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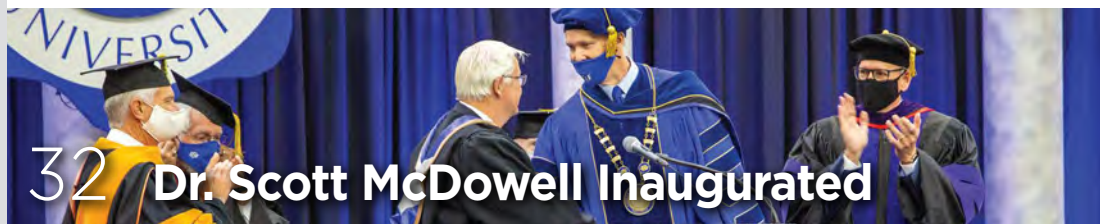
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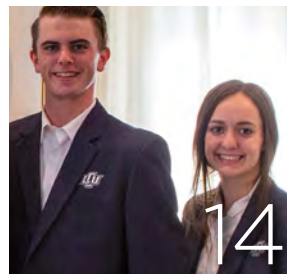


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Happy New Year 2021!

As the name *Reflections* implies, this publication invites our thoughtful consideration of the many ways our God is at work in this world. While 2020 certainly presented its share of challenges, the year also provided much to celebrate!

We count ourselves incredibly blessed to have finished the fall semester in a face-to-face educational format. While institutions across the country closed their doors to students, LCU navigated the various challenges that the COVID-19 crisis presented, and I am grateful to report that not a single case was traced back to the classroom. The resiliency of our faculty,

students, and staff has been remarkable, and I am grateful for their indomitable spirit during these challenging times.

Under the guidance of our Board of Trustees and Board Chair Terry Creech, and with the tenacious efforts of our VP for Advancement, Raymond Richardson and his team, the 20/20 Vision Campaign concluded as the most successful fundraising effort in LCU's history. I am also personally grateful for the leadership of former LCU president Tim Perrin in this accomplishment. With over \$75M raised, this remarkable effort has created a strong momentum for the University to build on and reminds us of both the incredible generosity of you, our LCU stakeholders, and of the amazing provision of our God.

The positive momentum carries over to some new campus facilities and significant improvements that will bless the lives of our students. In August we unveiled a freshly renovated Rhodes Perrin Recreation Center and opened the new track and soccer complex that will enable LCU to compete successfully for years to come. In February, we will dedicate the Wayne and Yvonne Hinds Music Center, which will expand our capacity to educate in the arts and further enhance LCU's musical tradition.

As we contemplate God's faithfulness in the blessing of these recent accomplishments, it is not difficult to imagine the exciting prospects that lay before us. LCU is a place that truly transforms students, equipping them for a future of purpose and service—that mission will continue to take center stage. Our focus will be simple, yet intense, as we concentrate on growing our enrollment, increasing our retention, and strengthening our endowment to benefit the LCU student experience. I am grateful for your partnership in this endeavor and look forward to journeying together into God's desire for this place. Blessings on the New Year.

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Scott McDowell, Ed.D.

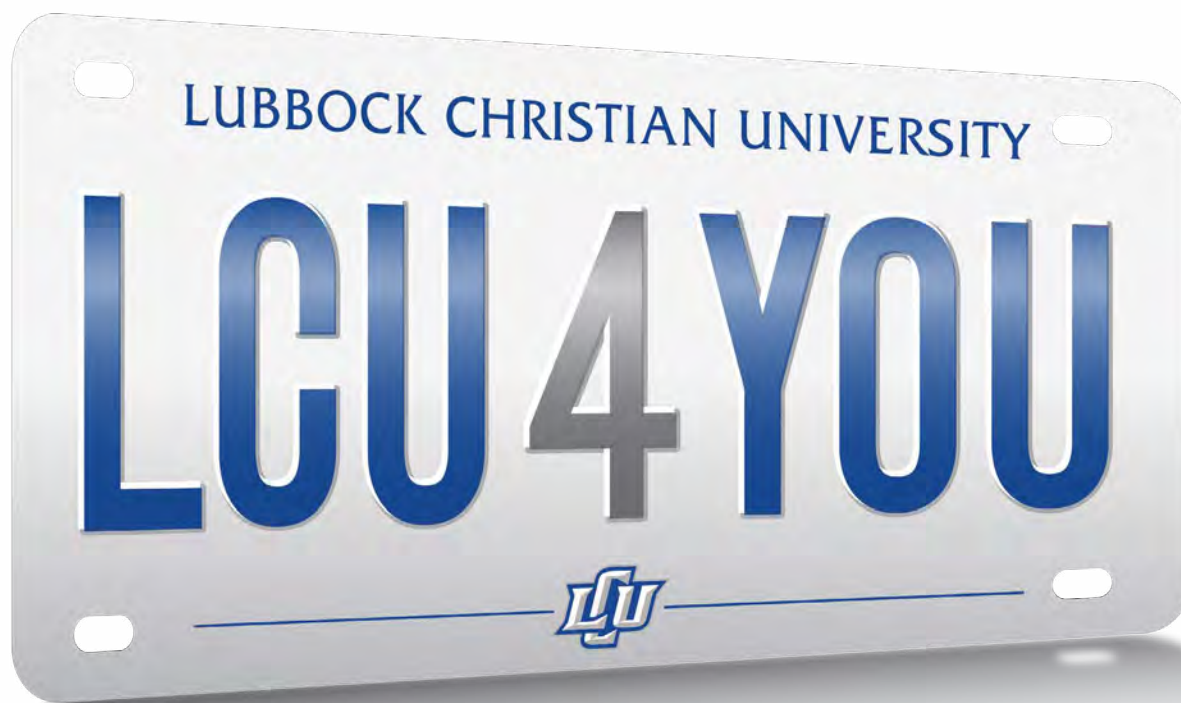
President, Lubbock Christian University

scholarship



Although commencement ceremonies looked different this year, the spring and summer graduates were able to walk across the stage and receive their diplomas in August 2020. The pandemic protocol may have changed some things, but the spirit of accomplishment, pride, and celebration of our graduates remained the same. December 2020 commencement has been postponed until later this spring.





THAT'S GOOD STUFF

Creating Resources and Positive Messaging for Lubbock



As the COVID-19 pandemic swept across the globe, many people found themselves facing new, unique, or exaggerated problems, often with reduced access to resources to help deal with those challenges. As LCU focused on reaching out to both the dispersed LCU community and the greater Lubbock community, it became apparent that many staff, faculty, and alumni could have insight into helping navigate the changes caused by the pandemic. From that idea, the university formed LCU4YOU, a dedicated web-based resource where professors, graduates, and other subject-matter experts could share information, tips, and helpful information.

“The LCU4YOU initiative was created to share expertise and resources that are unique to LCU in an effort to enrich and benefit the larger community beyond our campus,” explained Kelli Childre, Community Relations Officer. “With the onset of COVID-19, we hoped the resources

shared helped people lean into walking by faith during uncertain times with growing challenges.”

The topics covered by LCU experts included maintaining a balance of mental and physical health in light of gyms being closed and the effects of social isolation; helping children cope with new or increasing anxieties, especially as students adjusted to online learning; and providing general health tips and information about COVID-19 itself. Others shared advice on investments, internet security, or tips for civil discourse, and best-selling author and former LCU student, Nathan Dahlstrom, was recorded reading his children’s stories as a resource for parents and children.

Another ongoing partnership that emerged alongside the LCU4YOU initiative was the series, “That’s Good Stuff,” a weekly local news segment airing on KCBD News Channel 11 Lubbock featuring LCU’s Dr. David Frazee

('91), Associate Professor and James A. "Buddy" Davidson Charitable Foundation Youth and Family Ministry Endowed Chair. During the segment, Dr. Frazee briefly discusses various topics, ranging from physical health, civil discourse, and even simple kindness.

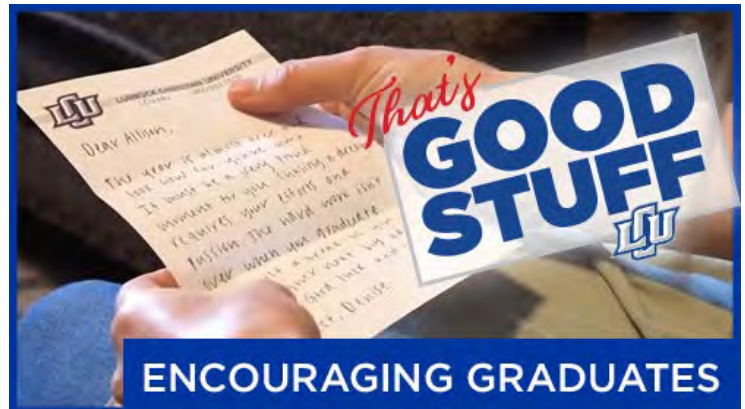
"Our mission as a university calls for us to transform the hearts, minds, and hands of our students for lives of purpose and service," explained Warren McNeill ('82), Vice President of University Relations, "and a major way we do that is by walking with them through life's challenges and speaking truth into them, by sharing messages of hope and joy—and that's not reserved just for our campus. The world needs to hear those messages, especially now, and we are grateful for this avenue through which we can share those messages of 'good stuff.'"

The idea for "That's Good Stuff" arose partly from a weekly segment Dr. Frazee had done years prior called "The Teenage Tightrope," through which he shared a message for parents as they navigated life with teenagers. "That's where a lot of this started," shared McNeill. "Life during the pandemic really prompted questions—what if we provided messages of how to live life hopefully and abundantly? What does that look like? Sometimes people need reminders of how to incorporate more goodness into their lives. We wanted to create impactful and meaningful messages geared more towards families and individuals in which we could share ways to navigate the various challenges we all face from time to time."

Though it wasn't planned in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the initiative launched in the middle of the initial shutdown, which provided a unique need for those positive and useful messages. "That's not the basis for why we wanted to do it," McNeill said, "but that's when the inaugural sessions were first aired. In many of the early videos, we leaned into the challenges everyone was facing during the pandemic. While some of the other weekly messages have been about navigating our way through difficult times as a nation, many have focused on tips for how to live life more abundantly."

Dr. Frazee and the other contributors have spoken carefully but intentionally about issues like race relations and speaking civilly to one another during a particularly divisive election. That ability to speak into relevant and often potentially divisive topics is a key way that McNeill feels LCU is uniquely positioned to bring its mission into the larger surrounding community.

"The weekly airing of these messages is one way in which LCU can share practical ways to simply live life together—as individuals, within family units, and within our communities," McNeill said, "and not with a goal to merely survive, but to actually thrive."



David Frazee, the spokesperson for "That's Good Stuff" was filmed and published weekly (left). All episodes of "That's Good Stuff" and the LCU experts (samples above) can be found on [LCU.edu/LCU4YOU](https://www.lcu.edu/LCU4YOU).



Matt Bumstead

Named Dean of LCU School of Business

Lubbock Christian University has appointed Matt Bumstead as Dean of the LCU School of Business, filling the seat left by the retiring dean Tracy Mack. The longtime Lubbock business professional and civic leader was selected from a national field of exceptional finalists and officially began his role at the beginning of the fall 2020 semester.

Bumstead is no stranger to LCU. In 2016, he was appointed CEO-in-Residence for the School of Business, with the express purpose of engaging students from the perspective of his real-world professional experiences of integrating faith into the workplace. He teaches senior capstone as well as freshman introductory courses, and developed Faith and Business—the signature experience of LCU’s Center for Faith and Business—to equip students to become Christ-centered industry leaders and to advance LCU’s “business as ministry” initiative.

“I have an overwhelming passion for both the mission of Lubbock Christian University and the rare and priceless experience that it creates for all those students and faculty members who get to be a part of it,” said Bumstead. “Work in business was never meant to be something seen as separate from the practice of our faith. At LCU, we are intensely driven toward preparing leaders who will live out

a calling to serve others in the world of business, operating from the understanding that doing business God’s way is very, very good business.”

Bumstead is a graduate of Davidson College, a faith-based, private, liberal arts college in Davidson, North Carolina, and in his years of community involvement with LCU, he often noted that LCU had similarities to his undergraduate college. He also holds an M.B.A. from Texas Tech University. He is an active member of the Lubbock community and is best known for his distinguished 20-year career with United Supermarkets, where, as a fourth-generation member of family ownership, he served as Co-President for nine years and a member of the Board of Advisors for 17 years. He has also served in numerous leadership roles in organizations, including Lubbock Area United Way, Lubbock Chamber of Commerce, the Texas Methodist Foundation, and Lubbock Entertainment and Performing Arts Association.

LCU’s President, Dr. Scott McDowell said, “I am absolutely thrilled that Matt Bumstead has agreed to embrace this responsibility and expand his influence at Lubbock Christian University. In my short time in Lubbock, I have been so impressed by Matt’s keen professional insights and

his incredible ability to naturally and genuinely engage students, drawing the very best out of each one of them. Everyone who knows Matt Bumstead knows he is the right person to lead this school to even higher levels of excellence.”

Bumstead’s diverse experience and his leadership of one of the most prominent, successful, and community-oriented businesses of West Texas have uniquely prepared him to lead the LCU School of Business, the largest undergraduate program in the university. The Business School, recently awarded full accreditation by the Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP), offers academic programs in accounting, finance, economics, business administration, information systems, and digital media arts, and it recently initiated a Masters in Accounting track in 2019. Students who study in these programs excel academically, and upon graduation, are values-centered leaders in organizations not only in this region, but throughout the United States.

Dr. Foy Mills, Jr. (‘80), LCU Provost and Chief Academic Officer exclaimed, “I am extremely pleased to welcome Matt into his new role as Dean of the LCU School of Business. He inherits a great legacy of accomplishment begun by Dr. Christa Dobbs decades ago and led more recently by Dean Tracy Mack. Yet, what I am most excited about is Matt’s incredible ability to integrate faith and learning, a hallmark of LCU. I know that he will lead well.”

Bumstead replaced Tracy Mack, who retired after serving as dean for the past five years. Mack had been a member of the business faculty for 20 years before his tenure as dean. The Tracy Mack Legacy Endowed Scholarship was established by friends of Dean Mack upon his retirement to honor him and to benefit business students.

“At LCU we are equipping students for lives of purpose and service, and we are unapologetic about screening for strong character in the hiring process,” said President McDowell. “Our faculty wield an amazing amount of influence in our students’ lives, and on a personal note—I always want to hire the kind of faculty that I would be grateful if my own sons turned out like them. Matt Bumstead passes that test, and I’m looking forward to the impact he will make on future generations of LCU students.”

Bumstead said, “We are a business school focused on creating lasting success and long-term returns by staying focused on what really matters to businesses in the real world. Graduates of the LCU School of Business will be sought after—not only for their strong work ethic, humility, and integrity, but also for mission-focused energy, positive contribution, winning attitude, and commitment to high standards in all they do. Our commitment and expectation is this: any firm that hires one of our students will want another one as soon as possible.”

DID YOU KNOW?



SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

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Lubbock’s Region 17
ADMINISTRATIVE LEADERS
are LCU Graduates

UNDERGRADUATE
EMPLOYMENT
RATE

100%



COLLEGE OF PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

100%

2020 ACCEPTANCE
AND ENTRY INTO
MEDICAL SCHOOL

2019 ACCEPTANCE
INTO HEALTHCARE
PROFESSIONAL
SCHOOL

100%

Dental, Athletic Training, Occupational Therapy,
Physical Therapy, Physician’s Assistant, Public Health



STUDENT RESEARCH

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Attendees to STTI—
Sigma Theta Tau
International Research Congress

STTI Student Posters named
Rising Stars in Scholarship

Named among top posters in
conference and accepted in
special discussion sessions

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Student Posters Accepted
National Conference on
Undergraduate Research
(NCUR) 2020



TWENTY YEARS OF HONORS EDUCATION *at* LUBBOCK CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY: LEADING IN SCHOLARLY AND EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

The 2019–2020 academic year marked a significant milestone for the Honors College at Lubbock Christian University. Launched in the fall of 2000 with fifteen students, Honors education completed its twentieth year at the conclusion of the spring 2020 semester with 195 students enrolled. The program transitioned to a college in 2016, reaching 208 students the following year.

The impact of the Honors College on the overall university continues to grow. Begun as a modest attempt to build a program that would model academic excellence and attract top-tier students to the university, the Honors College has developed into a major university component with far-reaching influence. Honors initiatives and programs have enhanced the university in numerous ways, and more than 300 students have graduated from the program, which is now led by Dr. Stacy Patty ('79), who serves as dean of the Honors College.

Scholarship and Research Initiatives

Drawing from National Collegiate Honors Conference (NCHC) best practices, the Honors Program in 2006 introduced an annual undergraduate research conference, the LCU Scholars Colloquium, to bring together students



and faculty to showcase the best research work from the academic year. The colloquium has become the seminal spring semester academic event and has served as a catalyst for student and faculty research presentations at regional and national conferences. Outstanding honors students began to present

their research at the NCHC conference and, along with other university students, at the National Conference for Undergraduate Research (NCUR).

Soon the Honors Program had formed a university Committee on Undergraduate Research, established institutional membership with the Council on Undergraduate Research (CUR), and directed the university's participation in NCUR. On average, NCUR accepts fifteen LCU students per year, and 75 percent of those are members of the Honors College. In 2014, NCUR named the university as an Undergraduate Research Exemplary Leader institution.

The Scholars Colloquium provides opportunities to bring internationally recognized scholars to the university, including Stanley Jaki (Templeton and Gifford lecturer in physics and theology), Katharine Hayhoe (2019 United Nations

Champion of the Earth climate scientist), Holmes Rolston (Gifford lecturer in biology and theology), and Charles Villa-Vicencio (South African Truth and Reconciliation research director).

In addition, the colloquium and undergraduate research initiatives spark more attention to faculty research. Honors faculty members have led the university with prestigious appointments to a science and faith program in Oxford (biochemist Dr. Amanda (Ellis '06) Boston), a one-semester fellowship at Cambridge (Biblical Studies' Dr. Mark Sneed, interpreting monster imagery in biblical wisdom literature), and archival research at Harvard (English literature's Dr. Kenneth Hawley, researching Boethian translations).



Honors graduate and art major Zachary Long ('19) was one of the featured artists and presenters at the 2019 Scholar's Colloquium

Student Curricular and Experiential Learning

Honors introduced and modeled innovative courses and experiential learning to the university, serving as generative multiplier of effective teaching approaches. Honors education has particularly increased learning across the academic disciplines in the tradition of liberal arts and sciences colleges. Beginning in 2012, Honors added an emphasis on Great Texts such as, *The Consolation of Philosophy* and *Paradise Lost*, as these texts enhance "faith seeking understanding." Whatever the method, Honors education encourages learning that seeks wisdom, pursues excellence, and discerns vocation.

New areas of study have emerged. A recent addition is a minor in linguistics, an area important for language translation and intercultural career paths. The linguistics path integrates studies in English, Communication, Missions, Business, and Political Science, making it an ideal Honors curricular option. Students from all majors participate in the curriculum, which allows students to choose between a twelve-course Honors Graduate track and a fifteen-course Honors Scholar thesis program.

Among new experiential learning approaches, Honors developed study away programs in Oxford and Washington, D.C. The LCU Honors Oxford Summer Scholar program places one student each year at Wycliffe Hall, Oxford, in association with the Council on Christian Colleges and Universities (CCCC) Scholarship and Christianity in Oxford (SCIO) program. The most recent participant, Humanities and English major Sarah Fantinel ('20), completed two tutorials in creative writing and science and religion. Through initial SCIO participation, Honors served as the catalyst for LCU membership in CCCC, opening a wealth of other study away opportunities for our students.

In 2005, the Honors Program initiated the LCU Washington program in coordination with The Washington Center for Internships (TWC), a NCHC affiliate. The program places up to five students each semester in non-profit, government, and private-sector internships, including full-time academic credit applicable to the student's degree plan. A total of 99 students have participated, with 40 percent Honors membership. In 2013, TWC named the university as its Private University of the Year.

Prestigious Scholarships and Graduate Fellowships

By 2005, the Honors Program had secured substantial funding from the Helen Devitt Jones Foundation to ensure scholarships for its students, allowing the program to better recruit academically gifted students and continue to elevate overall university academic excellence.

To further enhance these efforts, in 2015 the Honors College created the F. W. Mattox Presidential Scholar Award program. Seeking to bring more nationally recognized student scholars and leaders to the university, the program provides five full scholarships annually. From November to February, candidates engage in a rigorous vetting and interview process leading to final selection.

Honors aims not only to attract top academic students for undergraduate work, but also to prepare them to succeed in graduate programs. Recent graduates have received scholarships to attend such institutions as Carnegie Mellon University (nuclear engineering), Duke University (theology), the Medical University of South Carolina (cancer research), West Virginia University (economics), and Baylor University (law).

