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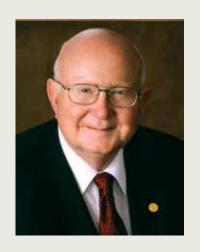
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LETTERS FROM

CAREY



Dear Members of the Carey Family:

If you are a current or former student, employee or supporter, you are a member of the Carey Family. I am pleased to share this current issue of The Carey Magazine with you. It is the annual President's report and contains much information regarding the current status of William Carey, including a listing of our supporters for 2019. I encourage you to examine it carefully.

You will notice that this issue has an emphasis on the liberal arts. Carey began as a liberal arts institution and for the first half of its existence, offered only a liberal arts curriculum. While most of our growth in the past twenty years has been in professional graduate programs, we continue to value the liberal arts as the foundation for all learning. A liberal arts education is designed to help students develop the ability to think broadly and critically, and William Carey fills the undergraduate experience with abundant opportunities for students to do just that. Through curricular enhancement, study abroad, community service, internships and now undergraduate research, a student who spends the first four years at Carey will graduate with a sense of place, the power of thought and the impetus to turn thought into positive action.

As I open my computer to proofread the above comments, I am confronted with the reality of the day—coping with the COVID virus. Since being president, I have wrestled with rebuilding our coast campus after the devastation of Hurricane Katrina, recovery from the financial crisis, the January 2017 tornado and now this unknown. We will support our students to complete the trimester online and then contemplate the steps beyond that are now in the darkness. The circumstances that confront our students now will strengthen them to face an uncertain future. We trust that the One who came to bring light will lead us as we continue to serve Him.

God bless,

Tommy King

President







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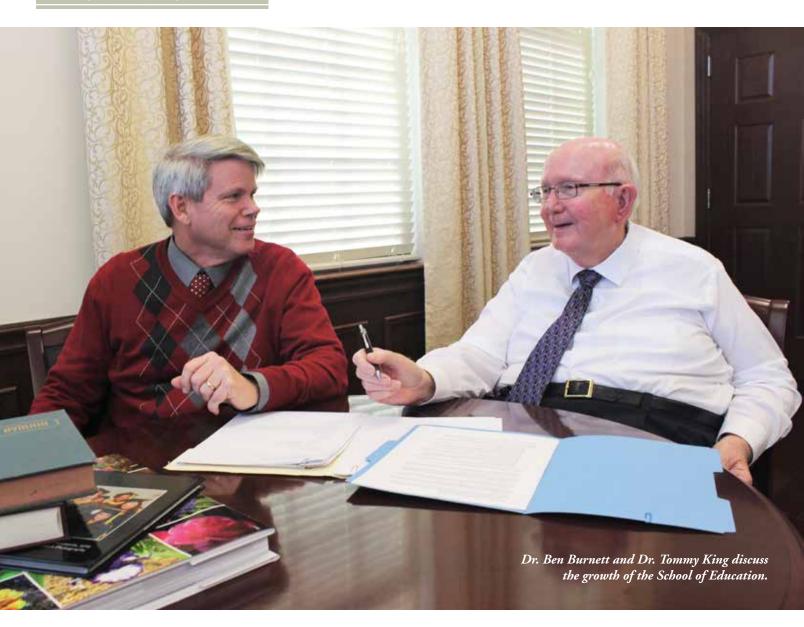
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COVER PHOTO: Pawlikowski cello donated by Dr. and Mrs. Jaime Jiménez to the strings program at Carey.

William Carey University is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges to award bachelor, master, education specialist, and doctoral degrees. Contact the Commission on Colleges at 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097 or call 404-679-4500 for questions about the accreditation of William Carey University.



School of Education becomes

LARGEST in the state

521 undergraduate and graduate students earned education degrees in 2018.

ata for academic year 2017-18
was posted in late January by the
U.S. Department of Education's
Integrated Postsecondary
Education Data System and confirmed through
the Mississippi Institutions of Higher Learning's
website.

According to the data, Carey out-performed the next-largest school of education by almost 70 graduates. Of the top five schools of education in Mississippi, two showed decreases in number of education graduates in 2018.

"The teacher shortage is alarming and we're very focused on helping solve the problem. All of our faculty members had careers in K-12 education before joining William Carey. On average, they have 27 years of experience in K-12 education. We are all passionate about helping the schools in our state," said Dr. Ben Burnett, dean of the School of Education.

"Having the largest number of graduates from the combination of our graduate and undergraduate programs is encouraging to us, but we still have a long way to go to make a truly significant impact on the teacher shortage."

Burnett said the School of Education seeks practical ways to tackle the problem. Recent projects, large and small, undertaken by his faculty include:

- Last year, Carey received a three-year \$600,000 grant from the Mississippi Department of Education to pilot a "teacher residency" program for undergraduate students in partnership with two Gulf Coast school districts;
- Carey has entered into partnerships with several school systems to offer "alternate route" programs to help people who have a bachelor's degree earn teaching certificates;
- Through a scholarship program, Carey is helping assistant teachers complete their degrees and earn teaching certificates;
- WCU and Pearl River Community College partnered on a program that allows community college graduates to remain on the Pearl River campus while working with Carey faculty toward a bachelor's degree;
- A WCU-sponsored leadership academy for principals all over the state helps upper-level administrators share winning strategies to retain classroom teachers;

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— **Dr. Ben Burnett**Dean of the School of Education



- Carey hosts "teacher round-ups" to answer questions from people who are interested in becoming teachers and new teacher symposiums, where experienced educators pass on successful classroom techniques;
- Earlier this year, WCU offered K-12 teachers an online, tuition-free class that can assist in the renewal of their Mississippi Educators License.

More good news: Undergraduate enrollment in education is still climbing at Carey. In fall 2019, the School of Education posted a record 25 percent enrollment increase over the prior year.

Reorganization of Winters School of Music and Ministry Studies

The Winters School of Music and Ministry Studies has been reorganized into the Winters School of Music and the Cooper School of Missions and Ministry Studies to reflect the outstanding growth in these areas.



DR. DANIEL CALDWELL will serve as vice president for Christian development and church relations.



DR. WES DYKES will serve as dean of the Donald and Frances Winters School of Music, which will house the departments of music therapy, music education, worship, performance, and music technology.



DR. BRETT GOLSON will serve as dean of the Cooper School of Missions and Ministry Studies, which will include the biblical studies, philosophy, and Christian ministry (intercultural studies) departments.



WORD MUSIC IS ONE OF THE NATION'S LARGEST PUBLISHERS OF CHURCH CHORAL MUSIC. THE **COMPANY RELEASES ABOUT 1,500** PRINTED AND ONLINE PRODUCTS EVERY YEAR TO HELP CHURCHES **CREATE MEANINGFUL WORSHIP** EXPERIENCES. ONE OF THOSE PRODUCTS IS SHEET MUSIC. WORSHIP LEADERS CAN CHOOSE MUSIC FOR THEIR CHURCHES AT WORD MUSIC'S WEBSITE, WORDCHORALCLUB.COM, AND LISTEN TO ONLINE RECORDINGS OF CHOIRS PERFORMING **DIFFERENT ARRANGEMENTS.**

Usually, the recordings are performed by studio session singers. But in the case of two anthems (so far) arranged by WCU



music professor Dr. Luke Gambill, the choir performing on Word Music's website is the Carey Worship Choir.

