00 PM • MEN'J BAJKETBALL GAME (RIP GRIFFIN ATHLETIC CENTER)

Come cheer on the Chaps as they take on Oklahoma Baptist University.

5.00 PM • ALUMNI AWARDJ DINNER (BAKER CONFERENCE CENTER)

Join LCU alumni, family, and friends as we honor the 2013 recipients of the LCU Alumni Awards. Tickets are \$12. RSVP by February 6th to Lisa Day, at lisa.day@lcu.edu or 806-720-7237.

CHECK OUR WEBSITE OFTEN FOR HOMECOMING 2013 SCHEDULE CHANGES AND ADDITIONS www.LCU.edu/follies HOMECOMING

5.30 PM - BEJT FRIENDJ CONCERT (JUB)

The Best Friends singing ensemble is celebrating 30 years of ministering to churches and representing LCU. Everyone is invited to a Best Friends Alumni Concert.

6.00 PM • CLASS OF 1973 40TH YEAR REUNION DINNER (CARDWELL WELCOME CENTER)

Join fellow alumni of the class of 1973 for dinner and fellowship at the Cardwell Welcome Center. The meal will be \$15 per person. RSVP to Lisa Day at lisa.day@lcu.edu or at 806.720.7237.

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7.30 PM • MAJTER FOLLIES 2013 (MCDONALD MOODY AUDITORIUM)

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4 boneless, skinless
chicken breasts
Water
1 1/2 tsp. garlic powder
1 tsp. salt
1/2 tsp. pepper

1 lg. onion, chopped 4 lg. carrots, chopped 4 stalks celery, chopped Tortilla chips Monterey Jack cheese Avocados, sliced 2 limes

2 tsp. cumin Place chicken breasts in a large Dutch oven and cover With water; add garlic, salt, pepper, and cumin. Boil chicken slowly until tender, about 2-3 hours. Remove chicken from Dutch oven and add onions, carrots, celery, and boil for 20 minutes until tender. Cut chicken into bite-sized pieces. Put chicken in chicken into bite-sized pieces. Put chicken in through; do not boil. When ready to serve, place soup through; do not boil. When ready to serve, place soup in bowl and top with tortilla chips, avocado slices, Monterey Jack cheese, and lime juice. -Mrs. E.K. (Jennifer) Hufstedler, III Glen Rose, Texas

YOU'RE WELCOME! ENJOY! RECIPES

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 late Mrs. E.K. (Estelle) Hufstedler, II was a founding member of the Associates of LCU. She encouraged her daughters and daughter-in-law, who have passed along to their children and spouses, the legacy of supporting this organization. Jennifer is the daughter-in-law of Lynnita Hufstedler and was a granddaughter-in-law to Estelle.



Friends = []

On Sunday afternoon prior to the matinee performance of "The Music Man," LCU's Friends of the Arts hosted a picnic lunch. Checkered table cloths and a beautiful afternoon provided the backdrop for live entertainment and helped folks get in the mood for the community-like atmosphere of "The Music Man."

The Friends of the Arts group has routinely stepped up to offer support and encouragement to the various facets of music, theater and art at Lubbock Christian University. Their efforts result in more scholarships and more program offerings for all the areas of the fine arts.



Founded in 2009, Friends of the Arts is an organization that promotes and provides for the further development of the Fine Arts programs at LCU. To learn more about LCU Friends of the Arts, email FOTA President **Keith Laughery ('83)** at klaughery+FOTA@gmail.com.





by Brandon Gree

Director Don Williams and Music Director Laurie Doyle brought their best to the stage, crafting another excellent theatrical adaptation for the McDonald Moody Auditorium stage.

Each member of the LCU cast gave an energetic performance, highlights of which included Kyle Bullock's smooth-talking Harold Hill, Devon Langford's always-surprising Marion the Librarian, and Sarah Blakeney's spot-on performance of the young lisping Winthrop Paroo.

Overall, "The Music Man" was a truly unforgettable performance, vividly illustrating the hard work of the talented students, directors and musicians, making for a spectacularly fun family event.





Read a more in-depth review in the *theDusterToday.com*





LCU Moves to NCAA D II



Well-Rounded Student-Athletes Still Key at LCU

Collegiate athletics has been a part of the culture of Lubbock Christian University since the very beginning in 1957. Considered the father of LCU Athletics, Hugh Rhodes worked diligently as new teams were recruited, emphasizing that LCU student-athletes would excel in scholarship and learning, but also develop ways of living that promoted comprehensive, integrated change for the better whether spiritual, intellectual, physical, or professional.