In 2014, the college established an Office of Prestigious Fellowships and Scholarships in order to mentor selected students for graduate awards. An early achievement in this area is chemistry and mathematics major Hannah Harbin ('17). Her work with Honors faculty in chemistry, paleontology, and archaeology, culminated in a study of food residues on Middle Bronze Age potsherds that led to a second-round entry for the nationally competitive Mitchell Scholarship. Honors continues to help prospective candidates apply for prestigious fellowships.



Brittany Michaleson

Communication major Brittany Michaleson ('20) is an example of how Honors aims to work closely with students, listening and challenging, advising and mentoring along the way. A Mattox Scholar, Brittany began her studies with intentions of a sports journalism career. After studying in the university's Avila, Spain semester abroad, she added Spanish and linguistics minors and changed her study emphases to international studies and mass media. In the spring of 2020, Brittany interned in Washington with the Voice of America's Latin American Division. Her time in

Washington was cut short because of the pandemic, but she was able to complete her internship working virtually.

Vocational Discernment and Preparation

Through its seminars in the curriculum, internship opportunities in Washington, D.C., and university departmental cooperative projects, the Honors College assists students in understanding their life callings. In the seminars, faculty lead students through the theological exploration of vocation, encouraging them to find that "place where their deep gladness and the world's great need meet." Partnerships with departments bring in alumni and special career path programs across the university. In 2018, the college negotiated an agreement between LCU and the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center School of Medicine to allow selective early admission to that school of medicine. Qualified honors students bypass the standard Medical College Admissions Test (MCAT).

Toward the Future

The Honors College aims to cap its enrollment at 250 and continue to provide a model of the highest academic excellence for the university. Long-term goals include the establishment of a distinctive Honors College degree, the Bachelor of Arts and Sciences, to allow for the broadest academic preparation at the highest levels. Above all, the college aims to continue a tradition of creating and supporting innovative academic learning, providing opportunities for faculty to teach and work in new areas, and fostering initiatives that strengthen the university overall. The Honors College works to intensify the college experience for its students, consequently multiplying the influence that such students can have on campus.

NICHE RATINGS

Niche—a leading enterprise that ranks colleges, schools, neighborhoods, and companies—bases their university rankings on rigorous analysis of academic, admissions, financial, and student life data from the U.S. Department of Education, along with millions of reviews from students and alumni.



LCU's campus ranked sixth in the state of Texas (top 5% nationally)

Top-ranked colleges [in this category] offer outstanding campus resources across classrooms, labs, performance venues, housing, food, and recreational facilities,



LCU scored highly overall, ranked the 21st-best college in Texas (top 15%), beating out all but one other school in the Lone Star Conference.

Now Featuring

FILM STUDIES

"You had me at 'Hello.'"

"These aren't the droids you're looking for."

"There's no place like home."

What do these quotes have in common? They are all part of an industry that can be studied by LCU students. Beginning in August, students were able to add a Film Studies minor to their degree plan, taking an interdisciplinary approach to studying the technical, critical, and creative aspects of film.

Courses from three different departments – English, Communications, and Digital Media – work cohesively to introduce students to the innerworkings of the entertainment industry. In the newly offered English 3326: Introduction to Film Studies course, for example, students examine not only the plot of a film's narrative, but, students leave the course with the ability to articulate things like why a low-angle zoom shot is also how and why a filmmaker might convey that narrative often used to introduce the hero or how a jump-cut edit can jar an audience into paying closer attention.

Other courses included in the minor, such as COM 3331: Television Production and DMA 3310: Digital Video, provide technical knowledge necessary for filming, editing, or broadcasting. Working with the types of recording, editing, and audio software often used in the industry, students are equipped with hands-on experience that complements

and reinforces the critical thinking developed in their English film courses.

"The film and entertainment industry is a growing field, but this minor offers a skillset that is beneficial for numerous career paths," says Dr. Macy (Bryant '14) Skipworth, an LCU instructor who has been involved in bringing the minor into effect. "A critical film studies minor can certainly pave a path for a job in the film industry, but more importantly, it is a way to broaden understanding of the functions and significance of one of society's most influential technologies: the moving image. Whether this minor provides an edge to an internship with a marketing company or it provides the knowledge to obtain that entry-level job in the technology-space, the experience developed in this interdisciplinary minor benefits students in a multitude of disciplines."

LCU plans to cultivate partnerships with alumni and colleagues in the entertainment industry to connect students with internship and career opportunities. Working in Hollywood for a production company this past summer, Skipworth saw the working relationship between universities and the film industry firsthand.

"LCU has multiple professors with strong connections to the entertainment space," she says. "We hope to foster these connections, and this new minor, in a way to help LCU students embark on their own adventure in the ever-growing industry of video production."

For more information on the new Film Minor, including the various courses it involves, view the Minor Degree Offerings page at LCU.edu



CORNERSTONE SCHOLARS

AN LCU SCHOLARSHIP FOR DIFFERENCE-MAKERS

One of the first initiatives LCU President Scott McDowell implemented upon his arrival was to create a new scholarship for difference-makers. Cornerstone Scholars is an opportunity for select incoming freshmen who have demonstrated the ability to positively impact others around them, those who are influencers for good in the lives of their peers. Cornerstone Scholars is a nomination-based, full-tuition scholarship opportunity at Lubbock Christian University that calls for student leaders who imitate Christ, the chief Cornerstone for all believers.

“The vision is to recognize the proven potential in some select prospective students – individuals who are catalysts, who will have a strong impact on the campus, and who understand Christ’s calling and our mission,” explained Dr. McDowell. The full-tuition scholarship program is available only to prospective students who are nominated by school officials, youth ministers, church mentors, or other leadership figures, and involves a rigorous on-campus interview and application process.

The person who serves as a cornerstone for any group provides leadership that points others to the true Cornerstone. They are imitators of Christ, and they are the type of student who is a “role

model”—one whose influence helps others to realize their own full potential.

“This first year, what I’m doing with Tanner, Kamryn, Ethan, and Bridget—the first four recipients of this scholarship—is meeting with them every other week, mentoring them, spending time in the Word with them, and enhancing their leadership potential,” shared Dr. McDowell. Aside from personal mentorship by the university president, the Cornerstone Scholars assist in hosting university events, LCU Board of Trustee meetings, and assisting prospective students during their campus tours. The students are fully immersed in campus life as they engage in student-led activities and live in campus housing.

The inaugural group consists of four students—Tanner Higgins, Brigitte Selman, Ethan Schletewitz, and Kamryn Lucas—and Dr. McDowell would ideally like to grow that number to five annual scholarships. His belief in this program is underscored by his family’s own contribution to the resources needed for this inaugural program—the McDowells fully funded one of the initial four scholarships.

“I really believe in the transformational power of the Christ-centered university experience,” McDowell explained, “but I

also know that the students themselves must be engaged in the transformation process. I look back at the twenty-five-plus years I’ve spend in higher education, and I can share story after story about the transformation I have witnessed in students over the years. Those that emerged as leaders certainly had God-given abilities but walking with them and helping them to dig deeper and discover more about themselves has been some of the most fulling and exhilarating experiences I ever had. We lived life with these students—maybe nudging a little, but mainly just encouraging what was already there within each student. And we had a front row seat as we saw them flourish and take their place in leading their peers.”

“There is a saying that, ‘smart kids go where smart kids go.’ Well, the same thing holds true with regard to character—good kids go where good kids go,” he continued. “We are a university where high-quality students want to come—not to retreat from the world—but to have a place where they can be among others with common values as they fully prepare to be difference-makers in the world. *That* is something I’m incredibly passionate about.”

For more information on the Cornerstone Scholars program, go to: LCU.edu/Cornerstone-Scholars

LCU FACULTY

Equipping for Future Opportunities

The landscape of higher education is changing at a tumultuous pace, as universities face 21st century opportunities such as increased diversity, emerging technologies, and ever-evolving skills needed by our students for post-graduate work and for the workforce. One way that Lubbock Christian University has worked to address these challenges is by establishing the Center for Teaching, Learning, and Scholarship (CTLS), serving those who are most directly involved with students and their learning—the faculty.

The Center for Teaching, Learning, and Scholarship (CTLS) was launched in 2018 with the stated purpose to promote and sustain academic excellence on the Lubbock Christian University campus through ongoing support for faculty at all stages of their career related to teaching, learning, and scholarship. Housed in the offices above the Betty Hancock Parlor, the CTLS is led by founding director, Dr. Cathy Box.

Since its inception, the CTLS has launched new and innovative programs, hosted a variety of professional development opportunities, and supported faculty in unique and personalized ways. It continues to adapt to the ever-changing needs of faculty as they work to



CENTER FOR TEACHING,
LEARNING, & SCHOLARSHIP

provide high-quality education to students, furthering LCU's mission to transform students for lives of purpose and service. Recent initiatives of the CTLS are:

- 1 Faculty development is offered every year for all new or early-career faculty

to introduce them to the three pillars of higher education: teaching, scholarship, and service, and to help them get acquainted with the university and with each other. Cohorts of new faculty meet weekly and study topics such as the nature of teaching and learning, how to engage students, innovative uses of technology, engaging in scholarly work, and more.





Dr. Byron Rogers ('81) and Dr. Ashley (Ray '10) Cherry participate in one of the weekly professional development sessions.



Librarian Associate Professor, Barbara Slate ('00), studies the posters and research of her fellow LCU faculty at the Celebration of Scholarship Faculty Luncheon during the week of President McDowell's inauguration.

- 2 The CTLS has created several events and programs that focus on supporting faculty in their scholarly work:

WRITING SCHOLARS: a year-long program for three faculty members that supports them as they work toward publication. It includes weekly meetings, a designated writing time, and a summer writing retreat.

FACULTY CORNER: a designated area on campus that gives faculty members the technology and space needed to conduct research,

BITESIZED PDS: weekly professional development sessions (PDS) led by experienced LCU faculty that facilitates sharing of expertise and knowledge related to scholarship, and

IT'S ABOUT SCHOLARSHIP: Suggestions and Strategies—weekly e-mails by guest contributors on campus, addressing issues related to getting published and other scholarly endeavors.

- 3 The CTLS makes grants available to all faculty through an application process, offering support for travel, materials, or research and development.
- 4 The CTLS hosts opportunities for faculty to build their repertoire of teaching and learning strategies including:

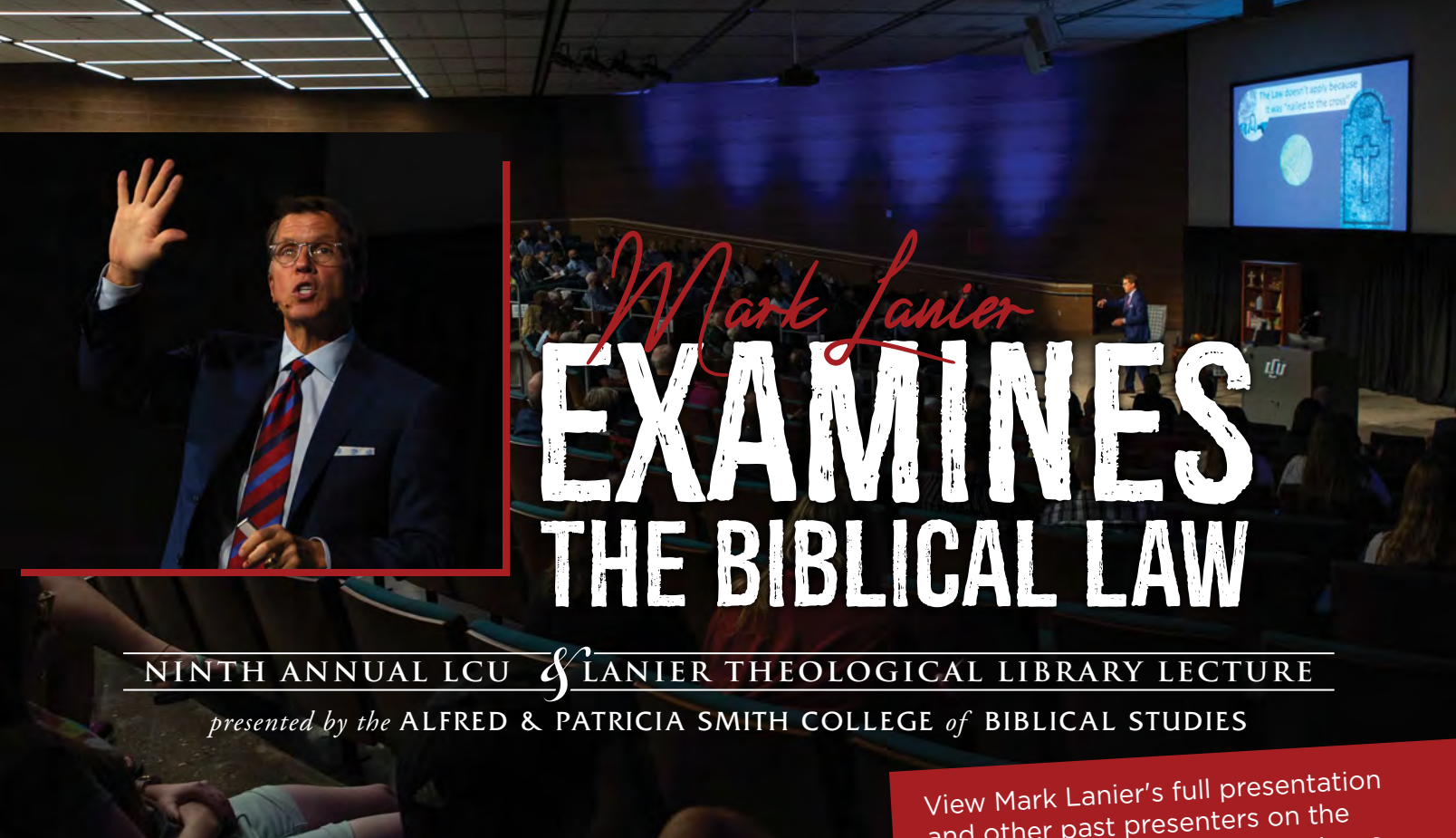
FACULTY DEVELOPMENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS: Offered during fall faculty conferences, these faculty-led PDs allow professors to learn best practices and effective teaching and learning strategies from their colleagues.

THE TEACHING CAFÉ: At this biannual event, faculty host a 'learning table' and share teaching strategies with their colleagues.

ONLINE TRAINING: During the pandemic pivot, several sessions were offered to faculty to enhance their abilities to teach remotely.

- 5 The CTLS has hosted book studies, faculty devotionals, and helped produce the Celebration of Scholarship publication, a magazine featuring faculty accomplishments.

The continued efforts of the CTLS will empower LCU faculty by equipping them with opportunities for personal and professional development as they discover and implement the newest improvements in pedagogy. The university is grateful to the Bundy Family Foundation for their generous funding that makes the Center for Teaching, Learning, and Scholarship possible for LCU Faculty.



Mark Lanier EXAMINES THE BIBLICAL LAW

NINTH ANNUAL LCU & LANIER THEOLOGICAL LIBRARY LECTURE

presented by the ALFRED & PATRICIA SMITH COLLEGE of BIBLICAL STUDIES

View Mark Lanier's full presentation and other past presenters on the Lanier Theological Library Lectures page at LCU.edu

LCU's ninth annual Lanier Theological Library Lectures event featured the library's namesake himself, nationally renowned civil trial lawyer and Lubbock native, Mark Lanier.

Lanier's depth of experience in several diverse fields gives him a unique perspective—one that was evident in his evening lecture titled: "Examining the Biblical Law." Lanier commented, "There are three roads in my life that have converged—the road of a lawyer, the road of someone who studied the Old Testament and learned Hebrew, and the road of someone who believes that the Bible is God's word. There aren't a lot of people who bring those three circles into a Venn diagram with anything left in the middle."

"A lot of people struggle with thinking, 'What does the Old Testament have to do with me?' Most people get that we're not supposed to murder, steal, lie, or bear false witness—but what's this stuff about not wearing clothes of mixed fibers? Why aren't we honoring the Sabbath on the Sabbath, which starts when the sun goes down on Friday night—that's one of the Ten Commandments—and how do we handle these dietary laws?" Lanier explained, "Looking at those questions—taking the text seriously, but also seeing them from a legal perspective—is fascinating to me, and it's exciting to get to share those thoughts at LCU."

Living daily with the demands of his career and the desire for a godly life, Lanier recognizes the importance and challenge of finding daily time to spend in God's Word. Mark has devoted his life to studying and living the Bible,

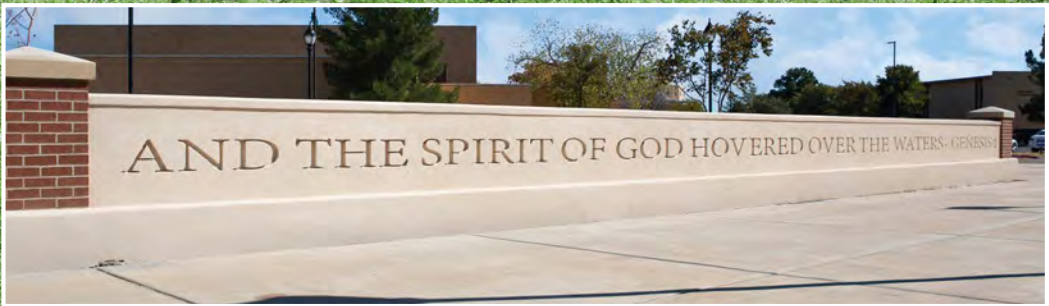
teaching Bible classes

in person at Champion Forest Baptist Church, as well as via the internet and through print. He has also authored several books, including *Christianity on Trial*, and his most recently published volume, *Torah for Living: Daily Prayers, Wisdom, and Guidance*, which is a devotional study of the first five books of the Bible—the Torah, the Law. That passion is what drove him to create the Lanier Theological Library, through which he has helped bring speakers and scholars of international acclaim to speak at LCU over the past nine years.

"I grew up in Lubbock—I graduated from Coronado High School, graduated from the Texas Tech School of Law, and did some of my undergraduate work here at LCU. I loved when great national speakers would come in—it was a nice bit of exposure that you don't always get in Lubbock," Lanier shared. "So, when LCU gave us a chance to personally help find some of those people and bring them in, I found it to be a thrilling opportunity."

The founder of the Lanier Law Firm lives in Houston, Texas, and maintains offices in New York, Houston, and Los Angeles. Lanier was selected as the Texas Tech University School of Law Distinguished Alumnus for 2005 and serves on the law school's Foundation Board and has previously served on the Lubbock Christian University Foundation Board.

around campus





The face of the former Mabee Science Building has been preserved in a sign in front of the entrance to the Ling Science Center proclaiming our foundational belief that God is the author of all creation and truth. The back of the sign concludes the scripture found in Genesis 1.

"In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters." —Genesis 1:1-2

Q SERVING LCU STUDENTS IN UARAN AND ISOLATION



Dining Services employee Qui Scott, Admissions Advisor and Mabee Hall Residence Director Brett Morte ('12), and Chef Randy White prepare meals for quarantined students.

From the start, the fall 2020 semester felt different from any that came before. For one thing, it followed the longest span of time without students on campus in the university's 64-year history, as classes had converted to distance learning in mid-March due to COVID-19 safety concerns.

Yet, even as faculty, staff, and students were all anxious for in-person instruction to resume in August, the end of the summer brought with it the implementation of innumerable precautions, preparations, and procedures to ensure the safety of every member of the LCU community as the pandemic continued. Classrooms were resituated to ensure proper social distancing, chapel functions rearranged, cleaning protocols adopted, and masks ordered. But perhaps none of the tasks were more daunting than preparing for how to care for the daily needs of students who would need to go into quarantine or isolation.

Lubbock Christian University staff working with students who were quarantined or isolated due to exposure or infection by COVID-19 view their new duties not as an obligation, but rather as a chance to truly serve those students better than ever before.

Sunny Park ('17), Director of Residential Life, along with many other members of the Student Life team, made step-by-step plans for how to take care of any students requiring



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quarantine or isolation before anyone even showed up on campus back in August. Park oversees the housing team—those who most directly deal with students impacted by Coronavirus, and the first step the team takes when a student tests positive for COVID-19 is to perform contact tracing.

“It depends on who it is,” explains Jordan Meuse (’12), residence director for Johnson Hall. “If the student is an athlete, then the athletic trainers will do the contact tracing. If they’re an on-campus residential student, someone from our housing team will do it—if they’re off-campus, then it’s usually the medical clinic. Contact tracing is a whole form that the health department created that we fill out to find out who the student has been around in the last 48 hours, if they traveled—all sorts of questions like that. Based on that form and some follow-up conversations, we determine who else might need to be quarantined.”