"I've known Dale Mathews, president of Word Music, for decades. I used to work for him when he was the head of another large church music publisher and we stayed in touch over the years. Dale began hiring me as a freelancer to do arrangements for Word Music," Gambill said.

"And now, the Carey Worship Choir is featured on their website. What's really unique about our partnership is that worship leaders can hear a real choir singing, not professionals. Maybe they'll think to themselves, if the Carey choir can pull off this arrangement, we can, too."

The Carey Worship Choir is two years old. It was founded by Dr. Wes Dykes in 2018, shortly after he was named dean of the Winters School of Music & Ministry Studies.

"The worship choir is an interactive experience because what they do is not

'performance' and the audience is not simply watching. We want them to actively engage with us in worship to the Lord," Dykes said.

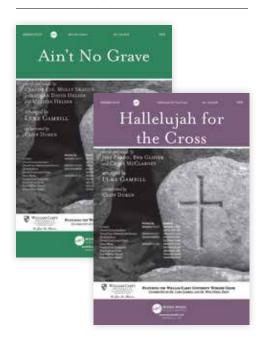
Anthems sung by the Carey Worship Choir on Word Music's website are "Ain't No Grave" and "Hallelujah for the Cross." In mid-December the choir recorded a third song, "Love Came Down," during a session at Temple Baptist Church. Also arranged by Gambill, it is scheduled for release in May or June.

The sheet music carries the university's logo and credits Dr. Gambill, Dr. Dykes and the Carey Worship Choir. It also includes information about three new degrees in the Music Studies in Worship program:

- Bachelor's degree in music with a concentration in Worship Leadership
- Bachelor's degree in music with a concentration in Worship Technology
- Fully online master's degree in Church Music

For more information, visit www.wmcarey. edu or call (601) 318-6175.

Dr. Luke Gambill conducts the Carey Worship Choir as they sing "Hallelujah for the Cross" during chapel service on Jan. 15.





THE SPANISH MAJOR, INCLUDING AN OPTION FOR TEACHER LICENSURE, LAUNCHED IN THE FALL OF 2014. ALTHOUGH THE PROGRAM WAS OFFERED IN PREVIOUS YEARS, IT WAS DISCONTINUED UNTIL INCREASED INTEREST PROMPTED ITS REINSTATEMENT. THE PROGRAM IS CURRENTLY LED BY DRS. CHERYL MAQUEDA AND JANIE COVARRUBIAS, AND UNDER THEIR GUIDANCE, IT HAS EXPANDED TO INCLUDE STUDY ABROAD OPPORTUNITIES IN SEVILLE, THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE FIRST EVER WCU SPANISH CLUB, AND PARTNERSHIPS WITH SPANISH SPEAKERS ON CAREY'S CAMPUS AND IN THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITY.

Spanish is spoken by approximately 406 million, making it the second most widely spoken language in the world. Additionally, approximately 30 million people living in the United States speak Spanish. As employers seek to hire bilingual candidates, the ability to speak Spanish opens doors for students in nearly every profession.

The Spanish major must fulfill the Bachelor of Arts degree requirements, as well as additional requirements for teacher licensure. WCU is offering a \$20,000 scholarship over four years for students seeking a Spanish major.



Physical therapy program earns full accreditation

arey's physical therapy program has received full accreditation from the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE).

The three-year, doctoral program includes classroom instruction, hands-on practice of techniques, and clinical rotations at healthcare organizations that provide physical therapy services to patients. As with other doctoral degree programs in healthcare-related fields, accrediting agencies do not consider granting full accreditation until a program's inaugural class has graduated. The inaugural physical therapy class graduated in August 2019. CAPTE awarded the program full accreditation in November.

Dr. Tommy King congratulated the Physical Therapy Department's director, Dr. Cynthia Scott, and her staff.

"We didn't just wake up one morning and decide to have a physical therapy program. It took five years of planning, recruiting, reports and site visits to bring us to this day. I thank our talented and dedicated faculty and students for their hard work,"

Dr. Scott said, "I think of John 1:16 as a motto for our program: 'From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace.' Grace has marked this program in so many ways. Just to mention a few, the generosity of the administration and the board of trustees as we navigated uncharted territory; the miracle of acquiring the talented and experienced faculty and staff members who lead the program; the benefits of an advisory committee who were active in guiding the program and providing advice and insight; and the grace extended by faculty members and students to each other."

For more information about WCU's doctoral program in physical therapy, call (601) 318-6584 or visit www.wmcarey.edu/physical-therapy.



WCU at Baton Rouge General's

Inaugural Nursing Class

WILLIAM CAREY UNIVERSITY AT BATON ROUGE GENERAL HELD COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES FEB. 21 FOR ITS INAUGURAL CLASS OF BACHELOR'S DEGREE NURSING GRADUATES.

"We are honored to have been an integral part of developing these new nursing graduates. Throughout the BSN program, they have exemplified the knowledge, character, and fortitude essential to professional nursing," said Dr. Catherine Belden, director of WCU at Baton Rouge General.

"We are delighted to have these graduates join our alumni family and look forward to watching their progress as they begin careers in nursing."

The nursing program accepted its first students in fall 2018. Located at Baton Rouge General

M dical Center, the curriculum enables students to earn a bachelor of science degree in nursing in 18 months. After passing the National Council Licensure Examination, WCU nursing graduates will accept positions in a wide range of healthcare settings.

"We are very proud of this inaugural graduating class. They are a fine group of nurses who will positively affect healthcare in any areas that they care to be employed. We believe they will be the first of many nurses produced by our William Carey University at Baton Rouge General campus," said Dr. Janet Williams, dean of the WCU

College of Health Sciences.

Two graduates received special awards during the ceremony at Jefferson Baptist Church. Elizabeth Guidry received the Nightingale Scholar Award. April King received the Nurse Crusader Award. Dr. Karen Lyon, executive director of the Louisiana State Board of Nursing, was the commencement speaker.

For more about the WCU at Baton Rouge General campus, call (225) 953-7017 or visit www.wmcarey.edu/nursing.



the Holocaust. His wife, Dr. Diana Bernstein, listens as she holds their son.

In attendance were 19th Amendment committee members, left to right: Hattie

HOLOCAUST EXHIBIT AT THE LUCILE PARKER GALLERY

Carey hosted an opening reception February 11 for a traveling exhibit from the Yad Vashem museum in Jerusalem – "Shoah: How was it Humanly Possible?"

The Yad Vashem is dedicated to preserving the memory of Jews who fought against their Nazi oppressors and Gentiles who aided Jews in need, researching the Holocaust and preventing such events in the future.

It's not a flashy exhibit. There are no headphones or interactive touch screens. It's simple, a room hung with large panel boards, each focusing on one aspect of the Holocaust. The first panel shows a 1933 photo taken in Latvia of a second-grade gym class of 35 children and two teachers. The narrative observes that only seven survived World War II.