And that emphasis has continued at LCU through the years, resulting in LCU athletic teams routinely being recognized not only for their competitive success, but also for their character and integrity. At first, the LCU teams competed in the NJCAA (National Junior College Athletic Association) from 1957 until spring of 1971. Since the fall of 1971, they have been very successful competing in the NAIA (National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics), garnering numerous national championships over the years.

The 2012-13 season will mark the final year of a long and fruitful

association with the NAIA for Lubbock Christian University. Beginning in the fall of 2013, the university will enter into a twoyear provisional membership in the NCAA Division II. Following a successful provisional period, Lubbock Christian University will gain official membership for the 2015-2016 season.

Lubbock Christian University will have all 11 varsity athletic programs transition to compete at the Division II level in the Heartland Conference. Also joining NCAA II candidacy from the Sooner Athletic Conference and joining the Heartland Conference are Oklahoma Christian and Rogers State (Okla.). They join current conference members Arkansas-Fort Smith, Dallas Baptist (Texas), McMurry (Texas), Newman (Kan.), Oklahoma Panhandle State, St. Edwards (Texas), St. Mary's (Texas), Texas A&M International, Texas Permian Basin.

The NCAA Division II philosophy for student athletes is *Life in the Balance*. It calls for a "comprehensive program of learning and development in a personal setting. Division II provides growth opportunities through academic achievement, learning in highlevel athletics competition and development of societal attitudes in service to community." While LCU takes this one step further, integrating spiritual development as a key component for all LCU students, the NCAA statement closely mirrors LCU's existing core values.

LCU athletic teams have proven to be worthy opponents over the years, providing great competition for fans. And Chap fans have much to be excited about as LCU moves forward into NCAA Division II, challenging student-athletes to greater and even more fulfilling experiences as they wear the blue and white.



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Chaparral athletics

Making History Lady Chaps #1 in NAIA Pre-Season Hoops Poll

by Kelly Robinson

The Lubbock Christian University Lady Chaps have had many historic moments over the last several years under head coach **Steve Gomez** ('88), but being ranked #1 in the country has not been one of those ... until now!

LCU began the 2012-13 season as the top ranked NAIA team in the land, according to the pre-season NAIA Division I Women's Basketball Coaches poll released in mid-October. The national office released the poll.

The Lady Chaparrals, who are coming off a 28-6 season and their second Fab Four appearance, received nine first-place votes and 280 total points. This is the ninthstraight top 10 ranking and the first ever No. 1 for the Lady Chaps.

"We strive to represent LCU and hold our student athletes to the highest possible standard off and on the court, so it is definitely an honor to receive this type of preseason attention for what the previous and returning players have accomplished," said Coach Gomez. "This is not recognition that we will sit around and relish, nor is it something that we will ignore or denigrate; instead we need to embrace it for what it is - the recognition of our potential. Right now our goal is to daily go about our business of playing up to that potential both individually and, even more importantly, as a team and also to enjoy the adventure that is before us."

At press time for *Reflections*, the Lady Chaps had taken care of their early season business, as they got off to an 11-0 start to the campaign. Included in the 11 victories were two wins over NCAA Division II "top 25" teams in Northeastern Oklahoma State (#23) and #7-ranked Metropolitan State University (Denver, CO), and a conference opening defeat of Wayland Baptist.






SPOTLIGHT ON SPORTS *Highlights from the World of LCU Athletics*













Pictured: Quinton Jackson makes an aggresive move for the ball. Men's soccer team member, Timothy Hayward, earned All-SAC honors.





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University News & Events



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LCU Achieves Record Enrollment

LCU had a fall enrollment of 2,135 students, which represents the largest number of students in the history of the university. The previous high was in the fall of 2005 when enrollment was 2,079. The new enrollment figure represents a near 100-student increase over the enrollment figure of 2,038 for the fall semester in 2011.

World War II Battlefield Photography Exhibit Featured

Reclaiming the Beauty of the Battlefields: A Photography Exhibition by Lubbock native, Ann McDonald, was displayed in the art gallery of the Diana Ling Center for Academic Achievement on campus. The timing of the show was to honor veterans of all branches of the armed services. The nineteen photographs on exhibit showed her emotional response to former World War II Pacific battlefields when she and her husband, Craig, visited the islands of Oahu, Saipan, Tinian, Guam, Iwo Jima, Luzon and Corregidor.





Rec Center Opens

The beloved Fieldhouse, now known as the Rhodes Perrin Recreation Center, has been renovated and is a beautiful and functional space for the enjoyment of the LCU community. It even has air conditioning! We also opened new student housing adjacent to the Recreation Center and that addition has been well received by students and is full.