The second step in the process is to actually place the students in their isolation rooms. “For guys, that’s going to be Johnson Hall, where we have a whole hallway for quarantine or isolation. For the women, we use the Rec Center rooms on the ground floor.”

Abby (White ’17) Williams, the residence director for Katie Rogers Hall, added, “We also have had several students opt to go stay at their homes, as well.”

Once the student is moved into their new accommodations,

Park coordinates with LCU Dining Services, Disability Services, the Medical Clinic, and any other relevant resources that a student might need to work with while medically quarantined or isolated.

“I let them know they’ll be getting a hot meal at the door at five o’clock with a breakfast and a lunch for the next day,” she explains.” She also includes counseling information in her correspondence. “We deal with some mental health issues—after a few days alone, people can get a little worried, depressed, or start dealing with anxiety. The Counseling Center offers counseling over the phone, and we make sure they have that access.”

The Student Life office contacts each student’s professors, but students are highly encouraged to also reach out on their own to communicate with their instructors.

True to LCU’s nature, once housing arrangements are made and students are settled, the team’s focus turns toward mental support. “We encourage other people to FaceTime, call, or text them,” Park explained. “We wear masks and appropriately distance from them so we can visit at least once a day to check in. It’s tough, because they go to that isolation room with just a bag, their pillow, their blankets, and their toiletries, and it’s this stark, empty room with nothing on the walls, very different from their own room.”

One way that Park and her team worked to combat the harshness of that transition was sending out an email across campus asking for encouraging notes to include with each person's daily meal. "We were bombarded with responses," she shared. "So isolated and quarantined students got a note at least two times a week, so that they knew someone's thinking of them."

The efforts the housing staff have made in taking care of these students have been immense, from the long and irregular hours to the emotional strain of working with students in such a stressful capacity, and Park is grateful that the LCU community has been willing to step in and help.

"We've asked people to help deliver food—that in itself can be a lot." At one point, the team delivered nearly 40 daily meals throughout campus—bagging the food, transporting it into their vehicles, and delivering that package to each student's room. "Individually, it doesn't take very long to do, but it's just more of a manpower issue," she said, explaining the impact of the help. "I'm thrilled that faculty and staff volunteered for the entire semester with the first few days of when we asked for the help—it was awesome."

Even with the stresses of the added duties on top of their regular responsibilities, Park's team recognizes the power of being able to help students through such a difficult time.

"As frustrating and difficult as this year has been, we're seeing opportunities we might never have had with students because they're in quarantine and isolation," explained Meuse. "It's a different way of serving—it's just ministry in a different form. I think whatever we can do to show Jesus, even if it's delivering food, it's letting these students get to know us, and us them. That's really what it's all about—they want to feel like this is their home."

Williams agreed. "You can tell they feel awful and sick, and to be able to pour into them in that moment is so powerful," she said. "I know they're not home; I know they don't feel good; I know they're scared; and I know they're worried. But it is part of our job to instill hope and to love, and to provide that to them in those moments. That is what makes LCU so different—we aren't leaving them to fend for themselves—we're helping take care of them."

Park also emphasized how much of a community effort the entire operation really is. "Dustin Driskill (head athletic trainer) and his crew are doing such a fantastic job with athletics. Where we're dealing with one or two new cases on any given day, athletics are dealing with whole teams at a time, and then having to do the contact tracing on all of that. And then there's the medical clinic—Darla Stewart (university nurse) and Dr. Jeff Smith (university medical doctor) have been working very long hours. Robert Smith ('11) and Austin Halliday ('08) in the IT department have been a huge support for us, as have the Disability Services staff—Izzy Mirandas ('12) and Justin Archer ('04)—contacting professors and letting them know that these students will need to attend class digitally while in isolation."

Meuse chimed in, "I think one of the things that a lot of people don't realize is that Chef Randy White and Salvador Aguirre (food services director) in Dining Services are working tirelessly, not only cooking for everyone on campus, but adding an entirely different set of meals for those in quarantine."

"And you should see the amount of food these students get," Park added. "It's a huge bag—two cereals, two cartons of milk, two orange juices or apple juices, fruits, vegetables, salads, a sandwich with chips, vegetables to go with the hot meal, Gatorades and snacks—the bag is almost too heavy to carry. Our quarantined students didn't go hungry."

"Even in academics, when professors are recording classes and making sure their students have what they need," she added. "It's not just affecting the students, or housing, or athletics—it's affecting the entire community."

"I think the majority of us, if you ask around, will tell you that since March, this has been the hardest that we've

worked in our jobs," she continued, "and that's not a bad thing. Some of us have been doing our jobs for a long time, and we are constantly asking ourselves how we can better serve our students. But this year added a whole new wrinkle, and it has been both challenging and exhilarating. It has spurred me on to do things that I never thought I would do. Even through all the difficulty, pain, and struggles, it has been very gratifying to see the blessings that have come from the way this year has affected our campus."



The creativity of faculty and staff and their deep love for students was evidenced in the generous response for encouraging notes like this one.

BUSINESS AS A CALLING



McLANE GROUP
Leading the Charge

DRAYTON MCLANE FEATURED GUEST AT LCU

LCU's 6th annual Business as a Calling event featured Drayton McLane, Jr., a highly-successful businessman and philanthropist. McLane shared with members of the LCU community and local business professionals several lessons learned over his long career in the business field, including a number of stories recounting the power of his faith and how those beliefs inform his strategy for business.

"As you go through life, with personal opportunities or business opportunities, you have to match those up with what your faith is," McLane emphasized. "Of course, it will develop as you go through life, but that firm foundation is so important."

While his presentation was to Lubbock business leaders, he also shared insights with the LCU business students who were in the audience. One bit of advice included his three rules for risk-taking:

1. Never do anything immoral, illegal, or not in good Christian faith.
2. Whatever you do, don't bet the company store on it.
3. If it blows up, are you still alive?

McLane went on to say, "If you didn't violate any moral values or laws, and if you had a million dollars, but you only invested \$300,000, and it blows up (and it could have blown your hair and all your clothes off you), but you're still alive – you're in great shape and you've learned something! If you make a mistake in business and can say, 'If I can just change these three things, I think I can make it.'—that is what is so much fun about business."

McLane serves as chairman of the McLane Group and is the former CEO of the Houston Astros Baseball Club. Throughout his 30-year career, this native Texan and acclaimed businessman, leader, and generous philanthropist propelled the McLane Company into a nineteen-billion-dollar enterprise, achieving an average annual growth rate of over thirty percent. Following the McLane Company's merger with Walmart, Inc., in 1990, he became vice-chairman of Walmart while maintaining his position at the McLane Company. After playing key roles in the growth and productivity of these entities, he resigned in order to devote more time to the McLane Group, a parent company consisting of family-owned companies operating throughout the world, which until November of 2011 included the Houston Astros, where he served as Chairman and CEO.

"Drayton McLane, Jr. came to support us because he believes in the mission of Christian education and in the mission of Lubbock Christian University," said Dean of the LCU School of Business Matt Bumstead. "This is an extraordinary place—and our world needs it now more than ever. As businesspeople, we take seriously our commitment to prepare graduates who will lift this region to new heights. Graduates who, when they leave here, not only have the proper skills, but also know how to be great teammates and be people of humility and strong character. People who will come to work every single day and make an impact—a real and lasting difference. People who, when the time is right, will provide exceptional leadership to the communities around them."

LEGEND *in* BRONZE

STATUE HONORS FOUNDING
PRESIDENT F.W. MATTOX

"I stood out on this campus and envisioned these buildings. I heard the chorus sing. I heard the band play. I saw the graduates march across a stage to receive their diplomas when there wasn't a building in sight. That vision has been with us from the beginning. We did envision great things."

— DR. F.W. MATTOX,
Founding President of LCU, 1956-1974

These words were spoken by Dr. Mattox in his very last address and visit on the LCU campus, during chapel in the McDonald Moody Auditorium in 1994. They are also engraved on a bronze plaque at the foot of the new statue of his likeness, situated on the steps of that same auditorium where he passionately spoke them. This beautiful statue honoring LCU's founding president was installed early in 2020.

Having a statue of Dr. Mattox on the LCU campus to honor his legacy had been a dream for several years of alumnus Reagan Fletcher ('72). Fletcher had often visited with close friends and fellow alums, Bob ('74) and Brenda (McNair '73) Cass, and other alumni, about getting a statue of Mattox on the campus. They eventually looped in fellow alum, Bill Bundy ('83), and the idea began to grow legs.



LCU Alumni and former Skippers of Sub T-16, Bob Cass (left), Bill Bundy (center), and Reagan Fletcher (right) met in artist Vic Payne's Wyoming studio to authorize the release of the clay sculpture to the foundry for production.



Bob Cass recalled, “It finally took off about three years ago, when Bill, Reagan, and I found ourselves at the same table during the Sub T-16 Homecoming breakfast. The more we talked, the more we realized that while we were Subbers (and, therefore, not to be taken seriously), the three of us had retired from very different career fields that gave us the combination of skills to pull it off. With little more thought than that, a project was born!”

They were each passionate about the project because of their love and admiration for Mattox, who was the president from 1956 to 1974. They each fondly remembered his amazing presence and his willingness to do literally anything that needed to be done. Fletcher recalled, “He was always in motion, scurrying down the mall somewhere—always in action. The newly constructed Moody [Auditorium] was to have been finished for the fall of 1968, but it wasn’t quite ready when the semester started. So, every evening after dinner in the cafeteria at the start of that semester, we would walk through the Moody to see what had been done that day. One Sunday night, word spread through the dorm that if volunteers



The installation of the statue was a collaboration of the LCU Facilities team and the Wyoming artist, Vic Payne. Cast in bronze and weighing approximately

would show up, we could get the seats installed and have chapel there the next morning. When several of us got there, we saw Dr. and Mrs. Mattox on their knees, bolting down the seats.”

Those associated with the university during the early days when it was a college, remember that Dr. Mattox could often be found out in the mall area on a tractor or with a shovel in his hands, working to make improvements to the new college. In 1965, he was on top of the burning cafeteria trying to extinguish the fire that eventually destroyed the building. His can-do attitude was infectious, inspiring faculty, staff, and students to work alongside him as together they built a college. Bundy shared, “I don’t believe LCU would have made it without Dr. Mattox. He had a ‘never quit’ attitude, and his work ethic was phenomenal. He was a very special person that God led to LCU, and He equipped Dr. Mattox with the necessary skills to make it work.”

Fletcher, Cass, and Bundy are all former Skippers (Presidents) from the 1970s of the LCU men’s social club, Sub T-16. The three formed a committee, each playing to their strengths, and they all insisted that this would be a “Sub T-16 project.” Coincidentally, Mattox was a “Subber” while a student Harding University. Bundy helped with fundraising, Cass was the administrator for the project, and

Fletcher served as the liaison with the artist. Bill Bundy said, “This was a very, very special project for me. It really brought together all generations of ‘Subbers’ from LCU. There are very few things that bring and mesh a group like this into a really strong, unified group, but this project did.”

Vic Payne, an artist specializing in outdoor sculpture from Wyoming was vetted and then commissioned to create the Mattox statue. The group met with Payne via phone, spending several hours visiting about the project and sharing their remembrances and impressions of Mattox. They contacted the university and family members to get copies of photographs of Mattox from the 19 years he served as president.

Payne covered the walls of his studio in Wyoming with hundreds of pictures of Mattox to immerse himself into the persona of the larger-than-life former president. The group had to decide what age they wanted to portray Mattox, as well as what the likeness of him would be “doing” as it was cast in bronze. They considered several options, including an academic-looking cap and gown, but most of those ideas seemed too formal. They finally decided on dress slacks with a dress shirt and necktie with sleeves rolled up. Fletcher elaborated, “We wanted to capture that sort of roll-up-your-sleeves type of look – which is almost always how we would see Dr. Mattox around the campus.”

The artist provided a Marquette to the group so that they would see a smaller representation of the statue. The group liked the direction the artist had taken and was able to garner the opinion of a few family members to ensure the image accurately represented Dr. Mattox. Over the next several months, Payne began sculpting the statue that would be 1.5 times bigger than Dr. Mattox's actual frame.

Cass reflected, "Up to the point of selecting a sculptor, the whole enterprise seemed grounded more in our minds than in reality. In August of 2019, Bill, DeeDee (Johnson '77), Reagan, Brenda and I travelled to Vic Payne's studio in Meeteetse, WY. Our objectives were simple – check out what Vic had done and, if we were satisfied, authorize him to ship it to the foundry. What I assumed would be a fairly simple matter turned out to be a far more profound experience than any of us had anticipated. To this day, I am unable to conjure up language that adequately captures our collective response. Suffice it to say that Vic took the simple idea we'd kicked around at the Sub T-16 breakfast and elevated it to something worthy of a great man like Dr. Mattox."



1,500 pounds, the statue was put in place with a crane. Facilities employee, Buddy Smith drills holes in the pedestal to secure its position.

Payne had already told the group that if they liked the clay rendering, he would get it to the foundry and be able to have the finished statue delivered to Lubbock in January so that it could be installed and ready for a dedication ceremony during Homecoming 2020.

The statue arrived on campus on January 8 and was installed that same day. It was immediately draped in cloth in anticipation of the formal unveiling and dedication ceremony following Alumni Chapel on the steps of the McDonald Moody Auditorium three weeks later.

"When I learned that a formal 'unveiling' was to be held during Homecoming, I knew that someone from the immediate family needed to be there. Daddy has only two children—my brother, Dr. Joe Mattox of Wilmington, NC, and myself. Since Joe was unable to go, it fell to me to fly from Florida to be there. I have rarely had such a pleasant 'task,'" offered Patti Mattox Bryant.

Other family members were on hand for the ceremony including two of Patti's children, Becki (Bryant) Howard (who attended LCU in '83-'84) and David Mattox Bryant ('83). Also, able to attend the dedication were Dr. Mattox's niece Dr. Emily (Young '65) Lemley and several other cousins and second cousins.

At the conclusion of alumni chapel, an announcement was made by the current Sub T-16 Skipper, Austin Moreno ('20), inviting

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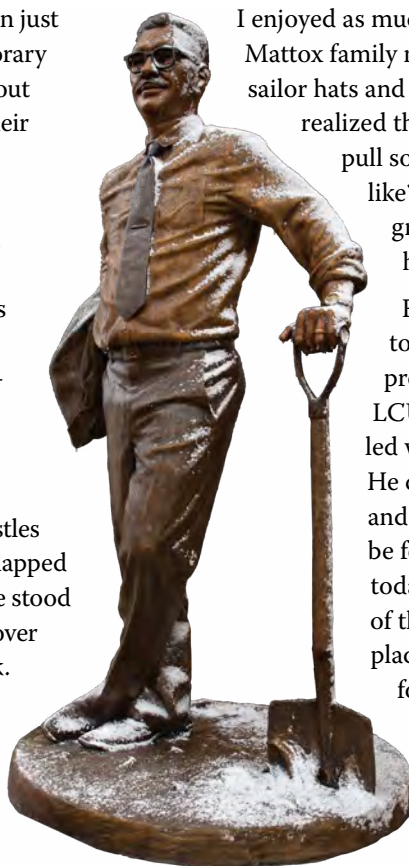
Artist Vic Payne (left) oversees installation and polishes the statue of Dr. Mattox (center) as it is unwrapped and secured to its base (right).

all those in attendance to attend the dedication just outside the auditorium entrance and be Honorary Sub T-16 members for that day only, passing out sailor caps to each person in recognition of their temporary status as honorary members.

A very large crowd gathered in front of the auditorium steps, while family members and Sub T members flanked the draped statue. With great fanfare, the statue was unveiled as blue, white, and silver confetti and hundreds of sailor caps filled the air above the crowd—a vivid moment frozen in time and held in the memories of all who were there.

Patti Bryant remembers, “We pulled the veil off, and sailor hats flew high into the air. Whistles were blown and shouts went up. The crowd clapped wildly. Then came the moment of truth. There stood F. W. Mattox, in his good suit, jacket thrown over his arm, shovel in hand. He was ready to work. Just like I had seen him many times. I could almost hear my mother calling out, ‘Billy, those are your new pants! You need to change!’ It was perfect!”

Bob Cass added, “I spent a lot of time on the LCU campus and have more than my share of great memories. I can think of few, though, that



I enjoyed as much as the unveiling. Confetti cannons, Mattox family members, an audience decked out in sailor hats and the looks of surprise when people realized that a group of Subbers could actually pull something like this off—what’s not to like?! As I told Reagan and Bill, it was a great day when great friends met to honor a great man.”

Fletcher concluded, “We wanted people to remember who he was and what a profound impact he had on this place. LCU wouldn’t be here today if he hadn’t led well and done the things he had done. He deserved to be honored for his sacrifice and amazing influence that continues to be felt on the campus, even today. Many of today’s students have no real knowledge of the dynamic man who envisioned this place and worked to make it a reality for all of us. We hope the statue of Dr. Mattox reminds them of the sacrifice he and many others made all those years ago to position LCU to be the great university that it is today.”



Sailor hats fly high after the unveiling (left). Past and present Sub T-16 members and sweethearts (center). Bill Bundy crowns the statue with a Skipper hat (right).

A full-page portrait of Scott McDowell, President of LCU, smiling and wearing a dark blue suit and a bright blue tie. He is standing in a room with a large potted plant and a framed picture in the background.

PRESIDENT

Scott McDowell
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AS THIS

The appointment of Scott McDowell, Ed.D. as LCU's seventh president was announced in the spring of 2020. While his tenure may have begun during one of the most tumultuous times in the university's 64-year history, that hasn't stopped Dr. McDowell from embracing the challenges with an adaptive faithfulness that demonstrates his love for God and his growing love for the place he now calls home.

"We chose LCU long before they chose us," said Dr. McDowell, referring to the year 2017 when the McDowell family visited LCU as a potential place for their son Cade to attend and play basketball—his first true encounter with the university. "We were blown away by the beauty of the campus—I had been on campus a couple of times before, but I hadn't been in five or six years. Coach Todd Duncan was so hospitable to us, and he told Cade he wanted to go ahead and do an official visit. Cade is very serious about academics, and we saw really good things, a very impressive science program."

Everything clicked, and Cade eagerly made the choice to attend LCU. “I kind of got pulled in as a parent to see some things that were very positive—it says a lot when you hear things from your son like, ‘Things are going well, this is a really special place.’ And so, we already held LCU in the highest esteem.” Cade, now a junior, started LCU in the fall of 2018.

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lens as a customer, a consumer of higher education, but then when I started looking at it through another lens, I thought, ‘Oh my goodness, I could be a part of this.’ And the more I dug, the more I saw alignment with the vision and the values – what this place was and what this place aspires to be.”

As he began having conversations with representatives from Carter Baldwin—the search firm helping LCU with

Then, in 2019, LCU’s sixth president L. Timothy Perrin (’84) announced that he would be stepping down. “I’m a big Tim Perrin fan,” Dr. McDowell shared. “I mean, I just love what he’s about—a man of exceptional character, vision, and leadership. When we heard he was leaving, we couldn’t stop thinking about how much we already loved this place, and started thinking, ‘Maybe this is a fit for us.’ Starting with that interest, we began really digging into what kind of institution LCU is, and the more we looked, the alignment of our values became crystal clear. I saw LCU through one

the transition—Dr. McDowell was impressed. “Every step of the way, I couldn’t help but say, ‘Okay, this is really something that I think I want to do.’ I truly felt that I had been prepared for this, knowing that I’ve desired to do this kind of work. I felt—and feel—very much led to be here.”

The LCU Presidential Search Committee agreed, and on February 27, 2020, the LCU Board of Trustees officially announced Dr. Scott McDowell as the university’s seventh president in a special chapel ceremony—an occasion that would normally garner headline news across the region. However, Dr. McDowell recalled that the top story of the day was not, in fact, the university’s announcement, which did appear on the front page below the fold of the *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal*. The top news story of the day appearing above LCU’s announcement featured an in-depth story about what would become the COVID-19 pandemic, perhaps the most dramatic influence of the year 2020.

In a matter of only three weeks’ time, it became apparent the pandemic would change everything, and LCU’s new president would be leading in uncharted territory. LCU, like most other universities across the nation was caught in the wave of the pandemic – spring break was extended for an immediate shift to online learning; students, faculty, and staff all made the change to working from home; and the first day of Dr. McDowell’s tenure as LCU’s seventh president, an ironic April 1 that should have been announced with fanfare and celebration, was instead marked by a very quiet campus, a few social media posts, and website banners.

The start of the McDowell presidency didn’t look anything like anyone had predicted—but instead of lamenting, Dr. McDowell met the challenge head-on, playing to his strengths. A firm believer in Tom Rath’s Strengths Finder book, Dr. McDowell shared his top assets as a leader.

