

# LETTERS FROM CAREY



To Friends and Supporters of Carey:

I want to share with you some of the things that make Carey a special place. Several weeks ago Victor and Nancy Maridueña, from Ecuador, were in the Hattiesburg area and came by for lunch. As the three of us were eating in the sun room of the cafeteria Victor commented, "I am so impressed with your students; I have noticed that every student who has come in here to eat has paused and said a silent prayer of thanks before eating. I don't recall that being commonplace when we were students here." They are both Carey graduates who returned to Ecuador and Victor became a very prominent figure, serving several terms as vice-mayor of Ecuador's second largest city and continuing as advisor to the mayor.

Following the Christmas break I received an email from our tennis coach, who came as a student and then remained to coach our tennis team, explaining that he would not be able to return to his job due to family problems in Germany. In his email he stated: "My decision to stay in Germany and not return to William Carey University and the United States was very difficult but I know that I am needed here and God wants me to be with my family during this time. The journey has been wonderful at Carey, I have made many friends, learned a lot of values, ethics and morals but the best moment occurred when you baptized me and I started to have a relationship with God. Words cannot express how grateful I am and how you have influenced me in many positive ways."

Another email came from an international student who graduated in May. In his email he wrote: "It has only been a short time since I made the big step of graduating from William Carey University. I have not forgotten about you and everybody that contributed in order for this to happen. I will always be grateful to God for leading my way to William Carey, and of course to you for being a huge stepping stone throughout my journey there. I have not forgotten about giving back to Carey and changing a student's life by providing financial support towards his or her college education. I am an assistant AT&T store manager here in California. I am definitely experiencing a completely different journey. I have been working hard and am able to send some money back to help my family. All of that thanks to you and William Carey."

These three examples illustrate the tremendous influence that William Carey has on the students who come to us. The influence of a supportive staff and interaction with a truly outstanding faculty produce a bond with our students that they will carry for their entire lives. This magazine is filled with articles that demonstrate the positive influence of our committed faculty and staff during the formative years of our students' lives. You are also a partner in this life-changing experience through your faithful support of William Carey University. There is no limit to what we can do when we join hands and move forward under the motto of William Carey: "Expect great things from God; attempt great things for God."

God bless.

Tommy King President







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SPECIAL NOTE In the recent 2012-2013 William Carey University President's Report, we neglected to list Dr. and Mrs. William H. Payne as \$50,000 and above donors on the Honor Roll of Donors. We thank the Paynes as well as all donors for their generous support of William Carey University!

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### Nearly \$380,000 Raised at Third Endowed Scholarship Dinner Featuring Senator Roger Wicker and Miss Mississippi Chelsea Rick

William Carey University held the third Endowed Scholarship Dinner featuring keynote speaker Senator Roger Wicker at Southern Oaks House and Gardens on Aug. 27. Nearly \$380,000 for scholarships was raised. The total raised for student scholarships among the three scholarship dinners is more than one million dollars.

Led by a welcome from Dr. Tommy King, president of WCU, the evening consisted of music provided by the Carey strings group Trio Indigo, rousing speeches and a four-course meal. Before dinner was served, Miss William Carey University Jennifer DeMelo led the pledge of allegiance, Dr. Connie Roberts, professor of music, led the national anthem, and The Honorable Steven Palazzo, Mississippi Representative, gave the invocation.

During the dinner, guests were entertained with a special musical performance by Miss Mississippi Chelsea Rick, who recently completed her first year of medical school at the William Carey University College of Osteopathic Medicine. Rick sang, "Can't Help Loving that Man of Mine," which was the song she competed with during the 2014 Miss America Pageant.

Randi Clark, a senior from Purvis who serves as president of the Student Foundation, gave a testimony about how scholarships enabled her to pursue her education at Carey. Clark expressed her appreciation for scholarship support and thanked the faithful donors who have made a college education possible for many WCU students.

The Senator Trent Lott and the Governor Phil Bryant Scholarships, created in honor of the two previous scholarship dinner speakers, were presented. Monica Marlowe, chief advancement officer for the Tradition campus, presented the Senator Trent Lott Scholarship to Brooke N. Fessler, a freshman Tradition campus student from Biloxi. Ryan Kelly, chief advancement officer for the Hattiesburg campus, presented the Governor Phil Bryant Scholarship to Joey Holifield, a freshman Hattiesburg campus student from Laurel. A similar scholarship was established in honor of Wicker.