People assembled for the reception were quiet, circulating in small groups, reading the words, studying the images.

Dr. Neil Solomon, president of Temple B'nai Israel, spoke to the group gathered at Lucile Parker Gallery.

"I've made it part of my life's mission to make people aware of what happened. My father's family came from Lithuania and my mother's family came from Hungary in the 1920s and 1930s. Most of their siblings and relatives were killed in various concentration camps. So, this is very personal to me because I'm part of a generation that has connections to the people who suffered during that time," Solomon said.

"But that's slowly changing. Survivors will be dying. Direct family connections to that generation will be smaller and smaller. So, it depends on us to tell generations going into the future what really happened. This is not Women Voters; Mary Dryden, Hattiesburg City Council; Barbara Hamilton, host, William Carey University; Meg Paul, Healthcare

Phalen, DAR; Peg Ciraldo, League of

ancient history. This was yesterday. And if it happened yesterday, it can happen tomorrow."

Dr. Tommy King spoke about WCU's decision to bring the exhibit to Hattiesburg.

"When Carey sponsors tours of Israel, we make a point to visit the Yad Vashem Museum in Jerusalem. Our mission is to provide accurate information and to support persecuted people worldwide. We feel that it is in keeping with this mission to share this exhibit with our students and the community," King said.

SUFFRAGE AND ART AT THE SARAH ELLEN GILLESPIE MUSEUM OF ART

As part of the City of Hattiesburg's yearlong celebration of the Women's Suffrage Movement and the 1920 passage of the 19th Amendment granting women the right to vote, Carey hosted a Suffrage and Art Gallery Talk & Coffee on Jan. 31, at the Sarah Ellen Gillespie Museum of Art.

Dr. Ed Ford, assistant professor of graphic design, and Dr. Rick Wilemon, university support specialist, gave gallery talks highlighting the history of the suffrage movement, women in art history, and showcasing women artists from Mississippi from that time period.

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Minister & Spouse Appreciation





he Tradition campus hosted a
Minister and Spouse Appreciation
Supper on Thursday, October 3,
2019, honoring Southern Baptist
ministers and their spouses who serve locally.
Dr. Brett Golson, dean of the Cooper School of
Missions and Ministry Studies, was the keynote
speaker. In his keynote address, Dr. Golson
highlighted the accomplishments of the
Carey students currently serving in Christian
ministries. Dr. Tommy King, in closing remarks,
expressed the importance of preparing
students for the ministry and thanked local
ministers for their support of the university.



Criminal Justice Program

Adds Forensic Science Minor

The Criminal Justice program, housed at the Tradition campus, added a forensic science major in Fall 2019. The much requested addition fills a vacancy on the Mississippi Gulf Coast as the first of its kind. The program offers classes in forensic photography, crime scene documentation and latent print examination, and allows an opportunity for majors in other fields to be involved in the world of law enforcement without becoming an officer. Law enforcement officers may also take the classes to expand their knowledge and abilities.

For more information, contact Dr. Karla Pope at (228) 702-1834 or kpope@wmcarey.edu.





Veterans Pay BREAKFAST



THE TRADITION CAMPUS HONORED LOCAL VETERANS WITH A BREAKFAST ON VETERANS' DAY. NOVEMBER 11, 2019. DR. BERNIE COUSINS, DIRECTOR OF BUSINESS PROGRAMS ON THE TRADITION CAMPUS, AND A UNITED STATES AIR FORCE VETERAN, WAS THE KEYNOTE SPEAKER. THE EVENT ALSO SPOTLIGHTED VETERAN PHOTOGRAPHS SUBMITTED BY FACULTY AND STAFF MEMBERS OF THE TRADITION CAMPUS. ALL BRANCHES OF THE ARMED FORCES WERE REPRESENTED AT THE EVENT, WITH THE OLDEST BEING

FACOLITY MELISSA BURMEISTER Melissa Burmeister,



Melissa Burmeister, assistant professor of pharmaceutical sciences, was included as a coauthor on two abstracts for poster presentations

given by two Slidell Memorial Hospital pharmacy residents at the 2019 American Society of Health-System Pharmacists Midyear Clinical Meeting and Exhibition in Las Vegas last December. The first was titled, "Assessment of Education in a Community Hospital on Healthcare Providers' Knowledge of and Attitudes toward Medical Marijuana," and the second title was, "Effect of Non-vitamin K Oral Anticoagulant Dosing Education on Prescribing Practices of Cardiologists and Hospitalists."



SHARWYNNE DRENNAN

Sharwynne Drennan has published a book for children, *Pippin and the Magic Castle*. It is a story of friendship, putting others before

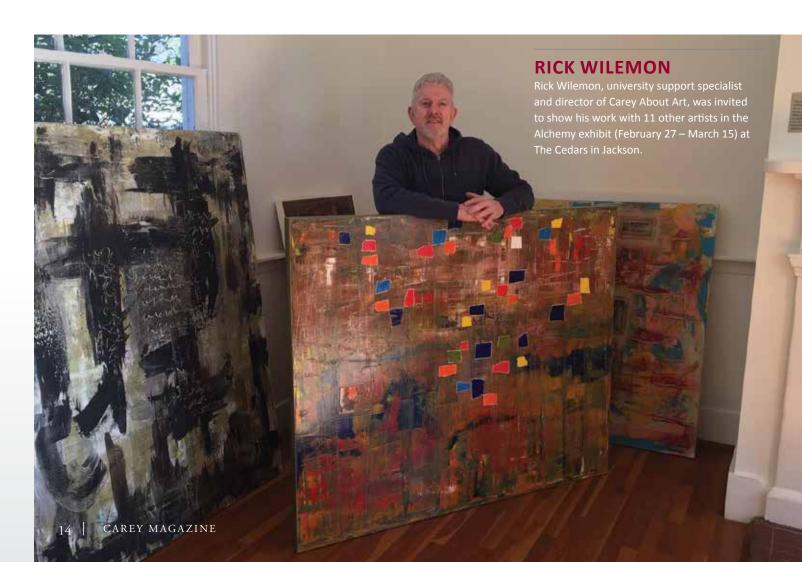
yourself, and following your dreams and is published by Indigo River Publishing Company. Mrs. Drennan worked in the School of Music and in the COM for 13 years. She retired from Carey in 2018.



ABIY EYAKEM

Abiy Eyakem, assistant professor of pharmacy, coauthored "Impact of Population and Pharmocogenetics Variations on Efavirenz

Pharmacokinetics and Immunologic Outcomes During Anti-Tuberculosis Co-Therapy: A Parallel Prospective Cohort Study in Two Sub-Sahara African Populations" in *Frontiers in Pharmacology*.





BRANDON KNIGHT

Brandon Knight, assistant professor of speech communication and director of forensics, authored five articles in scholarly journals:

"Myth Maker, Myth Maker, Make Me a Myth: C. S. Lewis, Mythopoiesis, and the Rhetoric of Glory" and "Religious Talk at Work: Religious Identity Management in the American Workplace" in the Journal of Communication and Religion; "Tracing Sehnsucht to Place: Mythopoeia, Visions, Transcendence, and the Journey of the Rhetorical Refugee" in Dissertations; "Rhetorics of Resistance in a World of Fake News" in Alternative Media Meets Mainstream Politics: Activist Nation Rising; and "To Come Out or Not to Come Out: Minority Religious Identity Self-Disclosure in the United States Workplace" in Management Communication Quarterly.