Board of Trustees Updates

Dr. Kenneth Stephenson ('86) and Melisa (Tatum) Roberts ('84) have been appointed to the LCU Board of Trustees. Ken is an orthopedic surgeon and physician with The Center for Orthopedic Surgery in Lubbock. Melisa is Chief Lending Officer and Executive Vice President with Lone Star State Bank of West Texas in Lubbock.

Steven Lemley and Don Fletcher have resigned their seats on the board. Both were honored for their years of service and devotion to LCU while serving. Dr. Lemley served for 30 years and Mr. Fletcher for 34 years.





Dr. Steve Lemley and his wife, Emily, hold the board resolution honoring him for his service presented during the September trustee meeting. Pictured L to R are Larry Hays, Sam Beard, President Perrin, the Lemleys, and Jerry Harris.





BLUE. It's a word used around campus quite a bit these days. Prospective and current students, faculty, and staff are encouraged to "Be Blue." Alumni are hearing the phrase "Forever BLUE." BLUE is more than a color or a slogan – it is the LCU spirit that makes this university distinct and unique, a spirit that has been present on campus since the beginning.

BLUE may be hard to describe and certainly difficult to quantify, but to those of us who have been blessed with the opportunity to attend or be associated with Lubbock Christian University, we know what it means. Our university seal is emblazoned with the words learning, character, and citizenship, and these ideals are powerfully emphasized on campus. Every day, words such as purpose, leadership, calling, faith, and service are given meaning as they are actively lived out and modeled by the people who teach and work at LCU.

BLUE stands for the LCU experience, and we Chaps feel it when we come back to campus for Homecoming, or when we get to visit with an influential professor from our past. We are reminded of what it means to be BLUE when we reconnect and reminisce with former classmates during chorus, club, team reunions, or in daily life through e-mail and Facebook. As we share stories and laughs, and as we remember what life was like in our college days, we can't help but be reminded of why the LCU experience never ends, why we are "Forever BLUE."

The campus is abuzz with a bright and innovative faculty, increased enrollment, new academic programs, athletic teams making the move to NCAA Division II, and so many other positive and encouraging areas of growth and promise. The time is now – we who have an LCU past and share in its traditions can join our new president, Tim Perrin, and take an active role in helping to secure and promote the impact of BLUE for generations to come. Thanks for your continued interest, love, prayers, and support for Lubbock Christian University.

Forever Blue, Dr. Matt Paden ('02 & '04) Director of Advancement and Alumni Relations

1961

Jim Swafford PO Box 783 Bovina, TX 79009 jim@scandiawind.com Jim is married to Kay.

1963 *Reunion: Homecoming 2013*

1964

Felton Dickens 911 Crowley Rd Arlington, TX 76011 fdickens2000@yahoo.com

1965

Bill Alley 17 Knoll Hill Ln Black Mountain, NC 28711 b.alley@earthlink.net **1968** Reunion: Homecoming 2013 Barbara (Casstevens) Lara 8207 Bangor Ave Lubbock, TX 79424 Barbara is a proud grandmother again -BreAllyn Gail was born to daughter Emilie ('00) & her husband, Jeremy Griffith ('01), in 2011. They also have two other daughters.

Sherry (Griffin) Martin 1114 McAlpin Rd Midlothian, TX 76065 jimsher48@gmail.com Sherry is married to Jim Martin.

1972

Gary & Cathey (Clem) Weaks 9235 County Road K Rd Silverton, TX 79257 rockcreek@midplains.coop Gary & Cathey welcomed a new grandbaby in October - Emmalee Dale, born to daughter Lindsey Inmon ('03) & her husband, Ethan.

1973 *Reunion: Homecoming 2013* Ira & Judy (Klinkerman, '72) Sansom 22304 Briarcliff Dr Spicewood, TX 78669 Ira & Judy have three grown children: Ira III, Philip, & Natalie.

1974 Chris (Johnson) Koerner 4311 Kirby Dr La Marque, TX 77568 Chris has three children: Aaron, Heather, & Chad.

1978 Reunion: Homecoming 2013



Alumni and Lubbock Community Perform

Dr. Laurie Doyle ('82) coordinated a summer alumni/community cast musical through the LCU Communication/Fine Arts Department along with Monterey Church of Christ and Broadway Church of Christ. The group presented Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat with music by Andrew Lloyd Webber and lyrics by Tim Rice.