The Hon. Charles Pickering, a current WCU trustee, introduced Sen. Wicker. Wicker remarked on the state of Christian education and how William Carey University, founded in 1892, continues to build on a strong, Christ-centered foundation. The senator, appointed in December 2007 and subsequently elected to the Senate in 2008 and 2012, also addressed current issues facing both Mississippi and the country.

After Dr. Lynne Houston, advancement officer, presented Sen. Wicker with a crystal award as a token of WCU's appreciation, the evening adjourned with closing remarks from Dr. Scott Hummel, provost, and a benediction by the Rev. Rossie Francis, vice chair of the WCU Trustees.

"We are very thankful for the support given to student scholarships at WCU by our generous alumni, community partners and friends," said Ryan Kelly. "The funds raised from the scholarship dinner will greatly impact the lives and educational successes of our students for years to come."



### WCUCOM Student Awarded ASBURY AWARD FOR ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE



Brittney J. Brown of Poplarville, a second-year medical student at WCUCOM, recently received the Asbury Award for Academic Excellence. The

Asbury Foundation of Hattiesburg endowed the award to recognize the student from the Asbury service area who achieves the highest grade point average during his/her freshman year. Mr. William K. "Bill" Ray,

president and CEO of the Asbury Foundation of Hattiesburg, Inc., presented Brown with a check to apply to her medical education and Dr. Tommy King, president of WCU, presented her with a medallion. The presentations were made during the 2013 White Coat Ceremony held in Smith Auditorium on Aug. 17.

Preference is given to a student who intends to practice in Mississippi. Brown received a scholarship from the Mississippi Rural Physicians Scholarship Program in 2012 and plans to practice in Mississippi.

### WCUCOM Student Named **Welch Scholars Grant Recipient**



Second-year **WCUCOM** student Binh Q. Vu of Houston, Texas, was chosen by the American Osteopathic Foundation's (AOF) Board of

Directors and its Committee on Grants and Awards to receive a 2013 Welch Scholars Grant for \$2,000. Students were selected based on their academic achievement, participation in extracurricular activities, commitment to osteopathic medicine, and financial need.

Each year, these grants are awarded to second-, third-, or fourth-year students at each American Osteopathic Association accredited college of osteopathic medicine (COM). Each

COM submits the name of one student to the AOF for approval, and the scholarship is awarded to each student to help defer the costs of medical education.

Other awards Vu has received include the National Health Service Corps Scholarship, the Wal-Mart Scholarship, and a scholarship for the GE-NMF Primary Care Leadership Program (PCLP), as chosen by the National Medical Fellowships, Inc. (NMF), and their National Advisory Committee (NAC). This past summer, he engaged in community service at CommuniCare Health Centers in San Antonio, Texas, as part of his duties as a GE-NMF PCLP scholar. His service project was "Addressing obesity and diabetes in underserved communities." Vu plans to become a pediatrician upon graduation.

### WCU **Tradition Campus** Student Awarded The Betty Dettre

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William Carey **University Tradition** campus student Lucy Landry of Biloxi was awarded The Betty **Dettre Visual Arts** Scholarship on Aug. 6 during a luncheon at the Country

Club of Jackson. Mrs. Betty Dettre, a visual artist, established The Betty Body Dettre Library and Research Center at the National Museum of Women in the Arts in Washington, D.C., which is a special collection of research material on women artists.

Along with the Board for the Mississippi State Committee of the National Museum of Women in the Arts, Mrs. Dettre established a scholarship for a young woman pursuing a degree in the visual arts in our state. This year the scholarship was designated to be given to a young woman enrolled at WCU. The scholarship is \$500 and includes a paid membership in the National Museum of Women in the Arts for one year.

"Lucy Landry consistently makes new discoveries about herself and pushes the limits of the media with which she works," said Tracey Williams, chair of the art department and assistant professor of art on the Tradition Campus. "In the classes she has had with me at WCU-Tradition, I have seen her work beyond the expectations for the projects assigned."