“My number-one strength is adaptability. I don’t like the fact that all the plans change, but it doesn’t paralyze me. Let’s find Plan B, and let’s move on that.” In the midst of circumstances like the ones that have defined the year 2020, that trait has proved invaluable.

Dr. McDowell’s number-two strength? Communication. “In a season like this, you’ve got to communicate more than you ever thought you would. I’ve heard that a leader should over-communicate by a factor of 10—this year, it probably needs to be a factor of 100.”

One immediate expression of this priority was the weekly COVID updates that Dr. McDowell shared throughout the early pandemic regarding information on policy changes, responses to new information about the pandemic, and

other vital COVID-related communications. He also hosted virtual information sessions with LCU parents throughout the spring and summer, through which he answered questions and concerns from the community and shared broader plans for what became known as the LCU Face2Face Initiative—the plan to safely return to in-person instruction in the fall of 2020.

Another large part of the beginning of Dr. McDowell's tenure consisted of meetings—meetings with board members, departments, student leadership, student government, deans, and members of the executive leadership team—both virtual and in-person, where his goal wasn't sharing, but instead listening.

"My fundamental philosophy coming in was that I really wanted to listen," he explained. "I'm a big believer in collective vision-building. I read an article in the *Chronicle of Higher Education*, that described genuine leadership as not trying to get buy-in, but truly listening and collectively saying, 'Okay, let's craft this together.' There's a genuine humility that says, 'I don't have this all figured out, I really do believe that the sum is greater than the parts.'"

Through all the chaos in which his tenure began, Dr. McDowell was overwhelmed by the support he experienced—both from those at LCU, the greater Lubbock community and beyond. "People have been so gracious and so kind," he shared. "Our Board of Trustees has been so encouraging, and the students that I've met with have been sweet-spirited. Anytime you start something new, you are going to have a honeymoon period, but people have, I think, been particularly gracious, asking repeatedly how they can come alongside us through this. I've had the opportunity to meet with Lubbock Mayor Dan Pope, the president of the Lubbock Chamber of Commerce, and other community leaders. Each of them has been incredibly gracious and welcoming."

Even as he worked hard to listen and learn from others at LCU and throughout Lubbock, Dr. McDowell shared some of his vision for what he believes are keys to helping LCU maintain and grow its momentum. His top priority: the spiritual health and direction of the university.

"I want to double-down on being a Christ-centered university. The fact that we have Christian in the center of our name is a big deal—it's something we take seriously. We need to always point toward Christ. We're not going to force that on our students – we're going to invite them into that."

"A key part of being Christ-centered is making sure we're not just secular education with add-ons," he continued. "We're not a Christian university just because we've got Bible courses and chapel. It's not an add-on model—we're different from our very core. We recognize that our students are made in the image of God, they have inherent value and worth—and we take that stewardship very seriously."

For Dr. McDowell, that focus on faith is inextricably tied to stellar academics. "We want to be God-honoring in everything we do," he explained, "so there is no excuse for sub-par academic work. I've had several conversations with new faculty hires throughout this year, and we have so many different people coming in who take that mission seriously. It sounds very simple, but I've got a role-model



President McDowell poses with students on the first day of classes in fall 2020.

test: I don't want to hire anyone I wouldn't want my own kids to be like. I want people who are individuals of character with a devotion to the craft of teaching and their own scholarship, and who certainly love their students and their God."

Dr. McDowell's number-four strength is maximizing—the ability and drive to take something from being good to being great. "A healthy organization with good people is a

Scott McDowell INAUGURATION

SEPTEMBER 27–OCTOBER 1, 2020



MONDAY, SEPT 28: Keegan Stewart ('19) facilitates questions in a special "Ask Me Anything" chapel featuring President McDowell.



MONDAY, SEPT 28: Dr. Kent Gallaher delivered the keynote address "The Christ-Centered Classroom" at the Celebration of Scholarship Faculty Luncheon.



THURSDAY, OCT 1: President McDowell hosted a breakfast for other university presidents and chancellors who attended the Investiture Ceremony.

President Scott McDowell was officially inaugurated in the Rip Griffin Center on October 1, at an Investiture Ceremony attended by LCU students, faculty, staff, and delegate representation from numerous other universities and learned societies from across the nation, including Presidents and Chancellors from ten other universities. The ceremony featured greetings and words of welcome via video-recorded messages from Representative of Texas's 19th Congressional District Jodey Arrington, Lubbock Mayor Dan Pope, President of the Council for Christian Colleges and Universities Shirley Hoogstra, and President of Texas Tech University Dr. Lawrence Schovanec. The LCU Symphonic Band and Praise Choir performed several pieces around which various speakers offered greetings, scripture readings, and prayers.

During his acceptance speech, Dr. McDowell expressed his desire to follow the legacy of humility and faithfulness left by the preceding presidents.

"Can you lead a university from your knees?" he asked. "Can you lead a university through prayer and utter reliance on God? As I planned this speech, my intent was to raise that question and to tell you that, while I believed that you could, one thing was for certain—I was going to tell you, 'We are going to find out!' That is, until yesterday when I met with Dr. Lemley, Dr. Jones, and Tim Perrin, along with their incredible wives, and I discovered that this university has *always* been led from the knees. LCU has *always* been a university bathed in prayer and led by presidents and first ladies who wholeheartedly believed in and practiced prayer."

"What I can tell you definitively today is that we will *continue* to lead LCU from our knees."

THURSDAY, OCT 1:

Investiture ceremonies were opened by LCU Provost Dr. Foy Mills, Jr. ('80).

Dr. David Young, senior minister at North Boulevard Church of Christ in Murfreesboro, TN delivered the inaugural address.



“We will continue to lead LCU from our knees.”

WEDNESDAY, SEPT 30: *Former LCU presidents and first ladies gathered for a luncheon together - Tim ('84) & Lucy (Leard '86) Perrin, Ken & Suzie Jones, Emily (Young '65) and Steve Lemley ('65), and Kay & Scott McDowell.*



WEDNESDAY, SEPT 30: *President McDowell addresses students on the McDonald Moody steps at the long-standing traditional Wednesday night devotional.*



THURSDAY, OCT 1: *Investiture ceremonies officially installed Scott McDowell as the seventh president of Lubbock Christian University.*



great combination, and I think we've got a phenomenal group of people here," he said. "I want to blow wind in the sails of these people already here, even as we bring others to continue in that great momentum."

In his short time on campus, the new university president has identified several priorities where he sees opportunity for growth—the first of which is investing in faculty. "We need endowed chairs in each of our colleges," he emphasized. "We'll start with five endowed chairs at \$2 million each. The earnings from that amount of endowment will help us be competitive in hiring additional well-qualified faculty and keep them fresh with continual training—really investing in them."

"I also want us to be strengths-based," McDowell continued. "We equip students to discover their creative purpose and embrace their place in God's story. We help students figure out what they're made for, and Strengths Finder is tailor-made for that. The best people rely on their strengths, manage around their weaknesses, and invent ways of bringing their strengths into every situation. We want to help students figure out what their strengths are, where they're naturally gifted and talented, and help them hone those traits. When we are in our A-game, when we're in our strength-zone—that's when we fully come alive. And that's what I want for our students. When we love them well, the best thing we can do for our students is to truly help them become who they were created to be."

Another key area for growth for Dr. McDowell is in cultivating diversity across campus. "From day one, I have been intentional about attracting underrepresented groups to be a part of our faculty and staff. There's a lot of competition for people who have the credentials and we need to step up our game in recruiting them. We've got good diversity in our student body," he explained, "but that also needs to be reflected in the people we hire. I understand that doesn't change immediately, but we're going to move intentionally in that direction."

For Dr. McDowell, this issue is about more than just numbers—it's tied directly to the university's

THURSDAY, OCT 1:

Chairman of the Board, Terry Creech ('81) congratulates the newly invested LCU president Scott McDowell.

In attendance were (L-R): Wayne Clark, Frank Harmon, and Gaston Tarbet who were members of the first graduating class of 1959.

mission. “Especially as racial tension has increased and clear problems with injustice have emerged, we have to remember that we are ministers of reconciliation, we are God’s ambassadors, and we’re trying to unify people,” he said emphatically. “A truly-educated person is going to have intercultural competency, and a lot of that is enhanced by simple exposure to diversity. We have to prepare students to participate in a global world with global problems, and a huge part of that is developing discernment—the ability to determine what’s good, true, and beautiful in this world. That’s an educated person.”

LCU’s president is also committed to community engagement. “I want people around this region to know that we truly are for Lubbock and this area, that we’re here to serve before we sell, and we want to be fully-engaged with those around us,” he shared. “We already have a very positive reputation in Lubbock, but my goal is to hear people say, ‘I can’t imagine Lubbock without LCU.’ I want us to be Lubbock’s Christian University, because I absolutely think it’s a great place to live, and that’s a part of our mission, too.”

“That, for me, ties in directly with alumni engagement,” he continued. “I want LCU to be a place you want to send your kids—I want to be in that conversation every time. Some of that goes back to listening—I want to ask our alumni what we can do better. We want them to love their alma mater so much, that when asked, they say, ‘You’ve got to go to LCU.’ And if that’s not their response, then ‘what do we need to work on?’ Let’s have that conversation.”

One area in which Dr. McDowell believes that LCU is already excelling is in student and graduate outcomes. “A big part of being engaged in our community is helping our students succeed when they leave here,” he said. “I love what Matt Bumstead, our new Dean of the School of Business, says: ‘I want to so prepare our graduates that as soon as somebody hires one, they’re in a hurry to hire another one.’ And the great thing is that’s the reputation that we already have—look at our recent outcomes.”

Dr. McDowell referenced a number of impressive statistics for recent LCU graduates, including a perfect 100% placement rate for those graduating from the School of Education over the past three semesters—even amidst the COVID pandemic—and the fact that one third of Region 17 administrators have degrees from LCU. Our spring 2020 pre-med graduates had a 100% acceptance rate to medical school, boosting a 10-year rate that is 34% higher than the national average. He pointed out that LCU graduates are accepted to veterinary school at six times the national rate, to dental schools at 10% above the national average, to physical therapy programs at two-and-a-half times the national rate, to occupational therapy programs at 64% above the national average, and to physician assistant programs at 84%, which is 71% above the national average. And to top it off, every graduate from the Family Nurse Practitioner program passed their licensing examination on their first attempt.

That has been one of the most encouraging parts for Dr. McDowell as he has begun his presidency—the inherited legacy of success. “I don’t want to do my own thing—I want to find what God is already doing and join Him in that.”

“I feel very much called to this,” he added. “I’ve heard so many people tell me, ‘I’m so sorry that you had to start your presidency during COVID,’ but I’ve really come to believe that this is actually the absolute best time I could have started at LCU. Because every illusion of control, of being able to do it on our own ability as an institution, that’s taken away. We have had to acknowledge that, if LCU is going to succeed, it’s going to be because of God. We sometimes forget it, but that’s how it’s always been.”



President McDowell hosted alumni and Lubbock community members for coffee throughout the summer and fall semester.

Artwork Points to God

AND HONORS DARRELL PRICE

The Price family has been associated with Lubbock Christian University since Darrell ('69) and Anita (Mansell '69) Price were students. Darrell came back to LCU in 1988 to coach cross country, and Anita began working at the university in 1990. Their three children each graduated from LCU—Angie (Price '95) Forbes, Abby (Price '01) Rodgers, and Aaron Price ('06). Through the years, they both continued to serve LCU until each of them retired – Anita as an Executive Assistant in the President's Office and Darrell as a full-time faculty member in the Exercise and Sports Science Department.

By the time Darrell was retiring, his son, Aaron, had become an accomplished artist, and he approached the university about producing an art installation for the LCU campus in honor of his parents, especially his dad. Because Darrell spent his entire professional career officing and working in the Rhodes Perrin Recreation Center (formerly the Field House), Aaron wanted to place an art piece in that area.

Aaron began assimilating the various components in the south end of the Rec Center a few months before installation. With engineering consultation from alumnus Stephen Samuels ('01) and assistance from many individuals in the LCU

facilities department, Aaron oversaw the assembly of the four crosses encircled with a steel representation of the thorn of crowns. Named "The One," the structure composed of 20-foot-long timbers with steel encased ends was dedicated in Fall 2019.

Aaron dedicated the piece to his father, Darrell, who had patiently walked through some of Aaron's most difficult and dark years. Those years were very challenging for Aaron and his entire family. "We were affected by it, but it brought us closer together," Darrell reflected, recalling how the family would daily pray for strength and wisdom as they walked with Aaron. "Christ is the glue that held us together. The ultimate story is bigger than the pain and the horror that's going on."

Aaron explained his reason for dedicating the art to his father: "I just wanted to do it for him as something for him to be remembered by – for all the services he's given to the school and his focus on trying to help people. He's always had his eyes open for people who were struggling, especially after my struggle."

The symbolism captured in the art piece represents more than just a dedication to his father. The cross that leans back behind the others illustrates Aaron's personal walk with Christ and his desire to follow Jesus. ▶



The Price family stands in front of the cross statues erected inside the Rhodes-Perrin Recreational Center honoring long-time coach and professor, Darrell Price (center).

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“Hope is always there, even when you don’t believe there’s any hope,” Aaron offered. “I spent a lot of days on the edge between suicide and making it one more day, and somehow He held onto me.”

Aaron’s gratitude to Darrell is second only to his gratefulness to God. He is quick to always point to God’s grace and providence when asked about the art. “I want people to always remember, even when you don’t feel it, that God is always with you.”

The plaque at the base of the artwork contains this dedicatory statement by his son Aaron Price:

“THE ONE”

To my father, Darrell Price, who for years wandered night and day with me among the tombs and on the hills as I cried out and cut myself like “the one” in Mark 5. He remained by my side until Jesus clothed me and put me in my right mind. I have come home to tell how much the Lord has done for me and for you. May this place be my testimony to all who pass this way.



Artist Aaron Price (center) poses with his parents Darrell and Anita Price—both retired, longtime employees of LCU.

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The Rhodes Perrin Recreation Center, one of the major centerpieces of the community for years, received several new additions and updates during the summer of 2020 alongside the creation of a new, expansive disc golf course on campus. The building formerly known simply as the Field House now boasts state-of-the-art handball and racquetball courts, thanks to the generosity of the Randolph Foundation for Higher Education. Other updates include the addition of an indoor walking track around the newly expanded, competitive-grade hardwood floors for the full-sized basketball courts.

The handball and racquetball courts were added in the south end of the 94,000 square-foot facility, where the 40-foot rock-climbing wall was previously located. The climbing wall was moved to the north end of the facility over the summer to accommodate the new additions.

“We are so grateful to the Randolph Foundation for transforming an area that is critical to student life and the student experience,” shared Randal Dement ('89), Vice President for Student Life. “In the midst of a challenging year, the contagious passion



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and support of the LCU mission by those associated with the foundation is inspirational. Life in community at LCU is better because of the generosity of the Randolph Foundation.”

Another major transformation came to campus thanks to generous donations by LCU Student Senate. Started by student body president Sara Posey ('19) and continued by her successor Mariah Cannon ('20), the student government organization worked with LCU Athletics, who graciously agreed to share their space for wider use by the LCU Community. The 18-hole course, designed by LCU alumnus Jerry Lawrence ('95), spans the entirety of the south side of campus, which was previously home to the Chaparral Ridge Golf Course and now serves both the LCU Golf and Cross-Country teams.

Even amidst safety and distancing restrictions, both the Rhodes Perrin Recreation Center and the disc golf course see regular use from the LCU community.

“The handball and racquetball courts have been such a great addition to the Rec,” said Amy (Fish '14) Shero, Director of Recreational Life. “It gives us something totally different than we’ve ever had before. It’s been incredible to see students, faculty, staff, and even alumni utilize them to pick up a game they may have never played before to learn something new.”

LCU President Scott McDowell routinely challenges individuals to a game of racquetball and has been spotted on the courts playing some of LCU’s alumni. LCU Student Life has already hosted several tournaments on the new disc golf course, which has become a popular outdoor pastime for students, staff, and faculty alike.

Dement added, “The additions and improvements to the Rhodes Perrin Recreation Center by the Randolph Foundation and the addition of the new disc golf course, courtesy of LCU Student Senate, will continue to enrich the lives of LCU students for many years to come.”



The new handball and racquetball facility was built through the generous support of the Randolph Foundation for Higher Education. Located in the back of the Rhodes Perrin Rec Center, it opened for play in Fall 2020.

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Lady Chap student-athletes were given the honor to turn the first shovels of dirt at the groundbreaking ceremony for the Track & Soccer Complex in February 2020.



TRACK & SOCCER

New Complex for

Lady Chap Soccer Opens New Facility with a Win



The first game on the field was Lady Chaps vs. University of Texas of the Permian Basin where LCU claimed victory with a 3-0 win.

On a beautiful fall evening, September 3, 2020, the Lady Chap Soccer team stepped foot on the brand-new turf that is the centerpiece of the recently opened Track and Soccer Complex. The match was a scrimmage with UT Permian Basin, and the Lady Chaps christened the field with a 5-0 win—our victorious Lady Chaps cheered by fans filling the new stadium's seats and celebrated for the first time under its bright lights.

The Track and Soccer Complex was a dream and the coaches worked with university administration for several years to create a facility to enable the expansion of their existing track and soccer programs.

The facility was built by Collier Construction and includes a modernized turf soccer field with an eight-lane track around the perimeter, a press box for media and coaching staff, lights for evening competition, and stadium seating.

“This has been a project that has been in the works for quite a while. I can’t tell you how happy I am for track and field coaches Nick and Leigh Cordes, women’s soccer coach Alex Denning (’17), and men’s soccer coach Paul Gilbert, that many months and years of discussion and planning has come to fruition for them, as well as for our incredible



student-athletes in those programs,” said Scott Larson, LCU Athletic Director.

Coach Denning added, “To see this vision finally become a reality is amazing. Joining the Lone Star Conference has been a big step, and now we will get to utilize a new soccer field that will attract new recruits as we continue to grow our program.”

Both the Lady Chap and Chap soccer teams have had a continued successful run since the start of their first season in 2012. The Lady Chaps are 79-50-13, and they saw historic success in 2019 with a program-record 13 wins and finishing third in the Lone Star Conference standings. The Chaps have had a winning record in each season since moving to NCAA Division II.

“This facility will continue to enhance the student-athlete experience. It will create better opportunity and times for practice and create a great collegiate atmosphere for the student-athletes and fans,” said Coach Gilbert.

The new complex will also allow the track and field programs to expand, adding short distance events, steeple race, long jump, triple jump, pole vault, shot put, and other events, creating a full collegiate track and field program for the university.

The current track program, reinstated in 2017, also experienced success thanks to Coaches Nick and Leigh

Cordes. Amira McKee, LCU student-athlete, became LCU’s first All-Conference track performer in 2017 and repeated in both ‘18 and ‘19. She has been joined by five other LCU student-athletes on the All-Lone Star Conference teams. In 2019, Jaylen Tryon became LCU’s first athlete to reach the NCAA DII Track and Field Championships and All-American (2nd team), doing so as an 800-meter competitor in both indoor and outdoor seasons.

Coach Nick Cordes stated, “We are looking forward to helping grow the LCU community by adding student-athletes for these new events. Having a full track program will allow us to continue to recruit the best students and provide to them a safe, encouraging, and highly competitive environment here at LCU.” Because of the new facility, 35 new student-athletes were added to the track and field roster in the fall of 2020.

LCU Athletics has a long history of being very competitive across numerous sports, and the addition of this new complex with help continue that tradition as one the top competitors in the Lone Star Conference.

President Scott McDowell said, “This new addition to our campus has already provided enhanced opportunities for student-athletes and to the student population in general. The complex has been utilized by returning and newly recruited athletes, improved the aesthetics of LCU’s campus, and provided an additional recreational space for the LCU students and community.”

JUST AS IN EVERYDAY-LIFE, THERE ARE A LOT OF UNKNOWN IN PREPARATION FOR THE ATHLETIC SEASONS

at Lubbock Christian University for the remainder of the 2020-21 academic school year. COVID-19 has led to major discussions at all levels of athletics, from playing policies to gameday staffs to fans in attendance.

The discussions deal with organizational, institutional, national, state, county and city level policies and guidelines. In the gap between the publishing of this article and the time it is read, the health guidelines in place for LCU athletics will have more than likely changed. The Athletic Department, the Lone Star Conference and the NCAA have been conducting near-daily discussions with the hope of having competitions that are safe for the student-athletes and the expected fans in attendance.

Outside of health concerns and new policies have been the NCAA's altered recruiting rules, with a multitude of moving parts working within all three divisions of the NCAA, with each having different rules in place.

STARTING FROM THE BEGINNING

Lubbock Christian University's women's basketball team was on the court practicing in March at the time they learned the NCAA had suspended play. Disheartening timing for the defending national champion Lady Chaps, as they were 24 hours away from hosting the NCAA Division II South Central Region Championships.