PATRICIA PERMENTER

Patricia Permenter, assistant professor of education, presented her dissertation, "The Relationship Between Teacher Perceptions of

Leadership and Teacher Years' Experience in Value-Added Southeastern Rural High Schools" at the National Forum to Advance Rural Education in Louisville, Kentucky.



TOM RICHARDSON

Tom Richardson, chair of the Department of Language and Literature, was recognized by the Mississippi Humanities

Council with its annual Humanities Teacher of the Year Award.

DAWN VALENTINE

Dawn Valentine, Tradition campus professor of business, received a best paper award at the 2019 Association of Marketing Theory and Practice Conference. Her paper was titled "Market Orientation across Firm Performance Levels: Manager, Salesperson, and Customer Viewpoints."



Dr. Tommy King receives
Hattiesburg
Leadership Award

The Downtown Hattiesburg Association presented Dr. King its leadership award on January 23 during the association's annual meeting at the Historic Train Depot.

The award honors "visionary leadership" over the previous year.

"I am honored to receive this recognition. For more than 100 years, William Carey has been a part of historic Hattiesburg and we are committed to the revitalization of downtown," King said.

Other awards were presented for promotion of the arts, business leadership, downtown innovation, and Main Street Hero.

In the photo, King is shown with WCU's Barbara Hamilton, ex officio member of Downtown Hattiesburg Association's board of directors.

Dr. Fruzsi Johnson

2020 Mississippi **Mother of the Year**

r. Fruzsi Johnson, professor of preclinical science, was named 2020 Mississippi Mother the Year by American Mothers Inc. She was nominated by her daughter, Sara, a six-grade student at Sacred Heart Catholic School.

"An old friend told me and my dad about the Mother of the Year award. In the nomination, I had to talk about my mom's parenting style. I said the best thing is, when something's gone wrong and I might be in trouble, she's always willing to talk about what happened instead of just yelling," Sara Johnson said.

Dr. Johnson said it's a special honor.

"I'm very aware that Sara's a unique person and not a miniature version of me. I respect her choices and try to help her be the person she wants to be. Right now, she's thinking she might want to be a lawyer."

Dr. Fruzsi Johnson and her husband, Dr. Robert Johnson, are both professors of preclinical science at the WCU College of Osteopathic Medicine.

"We're all so proud of Dr. Johnson for this wonderful recognition, but it's not surprising. She has a caring and compassionate approach as a teacher, too, and her students appreciate it. In 2017, they chose her as our faculty member of the year," said Dr. Italo Subbarao, dean of WCU's College of Osteopathic Medicine.

In April, Dr. Fruzsi Johnson and other state honorees will travel to Washington, D.C., for the 85th National Convention of American Mothers Inc. – and one state winner will be named National Mother of the Year.

The Department of Language & Literature



ON FEBRUARY 21-22, THE
DEPARTMENT OF LANGUAGE
AND LITERATURE REPRESENTED
THE UNIVERSITY AT THE 2020
MISSISSIPPI PHILOLOGICAL
ASSOCIATION MEETING HELD
ON BLUE MOUNTAIN COLLEGE'S
CAMPUS.

Dr. Allison Chestnut read a work of creative non-fiction titled "Good Grief," and Dr. Lorie Watkins Massey read a critical literary essay about her work with the Digital Yoknapatawpha Project titled "Making Faulkner's World Move Again." WCU graduate student Dylan Williams also presented a paper on the panel with Massey titled "Up from the Muck: Violence and Agency as a Means to Liberation in *Their Eyes Were Watching God.*"

Dr. Allison Chestnut, Dr. Lorie Watkins Massey, Meagan Smith, and Ian Pittman at MPA 2020

Alumna and staff member Meagan Smith read from her collection of poetry titled "Conception: Aftermath and Brief Poems," and Ian Pittman, Carey class of 2019, read a critical literary essay based on the work that he did for his undergraduate thesis titled "Hog-Wash: Redemption and Sacrament in Flannery O'Connor's 'Revelation.'" Pittman is now pursuing a master's degree at the University of Southern Mississippi.

Dr. Watkins Massey also edits POMPA, the Publications of the Mississippi Philological Association, an academic journal that publishes select conference papers each year.

Student NEWS



COLBERT NELSON

The College of Osteopathic Medicine named Colbert Nelson its 2019-20 Student Doctor of the Year during a reception on January 29.

"Colbert Nelson has demonstrated significant leadership at William Carey University and is on the path to becoming a family medicine physician. We congratulate him and also extend our thanks to his wife, Raven, for her support and encouragement," said Dr. Italo Subbarao, dean of the WCU College of Osteopathic Medicine.

Nelson is a fourth-year medical student from Little Rock, Arkansas. He has a background in exercise physiology and a master's degree in public health. He researched sickle cell disease during his time at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences. He has authored multiple peer-reviewed journal articles and abstracts in the area of exercise science.



JORDAN SEXE

Jordan Sexe, fourth year COM student from Humbolt, lowa, wrote a case report with a preceptor which was accepted for publication

in the Journal of the Mississippi State Medical Association. The title is "Mumps Orchitis in an 18-Year-Old Male Admitted for Severe Sepsis Secondary to Community Acquired Pneumonia."



ANDREW SHEVITZ

Andrew Shevitz, second year COM student from New Castle, Pennsylvania, won the Mississippi Osteopathic Medical

Association (MOMA) student poster competition in January. His poster is titled "Characterizing Tissue Perfusion Following Lower Extremity Intervention Using 2D Color-Coded Digital Subtraction Angiography." He is pictured with Dr. Janet Ricks from MOMA.

JEWEL LYNNE SHIRLEY



Music therapy major Jewel Lynne Shirley is among the Carey students taking part in "Students as Researchers: An Undergraduate Research Quality Enhancement Plan." A senior from Meridian, Shirley's research project is called, "The Effects of Five-week Psycho-educational Music Therapy Training on Stress Reduction with Undergraduate College Students." Citing research that shows college is a stressful environment, Shirley plans to offer music therapy sessions to WCU students this spring. She is shown with music therapy professor Jim Pierce, MM, MT-BC, NMT.

BETHANIE WILSON



Bethanie Wilson won the top prize in painting at the 2020 Juried Mississippi Collegiate Competition. Bethanie earned her bachelor of arts degree in 2019 and began graduate work in the fall. She is also the graduate assistant in the Sarah Ellen Gillespie Museum of Art.



IF YOU'RE AN ART MAJOR, YOUR FINAL EXAM IN DRAWING CLASS ISN'T ABOUT ESSAY QUESTIONS. IT'S ABOUT DRAWING. IT'S ABOUT A JOURNEY TO INTERPRET THE WORLD AROUND YOU, EXPRESS IT VISUALLY AND EVALUATE THE PROCESS.