LCU Alumni Participants:

Heather (Bundy) Byars ('00) Bekah (Stinson) Coggins ('10) Jennifer Crawford ('05) Robbi (Blume) Crumpler ('79) Terry (Lamberth) Dennis ('78) Gwen (Francis) Farley ('89) Deana (Johnston) Hughes ('96) Shawn Hughes ('90) Chris Jarvis ('11) Lisa (Gomez) Langford ('83) Jake Lierman ('05) Gary Moyers ('86) Shelley Parnell ('12) David Perrin ('80) Carolyn White ('03)

Pictured above, Jake Lierman ('05), who played Joseph in the production.

1980

Genie (Nelson) Exum 23632 Hwy 99F PMB #114 Edmonds, WA 98026 genieexum@gmail.com

Teresa (West) Green 8108 Poplarwood Ln Nashville, TX 37221 terivgreen@houston.rr.com Teresa & her husband, Mike, have two children Ashley (25) & Brendan (23).

Marvetta Mayo PO Box 366 Ruidoso Downs, NM 88346 marvettam@yahoo.com

Dr. Foy & Mitzi (Ayers) Mills 376 Forest Ln Huntsville, TX 77340 foymills59@gmail.com; granmem59@hotmail.com

David & Dawn (Kelly) Perrin 5427 28th St Lubbock, TX 79407 ddeperrin@gmail.com David & Dawn have two sons: Eli, a high school sophomore, & John, who is married to Jov.

1981

Bill & Neva (Long) Bryant 808 Senora Dr Macon, GA 31210 billbryant57@hotmail.com Bill was recently appointed interim head of the Logic & Rhetoric Schools at Covenant Academy. They have two children, Emily (25) & Jeff (20). Emily & her husband, Jesse Wahl, live in South Dakota & have two children (Matthew & James). Jeff is a lance corporal in the United States Marine Corps & serves on a Fleet Anti-terrorism Security Team.

1982

Dr. Kathy Carroll 3660 S Cox Ave Apt 106 Springfield, MO 65807 kcarroll@drury.edu Sue Ann Laughlin PO Box 883 Randleman, NC 27317 bsslg@aol.com

Warren & Denise (Whitlow) McNeill 5420 27th St Lubbock, TX 79407 warren.mcneill@LCU.edu; denise.mcneill@LCU.edu Warren & Denise welcomed their first grandbaby in July - Brecken Scott, son of Jarred and Kelsie (Estes) McNeill ('09).

1983 *Reunion: Homecoming 2013* David & Marcia (Guy) Bryant PO Box 804 Beaver, OK 73932 dmbryant100@hotmail.com David & Marcia have three sons: Nathan (28), Aaron (26), & Jonathan (15). Nathan & his wife, Rachel, are the parents of Oliver Landon Bryant, born April 9, 2009 & Owen Rees Bryant, born November 14, 2011. Aaron is married to Kristin.



Jim & Connie (Turner, '77) Gullette DC15 Calle Montes; Valle Verde III norte Bayamon, PR 00961 jimgullette@hotmail.com

In October, Jim & Connie reached a milestone with the South Plains Church of Christ congregation in Lubbock. The church has supported them for 30 years as missionaries. They currently are serving in Puerto Rico.

Ronelle (Krueger) Howell 5906 10th Dr Lubbock, TX 79416

Ronelle was named as Region 17 Elementary School Teacher of the year for the 2011-2012 school year advancing her to the state level where she was named as one of the top 3 elementary school teachers in the state through the Texas Teacher of the Year program by the Texas Association of School Administrators.

Darla (Lynch) Jameson PO Box 1152 Fritch, TX 79036 djameson@sfisd.net Darla & her husband, Rodney, have two children: Shelby (21) & Logan (19).

Todd Lewis 7523 South Linpar Ct Houston, TX 77040 TODD4112@aol.com

1984

Larry Littrell 8602-A Memphis Ave Lubbock, TX 79423 Ik813@att.net

Tom Richeson 497 Little Lease Rd Holliday, TX 76366 tr1017@swbell.net Tom is married to Kathy & they have two children, Roy (25) & Ann (16).

1986

Melissa (Daniels) Brush 1515 Plumwood Dr Houston, TX 77014

Michael Powers 1949 Village Dr Hayes, VA 23072 mjpowers63@aol.com Michael is married to Donna.

Raul Ramon 3908 Somerville Lake Ct Pearland, TX 77581 Raul is married to Esmeralda.