Several NCAA sports completed their regular seasons but had not completed their postseasons. Despite their incompleteness, student-athletes for basketball and indoor track at LCU were not granted an extension of their eligibility. Meanwhile at LCU, the NCAA granted student-athletes in baseball, outdoor track & field (men's and women's), and softball an additional year of eligibility. In layman's terms, a baseball player competing as

a sophomore in the 2020 season will be a sophomore for the 2021 season.

Seniors in 2020 may also compete as seniors in 2021.

Of course, all student-athletes had the option if they personally wanted to return for the 2020-21 academic year, and coaches may make their standard moves for the betterment of their program(s). If a student-athlete has graduated (academically), but still carries an extra season of eligibility in a sport, they must be a full-time student (or in grad school) during the granted season of eligibility.



AND THE PANDEMIC

SUMMERTIME SADNESS

The summer marks an important recruiting period and is an active period for coaches and potential student-athletes. Under the initial guidelines in place due to the pandemic, LCU head coaches were not allowed to conduct in-person recruiting off-campus until August. They were allowed to recruit on campus, which made hosting camps vital (many schools have either institutional, state or conference regulations not allowing the hosting of camps). While potential student-athletes seeking recruitment were competing in summer amateur/youth tournaments, LCU coaches were unable to recruit them. They could, however, evaluate via video or conduct zoom interviews with the potential student-athlete.

"We are fortunate that we did not have many spots to fill, but we had to do everything (recruiting) virtually," said Chaps basketball head coach Todd Duncan. "We have

watched lots of video and have done lots of homework on recruits.”

The August deadline was extended to September 1, 2020, which has now passed, and LCU coaches are allowed to conduct in-person recruiting off campus. This is a rule tailored towards NCAA Division II coaches, as Division I coaches are still under the deadline until April 2021.

Sports like volleyball were not hampered by the inability to recruit for the upcoming season, as their 2020 roster was set, but the summer restrictions hampered their efforts to recruit 2021 and 2022 high school graduates.

“I watched way more film on athletes and tried to make decisions based on that instead of watching them in person,” stated Mandy (Moffitt ’05) Polk, as she prepared for her first full season as head coach of the LCU volleyball team. “We are made weekly phone calls and sent text messages more than we have in the past.” Coach Polk served as an LCU assistant before her promotion to head coach in fall 2019.

One sport not-so-virtual is golf. Amateur golf shot-by-shot is rarely kept on video in competition for potential student-athletes, and so the summer recruiting season is very important for LCU golf coach Gary Belt.

“The pandemic and the NCAA’s decisions regarding off-campus recruiting has been difficult,” said Belt. “When summer junior tournaments were in full swing; unfortunately, as coaches, we were not allowed to attend or watch prospects in competition. Part of the evaluation process is to see prospects in person compete in tournaments. Due to the circumstances, the summer in-person opportunities were lost. However, recruiting still continued. I contacted targeted prospects through email, text, or calls. I was in contact with prospects much more frequently this summer than in the past.”

SOME GOOD IN THE SUMMER

One rule the NCAA placed during the pandemic provided the student-athlete an opportunity to participate in voluntary workouts with their coaches. Current student-athletes were able to coordinate a time with their head

coach to voluntarily workout. Incoming freshman were allowed to do the same if they were enrolled in a summer school class.

Many LCU coaches approved of the rule, including women’s soccer head coach Alex Denning (’17). “I got to coach my athletes when they asked me in the summer,” said Denning. “That was really nice!”

WEAR YOUR MASK

NCAA Division II announced the cancellation of fall sport championship events, which for LCU, involved cross country (men’s & women’s), soccer (men’s & women’s) and volleyball. The Lone Star Conference followed with the movement of the playing seasons, of soccer and volleyball, from the fall to the winter/spring. NCAA Division II offered a season of competition waiver for fall and winter sport student-athletes. The waiver allows LCU student-athletes in basketball, cross country, indoor track, soccer and volleyball to have an additional season of eligibility.

It is possible that baseball and softball will be the most noticeable team sports with expanded rosters (across the nation). The two sports have student-athletes returning with an extra year of eligibility combined with incoming student-athletes. Coaches at LCU do not think it will be noticeable.

“I don’t think any of us (DII, LSC) will have larger rosters than in previous years,” said LCU baseball head coach Nathan Blackwood (’95). “In fact, with the game limits this year, some schools will probably carry less (because less pitching needed). However, we will be about the same with 40 on roster, and travel with 28 (LSC has roster limitations in place for visiting teams in conference play).”

NCAA DII MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE REGULAR SEASON CONTESTS

SPORT	2019-20	2020-21
Men’s Basketball	28	22
Women’s Basketball	28	22
Track & Field (Indoor and Outdoor)	18	14
Men’s Cross Country	7	6
Women’s Cross Country	7	6
Men’s Golf	21	16
Women’s Golf	21	16
Volleyball	26	20
Baseball	50	40
Softball	56	44
Men’s Soccer	18	14
Women’s Soccer	18	14

Softball carried 23 student-athletes last season and plans to have 25 or 26 for the upcoming season. Both programs (baseball and softball) expect one senior to return for an extra season of eligibility.

All programs expect to have at least the same number of student-athletes (if not more) for the upcoming season. With the new Track & Soccer Complex complete, the track and field program is expanding their roster numbers

and will go from 35 student-athletes to an estimated 80 student-athletes (combined men's and women's track and field).

Coach Blackwood mentioned "game limits," which was one of the biggest NCAA Division II announcements during the offseason. Each of the NCAA levels have different regulations on the minimum and maximum number of games/contests in which a program can compete. In some sports this is based on the number of "games," while other sports use "dates." For example, in golf, a program may play one or two rounds on a "date."

In early May, during the height of the pandemic, many institutions were concerned about budgets, and the NCAA Presidents Council voted to reduce the maximum number of games/contests in which each sport could compete during the season (regular season contests) for the 2020-21 school term only. Baseball will go from 50 games to 40 and basketball drops from 28 to 22 games as examples. The adjustments in maximum games will lead to many of LCU's team sports playing schedules consisting primarily of conference-only competition.

As far as LCU-hosted contests, LCU has tweaked some of their entry guidelines. Due to some Lone Star Conference guidelines and local guidelines, they may change game-to-game, but LCU aims to have the Rip Griffin Center seating availability at 50% capacity. Season pass holders will be notified of their seat assignments prior to the first home game. Student-athletes will receive their pass list (as usual), and an allotment of 100 tickets per game will be made available for general LCU students. That will leave an additional 300 tickets available to the general public, which will be available for purchase through LCUchaps.com/tickets. The first regular-season home events scheduled were basketball games on December 11. Both teams opened the season against St. Mary's, and the games will count as Lone Star Conference openers.

"The changes are what they are," said LCU's director of athletics Scott Larson, who serves on several NCAA committees. "The recruiting rules this summer made things a challenge for our coaches, but they did an outstanding job of altering their recruiting strategies to identify prospective student-athletes that are missional fits and encouraging them to consider LCU for their higher education. We are thankful that the NCAA allowed our coaches to work with student-athletes on a voluntary basis during the summer and allowed our coaches to host youth camps. This was a blessing not only for our staff and student-athletes, but for the Lubbock community as well. We are disappointed in the decision to reduce the number of maximum contests in which student-athletes may compete during the 2020-21 academic year, but we are committed to providing our student-athletes with the best possible experience that we can during their time at LCU."





SCOTT LARSON

APPOINTED LCU ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

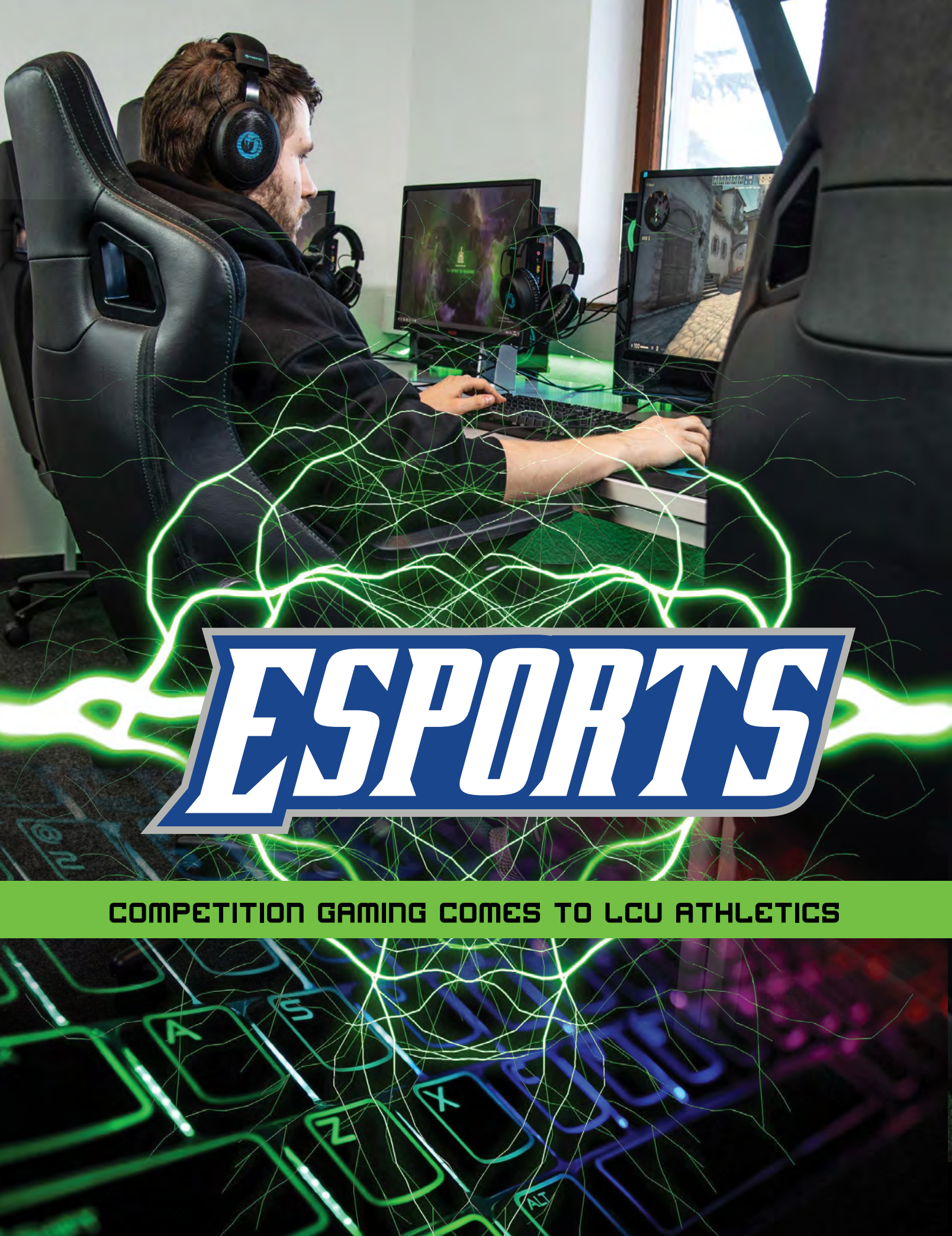
Scott Larson was promoted to the Director of Athletics after serving in the role on an interim basis for several months.

“We are delighted to remove the interim label and name Scott as LCU’s Director of Athletics,” said Al Roberts, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer. “As the interim AD, Scott effectively managed LCU’s transition to the Lone Star Conference, and confidently led our athletic department through all the uncertainties surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic.”

Larson becomes the third full-time Director of Athletics in LCU history. He joined the Lubbock Christian University Athletic Department in June 2012 to facilitate LCU’s transition to NCAA Division II. Originally from Topeka, KS, Larson has over 20 years of NCAA compliance experience,

including stints at Arizona State University, University of Wisconsin, University of Texas at El Paso, and Northern Arizona. He is currently the chair of NCAA Division II Legislation Committee and a member of the NCAA Board of Governors Federal & State Legislative Working Group for Name, Image, and Likeness. He has also served as chair for the National Association for Athletics Compliance (NAAC), the Division II Education Program Committee, and the NAAC Division II Committee. In 2019, Scott was the recipient of the prestigious 2019 NAAC Division II Excellence Award.

Larson stated, “I am humbled and appreciative of this opportunity to serve Lubbock Christian University in this role on a permanent basis and am grateful to President Scott McDowell for this appointment.” Larson continued, “Chap and Lady Chap athletics have a rich, storied history, and I look forward to embracing and honoring that history while building for the future.”



ESPORTS

COMPETITION GAMING COMES TO LCU ATHLETICS

Lubbock Christian University announced the addition of a varsity coed scholarship esports program, marking the 18th program under the direction of the LCU Athletic Department.

"I couldn't be more excited about adding such a rapidly-growing sport to our athletic portfolio," said LCU Director of Athletics, Scott Larson. "The number of high school programs in the area continues to expand, and we look forward to providing students who participate in esports a place to continue to compete, as well as to receive a high quality, Christian education."

LCU will become the fourth Lone Star Conference member to have a varsity esports team, joining DBU, St. Edward's and St. Mary's. Other LSC members only offer esports as a club sport. LCU's program will have membership in the National Association of Collegiate Esports (NACE) and Riot Scholastic Association of America (RSAA). NACE, established in 2016, has an estimated 175 members, with only one other university participating within a 250-mile radius of Lubbock. RSAA is organized by Riot Games—the developer of League of Legends.

"At LCU, our passion is students," shared LCU President Dr. Scott McDowell. "We come alongside them where they are and assist them on the journey to find their place in this world. Esports is another way to connect with students and to help them to connect to their purpose. I have a friend who coaches high school football, and he says, 'This is a human development program disguised as a high school football program.' I would say something similar. Esports at LCU is a human development program disguised as esports."

LCU will compete at the club level throughout Spring 2021, as a new coach is hired and varsity team members are recruited for fall competition. LCU esports will employ a unique model that utilizes the Chap Gaming Club (CGC) in collaboration with the varsity esports program for skills development and for vetting potential games for future inclusion into the varsity competitive roster. As of press time, LCU was nearing the completion of its search for a coach to lead the development efforts, coach the club team, and recruit additional team members to begin varsity competition in fall 2021. Both varsity and club programs will operate out of an esports arena that will be housed in the Dobbs Center for Business on the LCU campus. Valorant, League of Legends, Super Smash Bros. and Overwatch are the four games in which the LCU esports team plans to compete.

Contact Athletic Director Scott Larson at Scott.Larson@LCU.edu for questions about the program or to express interest in participating in the program.

GAMING DESIGN IS ALSO GAINING POPULARITY AS A CAREER CHOICE.

The LCU School of Business offers a Business Administration degree with a minor in game design. If you know of a student who would be a good candidate for the new LCU esports team or who might have an interest in game design, please pass along that information to the university.

Contact Assistant Professor of Information Systems and Technology:
Doug.Darby@LCU.edu

community

Life has been very different this year, and the LCU community was no different. Students were thrilled to be on campus, go to class, and interact with each other, staff, and faculty despite the restrictions .





20|20 VISION *Campaign*

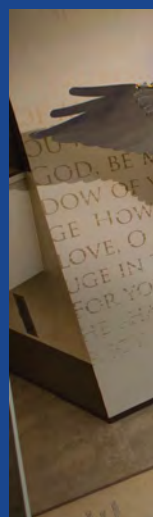
EXCEEDS ALL EXPECTATIONS

The 20/20 Vision Campaign began in 2015 with a goal of raising \$40 million, with a challenge goal of \$60 million. At the conclusion of the campaign in spring of 2020, LCU's most recent major fundraising effort had amassed a total of \$74.2 million—truly a remarkable point as alumni and friends poured into the mission of the university, continuing to fuel significant momentum.

In a celebratory event in the spring of 2020, Raymond Richardson, Vice President for University Advancement, announced that the university had exceeded its goal by 24%, raising the \$74.2 million. With the intent of funding dramatic campus improvements and substantively increasing student scholarships, the campaign was the most ambitious in the university's 64-year history.

"What an incredible five years of growth this has been for our great university. We point to God and give Him thanks for all of this, but we also look to our great friends and donors and say thank you for allowing God to work through you to further His Kingdom here on this campus," said Richardson.

Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer Al Roberts said, "We give thanks for the generosity of our donors in enabling LCU to pursue its mission of transforming hearts, minds, and hands for lives of purpose and service."





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Notable projects funded by the campaign include:

▶ **Margaret Talkington Center for Nursing Education**

This facility was completed and dedicated on September 18, 2015. The 57,000 square foot building is designed specifically for educating multiple levels of nurses. It includes technology-rich classrooms, computer labs, faculty offices, a student commons area, and the 500-seat W. R. Collier Auditorium.

▶ **James and Jeanette Ling Science Center**

Completed and dedicated on August 30, 2017, this facility has approximately 37,000 square feet of space that includes laboratories for chemistry, physics, biology, natural resources, animal science, and undergraduate and faculty research. Additionally, it contains lecture halls, faculty offices, common areas for students, and a spacious atrium and grand entryway. The opening of the Ling Science Center symbolizes the growth and advancement of LCU's science area, which remains one of the university's largest and fastest-growing academic fields of study.



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▶ **Christa Dobbs Center for Business**

Originally the Mabree Science building, this renovated structure was opened and dedicated on September 11, 2018, providing a 22,000 square foot facility that is now home to the academic programs of accounting, finance, economics, business administration, information systems, and digital media arts.

▶ **The Christian Development Center**

This focal point for the south end of LCU's campus mall went through two phases of work during the 2020 Vision Campaign. The first phase added a beautiful rotunda to the south side of the building, creating community gathering spaces for students. The second phase included refurbishment of every classroom, new furnishings, removal of the staircase in the north rotunda, and a stunning Christian art installation.



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▶ **Additional Investments**

The university also enhanced existing student housing, made generous increases in scholarship funding for students, and provided new endowments for faculty research and development.

While the campaign has officially concluded, the momentum of the effort continues as the university has recently completed a new track and soccer complex on the west side of the campus. Construction also continues on the highly-anticipated expansion of the Wayne and Yvonne Hinds Music Center, and university officials have released plans for the addition of a new eight-court tennis complex.



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Former Executive Vice President and current professor of economics Dr. Brian Starr said, "Lubbock Christian University is richly blessed by friends who make deeply impactful gifts to God's work here. Their generosity ensures that we may continue to be a part of God's transforming work in student lives for many years to come."

HOW DID THE 20/20 VISION



Dr. Jeff Cary, ('95)
Dean, Smith College of Biblical Studies

“The main reason we removed the iconic staircase in the CDC rotunda was to create a student commons area, a place for students to gather. We wanted to enhance their communal experience here, because students have been increasingly isolated—we’ve seen that especially this year—so we wanted to have spaces that would give them opportunities to be together in meaningful ways. Beyond that main commons area, we have several other pockets of areas for students to gather or study. What we’re finding is that you’re likely to see almost all of those spaces filled at any given time—this is a place they want to be. Even outside of our department, students are wanting to use our building for evening devotionals and social club Christmas parties, and other groups are asking to host meetings in the main rotunda.”



Dr. Jesse Long
Professor of Old Testament and
Biblical Archaeology

“One of the things that came out of COVID was the small group chapels with social distancing. The updates to the CDC gave us a perfect setting for those, with a view of the south campus through the large windows on either side of the elevator. In a circle, we were able to listen to scripture, discuss, and pray together in a conducive setting. This is also space where students often study—and it’s a place that did not exist before the refurbishment and new construction on the CDC.

Al and Pat Smith’s generous gift to Bible instruction at LCU will continue giving to students for generations to come.”



Dr. JoAnn Long
Director, Research & Development;
Professor of Nursing

“Because of our agreement with the Covenant School of Nursing, we have a growing number of students who come in to finish their undergraduate degrees and work towards graduate degrees. We know from research that as nurses receive bachelor’s and especially advanced degrees, regions have fewer serious complications and hospitalized patients, and a lower mortality rate. Providing the opportunity for nurses to seamlessly finish bachelor’s, master’s, and other advanced degrees ultimately means that we have a safer community—which is especially evident in the middle of a pandemic. The Talkington Center for Nursing Education was built with those programs in mind and allows those outcomes to happen more seamlessly.”

CAMPAIGN IMPACT STUDENTS?