After finishing her BFA with a focus on painting and art education at Carey, she will pursue a master's degree in printmaking. Landry plans to teach art, and her dream is to one day start an art program for children with special needs.



William Carey University's Tradition Campus, located on Highway 67 in Biloxi, offers a new Saturday Business Program that began in fall 2013. Offered for the convenience of working individuals, the program courses are held on Saturdays and allow students to complete a Bachelor of Science in Business with a concentration in Management/Marketing. Students take three courses each trimester: two in an online hybrid format that meet three

times during the trimester, and one that meets in the classroom each week. If a student has completed all general education requirements and enters the program with 64 hours of general education/core curricula courses earned at a community college or university, he or she can complete degree requirements in two years. Financial aid is available for qualified students.

For more information, contact the School of Business at (228) 702-1775.

### Scholarship

# WOOD Naturalization Services

Carpenter's Wood is an auditioned vocal ensemble made up of students who love to sing and share their Christian witness through music. The group sings for schools, churches, and also naturalization services. Several years ago, Judge Louis Guirola Jr., a graduate of William Carey, invited the group to come to these services to sing several patriotic songs, including the National Anthem. As a result of this beginning, Carpenter's Wood is invited three or four times a year to sing in Gulfport and Hattiesburg for these ceremonies. The last service was in Gulfport before U.S. District Judge Sul Ozerden of Gulfport and U.S. Court of Appeals Judge Jennifer Elrod of Houston, Texas, on Sept. 19, 2013.

### WCU Graduate Accepted into Prestigious PhD Program in UK



(right) Dr. Mark Nicovich, associate professor of history at William Carey University, congratulates David "Charles" Laird III of Leakesville, a recent WCU graduate, for being accepted into a prestigious Ph.D. program in Roman art and archaeology at the University of Leicester in the UK.

David "Charles" Laird III of Leakesville, a graduate of William Carey University, was recently accepted into a prestigious Ph.D. program in Roman art and archaeology at the University of Leicester in the United Kingdom. Charles, who graduated in May, was WCU's first M.A. graduate for the department of history and social science. His master's thesis was the History of the Church in Late Antique Turkey, and he plans for his doctoral project to be an expansion of his thesis.

"One area I would need to focus on for a Ph.D. level dissertation is the archaeological aspects of the church, and University of Leicester offers a joint program in archaeology and ancient History," Charles said. "In addition to the overall credentials held by Leicester, my doctoral advisor Dr. Neil Christie is a leading expert on Late Roman archaeology, so all things considered, it was the best option to pursue and my top choice of school."

Dr. Mark Nicovich said that this is quite an achievement for Charles and for WCU's graduate program overall. He also points out that there is a tangential connection between WCU and the city of Leicester. William Carey, the university's namesake and the "Father of Modern Missions," was pastor of Harvey Lane Church in Leicester from 1789-1793, just prior to his departure to India.

"I consider myself extremely fortunate to have been accepted into such a distinguished program," Charles said.



William Carey University Theatre presented the Christmas classic "It's a Wonderful Life" The Radio Play Dec. 12-14 in the Joe & Virginia Tatum Theatre.

Written by Joe Landry, "It's a Wonderful Life" celebrates the season with one of America's favorite Christmas stories presented with live foley sound effects. Foley is the reproduction of everyday sound effects added to enhance the

quality of audio for film, television, and radio.

The play was performed as a 1940s live radio broadcast in front of a studio audience. The actors and the sound designer, Joey Roderick of Blue Ridge, Ga., produced the sound effects. The plot of the play is that radio station WMBR has invited a group of actors to perform "It's a Wonderful Life" as part

of their programming. All of the actors get sick before the performance so the radio station employees stand in for the actors. The booth technician (Roderick) played the lead role of George, the typical American dreamer. The producer (Kevar Maffitt of Olive Branch) portrayed George's guardian angel Clarence. The two sound technicians (Nicoli Hutchison of Carriere and Miles Boone of Hattiesburg), the announcer (Jason Piglia of Picayune), the stage manager (Jawoine Hawkins of Grand Prairie, Texas), the station manager (Billy Burkes of Meridian), maid (Alisha Fishel of Olive Branch), secretary (Haley Genberg of Warren, Penn.), studio ushers (Alyssa Keyes of Ringgold, Ga., and Rebekah Romack of McComb) performed the other multiple roles in this classic Christmas tale.