1987

Vince & Donnice (Milam) Fell 7002 Santa Fe Dr Lubbock, TX 79407

John Orr 14414 Marty St Overland Park, KS jpo5214@yahoo.com

1988 *Reunion: Homecoming 2013* Eric Clark

5737 US Hwy 87 Dumas, TX 79029 Eric is married to Michele & they have one child, Sterling (25).

1989 Tim and Lisa (Cozart, '09) Day

5418 29th St Lubbock, TX 79407 tim.day@LCU.edu; lisa.day@LCU.edu Tim & Lisa were blessed with three daughters - twins, Kelsie & Courtney, & Shaylie. Shaylie is an LCU student majoring in Communications & is a member of Kappa Phi Kappa. Kelsie is a Christliche Damen alumna, graduated from LCU with honors in May 2012 & is currently teaching 5th grade science at Stewart Elementary in Lubbock. Courtney waits for them in heaven. After spending 18 years in ministry, Tim & Lisa have worked at LCU since 2006. Tim is the Associate Director of Admissions & Lisa is the University Advancement Event Coordinator. Lisa uses her Social Work degree working part-time on weekends as a victim's advocate. Tim recently received a second master's degree from Arizona State University in U.S. Media & Popular Culture & has a movie blog at www.dayatthemovies.com.

1988

Monya (Cain) Seibert 69 Marlene Ln Hayesville, NC 28904 oinkms@gmai.com

Susan (Briggs) Thomas 5411 23rd St Lubbock, TX 79407 susan.thomas@LCU.edu Susan is married to Tracy & is the proud mother of four sons: Cameron (20), Reagan (17), Landon (13) & Brendan (8).

John & Tina (Setliff, '89) Ward PO Box 611 Andrews, TX 79714

1989

Scott & Elise (Whitlow, '89) Marshall PO Box 834 Sundown, TX 79372 sekmarsh@yahoo.com

Scott is the principal at Sundown Elementary School which was among 269 schools recognized by the U.S. Secretary of Education Arne Duncan as a 2012 National Blue Ribbon School. Elise teaches at Sundown Middle School & they have two boys.

1992

Brad & Toni (Boydstun, '91) Reed 922 S 7th St Marlow, OK 73055 tonireed@gmail.com Brad & Toni have one child, Megan (19).

1993 *Reunion: Homecoming 2013* Gary Mayfield 2002 US Highway 180 East

2002 US Highway 180 East Breckenridge, TX 76424 garymayfield6869@yahoo.com

1994

Christopher Dennis 2213 College Ave Levelland, TX 79336 In August, Christopher was appointed as district attorney of the 286th Judicial District for Hockley & Cochran Counties by Governor Rick Perry.

Dennis & Patsy (Hawes, '73) Grossman 608 Doyle Springs Rd Granbury, TX 76048 Dennis & Patsy have a daughter, Shannon Kay (34).

Adam & Kelly (Sanders, '93) Yeager 1502 Antelope Run Arlington, TX 76002 kelly.yeager@gpisd.org Adam & Kelly have two children: Kyra (22 months) & Kathryn (7).

1995

Lisa (Winans) Cavazos 3008 CR 7540 Lubbock, TX 79423 Ikwinans@yahoo.com Lisa & her husband, Eric, recently relocated from Arizona. They have a daughter, Sydney, & a son, London. Lisa works as a Business Sales Manager with Verizon Wireless.

1996

Lacy (Fell) McLemore 496 Faircrest Dr Buda, TX 78610 ruddergrl@gmail.com Lacy is married to Keith & they have one child, Quinlan Dunn (9).

Paul & Jennifer (Jors, '94) Ryan PO Box 443 Tolar, TX 76476

Jen.beth.ryan@gmail.com Paul is an elementary/intermediate principal for Tolar ISD & is beginning his coursework for superintendent certification. Jennifer is the District Intervention Coordinator for Granbury ISD. They have two children: Ashley (17) & Hunter (15).

1997

Justin Hays 5409 105th St Lubbock, TX 79424 Justin is married to Breann & he has 11 year-old twin daughters, Kaytee & Kelsee.

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1999

Paul & Tisha (Rushing, '99) Davenport PO Box 6 Celina, TX 75009 pdavenport04@yahoo.com

2001

Perry & Cassie (Almsted) Collins 503 Kirchwood Dr Plainview, TX 79072 collins0299@suddenlink.net

Connsu299@suddenink.het Perry & Cassie have 2 daughters (12 & 5) & a son (8). They completed their PhDs in counseling at Texas Tech University & are both professors of Psychology at Wayland Baptist University. Perry coordinates the graduate counseling program for community & school counselors as well. In addition, they work as psychologists & counselors for various agencies in Plainview. Perry buys & fixes up houses to rent in his spare time. He has run 11 marathons & is working on obtaining his pilot's license.

Jeremy & Emilie (Lara, '00) Griffith 1220 Ave L Ralls. TX 79357

mlelara@yahoo.com Jeremy & Emilie added a new addition to their family, BreAllyn Gail, born July 22, 2011. They have two other daughters.