Matt Bumstead Dean, LCU School of Business

*"We've certainly seen tremendous benefit come to the entire LCU School of Business community in the form of additional scholarship opportunities for our students and greater research internship connections. What really excites me on a daily basis, though, is seeing the community that we are able to build and enjoy daily as a part of having a place that is truly our home. **The Dobbs Center for Business is beautiful and well-designed and has some of the best technology and resources on campus, but I think the real value is in the community it's helped us build.** Even as I'm writing this, there's a group of students out there gathered on the floor with music playing and wrapping Christmas presents that they're giving to a nonprofit organization to help disadvantaged children. This is a place where great business careers are being born every day, but it's also a place where students can come and gather as a business community, where we spend time together, encourage one another, and laugh together—where we support one another, pray for each other, and if necessary, cry together."*



Dr. Andy Laughlin Chair and Professor of Natural Sciences

"When the science community at Lubbock Christian University embarked on the monumental task of building a new science facility on campus, two of the non-negotiable requirements were to house faculty in one building and to provide interactive spaces for students. Even within the three years since completion of the James and Jeannette Ling Science Building, we have witnessed the success of those requisites. Our desire was to improve the collaboration and crosstalk among faculty in order to enhance teaching and research goals. **Simply, the new facility has allowed faculty and staff to work more closely together on projects, observe more easily our different teaching strategies, and expand our research footprint.**"

"As for our students, the dynamic has completely changed. Prior to the construction of the new building, our students were limited to study areas primarily in their dorm rooms or in the library. With the strategic inclusion of student soft spaces in the building, we now have a rich population of LCU students who consider the building home for out-of-the-classroom learning and a place for community. It is not uncommon on any given day to find those areas full of students before and after classes. Their presences have given life to the building and to the sciences."

A crowd of alumni, faculty, staff, donors, and friends of the university filled the Baker Conference Center at the Celebration Dinner for the overwhelming success of the 20/20 Vision Campaign.





PASSING THE TORCH

THE LIFE OF A UNIVERSITY IS MARKED BY BEGINNINGS AND ENDINGS.

Students begin their academic journey at LCU as freshmen and graduate a few years later—as individuals who have been transformed by their experiences and by the people with whom those experiences were shared. The journey for faculty and staff occurs in much the same way. New faculty and staff are mentored by more experienced members of the community during their years of service, eventually becoming mentors to younger faculty and staff.

The following seven individuals have been pouring their lives into LCU students and each other for a combined total of 231 years. While they will certainly be missed, those they have mentored will carry on the important work of transforming the lives of students, while also undergoing important transformations themselves.

Our alumni will undoubtedly remember many of these recently retired faculty members. The descriptions you will read about each of them is the wording on their plaques that hang in the Baker Conference Center Lobby on the LCU Wall of Honor.



Rodney Blackwood, Ph.D. ('63) 1970-2020

Dr. Rod Blackwood has been the epitome of a Christian educator for 50 years at Lubbock Christian University. He understood the leadership philosophy of LCU's Founding President Dr. Mattox—a hands-on work ethic.

During his tenure, Rod served as professor, farm manager, Vice President of Academic Affairs, Provost, and Distinguished Professor of Animal Science. Having served under every president at LCU, no one to-date has influenced more students and faculty in the history of LCU than Rod Blackwood. Under his leadership, Dr. Blackwood built a strong agriculture department, led in the development of online programs, expanded graduate programs, and created LCU's Global Campus and study abroad programs. He was fair in his dealings with the faculty, firm yet fun with the students he trained, and faithful in his commitment to Jesus Christ.

Dr. Blackwood has demonstrated his unwavering passion for the culture and ideals of academia, leadership, character, and Christianity that have been a part of LCU since its beginning.



LaLani (Lewis '88) Carter, M.A. 1982-2020

LaLani Carter first came to LCU as a freshman student in 1976, and she has touched nearly every part of campus life as a faithful employee over her 38 years of service. She finished her degree in 1988 while she worked for the university, first as the Katie Rogers Residence Hall supervisor from 1982-84. She then served in housing in 1987, for LCU Summer Camps from 1986-2006, as the post office manager from 1993-2001, and as bookstore manager from 2001-2008.

She became a faculty member, finishing out her LCU service as a lecturer of psychology from 2008-2020. She also served as the president-appointed faculty athletics representative from 2015-2020.

LaLani Carter was respected for her leadership, guidance, and wise counsel. She brought professionalism, diligent work ethic, and a loving spirit to all she did. As a professor, Mrs. Carter poured herself into her students. She personally connected with each student—they all knew she loved them, and she challenged them to grow beyond what they thought possible. LaLani Carter will always be an invaluable part of LCU history.



David Joyner, M.A. 1984-1996, 1999-2020

David Joyner takes the first half of his last name seriously – he is truly a man of JOY. He understood that every classroom full of students was an opportunity to spread the joy of being a child of God. He was hired to teach mathematics and computer science, but his students left his classrooms knowing much more than the subject matter. They understood more about God and how to be joyful, as David was a true reflection of his Father. He told all his students, "Remember, I love you like you were my own!"

His obvious love of God and people was displayed in the way he treated everyone he encountered. His deep concern for his students grew out of that love as he set high expectations for them and they responded positively.

David will be remembered for his quick wit, inquisitive mind, passion for teaching, signature sayings, and for radiating JOY.

This is the day the Lord has made; we will rejoice and be glad in it. —Psalm 118:24



Tracy Mack, M.B.A. 1993-2020

After earning his M.B.A. at Texas A&M University in 1989, Tracy Mack worked in the oil industry before returning to work the family farm in 1993. He taught part time before being named assistant professor of finance in 1996.

Mack's impactful teaching earned him the L.R., Sr. and Ruth Wilson Teaching Award in 2014, and he served as sponsor for SIFE (later Enactus) and as a two-time member of faculty senate. He was instrumental in developing plans to establish the LCU School of Business, serving as the first dean of the school in 2015. Under Dean Mack's leadership, the School of Business experienced enhanced relationships with alumni and community business leaders advancing its academic quality, and he played a key role in the planning and construction of the Christa Dobbs Center for Business.

An "accidental" teacher (as he called himself), Tracy Mack forged a long and fruitful career in Christian higher education leaving an indelible mark on his students, his colleagues, and on the Lubbock community.



Joe Marshall, M.I.S. 2000-2020

Joe Marshall first stepped foot on the LCU campus as a student in 1971, graduating with a degree in Human Relations in 1974. He continued his education at Texas Tech University where he earned a MS in Management Information Systems in 1984.

Mr. Marshall enjoyed a career in industry working with Texas Instruments and other firms, serving in a variety of positions related to computer languages and computer systems. In 2000, Mr. Marshall transitioned to the world of academia and began teaching computer related courses at LCU.

Assistant Professor Marshall is a fixture in the School of Business, instructing virtually every computer major during this time. His peers and his students understood his deep passion for changing lives and for mentoring students in a serious way. Mr. Marshall is Christ-centered, and he works tirelessly to communicate the importance of that belief to his students. Joe Marshall has continually taught students that a life lived well—studies, work, and leisure—is a spiritual gift to God.



Gonzalo Ramirez, Ed.D. ('78) 1983-1989, 2005-2020

Dr. Gonzalo Ramirez was associated with LCU for over twenty years. He loved people and LCU—and in every area, he demonstrated that love through service. His service to the School of Education included

endowing a scholarship, leading mission trips to Ecuador, and serving as LCU sponsor of Kappa Delta Pi Education Honor Society. As a professor, he mentored undergraduate students, Honors College students and graduate education students. His engaging personality, practical applications, and clinical school experiences connected and endeared him to his students.

Gonzalo's service to the LCU community included serving as Vice President for Advancement and on the Faculty Senate. He supported university initiatives, attended arts and sporting events, and hosted meals for the basketball teams. His service to the community included volunteering for multiple organizations and serving on the Lubbock Area United Way Board.

He coached little league baseball and children's league soccer.

Gonzalo was known for his patience, kindness, humility, generosity and encouragement. We will long remember his demonstration of love through service.



Karen Randolph, M.F.A. 1978-2020

Professor Karen Randolph began teaching at LCU in 1978, soon after earning her Master of Fine Arts from Texas A&M University–Commerce in 1977. Karen's first and lasting love is art and ceramics, but since

1995, she has been the soul of the School of Business.

Prior to moving from the art department, Ms. Randolph taught every art class from Drawing I to Drawing IV to Weaving to Ceramics. Ms. Randolph has an ongoing interest in South East Asian ceramics and has taken multiple trips to Thailand and Cambodia in pursuit of this interest.

Upon moving to the School of Business, Ms. Randolph created a highly innovative academic program. The Digital Media Arts program combines art, design, technology, communication, and business, resulting in a truly unique and valuable academic experience for students.

Karen Randolph is an integral figure in the history of LCU. Her influence as an academic and spiritual mentor for generations of LCU students is beautifully woven into the fabric of the university and in the individual tapestries of her students' lives.

BILL BUNDY

NAMED PRESIDENT OF LCU FOUNDATION



Bill Bundy ('83) was appointed president of the Lubbock Christian University Foundation in September 2020. He succeeds Al Roberts who was appointed Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer for LCU.

Bundy was appointed to the LCU Board of Trustees in 1991 and has been an incredibly involved board member serving on numerous committees. In spring 2019, he was appointed as chair of the LCU Presidential Search Committee, which led to the selection of President Scott McDowell.

After a highly successful career with United Parcel Service (UPS) spanning 37 years and locating him all over the world, he retired back to Texas. Following his UPS retirement, he served for two years as president of Eastern European Mission and then as president of LivingStone University Partners.

"Bill Bundy's story is what the LCU experience is all about," President McDowell says. "Bill came to LCU from a wonderful family but did not have a clear idea of his purpose and calling on his life. LCU helped prepare him to go into the world and influence it for good. He and his wife, DeeDee,

have worked together to make a kingdom difference through their work all over the globe with UPS. Now, through the LCU Foundation, Bill will help the next generation find their place in the world. When I think about Bill and DeeDee Bundy, I think of faith, family, and really good friends—they've made an impact everywhere they've been, and I know that influence will continue in this new role."

The LCU Foundation was established in 2009 to support the work and projects of LCU by uniting donor passions and university goals. Its focus is strategic initiatives to promote LCU's mission of transforming hearts, minds, and hands for lives of purpose and service. In his role as president, Bundy will be responsible for ensuring the ongoing success of the Foundation through advocacy and donor development on behalf of LCU, as well as stewardship of Foundation assets.

Bundy is married to DeeDee (Johnson, '77). Their children Heather (Bundy '00) Byars and J.E. Bundy ('03) met and married their spouses while at LCU:

Matt Byars ('00) and Megan (Stewart '03) Bundy. Bill and DeeDee have seven grandchildren.





Raymond Richardson (left) along with Lisa Frazee and Matt Bumstead, Dean of LCU's School of Business (right) presenting The United Family CEO, Robert Taylor with the LCU Community Partner of the Year award.

COMMUNITY PARTNER OF THE YEAR

Each year, LCU honors one of its community partners for their service to both the university and the greater Lubbock community. The United Family was selected as the 2020 LCU Community Partner of the Year.

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- Women in Leadership
- Nursing
- Student Development Board
- United Center for Student Success
- Various Capital Campaigns

Lisa (Mozingo '93) Frazee, Director of Stewardship at LCU, said, "We appreciate The United Family not only for what they have done for LCU but because of the leadership and support they have always provided in the Lubbock community. They continue to be a phenomenal business that is driven by a charitable and servanthood spirit."

The Community Partners program is an initiative developed to strengthen relationships between Lubbock Christian University and local businesses. These businesses are invited to partner with LCU in a mutually beneficial relationship that provides growth in community endeavors and future opportunities.

The recipient of the annual Community Partner of the Year Award is chosen from among the many LCU Community Partners for their engagement and support of the LCU community.

The United Family has supported LCU for over 20 consecutive years in a variety of areas:

- School of Business
- Student Scholarships
- Athletics

"Robert Taylor and The United Family have been amazing partners with Lubbock Christian University. As we started construction on the LCU School of Business building, United's executive team came to campus and wrote scriptures and prayers on the foundation of the building," said, Raymond Richardson, VP for University Advancement. "The United Family values people and relationships, and this is what makes them so good at what they do. Partnerships such as this one, built on faith, community, and mutual respect, tend to sustain for decades."

Robert Taylor, CEO of The United Family, said, "Lubbock Christian University has been a great partner for this community, so we are especially humbled to receive their recognition. The United Family and LCU have parallel cultures in many regards. United was founded by a family that believed in faith-based decisions, and we have maintained that culture throughout our 104-year history. Without the support of our guests, we couldn't contribute to the things we do, so we share this honor with them."

If you own a business, consider becoming a Community Partner. Contact Lisa Frazee for more information. Lisa.Frazee@LCU.edu



ADMISSIONS

WELCOMES
Lisa C. Shacklett
Vice President of Enrollment Management

Lisa Shacklett, a newcomer to the LCU community, was appointed as Vice President of Enrollment Management for Lubbock Christian University just before the fall semester began.

Shacklett was identified during a national search and comes to LCU with over 30 years of experience in growing organizations by applying her corporate sales foundation to diverse environments. She was instrumental in the dramatic growth experienced in the graduate business programs at Lipscomb University in Nashville, Tennessee, where she worked as the Director of Lipscomb's Career Development Center until 2016, when she left to pursue a successful entrepreneurial venture. She has also served since March of 2019 as the Executive Director of Young Leaders Council—a Nashville non-profit organization that trains young professionals for nonprofit board service.

"My decision to return to

higher education was an easy one following a visit to LCU," Shacklett shared. "I was immediately drawn to the history of the institution, the community of colleagues, the high caliber of students and the transformational experience provided for them, and the excitement for the future that lies ahead. LCU has a compelling story to share, and I'm honored to join an outstanding admissions team in that effort."

President Scott McDowell said, "I am thrilled that Lisa Shacklett has agreed to lead LCU's enrollment management team, and I am also grateful that we will get to add her voice to the university's senior leadership team. Lisa drives results and has an uncanny ability to demystify the admissions process for the student. She is incredibly competent, possesses impeccable character, and embodies the kind of can-do attitude that will inspire a campus. I'm confident Lisa will make an immediate and lasting impact on our ability to successfully tell the LCU story."



King Presented 50 Year Service Award

"It has been my pleasure."

Although not retiring from LCU, John King ('68) was honored for his illustrious fifty year career with the university during the LCU Family Dinner as a part of the McDowell Inauguration Week. King's career began as an admissions counselor in 1970. He often reminisces of telling his wife, Elaine (Mitchell '72), "Give me a couple of years and then I'll move on to something else." Three years later, he was named Director of Admissions, the years passed, and eventually he and his family made Lubbock and LCU their permanent home.

One of his first initiatives as Director of Admissions was to form a band, The Hard Travelers, taking the LCU show on the road and connecting with college-bound teens in fun and engaging ways. But going out to the people was not enough. Those people had to be drawn to the LCU campus, and John knew that the university needed something special to make that happen. Turning that vision into reality, he helped to re-engineer music camp into the highly successful high school camp Encounter, and he instituted the middle school camp, Camp Champion. These two camps would become the marquee college campus-based youth camps within our fellowship.

During the late 80s, John worked with Ray and Billie Pectol to create Impact, a camp for senior adults. Impact participants came back year after year, enjoying the friendships they established with each other and with the

university. It was through the relationships built through Impact that several large gifts were given to LCU.

A true lover of Christian camps, John was called upon to help rebuild the Pine Springs camp after many of its facilities were destroyed by fire in 1989. That camp now serves over a thousand guests each summer, including youth groups from some of the largest congregations in churches of Christ. He served as Chair of the Pine Springs Board for over three decades, during which time a pivotal land swap was negotiated with the Lincoln National Forest, positioning Pine Springs Camp for a bright future.

John eventually moved from admissions into alumni relations, and ultimately into university relations, currently serving as the Senior Vice President of University Relations. He established friendships on behalf of LCU, and he was instrumental in the fundraising for several pivotal projects that helped change the face of the university, such as the Rip Griffin Center and the extensive renovation of the McDonald Moody Auditorium, just to name a couple.

John King has blessed thousands of LCU students, alumni, donors, and friends he has encountered over his fifty years of service, and he continues his legacy of dedication, serving the university that he loves, and as he mentioned in his remarks at the LCU Family Dinner "it has been my pleasure."



Senior Vice President of University Relations, John King ('68), poses with his wife Elaine (Mitchell '72), and their family.

At left are daughter Jennifer (King '01), her husband Daniel ('03) Kessler and their children McKenzie and Brady.

Pictured right are son Jonathan ('00) and his wife Jennifer (Hearne '03) King and their children Elise and Zane.



Chap Notes

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'60s Decade

David Lee ('64) and his wife Jan live in Seaside, OR. David recently published *Mine Tailings*, his 25th book. Dr. Lee taught for 32 years at Southern Utah University, where he was Professor of English and Head of the Department of Language, Literature, and Humanities. The Utah Endowment for the Humanities named him one of the top 12 Utah Writers in State History, and in 1997 he was named Utah's First Poet Laureate; in 2001, he was Finalist, Runner Up for Poet Laureate of the United States. His books have received three nominations for the Pulitzer Prize and National Book Award.

Richard ('65) and Dee (Wilson '65) Endsley live in Mount Vernon, IL. Richard works part-time as a Life, Health, and Safety school inspector and Dee is a secretary for Mt. Vernon Church of Christ.

'70s Decade

John Bumpers ('71) and his wife SuZann live in Midland, TX. John is the chief pilot for Saulsbury Aviation.

Lonnie ('72) and Sharon (Brewster '72) Dear live in Fort Worth, TX. Lonnie is the lead medical laboratory scientist at Texas Health Hospital, and Sharon is an accountant for the Kimberly Clark Corporation.

Lelan Pack ('74) lives in Lubbock and is a self-employed insurance representative.

Cathy Thut ('74) lives in Arlington, TX, and works as a physical therapist at Sanus Vivere Health and Wellness.

Rodney Johnston ('75) and his wife Patti live in Longview, TX, where Rodney serves as the connections and senior adults minister at Alpine Church of Christ, and Patti is a preschool teacher.

Mike Bishop ('77) and his wife Charla live in Arlington, TX, where Mike is a professor of Marriage & Family Therapy at Texas Wesleyan University. In 2019, Mike was awarded tenure at Texas Wesleyan, was elected to the Board of Directors of the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy, and was added as a mental health team consultant for the Dallas Mavericks basketball team.

Tom De Berry ('77) and his wife Twila live in Henderson, TN, where Tom is a professor at Freed-Hardeman University.

Bruce Harris ('78) and his wife Lisa live in Garden City, MI, where Bruce serves as a minister at Garden City Church of Christ.

David ('78) and Sara (Degge '78) Snyder live in Allen, TX. David is a principal process engineer for Honeywell Sensor Fab, and Sara is a marriage coach at the Marriage Place.

'80s Decade

Amy (Foshee '81) Holmes and her husband Ron live in Boerne, TX. Amy is an assistant professor of accounting at Trinity University.

Laura Schroeder ('81) lives in Pflugerville, TX, and is an accounting specialist for Capitol Area Council, Boy Scouts of America.

Jim ('83) and Connie (Turner '77) Gullette live in Brownsville, TX. Jim has retired from full-time ministry after a nearly 40-year partnership with the South Plains Church of Christ in domestic and foreign missions, and Connie oversees an office for the U.S. Department of Justice in Mazatlan, Mexico.

Dan O'Connor ('83) and his wife Karen live in Scottsdale, AZ, where Dan is the principal at Addison Clark Advertising and Design.

Walter ('84) and Rashell (Nowell '85) Wilhoit live in Brussels, Belgium. Walter is a community superintendent for the Department of Defense Education Activity, and Rashell is a teacher for Brussels American School.

Thomas Hammet ('85) lives in Lincoln, CA, and is the owner of Tom Hammett Accountancy Group.

Betsy (Johnson '85) McKinney and her husband Tim live in Sylvia, KS. Betsy is a superintendent of schools for Fairfield-Suisun Unified School District, and Tim is a ranger for Quivira Council, Boy Scouts of America, Camp Kanza.

Keith Woodard ('86) lives in Lubbock and is an information services commander at the Lubbock Police Department.

Dr. Essie Farley ('87) lives in Corpus Christi, TX, and is a social worker at Brookdale Trinity Towers.

Barry ('87) and Karin (McAlexander '87) Holdampf live in Salado, TX. Barry is a family practice physician with Wellstone Clinic, and Karin is a pharmacist with Baylor Scott & White Health Enterprise Pharmacy.

Michael ('88) and Jolene (Puckett '89) McCormick live in Austin, TX. Michael is an optometrist and owner of McCormick Vision Source, and Jolene is an office administrator.

Timothy ('88) and Amy (McBeth '82) Owen live in Abilene, TX, where Timothy is a director of reporting for Etech Global Services, L.L.C., and Amy is an associate professor at the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center School of Nursing.

Mary Letitia (Wills '85) Smith and her husband Allen live in Lueders, TX. Mary is a portrait photographer and substitute teacher for Leuders-Avoca I.S.D., and Allen is a code welder at Petrosmith.