Here's a look at one art major, Ciara Fountain, as she creates pieces for the Senior Art Exhibit.

Fountain is working on a series of drawings of hands. Her hands, her parents' hands, her grandmother's hands. She chose a challenging medium, India ink.

"I've enjoyed working with all different kinds of media. I like oil painting, because you can go back and change things, but I was bothered by the chemical smell. I like working with computers for the same reason. Everything can be adjusted and it's fast," Fountain said.

"India ink is different. But I wanted to tackle

it, get into it, learn how to use it."

Her choice of models was inspired by her grandmother, who introduced her to art, and her father, who worked with blueprints and mechanical drawings.

During her mid-term, she presented some of the completed drawings and her comments:

- "I began the series using my own left hand for reference. I had an idea how I wanted to use the India ink and started experimenting with brushes and layers of transparency as I added water to the ink."
- "Family members have been my most accessible models, and they each have individuality. My hands are similar to my mother's, but hers are slightly longer."
- "My father has been a mechanic and carpenter. His hands reflect both his occupations and his age, and I hoped to capture it."
- "I also wanted to focus on hands in motion or interaction. I began with my grandmother's craft-making. Crocheting is one of her favorite pastimes."

 "Once my household has settled for the evening, my conure (a type of parrot) visits everyone. Sometimes, he enjoys curling up in hands, and usually picks my father's. I consider emotions, such as gentleness, an important expression of hands."

Dr. Read Diket, chair of the Art Department, says Ciara's work shows intense focus and enormous planning: "She combines drawing skills with ideational strengths drawn from graphic design experiences. Ciara provides leadership in the department by offering astute and insightful remarks during critical analyses of her work and that of her peers."

Fountain has decided to pursue a career as a graphic artist – not because she doesn't love studio work, but she says she's not fast enough.

"Each of these drawings of hands took four to five hours. I like to take my time," Fountain

"I don't think I can, or want to, produce pieces fast enough to work on commission. I like working with art on computers and I'll keep my artistic work as part of my personal life."



THEATRE STUDENTS

win awards at regional festival

hree Carey students won awards at the Region IV Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival, competing against undergraduate and graduate students from the Southeastern United States, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

Sophomore Meagan Bihn of Ocean Springs won first place in the Allied Design and Technologies category for her creation of the rabbit dolls in Carey Theatre's production of "The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane." Her prize is an all-expense paid week-long trip to work with professionals at the Santa Fe Opera.

Senior Liberty Sites of Hattiesburg won second place for a costume design for "I'm Looking for the Title Now." Junior Chace Giadrosich of Beaumont won second place for a lighting design for "The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane." Both students received cash

The Kennedy Center American College Theater Festival is a national theater program involving 20,000 students from colleges and universities nationwide.



Meagan Bihn designed the rabbit dolls for Carey Theatre's children's production in December.

Performance Students Present

"Poetry, Dance & Music Showcase"



STUDENTS FROM PERFORMANCE DISCIPLINES PRESENTED THE FIRST-EVER "POETRY, DANCE & MUSIC SHOWCASE" FEB. 1 AT THE SALVATION ARMY CHAPEL. A COLLABORATIVE WORK, IT **INCLUDED ORIGINAL MUSICAL** COMPOSITIONS, CHOREOGRAPHY, AND THEATRICAL

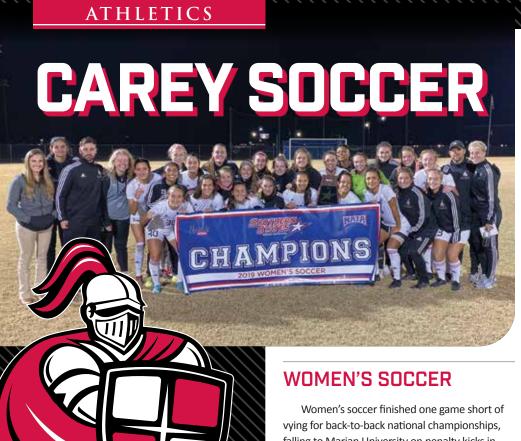
INTERPRETATIONS.

The showcase director was Katie Ginn, WCU director of dance, and the creator and current president of the Mississippi Dance Leader Alliance. Most recently, in October, she directed Carey Opera & Musical Theatre's production of "The Light in the Piazza."

"The purpose of the showcase was to give students the opportunity to collaborate Left to Right: Jonathan Frelix of Hattiesburg is a sophomore studying music education. Ana Ospina of Colombia, South America, is studying music performance in cello. Jacob May is a junior from Laurel studying dance.

with their peers, create art with and for the community, discover new possibilities and sources of inspiration, and create original and meaningful artwork," Ginn said.

The cast included eight students majoring in music education, business, criminal justice, dance, music performance, biology, and music technology. The performance also featured artistic interpretations of poetry by Dr. Allison Chestnut, professor of language and literature, and performance by Ginn and Megan Bradberry, artistic director of Mississippi Dance Leader Alliance.



Women's soccer finished one game short of vying for back-to-back national championships, falling to Marian University on penalty kicks in the semi-finals of the 2019 NAIA Women's Soccer National Championship. The Lady Crusaders finished the season with a 21-1-1 record.

"We had a great season this past year and one that I will always remember," said Head Coach Danny Owens. "We had a fantastic group of players that gave this team everything they had. This group had a large target on their back in every game they played and truly embraced that target by showing up to work every single day. To go through this season as the defending national champions and to lose only one game is truly something to be proud of. We were able to accomplish some of our goals, winning the conference and getting back to the Final 4 for the third year in a row. Unfortunately, we fell short of our ultimate goal, which was repeating as National Champions."

MEN'S SOCCER

Men's Soccer had another solid season, going 15-1-5 and making it to the quarters of the NAIA National Tournament before falling to Hastings College 1-0.

"We had another solid season," said Head Coach Barry Farrell. "We went undefeated in the regular season for the third straight season, and we have not lost a home game since October 2015. To win the conference tournament back to back is a great achievement, and we will look to continue our form into the 2020 season."



FOR THE FIRST TIME IN PROGRAM HISTORY, THE MEN'S TENNIS TEAM CAPTURED THE ITA NAIA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP. DANIIL KLIMOV AND DOMINIK FRITSCHE, BOTH FRESHMEN FROM FRANKFURT, GERMANY, RECEIVED AN AT-LARGE BID INTO THE ITA FINALS IN ROME, GEORGIA, AND MADE THE MOST OF THEIR OPPORTUNITY.

Men's doubles

team wins Intercollegiate Tennis Association national championship

"Going into the ITA Nationals, we talked about winning the last point and bringing that ball back to Hattiesburg," said Head Coach Marc Lux. "Our performance at the regional tournament gave us the confidence and belief we could actually make it happen. We had beaten the #1 ranked singles player in the NAIA and the current national singles champion. I knew we had the talent to win the title. Since Georgia Gwinnett joined the NAIA, they had won six straight ITA NAIA Singles and Doubles Titles. Coaches in the NAIA aimed for the final, not a title, since they seemed unbeatable. It was actually our Athletic Director DJ Pulley who, in a team meeting at the beginning of fall, gave a speech giving us the belief we could win a

National Championship."