Scott & Lauren (Reed) Prather 8 Marriott Close Oxford, United Kingdom OX28NT Scott & Lauren have two children, William Reed (7) & Claire Elise (5).

Stephanie (Deans) Simons 12 Century Rd Artesia, NM 88210 srsimons29@yahoo.com Stephanie & her husband, Chris, are the proud parents of Deacon John, born February 3, 2012.

2002

Josh Arnold 924 S 25th Ave Yakima, WA 98902 joshuaparnold@gmail.com

Mark & Beth (Blackwell) Hadley 3115 Sara Dr Rowlett, TX 75088 markandbethhadley@yahoo.com Mark & Beth are the proud parents of Grayson Luke, born May 17, 2012.

Raymond Ibarra 15617 Greenstone Ln Parker, CO 80134 ocrayray@hotmail.com Raymond & his wife, Michelle, are the proud parents of Easton Michael, born April 23, 2012.

2003 *Reunion: Homecoming 2013* Emily (Stewart) Hood 1514 Seminole Ave Denton, TX 76209 emilystew@gmail.com Emily & her husband, Jeffrey, are the proud parents of Phillip Ray Emory, born May 21, 2012.

Lindsey (Weaks) Inmon PO Box 162 Ira, TX 79527

lindseyweaks@yahoo.com Lindsey & her husband, Ethan, are the proud parents of Emmalee Dale, born on October 16, 2012.

Jen (Wood) Whitehead 2615 25th St Lubbock, TX 97410 jennwhitehead@lubbockisd.org Jen is married to Sam & they have one child, William Bowen Bo, born October 27, 2011.

2004

Marla (Reed) James 10703 East CR 104 Midland, TX 79706 mjjames_80@live.com Marla & her husband, Carter, are the proud parents of Brock Major, born April 11, 2012.

Kris & April (Daniel, '02) Tryon 5532 17th St Lubbock, TX 79416 kristopher.tyron@LCU.edu Kris & April are the proud parents of Kaleb Lester, born July 24, 2012.

2005 Ben & Kristin (Chavez) Barkley 4506 Santa Barbara Dr Dallas, TX 75214 benbarkley_30@hotmail.com

Kyle & Ashley (Newman, '02) Cox 708 4th St Abernathy, TX 79311 coxfam@windstream.net Kyle & Ashley welcomed Lillian Grace Margaret on April 29, 2011. Proud siblings are Caroline, Emma, & Dalton.

Adrienne Handley 4412 Stanolind Midland, TX 79707 adrienne.handley@midlandchs.org Adrienne is married to Randall.

Jerrid & Amy (Hannel, '02) Sanders 11205 N County Road 1500 Shallowater, TX 79363 thesanders05@gmail.com Jerrid & Amy are the proud parents of Cassie Mae, born March 29, 2011.

Brandon & Kathryn (Elkins, '07) Tobias 2900 Purple Sage Trl Midland, TX 79705 btobias1956@yahoo.com Brandon & Kathryn are the proud parents of Payton Grace, born June 25, 2010.

2006

Jonathan & Meagan (Kamplain) Dover 1402 Charlotte Way Carrollton, TX 75007 mdover1214@yahoo.com Jonathan & Meagan are the proud parents of Graham Ryan & Leanna Kate, born April 16, 2012.

Matt & Kenee (Carter) Dover 2837 Ermine Way Farmers Branch, TX 75234 vball4kenee@yahoo.com Matt & Kenee welcomed Canyon Carter on June 6, 2012. Hudson Lee is his proud big brother.

Sara (Baker) Kennedy 3604 47th St Lubbock, TX 79413 skennedy@slatonisd.net Sara & her husband, Michael, are the proud parents of Gracie Elizabeth, born December 14, 2011.

Denise (Brensing) McCully 2831 Martin St

Dupont, WA 98327 denise.mccully@gmail.com Denise & her husband, Jonathan, are the proud parents of Lillian Grace, born February 8, 2012.

Andy Rogers 9460 Doral Dr Pittsburgh, PA 15237 arogers@pts.edu Andy is married to Jennifer & they have a son, Benjamin, born April 26, 2011.

Juliane (Cornelius) Sullivan 622 Longhorn Dr Early, TX 76802 Juliane is married to Christopher.

2007

Justin Carter 5600 Spring Creek Way Elk Grove, CA 95758 jcart1980@gmail.com

David Duguid 227 N Crosby Ave Tulia, TX 79088 allandlcu@yahoo.com

Koby & Lindsey (Nutt, '08) Vasek 6808 83rd St Lubbock, TX 79424 lindseyvasek@gmail.com Koby & Lindsey are the proud parents of Caroline Lee, born May 4, 2012.