Kimme (Smith '86) Kyle lives in Ft. Worth and is a self-employed attorney.

Troy Ellison ('88) and his wife Kim live in Parker, CO, with their Future Chap, Ellery. Troy is a biblical counselor in the C.A.R.E. Ministry at Littleton Church of Christ.

Jeff Wyatt ('89) and his wife Audra live in Spring, TX, where Jeff works as a general manager at Southwest Homes of Houston.

'90s Decade

Doug Buchanan ('90) lives in Plainview, TX, and is an English instructor at South Plains College.

Scott Buchanan ('90) lives in Lubbock and is an English teacher at Richard Milburn Academy.

Kenneth Thomas ('91) and his wife Heather live in Placentia, CA, where Kyle is a junior high art teacher and high

school varsity soccer coach for Anaheim Union High School District and Placentia Yorba Linda Unified School District.

Catherine (Wiley '92) Tinkler and her husband Greg live in Weston Lakes, TX, where Catherine is a senior associate and F.O.S. Houston office leader for CannonDesign.

Gary Simpson ('93) and his wife Robin live in Ruidoso, NM, where Gary is the preacher at Mountain View Church of Christ, and Robin is an elementary art teacher. They are the parents of current LCU student, Charlyn, and Future Chaps, Sarron, and Chantelle.

Cathy (Crafton '94) Sawyer and her husband Chris live in Post, TX, with Future Chap, Zachary. Cathy is a theatre director and English teacher at Post High School.

Kim (Henton '95) Robbins and her husband Paul live in Staten Island, NY, with their Future Chaps, Benjamin, Charis, and Sophia, whom Kim homeschools. Paul is a senior pastor at Bethel Evangelical Free Church.

Doris Carter ('96) lives in Wichita, KS, and is a reviewer at Perspecta.

Amy (Sunderman '96) Knierim lives in Saginaw, TX, and is an English 3 teacher at Haltom High School.

Michael ('96) and Wendy (Cooper '96) Massey live in Burleson, TX. Michael is an Allstate agency owner, and Wendy is a 4th-grade teacher at Southwest Christian School.

Shasta (Ireland '98) Peet and her husband Bryan live in Gilbert, AZ. Shasta is an interior designer for Norwood Furniture, and Bryan is a teacher.

Chet Snider ('98) and his wife Marguerite live in Haslet, TX, with their Future Chaps, Maddie and Coen. Chet is a clinic manager for Greater Therapy Centers, and Marguerite is a teacher at Alliance Christian Academy.

John Granville ('99) lives in San Antonio, TX, and is associate general counsel at Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority.

Leland ('99) and Harmony (Wiggains '00) Mallett live in Arlington, TX. Leland is a teacher at Legacy High School and was awarded the 2018 Medal of Merit by the Journalism Education Association for his significant contributions to scholastic journalism and student media.



Kim Wheeler New Alumni Director

Kim (Whittenberg '88) Wheeler, a veteran in the University Advancement office at LCU, began serving the university as the Alumni Director in the fall of 2020. Her proven ability to connect and build relationships with people across the generational spectrum were key factors in her selection.

Raymond Richardson, Vice President of University Advancement, described how ideal the Alumni Relations position is for Wheeler: "Kim really loves people, and this is just one of the many God-given strengths she brings to this role. She has a mindset of hospitality, and her gifts and skillset will continue to welcome and attract LCU alumni to be involved and engaged in the amazing work happening at the university."

Wheeler began working at Lubbock Christian University in 2014 in the University Advancement Office as an executive administrator. When asked about this transition, she said, "LCU has changed my life and the

lives of so many others in a variety of wonderful ways, and I look forward to doing all I can to ensure that His light shines bright at LCU. I am humbled and excited to work with an amazing group of alumni who love LCU and love the Lord."

Wheeler attended LCU in the late 1980's, following in the footsteps of her older siblings, **Donna (Whittenberg) Schmidt** and **Kevin Whittenberg ('82)**. Wheeler graduated in 1988 from LCU, as did her husband **Daniel ('90)**. They have three children Connor, **Samantha ('18)**—married to **Tyler Woodall ('18)**—and **Madison ('20)**.

Vicki (Tuggle '99) Miller and her husband Steven live in New Home, TX, with their Future Chap, Brooke. Vicki owns a bookkeeping business, and Steven is the operations manager of the T.K.A. Biomed Department of Covenant Health System.

'00s Decade

Thomas Carter ('00) and his wife Rhonda live in Muleshoe, TX, where Thomas is a pastor at First United Methodist Church.

In February 2019, **Dr. Caleb Heatwole ('02)** and Dr. Cindy Cloud Heatwole, along with Dr. Jeffrey Ledford (husband of **Whitney Whitworth '12**), opened Hub City Veterinary Clinic in Lubbock, TX.

Tammy (Hale '00) Owen lives in Rowlett, TX, where she is a market controller for Group 1 Automotive.

Megan Bowers ('02) was recently promoted to audit manager in the Mineral Management division of Argent Financial Group at the Fort Worth, TX office.

Felicia (Sutherland '02) Patten and her husband Todd live in Searcy, AR, where Felicia is a lead forensic interviewer for the White County Child Safety Center, and Todd is an associate professor and chair of the Department of Mental Health and Wellness at Harding University.

Dr. Kristin Whittenburg ('02) lives in Gardendale, TX, where she is an education consultant for Region 18 Education Service Center.

Tanner Fain ('03) and his wife Anne live in Dumfries, VA, with their Future Chap, Tatom. Tanner is a Captain and intelligence officer for the United States Air Force.



Josephine Belle was born on June 23, 2018, to **Luke ('03) and Jenny (Denman '11) Reeger**.



Jonah was born on June 18, 2019, to **Justin Archer ('04)** and his wife Caiti. Justin currently works at LCU as the disability services coordinator.

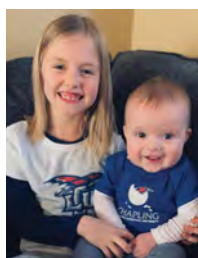


Madelyn Joy was born on July 19, 2019, to **Susan (Scarborough '04) and Nicholas Gaultney ('04)** and big brother Jackson Lee (age 3). The Gaultney family lives in San Antonio, TX.

Rodolfo ('04) and Allyson (Bartlett '02) Munoz live in Midland, TX, where Rodolfo is the owner of Pro Contractors of Midland.

Tana (Sandlin '05) Howard and her husband Jody live in Ackerly, TX, where Tana is a counselor and fine arts director at Sands C.I.S.D.

Charles Morse ('05) lives in Midland, TX, where he is an assistant manager at O'Reilly Auto Parts.



Asher James was born on July 27, 2019, to **Amanda (Smith '05) Pratt** and her husband Austin. Asher is pictured with big sister Amelia Grace.

Melanie (Hackett '05) Turner and her husband Robert live in Breckenridge, TX, with their Future Chap, Ryan. Melanie is a high school English and theater teacher.

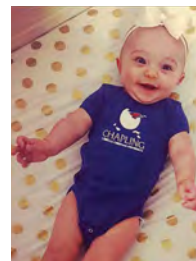
Daniel Gutierrez ('06) lives in Lubbock and is a special education teacher, head cross country/track coach, and assistant girls' basketball coach at Sudan I.S.D.

Tony ('06) and Angela (Akin '88) Hager live in Denton, TX. Tony is the owner and broker for URT Holdings, L.L.C., and Angela is a teacher for Denton I.S.D.

Rob ('06) and Denyce (Hayes '04) Hindman live in Sparks, NV, with their six Future Chaps. The Hindmans are involved in mission work and are helping plant a church in Reno, Nevada.

Billy ('06) and Ashley (Wilson '08) Morgan live in Big Spring, TX, where Billy is an 8th-grade science and robotics teacher and the science department chair at Big Spring Junior High. Ashley is the school librarian at Big Spring Junior High.

Dawn Schulz ('06) lives in Ralls, TX, and is a special education teacher for Lubbock I.S.D.



Bailey Margaret was born to **Randy Jackson ('07)** and his wife Samantha on November 23, 2019. The Jacksons live in Covington, WA, where Randy works for the Seattle Seahawks as internal security, and Samantha is a change management specialist for Boeing.

Rhonda (Childress '08) Coursey and her husband Scott live in Lubbock. Rhonda is an assistant principal at Westwind Elementary, and Scott is an owner and contractor for Build 4 Him, L.L.C., and Residential Innovations, L.L.C.



Caroline Cole was born on July 24, 2019, to **Cole Jones ('08)** and his wife Abigail. Caroline was welcomed by big brother Cannon (2). She is the granddaughter of Gary and **Debbie**

(Ellison '83) Jones and Alex and **Shellie (Bills '83) Scarborough**.

Rebecca (Carlton '08) Randrianasolo and her husband Arisoa live in Edmond, OK, with their Future Chap, Andy. Rebecca is enjoying staying home with Andy.

Stephanie ('09) Brown and her husband Richard live in Portales, NM. Stephanie is a Family Service Coordinator for Meca Therapies.

Cristin (Waddell '09) Coulter and her husband Turney live in Midland, TX, with their Future Chaps, Hallee and Harper. Cristin is the early childhood principal at Midland Christian School.

Lauribeth (House '09) Williams and her husband Travis live in Woodway, TX, with their Future Chaps, Dublin, Katie Beth, and Emma Mae. Lauribeth is a vice president of home operations, and Travis is a landscape architect.

'10s Decade



Elijah Ken was born on March 13, 2020 to **Mareuny Diana (DeLaTorre '10)** Chen and her husband Timothy. The Chen family lives in Conroe, TX, where Timothy is a physician of infectious disease.

Anthony Archer ('11) and his wife Ariella live in Wolfforth, TX. Anthony is a systems security engineer for X-FAB Texas, and Ariella is an AP US history teacher at Frenship I.S.D.

Matt ('12) and Alison (Maxfield '11) Hale live in Cleveland Heights, OH, with their future Chap, Ezra. Matt is the new Minister at the Church of Christ at Forest Hill in Cleveland Heights. Matt is also a Ph.D. Candidate in Systematic Theology at the Catholic University of America.

Aya Marie was born on March 1, 2020, to **Lucas Vaughn ('11)** and Leila Chelbi. They live in Fayetteville, NC, where Lucas is a Civil Affairs Specialist at the 96th Civil Affairs Battalion (Special Operations) (Airborne), and Leila is a 3rd-year doctoral candidate pursuing a Ph.D. at North Carolina State University.



Alyssa (Coats '11) Wagner and her husband Leonard live in Lubbock, where Alyssa is an assistant director at Texas Tech University, and Leonard is a financial advisor for New York Life.



Oliver Dean was born on February 5, 2020 to **Trapper ('12) and Morgan (Westbrook '12) Dixon**. They live in Lubbock, where Morgan is a teacher at Lubbock-Cooper ISD, and Trapper works for LCU as

a graphic designer in the marketing department.

Kendra (Jones '12) Cates and her husband Mitchell live in Idalou, TX. Kendra is a licensed professional counselor, and Mitchell is a crop consultant.

Mark ('10) and Megan (Long '12) Gregory live in Lubbock with their three Future Chaps, Kacie, Reese, and Sofie. Megan is a property manager at Location Rentals, and Mark is the director of the International Peanut Group.



Levitt Isais was born February 26, 2019 to Ryan and **Katy (Shooter '12) Isais**. Rhonda Shooter (President's Office) and her husband, Mark, are proud grandparents.



Colt Wyatt was born on December 20, 2019, to Jeff and **Whitney (Whitworth '12) Ledford**. The Ledfords live in Lubbock, where Whitney is a veterinarian at Oden Veterinary Hospital, and Jeff is a veterinarian and partner at Hub City Veterinary Clinic.



Addie Louise was born on March 12 to **Chase ('14) and Cara (Huggins '13) Smith**. The Smith family lives in Lubbock where Cara is a physical therapist and Chase is the community center director at Open Door.

Marissa (Hale '14) Bostick and her husband Barret live in Tioga, TX, with their Future Chap, Teddy. Marissa is a missionary at InFaith, and Barret is a project manager at Construction Zone.

Taylor ('14) and Chelsea (Carman '14) Cockrell live in Benbrook, TX. Chelsea is a teacher's assistant at Blue Haze Elementary, and Taylor is a youth minister at Oak Ridge Church of Christ.

Jennifer (Mitchell '04 & '14) Darby and her husband Jason live in Midland, TX, with Future Chap, Andrew. Jennifer is a principal market and business analyst for Halliburton.



Judah Oliver was born on April 21, 2020, to **Scott ('14) and Kaitlyn (Wilhoit '14) Hall**. The Halls live in Lubbock.



Emlynn was born in April to **Matthew ('13) and Susanna (Martin '14) Laughery** and big sister Alivia. The Laughery family lives in Lubbock.



Koulter Dale was born on May 15, 2019, to **Justin ('14) and Rachael (Wheeler '14) Lewis**.

Amanda Reeves ('14) lives in Lubbock and is a manager of assignments and contracts for University Student Housing at Texas Tech University.

Graham ('14) and Lexa (Arpin '15) Ritchie live in El Paso, TX with their Future Chap, Konner. Graham is a correctional officer at West Texas Detention Facility, and Lexa is a criminal prosecutor at the El Paso County District Attorney's Office.

Derek Simpson ('14) and his wife Lauren live in Lubbock, where Derek is a financial analyst for UMC Physicians, and Lauren is a 4th-grade teacher at Lubbock-Cooper Central Elementary.

Leslie (Cloud '14) Wint and her husband Walter live in Lubbock, where Leslie works as a developmental math instructor at Texas Tech University, and Walter is a drilling consultant for Wint Consulting.

Karen Bautista ('15) lives in Lubbock and is in the family nurse practitioner program.

Caleb ('14) and Leah (Dixon '15) Blakeney live in Marble Falls, TX. Leah is a reading interventionist for 6th-8th grade at Burnet ISD, and Caleb is the 6th-12th grade choir director for Burnet ISD.

Robert ('15) and Micaela (Counts '15) Brown live in Lubbock with their Future Chaps, Roland and Addison. Robert is a certified dementia practitioner, and Micaela just finished her second year as a chemistry teacher at Lubbock-Cooper High School.



Laurel Jane was born in August 2019 to **Lindsey (Roach '15) Holt** and her husband Heath. They live in Abilene, TX, and Lindsey recently published a children's book: *Wake Up, Pup! There's a Mouse in the House!*

Tiffany (Harms '15) Klassen and her husband Henry live in Lubbock, where Tiffany works as a registered nurse at UMC.

Jett ('16) and Megan (Walker '18) Davis live in Barnesville, GA. Jett is a youth pastor at the Barnesville Church of the Nazarene, and Megan is a student at Gordon State College.

Casey Goodnight ('16) lives in Slaton, TX, and is a patrol sergeant.

Chealsie (Huseman '16) and Leon Spence were married on November 9, 2019.

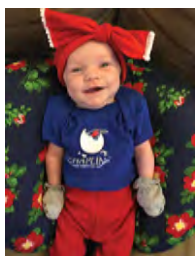
Taylor Prather ('16) lives in Bovina, TX, and is a registered nurse at Plains Regional Medical Center.

Ashley Ledford ('17) lives in Burleson, TX, and is an economic analyst.

Jared ('15) and Mekayla (Duzan '17) Lewis live in Lubbock. Mekayla is a customer service representative at PlainsCapital Bank, and Jared is the warehouse manager at Ramsower's Furniture.

Michael Martinez ('17) lives in Lubbock and is an athletic trainer and clinic coordinator at Lubbock Sports Medicine.

Rebecca (Sturgeon '18) Canon and her husband Cory live in Levelland, TX, with their Future Chaps, Chance and Cord. Rebecca is a counselor at South Plains College Health & Wellness, and Cory works for Occidental Permian Basin.



Kendall Rhea was born on September 22, 2019, to **Dylon Jones ('18)** and his wife Bailey. The Jones family lives in Lubbock, where Dylon works at CoNetrix as a tandem support specialist.

Daniel ('18) and Lissa (Biard '18) Lockhart live in Lubbock, where Daniel is a student at Texas Tech University

Health Sciences Center, working towards a master's in physician assistant studies, and Lissa is an RN.

Lillea (Talbot '18) Phillips and her husband Carson live in Lubbock. Carson is a firefighter and EMT at the Clovis Fire Department.

Alexsis Torres ('18) lives in Lubbock and is a release of information tech at UMC. She is currently working on her master's degree at LCU.

Zachary Badon ('19) lives in Sweetwater, TX, and is a youth minister at the 4th and Elm Church of Christ.

Neysa Carter ('19) lives in Lubbock and is a substitute teacher for Lubbock ISD.

Richard ('19) and Melissa (Lynne '17) Duncan live in Bonham, TX, where Richard is a staff appraiser at Fannin Central Appraisal District.

Tabitha (Cowen '19) and Nolan Duzan ('16) live in Lubbock. Tabitha is a 7th-grade math teacher at Frenship ISD, and Nolan is a focus aid at Frenship ISD.

Krystal (Gonzalez '19) Velazquez and her husband Edgardo live in Fort Myers, FL, where Krystal works as an admissions counselor at Florida SouthWestern State College.

Tamara McCasland ('19) and her husband Jack live in Plainview, TX. Tamara is a staff RN at Covenant Hospital Plainview, and Jack is a health inspector for Hale County.

Cole ('19) and Jessica ('19) Mealer live in Victoria, TX, where Jessica is a licensed social worker, and Cole is the pulpit minister at Central Church of Christ.

Teresa (Grimaldo '19) Mitchell and her husband Nicholas live in Dallas, TX with their Future Chap, Dissaya. Teresa is a records administrator for the City of Irving, and Nicholas is a sales associate for Sewell Cadillac.

Fletcher Schmidt ('19) lives in Lubbock and is a Children's Ministry intern.

Roy ('20) and Kylie (Peden '19) Bateman live in Claude, TX, where Kylie is a 3rd-grade reading teacher at Highland Park Elementary.

Briana (May '20) Payen moved to Virginia Beach, VA to join husband, Kevin, who is a communications tech on submarines for the US Navy.

Yvonne (Santos '20) Salazar lives in Slaton, TX, with Future Chap, Alizah. Yvonne is a registered nurse at Covenant Medical Center.

Isabella Sifuentes ('20) is a registered nurse in Surgical ICU at Covenant Medical Center.

Victoria Trostle ('20) lives in Lubbock and is a staff accountant at Bolinger, Segars, Gilbert, & Moss, L.L.P.



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In Memoriam

'50s & '60s DECADE

Stiles Dwaine Belcher of Knox City, Texas, died of dementia complications on Wednesday, April 15, 2020. He graduated from Slaton High School in 1956 and attended Lubbock Christian College and Texas Tech University, majoring in agricultural education. He was an auctioneer and FDIC appraiser before retiring to his parents' farm near Knox City. He is survived by his wife, Gladys "Sue" Diller; children, Mark, Sunday, and Tom; five grandchildren; and two great-granddaughters.

Linda Kay Gentry Wiseman died October 9, 2020, in Round Rock, Texas. Kay attended Lubbock Christian College after graduating from Sudan High School. She and her husband, Pudd Wiseman, owned and operated Pudd's Service Station in Sudan, then in later years she purchased and managed the H&R Block franchise in Muleshoe. Kay is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, **Randy ('87) and Rebecca (Musick '85) Wiseman**; daughter and son-in-law Linda and John Kay; six grandchildren, two of whom are LCU Chaparrals, **Daniel Kay ('23)**, and Hannah Kay (**freshman 2021**); and six great-grandchildren.

Gay Brock ('61) of Shallowater, Texas passed away on October 6, 2020. Gay worked as a substitute teacher and Library aid at Shallowater High School. Survivors include husband **Ealy Brock ('72)**; children, **J.K. Brock ('87)** and wife Cathy, Debby Summerlin, **Stephanie Evans ('90)** and husband Trent; six grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Jerry Lee Haley ('62) of Lubbock, passed away on May 24, 2020. Jerry graduated from Colorado City High in 1960 and went to Lubbock Christian College on a basketball scholarship. At registration in Moody Auditorium, he laid eyes on **Sandra (Bain '61)**. After two weeks of dating, he proposed and she accepted! In the 60's Jerry served in the Air Force Reserves for six years. He retired as an engineer in 1991. He is survived by his wife; daughter, **Ladana Moore Bingham ('86)** and husband Danny; grandchildren, Meagan Jones and husband Van, and **Jeri (Moore '11) Perry**; and two great-grandchildren.

Joseph Daniel Parker ('62) of Deer Park, Texas passed away on April 24, 2019. He graduated from LCC in 1962 with his Associates in Applied Arts then transferred to West Texas State University but was drafted by the U. S. Army. He joined the U. S. Airforce in 1965 and served until 1968. After retiring from full-time ministry in 2003, he worked as a Federal

Security Guard in the Houston area. He is survived by his wife, **Kathy (Edwards '70)**; son and daughter-in-law, Jacob and Charisa Parker; daughter and son-in-law, Julie and Clint Fletcher; and 3 grandchildren.