Tim Matheny, chair of the theatre and communication department, was director. The scenic designer was Dewey Douglas of the theatre faculty. The lighting designer and stage manager was Chris Permenter of Oak Grove. The costume designer was Ben Salters of Vancleave and makeup and hair designer was Ashlyn Watts of Picayune. Billy Burkes of Meridian was properties designer and Katie Hardeman of Southaven was rehearsal assistant.

### Dr. Myron Noonkester Chosen as WCU Humanities Teacher of the Year

Dr. Myron Noonkester, dean of the Noonkester School of Arts and Letters, has recently been named as the 2013 Mississippi Humanities Teacher of the Year for William Carey University. A faculty member from each of the community and senior colleges in the state is chosen for this recognition each year.

Dr. Noonkester presented his humanities lecture titled, "The Last Shoe to Drop: The Educational Foundations of William Carey (1761-1834) and William Thames (1866-1942)" on Oct. 30 in the lecture auditorium of Fail-Asbury Hall. His lecture focused on parallels in the lives and educational backgrounds and methods of William Carey, the "Father of Modern Missions" and the university's namesake, and William Thames, the educator who founded the institution that evolved into WCU.

Dr. Noonkester has taught at WCU for 30 years. He obtained his bachelor's degree in history at Duke University before earning his master's and Ph.D. at the University of Chicago.



Pictured are (left to right) Dr. Jeanne Gillespie, secretary of the Mississippi Humanities Council, Dr. Myron Noonkester, dean of the Noonkester School of Arts and Letters, and Pamela Pridgen, board chair for the Mississippi Humanities Council. Dr. Noonkester has recently been named as the 2013 Mississippi Humanities Teacher of the Year for William Carey University.

### Scholarship

### Five WCU Students Chosen for

# SSISSIPPI Collegiate Competition

Five William Carey University art students were recently juried into the 2014 Mississippi Collegiate Art Exhibition. Out of 767 entries from 11 schools, Juror Kathryn Jill Johnson chose 124 pieces for inclusion in the show, which is a collection of paintings, drawings and sculptures.

The exhibition was on display at the Arts Center of Mississippi, located in downtown Jackson in front of the Mississippi Art Museum and adjacent to the Russell C. Davis Planetarium. The opening reception was Feb. 1 and the exhibit remained on display until Feb. 23.

The five WCU students juried into the exhibit are Bethany Bell, a senior from

Maribor, Slovenia; Jennifer Emerson, a freshman from Gulfport; Joanna McKenzie, a senior from Monticello; Kellie Gutterman, a graduate student from Mandeville, La.; and Tessa Stockstill, a senior from Biloxi. Bell had three pieces chosen for the exhibit, and the others each had one. This was McKenzie and Stockstill's second year in a row to be chosen for the exhibit.

"I am so proud of these students for having their pieces chosen," said Tracey Williams, chair of WCU's Tradition campus art department. "The Mississippi Collegiate is one of my favorite shows to see each year, as it showcases the best of what Mississippi art students are doing."



Pictured is William Carey University student Bethany Bell's piece "Brother and Sisters." Bell, a senior from Maribor, Slovenia, was one of the five WCU students juried into the 2014 Mississippi Collegiate Art Exhibition, which was on display Feb. 1-23 at the Arts Center of Mississippi in Jackson.



Pictured is William Carey University student Joanna McKenzie's piece "Contemplation." McKenzie, a senior from Monticello, was one of the five WCU students juried into the 2014 Mississippi Collegiate Art Exhibition.

### WCU ENSEMBLES PERFORM AT DISNEY



Three ensembles from William Carey University's Winters School of Music -Grace Notes, Spirit of Carey, and Tuscan Reeds - had the honor of showing off their talent in Disney World. The groups performed in a concert in Downtown Disney of Disney World on Nov. 14 and marched in a parade at the Epcot Center on Nov. 15. Grace Notes is a traveling woodwind ensemble, Tuscan Reeds is a traveling saxophone ensemble, and Spirit of Carey is a high energy marching indoor brass and percussion group that serve as ambassadors for the university. These ensembles are led by Wes Dykes, assistant professor of music and coordinator of instrumental activities.



he music therapy department in the School of Music continues to have a successful relationship with Forrest General Hospital in Hattiesburg.