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Luke & Heather (Wood) Backus 5419 23rd St Lubbock, TX 79407 hbackus@lubbockisd.org Luke & Heather welcomed Lilly Marie on January 4, 2012.

Timothy Brewer 780 South Sunset Dr Globe, AZ 85501 Timothy is married to Tara.

Lindsey (Bland) Fears 1167 FM 779 Mineola, TX 75773 Lindsey is married to Josh.

Daymona (Barry) Hunsucker 13185 N Hwy 95 Slaton, TX 78941 Daymona's children are Jace (22) & Dilon Chancellor (19), & Averlea Hunsucker, born June 24, 2011.

Katie Kitson 4023 Park Square Dr #81 Arlington, TX 76013 katiekitson7_9@hotmail.com

Kory & Mandy (Prude) Mereness 940 W Hickory St Roseburg, OR 97471

Joseph & Cristina (Crook) Smith 2728 Quail Valley Irving, TX 75060 poetsessions@gmail.com Joseph & Cristina are the proud parents of Ryko Miles, born August 1, 2011, & Kirin Charles, born November 12, 2012.

Joshua & RaShae (McIntyre) Smith 12001 Dessau Rd Apt 734 Austin, TX 78754 Tekfreak04@hotmail.com

Holly (Gaskins) Stein 6162 Misty Meadow Rd Apt 605 Corpus Christi, TX 78414 hollygaskins87@gmail.com Holly is married to Jared. Dane & Deonna (Neel) Wade 1213 Phillips Dr Dumas, TX 79029 deonnawade@gmail.com Dane & Deonna are the proud parents of Cole David, born April 8, 2012.

Rahheem & Alison (Daughterty, '07) Wofford 821 Mike Dr Spartanburg, SC 29303 aliheem@hotmail.com Rahheem & Alison are the proud parents of Malachi Rahheem, born November 3, 2011.

Jason Weems 10614 Colton Ave Lubbock, TX 79424

2009

Travis Armstrong 5415 45th St Lubbock, TX 79414 tarms00@gmail.com Travis & his wife, Jennifer, are the proud parents of Holden Lee, born September 17, 2012.

Jennifer Epps 5409 Grinnell St Unit A Lubbock, TX 79416

Johnathan & Morgan (Mills) Garner 6708 85th St Lubbock, TX 79424 mhgarner23@gmail.com

Deborah (House) Hunt 6901 CR 6120 Shallowater, TX 79363

Kyzandre Ashley 8707 13th St Lubbock, TX 79416

Jarred & Kelsie (Estes) McNeill 5909 103rd St Lubbock, TX 79424 kelsie.mcneill@hotmail.com Jarred & Kelsie are the proud parents of Brecken Scott, born July 26, 2012. Jarred is with Happy State Bank & Kelsie teaches at Monterey Sugar N Spice Preschool. Proud grandparents are Warren and Denise (Whitlow) McNeill ('82).

Brad & Taryn (Collins) Morrow PO Box 7174 Baytown, TX 77522

taryn.morrow@wwjdtoday.com Brad & Taryn are the parents of Brielle Charis, born May 10, 2012. Proud big sister is Brynlee.

Randa (Henderson) Wuerflein 1107 Poplar St Levelland, TX 79336 Randa is married to Carson.

2010

Nikki DeVera 6551 Coastal Point Apt 521 Fort Worth, TX 76131

Luis & Ana Maria (Waits, '08) Estrada 4700 N Josey Ln Apt 3425 Carrollton, TX 75010 studio.estrada@gmail.com

Matthew Goss 8308 Raleigh Ave Apt A Lubbock, TX 79424

LoriAnn Gutierrez 21300 State Hwy 16 N #115 Medina, TX 78055

Daniel & Michelle (Clayton, '09) Simmons 5207 17th St Lubbock, TX 79416 michellolocheimmens@ameil.com

michelleleahsimmons@gmail.com Daniel is an electrical engineer at Architectural Testing, Inc. Michelle is an Educational Diagnostician in Lubbock ISD & is also part-time Special Needs Minister at Monterey Church of Christ.

Blake Swanner 1306 W Raleigh Slaton, TX 79364 Blake is a Bank Officer at People's Bank.

2011

Jason & Whitley (Gillit, '12) Nutt 804 Cedar St Floydada, TX 79235 nutt.whitley@gmail.com Jason is farming in Floydada & Whitley is a teacher at Floydada High School.