"The days before we left to go to Rome, Georgia, it rained. If it hadn't been for Mr. Wynn Alexander, owner and CEO of Desoto Land & Timber, we would have not been able to practice, since he is the only one who owns an indoor court in South Mississippi. The day of the National Championship match, it started raining and it was announced we would play the finals indoors. In that moment, I looked up in the sky, smiled, and just knew it was meant to be. I am so proud of Daniil and Dominik on winning a national championship as freshmen, the first in program history. We stayed humble and are thankful for the entire team, staff, faculty and community who supports us."



Alumni Spotlight

Dr. Scott Hummel

A 1987 CAREY ALUMNUS, **HUMMEL IS A FIRST-GENERATION COLLEGE** STUDENT. HE EARNED A **BACHELOR OF ARTS IN** BIBLICAL STUDIES FROM CAREY. THEN A MASTER OF DIVINITY IN BIBLICAL LANGUAGES IN 1991 AND A DOCTORATE IN **BIBLICAL BACKGROUNDS** AND ARCHEOLOGY IN 1996. **BOTH FROM SOUTHWESTERN** BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, HE ALSO STUDIED AS A ROTARY AMBASSADORIAL SCHOLAR AT THE HEBREW UNIVERSITY IN JERUSALEM.

A professor at heart, he began his education career in Fort Worth in 1989. He taught religion courses as an adjunct professor at SWBTS and he was a biblical studies professor at LeTourneau University. At LeTourneau, he also chaired the Department of Biblical Studies and Christian Ministries, establishing a major and minor in Christian ministries and growing enrollment by 500 percent.

Hummel returned to his alma mater in 2008 as vice president for advancement and church relations. He has served as provost and executive vice president since 2013. He has also served as professor of religion at Carey, teaching courses in Old Testament, biblical backgrounds, the Greco-Roman World and the Ancient Near East. He also revitalized and served as director of the Honors Program. He loves to travel and has led the Carey Scholars on several tours of England, has led groups to the Middle East, and has traveled on university teams and mission trips to many other countries. Dr. Hummel preaches in local churches when the



opportunity arises and has served as interim pastor of churches in Texas and Mississippi.

He has been a member of Rotary International since 2002 and was president of the Longview-Greggton Rotary Club from 2007-2008 and the Hattiesburg Rotary Club from 2013-2014.

Dr. Hummel is married to his wife, Starr, a high school anatomy and physiology, earth science, biology and genetics teacher. She is originally from North Carolina and received her bachelor's degree from Appalachian State University. The Hummels have three daughters. Lauren (Carey class of '16), Rachel, and Julia.

He was named President of Tusculum University in Greeneville, Tennessee, and assumed his new role on February 17, 2020.

Founded 225 years ago, Tusculum was the first higher education institution in Tennessee. It is the oldest coeducational institution affiliated with the Presbyterian church. The university has more than 1,700 students at campuses in Greeneville, Knoxville and Morristown and in online programs.





IN 2016, JOY RANCATORE ('05)
AND MEAGAN SMITH ('05,
'08) RECONNECTED AT THE
HATTIESBURG ZOO AFTER A
DECADE APART. IN BETWEEN
THE ASIA AND AFRICA EXHIBIT,
CONVERSATION STRAYED
FROM BASS HALL NOSTALGIA
TO A BARING OF SOULS WHERE
THEY BOTH EXPRESSED THE
DESIRE TO BE PUBLISHED
AUTHORS.

"I'd spent years and years writing for other people," Rancatore said. "I wanted to give my own words the care I gave others'."

Smith's calling arrived later in life. "In tough times, I've always found solace in a book. After a situation in 2009, I realized I wanted to provide a literary safe place for those seeking it." So, she began researching story craft.

Their pursuits shifted into high gear at the 2016 Mississippi Book Festival in Jackson. They attended together and left with the motivation they needed to seriously put pen to paper. They wrote separately at first, but quickly learned they wanted to help each other as critique partners.

Four years into the partnership, Rancatore and Smith are thriving. They've developed the QWERTY Writing Life nonfiction platform. Under this name, Rancatore and Smith co-host the QWERTY Writing Life podcast, dedicated to articulating their and other artists' creative processes.

They co-authored Finders Keepers: A Practical Approach to Find and Keep Your Writing Critique Partner, a book they needed four years ago when researching critiquing strategies revealed an informational gap. Logos & Mythos Press, owned by Rancatore, published Finders Keepers.

Together, they speak to audiences about the creative process, critique partnerships, writing, and editing. The first opportunity came from Dr. Allison Chestnut, WCU professor in the Language and Literature Department, who invited the duo to speak in her creative nonfiction class. "That lecture invitation was a gift," Smith said. "The response gave us the confidence to search for more speaking arenas."

And, branch out, they did. The first week of March, Rancatore and Smith spoke at the 2020 Women in Publishing Summit, alongside nearly 100 other women in the publishing field for the week-long conference, reaching an audience of thousands.

Rancatore claimed, "These opportunities are only the beginning of our attempts at great things for the Creator of creativity."

Bios

In addition to co-authoring Finders Keepers and co-hosting the QWERTY Writing Life podcast with her author friend Joy E. Rancatore, Smith also speaks to audiences on the topics of creative writing, embracing creativity, nurturing critique partnerships, and writing through grief. Her fictional content is colored with hope because she believes that though love doesn't deter hateful things from happening, it always conquers them. Her poetry is based on a true story. Always. You can find her tripping over a multitude of cats while she and her husband parent two rambunctious boys or online at measmith.com and facebook.com/ meathewriter.

Joy E. Rancatore is an Indie Author and the owner of Logos & Mythos **Press in the Greater New Orleans** area. She is the author of Any Good Thing, 2019, and This Good Thing, 2020, co-author of Finders Keepers: A Practical Approach to Find and Keep Your Writing Critique Partner, 2019, and a contributing author to The Crux Anthology, 2018. In addition to her publishing roles, Joy is a blogger, speaker, teacher, editor for fellow Indie Authors and co-host of **QWERTY Writing Life Podcast. Follow** Joy on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, Goodreads, LinkedIn, or Pinterest @ joyerancatore!

Joy is married to Carey alumnus Tony Rancatore ('05), and they homeschool their two children in Slidell, LA.