Dan Rankin of Post, Texas died November 23, 2019. He dedicated his life to education as both a teacher and principal at Post ISD Elementary for 36 years. He was preceded in death by his wife, Kathie (Kennedy). Survivors include son, Bill Rankin and wife Gina; four grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Twilla Kaye Adrian Stence, of Kingsland, Texas, died on February 4, 2020. In 1961, Kay graduated from Hale Center High School and attended Lubbock Christian College. For 41 years, Kay was a Mary Kay Independent Beauty Consultant and Director. Beginning in 2000, she became a nutritionist and health counselor. Her husband, **Donald Stence ('59)**, preceded her in death. Kay is survived by two sons and their wives, Michael and Star Stence and Mitchell and Kim Stence; five grandchildren; and one brother, **Steven Adrian**.

Patricia Pittman Woolard of Las Vegas, Nev. passed away on October 29, 2019. She graduated from Midland High School in 1961 and attended Lubbock Christian College. Before moving to Las Vegas in 1991, she dedicated over twenty years volunteering and fundraising for Midland Christian School, worked alongside her husband at Woolard Electric and at several title companies. She is survived by her husband, **Jimmie Woolard ('60)**; two daughters and their husbands, Laura and Barry Emfinger; Susan and Christopher Jones; and one son, Darren Woolard; one granddaughter and one great-granddaughter.

Ollie Edwin Young of Georgetown, Texas passed away on October 10, 2019. After graduating from Loop High School in 1961, he studied at Lubbock Christian College. During this time, he also began selling insurance and started his preaching career for churches of Christ. He is survived by his wife, Maricruz; two sons, Mario Alfonso Young and wife Katie-Grace, David Young and wife Tammy; three daughters, Vanessa Flippin and husband Jeremy, Renee Young, Kim Bernal; six grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Tony Patterson ('65) of Quitman, Texas passed away on Monday, January 6, 2020 at the age of 76. After high school Tony attended Lubbock Christian College. After graduating from LCC he attended San Angelo State for a short time and

then joined the Marines. He was predeceased by sister, Judy Goss, and is survived by his sisters, Nicki Wall and Vicki Thompson.

Charlotte Neece ('66) of Abilene, Texas, passed away on October 4, 2020. She worked as a medical laboratory technician then became a certified special education teacher, serving at Fannin Elementary in Abilene for 10 years. She is survived by husband Allen Neece; daughter, Kimberly Gibson; son Landon Neece; three grandchildren; and parents, Leonard and Jo Nettles.

Jerry Don Powell ('66) of Roscoe, Texas passed away on March 1, 2020. Jerry was a Registered Nurse for 38 years and served as a Captain in the United States Air Force. He is survived by his wife of 52 years, **Viva Kay (Parker) Powell**; daughter, **Tamara (Powell) Castleberry** and husband Joe; son, Gerald Powell and wife Karrie; four grandchildren; two step-grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren.

Larry J. Hamby of Plainview, Texas passed away on July 28, 2020. After graduating from Plainview High School in 1966 he attended LCC. He worked at The Hamby Company from 1972 until the mid 80's. He maintained the shop manufacturing of numerous products as well as a welding supply business until his health would not permit. He is survived by his wife, Pam Hamby; daughters, Keri Tidwell and husband, Chris and Kena Allen and husband, Lee; two stepsons, Coby, and Jarrett and wife, Kacey; and four grandchildren.

Larry Ken Bozeman of Idalou, Texas passed away on June 11, 2020, after a brave battle with cancer. He graduated from Idalou High School in 1968 and went to college at Lubbock Christian College, then Texas Tech University. Larry had a passion for agriculture and began farming and ranching in 1972, then took charge of Bozeman Machinery in 1984. He is survived by his wife, Helen Jones Bozeman; his children and their spouses, Lori and Denver Cole, Derek and Jennifer Bozeman, Mindi and Jonathan Zanowiak, and Heath and Amber Bozeman; 12 grandchildren; his mother, Margie Bozeman.

'70s DECADE

Charlotte (Nance '72) Shepard of Lubbock passed away on February 8, 2020. She graduated high school in 1967 then attended LCU majoring in business administration. She worked for 20 years at Bailey's Bookstore, then at Jim Pott's Auto Glass for 10 years. She is survived by her husband, Darrel; daughter, Angela Pope; and two grandsons. She was preceded in death by her first husband, Clifton Christian; and son, Cody Shepard.

James Boyd Bright of New Braunfels, Texas passed away on December 31, 2019. He attended LCC before graduating from Texas Tech University. He spent most of his life in the

Pioneer Valley, where he was self-employed as an architect. He is survived by his wife, Carol; daughter, Alison Bright; son, Collin Bright; step-son, Matt Fontaine and his wife Helju; and his mother, Lu Bright.

Ronald Wayne Baker of Lubbock died on October 4, 2019 at the age of 65. He graduated from Hobbs High School in 1972 and attended Lubbock Christian College. He worked at Jay Rogers Clothier for many years and Cottage Village Senior Living Center before his retirement. Ron is survived by his wife, Charlotte Patty Baker; children, **Dustin Baker ('04)** and Allison Baker Howell, and their mother, Linda Redeker; step children, Angela Paschall, Erin Lea, Stephanie Hunter, and Steve Paschall; sister, **Jackie (Baker '72) Hinckley**; and 12 grandchildren.

Charles Steven Hanes ('73) of Gerty, Okla. passed away March 5, 2020. He received a BS in Agriculture Science from LCC, and was a farmer and rancher. Survivors include his wife, **Gwyn (Moore '71) Hanes**; children, **Denea (Hanes '06) Collings** and husband Stephen, Kyle Hanes, Shae Raymond and husband Joby, Kade Hanes, Cason Hanes and wife Jen; and seven grandchildren.

Lecil Richards ('73) of Fort Sumner, N.M. lost his battle with cancer on April 14, 2020. Lecil taught and coached at Dora High School then Lovington High School, eventually serving Lovington as Assistant High School Principal, Elementary Principal, and Assistant Superintendent. He then served in Fort Sumner, attempted to retire and after six months became superintendent of House, N.M. schools, working another seven years. Lecil is survived by his wife, Pam (Isler) Richards; three sons, **Jerrett Richards**, Jace Richards and wife Audra, and Jaben Richards and wife Savannah; his mother Mary Jo Richards; siblings **Damon Richards ('75)**, **Quata Richards**, and **R.L. Richards ('80)**.

Randal Partain ('74) of Bullard, Texas passed away July 26, 2020. He worked for Konica-Minolta for 28 years as a district and regional sales manager. Randal is survived by his wife, Kathleen; and daughter and son-in-law, Kim and Mark DePaul.

Thomas Carter Geer, Jr. ('75), of Ash Grove, Mo. died on February 27, 2020. After receiving his BA degree from LCC, he later received his Master of Theology from Harding Graduate School of Religion, and his Ph.D. in New Testament and Christian Origins from Boston University. He served as a professor of Greek and New Testament at Abilene Christian University, then embarked on a second career as an ordained pastor by the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). Tom married Marcia Pratt in 1972 and they divorced in 1995, and he remarried in 1999. He is survived by his wife, Mary Ann; daughters, Sara Cosgrove and husband, Mark, and Rachel Liubushkin; stepchildren Libby Ellis and husband Aaron, Chester Ellis and wife Loni, Andrew Ellis and wife Megan; and six grandchildren.

Troy Dee Goyne ('78) of Portales, N.M. passed away on February 29, 2020. Following college, he returned to Portales to farm, then worked for the local John Deere dealers, where he became a certified Master Mechanic. Since 2007, Troy was employed by Breshears Farms. He is preceded in death by his father Elbert Goyne and his son Daniel Goyne. Troy is survived by his wife, Ronda (Hall); his mother, Joan Goyne; his son and daughter-in-law Nathan and Hanna Goyne; and one grandson.

James Thomas "JT" Wright of Fort Worth, Texas passed away on August 22, 2020. He graduated from Levelland High School in 1973, attending South Plains College before LCC from 1976-78. JT was employed by Fort Worth Independent School District as a fire alarm tech III for 31 years. He coached soccer and was the biggest fan to anyone he knew involved in sports. He is survived by his children, Shawn (Kasandra) Franklin, Tanisha Franklin, Ember Wright, and Julius Wright; and five grandchildren.

Glenda (Crawford '78) Young of Artesia, N.M. passed on March 2, 2020. She worked many years as an accountant at Holly Frontier, as well as supporting her husband and his practice at Artesia Animal Clinic in a similar role. Survivors include her husband Lawrence Dale Young; sons Travis Young and Jonathan Young; daughter, Laura Williams and husband Mark; mother, Shirley Crawford; and three grandchildren.

'80s DECADE

Sarah (Williams '80) Fowler of Matador, Texas passed away January 4, 2020. She is survived by her husband, **Michael R. Fowler ('81)**; children, **Michael A. Fowler** and wife Stephanie, Blair Fowler and wife Ginger, Leah Stewart and husband Kenny, Hannah Maner and husband Jon, Logan Fowler and wife Savannah; and 10 grandchildren.

Michelle Yvette (Bennett '80) Larsen of Lubbock passed away on August 15, 2020 after a short illness. She pursued a double major in history and secondary education at LCC, then graduated from Texas Tech University School of Law. She is survived by her husband of almost twenty years, Nicholas Larsen.

Cynthia Renee (Stockstill) Miles of Goldthwaite, Texas passed away on July 23, 2020 after a battle with cancer. She worked with her husband at their business, Mills County Veterinary Clinic. She served as a teacher's aide in the Goldthwaite school system and recently retired from teaching at New Horizons Ranch near Goldthwaite. She is survived by her husband, Randal Miles; children, Russell Miles, Reagan Miles, Ricky Miles and wife Stephanie, and Ryan Miles; two grandchildren; her mother, Patsy Stockstill and sister, **Cherie (Stockstill '81) Creech** and husband **Terry ('81)**.

Dorothy "Dottie" Bautsch Green Thurman ('82) of Lubbock passed away on November 22, 2019. After obtaining her degree, she worked as an elementary teacher for Lubbock ISD and Southcrest Christian School. She was preceded in death by her first husband of 25 years, Charles C. Green. Surviving her are husband, Pat Thurman; sons, David Ware and wife Laurie, Stephen Ware; daughters, Phyllis Wells and husband Clay, Ronda Stonecipher and husband Dale, Vicky Thompson and husband Jay; six grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Barbara (Cox '83) Daniels of Lubbock passed away on February 23, 2020 after a battle with Parkinson's Disease. In 1966, she and her family moved to the Philippines to be missionaries. Upon their return in 1971, she worked as a secretary at Brown Elementary in Lubbock and then as a secretary in the Bible department at LCC. During this time, she completed her Bachelor's degree in Education and graduated in 1983, the same day as her son. She then taught at most of the junior highs in Lubbock until her retirement in 2002. She is survived by her husband, David Daniels; daughter and son-in-law **Diane (Daniels '79) and David Barnett ('80)**; son and daughter-in-law **David ('83) and Dana (Leatherman '84) Daniels**; four grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Guy Frederick Dorman ('85) of Lubbock passed away on November 19, 2019. Guy was retired after a 28-year career working at the Lubbock State School in the Psychology Department. He also enjoyed photography and worked as a photographer at weddings and other events. Guy is survived by his wife, Karen Michelle Dorman; step-daughters, Morgan Elizabeth Fannin and Natalie Nichole Amador; and one granddaughter.

Kathlyn (Mealio '89) Brumfield of Perrin, Texas passed away February 1, 2020 at the age of 54. For over 15 years, she worked as a kindergarten teacher, librarian, elementary teacher, and special education teacher at her beloved Perrin-Whitt CISD, her alma mater. She is survived by her husband, **Jeff Brumfield**; children, **Hannah (Brumfield '12) Ashley** and **Jonathan Brumfield ('05)**; one grandchild; and parents, Fred and Kay Mealio.

'90s DECADE

Gerald Paul Jackson ('94), known to some as Jerry, JP, and Choc, of Texarkana, Texas passed away on May 28, 2020. Gerald graduated from Dunbar High School in Lubbock, then served in the US Air Force. He began his career in ministry in 1980 preaching at several church of Christ congregations, including Parkway Drive, 20th & Birch, Central Lubbock, West Adams in Los Angeles, Calif. and Ross Road in Memphis, Tenn, as well as being a published author. He was serving at the Twin City Church of Christ in Texarkana at the time of

his death. He is survived by his wife Carol; his children, Scott, Leslie, and Brian; stepchildren, Brandon, Bradley, Amber, and Matthew; and four grandchildren.

'00s DECADE

Jason Jon Herman ('01 and '05) of Richland Hills, Texas passed away on February 26, 2020. He was the Head Coach of the Dallas Christian School girls' soccer team, and worked as a Character Coach with the Richland High School Soccer team. He started his career in ministry by receiving his undergraduate and graduate degrees, and working as a youth minister at 12th Street Church of Christ in Shallowater, Highland Oaks Church of Christ in Dallas, and The Hills Church in North Richland Hills. He is survived by his wife, Katie (Mulqueen); two daughters Audrey and Olivia; father and step-mother, Jerry and Wendy Herman; mother and step-father, Diana and Joe Statzula; brothers, Josh, **John** and wife Sarah, and David Herman, Robbie Witt and wife Sarah, Chris Statzula; and sister, **Courtney (Witt '11)** and husband **Landon Shuman ('11)**.

Tara M. Wood ('02) of Hobbs, N.M. passed away on November 3, 2019. After LCU, she attended Texas Tech University and graduated with a Masters of Toxicology and from the Texas Tech School of Law with a JD in 2005. She was licensed to practice law in both Texas and New Mexico. Tara worked as a Public Defender, as a prosecutor for the District Attorney's office and operated her own practice, Wood Law, LLC at the time of her death. Survivors are her husband, Dwayne Cephus; son, Chance Cephus; daughter, Meghan Cephus. She was preceded in death by her infant daughter, Kaylee Wood Cephus.

Brian Keith Sanders ('04) of Lubbock passed away on August 20, 2020. He received his LVN in 1984 and RN in 1985, and later in life continued his education with LCU to receive a Bachelor of Science in Nursing. Those surviving him are his wife Dawn; children, Jacob Sanders and wife Emily, Krista Sanders, and Zaquia Mackey.

Charla Wiley ('05) of Roby, Texas, passed away on September 18, 2020. She worked as an accountant for Patterson Drilling in Snyder until her retirement due to health reasons. She is survived by her mother, Florence Wiley; and sisters, Koell Scott and Rene Funk.

Willie Frank Butler ('06) of Lubbock passed away on January 12, 2020. He graduated from Frenship High School and received his Bachelor's Degree from Texas Tech University and Master's Degree from LCU. He was on staff at Lubbock ISD.

April (Burdett '08) Killingsworth of Lubbock passed away on November 10, 2019, after a very long battle with kidney disease, at the age of 50. She graduated from LCU with a Bachelors's in Accounting. She is survived by her husband, Charles Killingsworth; sons, Troy Moore and wife Audra and Andrew Moore and wife Rachel; step-son, Jason Killingsworth and wife Miwa; and step-daughter, Kori Larkins and husband, Sim; and 17 grandchildren.

'10s DECADE

Jessica (Russell '13) Richardson, of Lubbock passed away on October 13, 2019. At LCU, she competed on the soccer team, honed her natural artistic talent, and spent late nights completing classwork and projects. She is survived by her husband, **Dustin Richardson**; daughter, Alice Richardson; mother, Cynthia LaFleur Coleman; father, Robert Paul Russell; twin brother, **Justin Robert Russell**, and wife, Cassie; and little brother, John Riley Coleman.

MASTER FOLLIES PERFORMANCE STREAMED FOR 2021

The SHOW Must Go On! MASTER FOLLIES

REGISTER FREE at [LCU.EDU/TICKETS](https://luc.edu/tickets)
Streamed Live Saturday, February 20 • 7:00 PM (CST)

Like everything else in this season of pandemic, Master Follies will be structured differently this year but will continue to have the creative energy of students that makes it so special. University officials observed the need to continue this long-standing tradition and experience for our students, while keeping them and the patrons that typically attend as safe as possible.

Master Follies 2021 *The Show Must Go On* will be produced as a **live streamed, online-only performance** on Saturday, February 20, the weekend following Homecoming. Club members and other participants will be masked with proper precautions and changes have been made in how the stage is utilized. Clubs have also been provided protocols for their practices and performance.

The performance **will not be open to the public** to view in person. While we know this is disappointing to parents, alumni, students, and friends of LCU, we realized that this was the only way to create safe viewing for all.

To register to receive the free link for the live streamed performance visit [LCU.edu/tickets](https://luc.edu/tickets).

The shows will be judged, and the winners announced at the end of the live stream on Saturday, Feb 20. Each viewer will have the opportunity to vote for the People's

Choice Award and will be provided the link for voting at the end of the performances. Gather safely with friends and family and enjoy this online event on Saturday evening, February 20, at 7:00 PM (CST)

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to the Homecoming Weekend or the Master Follies performance that might be required due to constantly changing variables associated with COVID.

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FEBRUARY 11-14, 2021

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11

LADY CHAP BASKETBALL VS. WESTERN NEW MEXICO UNIVERSITY 5:30PM | Rip Griffin Center

CHAP BASKETBALL VS. WESTERN NEW MEXICO UNIVERSITY 7:30PM | Rip Griffin Center

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12

CHAP STORE OPEN
8:00AM-2:30PM | Chap Store is located in the Sub

ALUMNI ART EXHIBITS
8:00AM-6:30PM | Ling Center for Academic Achievement Galleries

LCU ASSOCIATES GIFT SHOPPE
10:00AM-2:00PM | Arnett House

ALUMNI AWARDS BANQUET **TICKETS REQUIRED**
11:30AM-1:15PM | Baker Conference Center

CHAP ZONE **RSVP REQUIRED**
4:00PM | Rip Griffin Center, South Parking Lot

CHAP BASEBALL VS. OKLAHOMA CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY 5:00PM | Hays Field

LADY CHAP BASKETBALL VS. WESTERN NEW MEXICO UNIVERSITY 5:30PM | Rip Griffin Center

HOMECOMING ALUMNI EXHIBIT RECEPTION **RSVP REQUESTED**
5:00PM-7:00PM | Ling Center for Academic Achievement Galleries

CHAP BASKETBALL VS. WESTERN NEW MEXICO UNIVERSITY 7:30PM | Rip Griffin Center

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13

SOCIAL CLUB BREAKFASTS **RSVP REQUIRED**
8:30AM | Various locations

ALUMNI ART EXHIBITS
9:00AM-6:00PM | Ling Center for Academic Achievement Galleries

CHAP STORE OPEN
9:30AM-3:00PM | Chap Store is located in the Sub

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION RECEPTION **RSVP REQUIRED**
9:30AM-10:00AM | McDonald Moody Auditorium, Lobby

ALUMNI CHAPEL/HOMECOMING CORONATION **RSVP REQUIRED**
10:00AM-11:15AM | McDonald Moody Auditorium

DEDICATION OF THE GENESIS STONE **RSVP REQUIRED**
11:30AM-12:00PM | Ling Center for Academic Achievement

AGGIE BBQ LUNCH **TICKETS REQUIRED**
12:00PM-1:00PM | James and Jeanette Ling Science Center

LUNCH **RSVP REQUESTED** 12:00PM | LCU DINING HALL

DECADE REUNIONS **RSVP REQUIRED**
2:00PM-3:30PM | Various locations

CHAP BASEBALL VS. OKLAHOMA CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY 2:00PM | Hays Field

ANNUAL QUEEN'S TEA **RSVP REQUIRED** 4:00PM

WAYNE & YVONNE HINDS MUSIC CENTER DEDICATION AND DINNER **TICKETS REQUIRED**
6:00PM-7:30PM | Wayne & Yvonne Hinds Music Center

COFFEE HOUSE **RSVP REQUIRED**
7:30PM-8:30PM | LCU Starbucks

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14

COFFEE & PASTRIES
8:00AM | Cardwell Welcome Center

DEVOTIONAL & COMMUNION **RSVP REQUIRED**
8:30AM-9:15AM | Cardwell Welcome Center

CHAP BASEBALL VS. OKLAHOMA CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY 1:00PM | Hays Field



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Although Big Blue Christmas 2020 had to change to a drive-thru event to accommodate state gathering restrictions, it couldn't dampen our spirit! Cars lined up for miles to gaze at the Christmas scenes, characters and campus lights and collect the many crafts and goodies pre-packaged for children to take home.



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