Kyle & Brenna (Tubb, '10) Price 1505 Elkhart Ave Lubbock, TX 79416 pricekyle_art@yahoo.com; brennaprice@yahoo.com Kyle recently began working as a graphic artist for United Supermarkets. Brenna is pursuing her Master's in Speech-Language Pathology at Texas Tech University.

2012

Eva Bellows 931 W 5th St Littlefield, TX 79339 ebellows@windstream.net Her website is www.lornaseilstad.com.

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Parent's Name Class Year(s) Email Address Mailing Address Child's Name and Birth Date Size (onesie or t-shirt: 6 month, 12 month or 18 month)



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Beth Grace Speer, daughter of Matt and Cassie (Bloskas, '10) Speer of Lubbock, Texas.



Kaleb Lester Tryon, son of Kris ('04 & '11) and April (Daniel, '02) Tryon of Lubbock, Texas.



Holden Lee Armstrong, son of Travis ('09) and Jennifer Armstrong of Lubbock, Texas.



Grayson Luke Hadley, son of Mark and Beth (Blackwell) Hadley ('02) of Rowlett, Texas.



Graham Ryan and Leanna Kate Dover, son and daughter of Jonathan and Meagan (Kamplain) Dover ('06) of Carrollton, Texas.



Molly Kate Horton, daughter of Chris ('96) and Susan ('95) Horton of Minco, Oklahoma.



Cole David Wade, son of Dane and Deonna (Neel) Wade ('08) of Dumas, Texas.



Easton Michael Ibarra, son of Raymond ('02) and Michelle Ibarra of Parker, Colorado.



Parker Cline Paden, son of Matt ('02) and Kagney (Zahn, '05) Paden of Lubbock, Texas.



James "Isaac" Young, son of Scott (LCU instructor of physics) and Kimberly (Bishop, '02) Young of Lubbock, Texas.



Emmalee Dale Inmon, daughter of Ethan and Lindsey (Weaks, '03) Inmon of Ira, Texas.



Cassie Mae Sanders, daughter of Jerrid ('05) and Amy (Hannel, '02) Sanders of Shallowater, Texas.



Brecken Scott McNeill, son of Jarred and Kelsie (Estes) McNeill ('09) of Lubbock, Texas.



Gracie Elizabeth Kennedy, daughter of Michael and Sara (Baker, '06) Kennedy of Lubbock, Texas.



Judah Roy Simmons, son of Evan and Jacinda (Judah) Simmons ('07) of Abilene, Texas.



Charlie Max Losey, son of Max and Christy (Myers, '96) Losey of Burnet, Texas.



Riley Jane Madewell, daughter of Jordan ('08) and Leigh Madewell of Lubbock, Texas.





- Donald Rhea Chesshir ('59) of Floydada passed from this life on Monday, August 13, 2012. He was a member of the first class of Lubbock Christian College, where he was involved with the band. He is survived by his wife Carol, three children, four step-children, 10 grandchildren and five greatgrandchildren.
- Thomas (Tommy) Gregory ('72) of Clinton, Mississippi passed away November 10, 2011. As a student at LCC, he was involved with the social club, Sub-T 16. He is survived by his wife, Lanette, three children and four grandchildren.
- Billy Dalton James ('61) of Denton passed away on August 12, 2012. While attending LCC, he was involved in Kyodai social club. He is survived by his wife, Peggy James.
- Jeanetta McNeill of Happy passed away on October 2, 2012. She and her late husband, Sonny, were long-time supporters of LCU. She is survived by her sons Dave McNeill ('69), Dudley McNeill ('72), Jim McNeill ('75), Tim McNeill ('78), Warren McNeill ('82), and Walter McNeill ('84).
- Elaine Perrin, LCU faculty member, of Lubbock passed away on August 16, 2012. See the story about her on page 28.
- Bobby Rick Robertson ('01) of Wolfforth passed away on Sunday, October 28, 2012. He is survived by his wife, Stephanie.
- Dr. Charles A. Siburt ('66) of Abilene passed away July 11, 2012 due to complications from a nearly three year battle with cancer. As a student of Lubbock Christian College, he was an active member of A Capella, Kyodai, Student Senate, and was a Resident Assistant. He also received the honors Mr. LCU, Favorite Boy, and Who's Who while receiving his associate's degree. He is survived by his wife, Judy and two sons.
- Zachary Tyler Steward ('11) of Lubbock passed away Friday, November 2, 2012, at the age of 26, due to complications from Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy. A story featuring Zack was in the Summer 2012 issue of Reflections. You can read the story at http://www.lcu.edu/alumni/ publications/reflections.html.
- Scott Zapalac, husband of Dr. Patti Patterson ('78, member of the Board of Trustees), died July 28, 2012.

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