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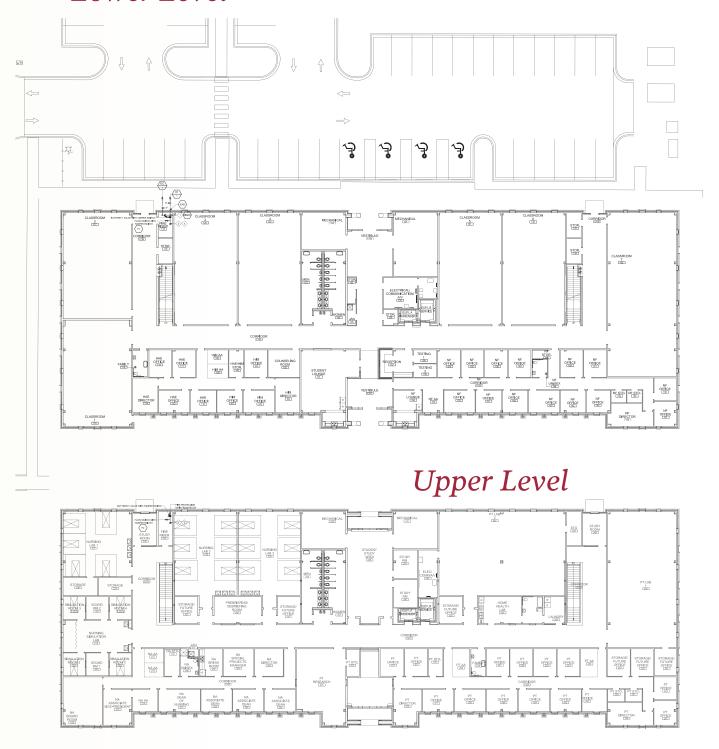
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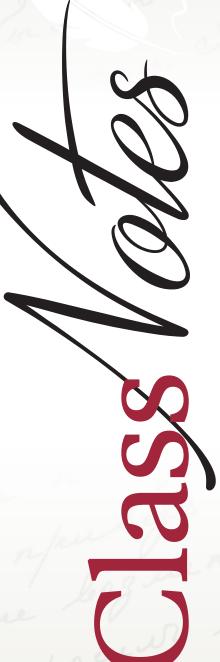
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60s

MARY STREBECK MORTON '65 AND NANCY STREBECK '67 sang

with the choir from FBC Pensacola at Carnegie Hall. The main presentation was The Peaceable Kingdom which Mary sang with the Carey Chorale as a student here.



70s

JERRY '73 AND JACKIE KNIGHT

MCRANEY '70. '82 celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on November 27, 2019. Their four children, their spouses, and 8 grandchildren gave them an anniversary reception at Victory Baptist Church in Bassfield on November 30. They presented them with a bench made from the tailgate of Jackie's father's old GMC truck. Jerry and Jackie are the parents of Kristen McRaney Graves '16, Gayla McRaney Darden '98, Scotty McRaney, and Alana McRaney. They are the grandparents of Leah (Graves) Boren '18, Clayton Graves (current freshman at WCU), Troy Graves, Trey Graves, Jarrett Darden, Brady Darden, Nick McRaney, and Meaghan McRaney.



DAVID DAVIS '76, associate professor of history at Millsaps College, was recognized by the Mississippi Humanities Council with its annual Humanities Teacher Award. Dr. Davis joined the Millsaps faculty in 1988.

ROBERT TRIMBLE '76, former Brigadier General for the U.S. Army celebrated his 100th birthday in November. Family and friends came to the Clairborne in Hattiesburg to honor him on his special day. He served in the army from 1941 to 1969 and wrote the following conclusion to his reflection on his days in France during World War II. "Now that my generation of American men and women have done their part to preserve our way of life in these United States of America, let us hope and pray that we have raised our children to cherish the things our forefathers created for us and that they have the fortitude and patriotic fervor to sacrifice their resources and life if necessary to maintain and protect the freedoms we hand down to them."



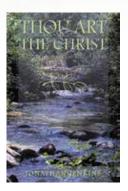
JURUTHIN WOULLARD '78

was honored at the 21st Annual Black History Banquet. The event was held on February 16, 2020, at the Lake Terrace Convention Center in Hattiesburg and was sponsored by the Jesse L. Brown Lodge No. 1450

80s

JONATHAN JENKINS '86

published Thou Art the Christ: A Devotional on the Life of Jesus, a book for individual or group study. He was an English teacher for more than two decades, then became his parents' caretaker in their final years. The book is available online and at Barnes & Noble.



90s

JENNIE NOONKESTER '98

wrote a short story called "Zula," which was published in Literary Heist in March 2020. "Zula" is a Cinderella story in the Choctaw Native American culture.

00s

CARRIE FERGUSON-BELLEW

'04 teaches theatre at Long Beach High School. The theatre department at Long Beach is one of ten schools in the nation to win a prestigious national grant from the New York Conservatory for Dramatic Arts.



RIKII GIPSON '04 was selected as Teacher of the Year at Pershing Elementary School in San Antonio, Texas, for the 2019-2020 school year.



JOY E. RANCATORE '05

has released another book, This Good Thing, her second novel of Christian Southern Contemporary Literary Fiction. Her books can be found at logosandmythospress.com.



MEAGAN SMITH '05, '08

won second place in the national Fall 2019 MacMillan Learning: Driven to Achieve More Contest. She wrote and recorded a video essay on what drives her to achieve more. Joy and Meagan cowrote Finders Keepers: A Practical Approach to Find and Keep Your Writing Critique Partner, the first volume of their QWERTY Writing Life Author Resource Series. Logos and Mythos Press published the book in December 2019, and it joins the QWERTY Writing Life podcast and Rancatore/Smith guest lectures as writing tools to improve dexterity in creativity and the author life.



SARAH ROTH '06 married Lawrence Parks on April 7, 2018, in New Orleans.



LEE HUBBARD '09 has been employed with Sanderson Farms for 10 years and currently works as breeder-hatchery manager at the Bryan, Texas production division.

10s

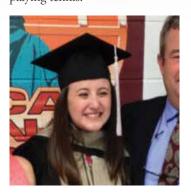
MELANIE TAYLOR '11.

'13 completed a Ph.D. in Educational Leadership from the University of Southern Mississippi in December 2019. She is currently employed as a special education teacher at Northeast Jones Middle School.



KELSEY WELLS LAMBERT

'13 has begun a new job as the family and community engagement specialist for the Lawrence County School District. She will work under Superintendent of Education Dr. Titus Hines '17. RANDI CLARK '14 is Sanderson Farms' newest addition to the veterinary team. She earned the Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree from Mississippi State and the Master of Avian Medicine degree from the University of Georgia. She is a member of the American Association of Avian Pathologists. During her spare time, Randi enjoys reading, watching college football and playing tennis.



BEN AUSTIN '15 was named the 2019-2020 Petal High School Teacher of the Year. He started at Petal in 2016 and currently teaches 9th grade advanced placement geography, 10th grade world history and 10th grade accelerated world history. Ben is married to Erin DeMars Austin '16.

CARLOS CASILLA '15 has been appointed as the new artistic director of York County Senior Honors Choir in York, Pennsylvania.



ANNOUNCEMENT

We are seeking to update our information on our alumni who served in the military. If you are a Carey graduate who served in the military, please email Mrs. Barbara Hamilton at bhamilton@wmcarey. edu to update your contact information.



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PRESIDENT'S REPORT SPRING 2020

Class Votes Continued

TERRI TEAGUE '15 completed the D.O. degree at Carey in 2015 and finished her family medicine residency at St. John's Episcopal Hospital in Far Rockaway, NY in 2019. She is currently working at MississippiCare in Pontotoc as a family physician and will soon be covering a new office in Oxford, Miss., as well. She resides in Oxford.



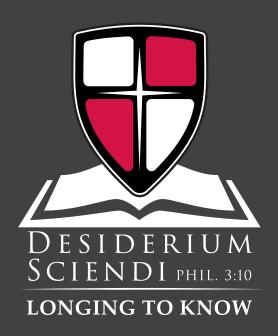
ALYSON SPEIGHTS '17 AND JOSH HAWTHORN '99, '11 were married on December 21, 2019. They both teach at Baxterville School and live in Baxterville.





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BELOW Dr. Wes Dykes, dean; Jorge Gonzalez, coordinator of string activities, Dr. and Mrs. Jiménez, and Jessica Achon, violin major from Cuba, pose with the string instruments donated by Dr. and Mrs. Jiménez.



ince November 2019, Dr. Jaime
Jiménez and his wife Jaime (yes, their
first names are spelled the same,
though pronounced differently)
have donated four instruments to the strings
program at Carey.

- A Mario Gadda Scarampella-model violin
- A Pawlikowski violin
- A Pawlikowski viola
- A Pawlikowski cello

Together, the four instruments form a string quartet. Jorge Gonzalez, assistant professor of music and coordinator of string activities, said that having excellent instruments to learn, practice and perform on is crucial for string students.

"We are so grateful for the Jiménez' donations to our program. Without quality instruments, it would be impossible to build a quality program," said Gonzalez.

Dr. and Mrs. Jiménez echo and embody Plato's emphasis on music. Their donations to the Winters School of Music demonstrate their love for both music and Carey.

Dr. Jaime Jiménez' love for music began as a young boy in Puerto Rico. His father passed on a love for opera by taking his young son to concerts and operas such as La Boheme and La Traviata, two of his favorites. This early exposure fostered a lifelong love of music that he has since passed on to his own children and

I would teach children music, physics, and philosophy; but most importantly music, for the patterns in music and all the arts are the keys to learning.

— Plato



grandchildren. "Studying music and the arts in general expands the brain's capacity. Children become better thinkers and enjoy life more if they are taught music," said Dr. Jiménez."

Jaime Moore-Jiménez has a close connection with Carey and conceived the idea for the strings donation. She has earned two Carey degrees, a B.S. in business in 2009 and an MBA in 2011. Mrs. Jiménez also worked in the College of Osteopathic Medicine for more than four years as an administrative assistant, director of clinical rotations and director of post graduate education. She and her husband regularly attend local musical performances in Hattiesburg and the surrounding areas. It is one of their favorite activities.

"I passionately believe in giving back to our community, and I knew my husband would be on board with this particular donation. He and Jorge Gonzalez have a wonderful relationship, so the timing just made sense. I am grateful to everyone at WCU who worked closely with us to execute this special gift. We are truly blessed to be able to give back and know these instruments will be used to enhance the strings program at Carey."

When asked about why he and his wife chose to donate to Carey, Dr. Jiménez said, "This was the logical place to put the instruments, in the hands of young, talented musicians. This is going to be a great benefit not only for them, but also for all of Hattiesburg because our lives are enriched by music."

Dr. Jiménez is the chief vitreo-retinal surgeon at Southern Eye Center, and Mrs. Jiménez manages Moore Consulting Group and Terra Properties.

William Carey University Orchestra

JORGE IVAN GONZALEZ, CONDUCTOR

Thanks to the vision of Dr. Wesley Dykes, dean of the Winters School of Music, and the support of the university's president, Dr. Tommy King, Mr. Jorge Ivan Gonzalez was hired in 2018 as assistant professor of music to lead the string department where he teaches violin, viola, and conducts the orchestra.

The string department has more than doubled in the two years he has been leading the program. These students represent the United States, Brazil, Colombia, Venezuela, Cuba and Mexico.

The Winters School of Music has seen such a positive impact by the new strings department. Last year, the William Carey University orchestra and chorale performed Mendelssohn's challenging "Lobgesang" (Hymn of Praise). The vision of the Winters School of Music and the string department has made it possible for students to perform standard string ensemble, opera, and symphonic repertoire.

We continue to make history as the program grows and next year will be no exception.

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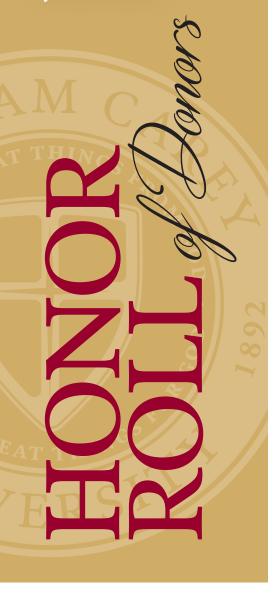
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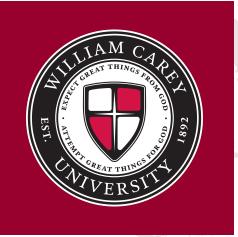
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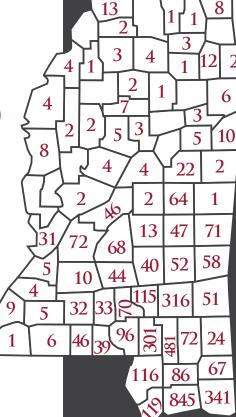
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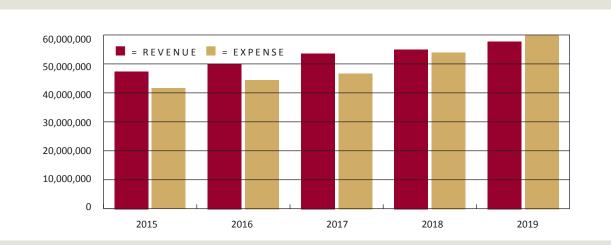
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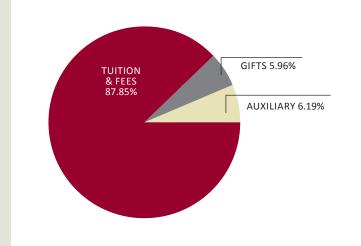


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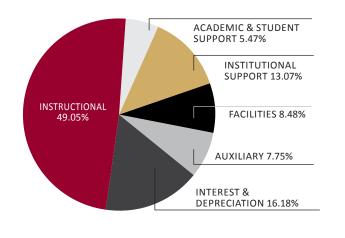


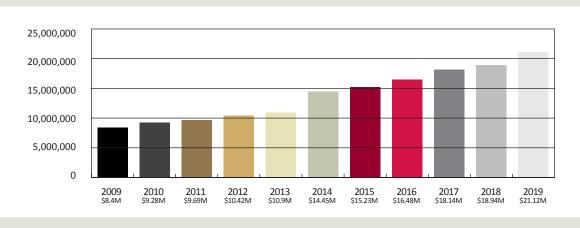


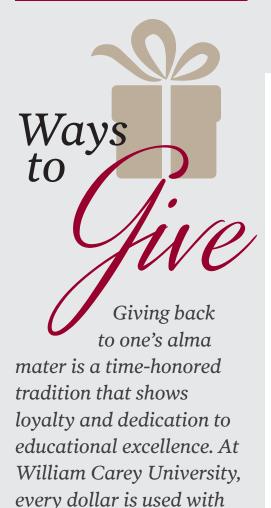
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