The relationship has resulted in the establishment of the only medical musical therapy practicum training site in Mississippi.

Music therapy services have been provided to hospital patients since September 2012. Students from Carey's music therapy program help promote wellness and recovery through the use of their talents to patients in the oncology and pediatric units.

Music therapy students provide one-on-one therapy with patients in these units, who may be suffering from debilitating diseases such as cancer.

This partnership is just one of the many ways the music therapy department is providing "cutting edge and current education" to their students, said Jim Pierce, assistant professor of music therapy. Additionally, music therapy students from Carey are gaining national prominence. In November 2013, a poster titled "Effects of a Brief 1:1 Music Therapy Intervention on Mood, Anxiety, Pain and Displays of Positive Facial Affect in Oncology Patients," authored by Katie Quattlebaum and Hannah Melancon, was selected to be

presented at the National Music Therapy Conference in Jacksonville, Fla. Only three posters at the conference were chosen from the national undergraduate level.





illiam Carey University is growing each year and the Winters School of Music is no exception to that growth, said Dr. Don Odom, dean.

Dr. Odom pointed to the exceptional increase in the number of undergraduates in the school in the past few years as evidence of his claim. The school has grown from 48 undergraduates to, at last count, more than 144.

He said the growth is due to many different factors.

"First, I believe that God is just blessing us," said Dr. Odom. "Sure, the entire music faculty and music student body is working hard to get the word out about our School of Music, but I believe that God is just blessing us."

The School of Music has seen a growth in new programs and the revitalization of existing programs in the past few years, said Dr. Odom.

"New programs in instrumental music education, strings and performance ensembles offer students choices for university study, while revitalized programs in church music, guitar and music therapy are drawing students from all over the country," he said.

Dr. Odom also credited the "excellent,

highly qualified" faculty for the growth.

"We have not only an excellent faculty but a passionate faculty, a faculty that cares about student development," he said.

In addition to the increased school enrollment, there are now over 70 nonmusic majors singing in choirs, playing in instrumental ensembles and taking applied lessons, an "all-time high"

according to Dr. Odom.

The School of Music is also helping the university recruit students into many other programs. Student ensembles travel to schools, churches and community events to inform "prospective students that Carey is a great choice for university study no matter the major," said Dr. Odom.

He specifically cited Spirit of Carey, the marching indoor ensemble, and the Chorale as vessels the school uses to reach out to student prospects. Other groups also reach out to the community and alumni groups by going on regional tours. Carpenter's Wood, the Restoration Band, the Jazz Bands, the string ensemble and the guitar ensemble also do a great deal of traveling and spreading Carey's message.

The School of Music also brings students to Carey via national events and music-oriented camps and festivals. The school will host World Voice Day on April 16 and has hosted many other events that allow those interested to have a full "Carey experience," said Dr. Odom.

Dr. Odom and his staff also plan operas and musicals that will reach out to schools and the community in general. In December, the School of Music performed Messiah, the first such production in 20 years. The production featured an orchestra consisting entirely of Carey string students and Carey string faculty.

The production of Camelot is planned for Homecoming weekend, April 25-26, and will include 40 music majors and a pit orchestra made up of Carey students.

The dean emphasized that the entire music faculty is working hard to invest in their students and in their university.

"We are constantly tweaking our programs and bringing students to our campus," he said. "It is important to us that we graduate students who are competent in their chosen field of study."

For more information on the Winters School of Music, call 601-318-6175. To give to the School of Music, contact the Office for Advancement at 601-318-6542.



### WCUCOM Student Receives Humanitarian Scholarship

WCUCOM student Ryan Hagenson of Purvis recently received The Lois S. McKenzie Humanitarian Restricted Scholarship. Chosen by the dean of the WCUCOM, Dr. Jim Turner, the scholarship is awarded to a top second-year WCUCOM student from South Mississippi who shows an interest in practicing medicine in Mississippi and working with the elderly. The scholarship was established by Lois S. McKenzie's son, Joel McKenzie of Foxworth.

"I am honored to receive the Lois S. McKenzie Humanitarian Scholarship," Hagenson said. "As a second year medical student in the top 50 percent of my class, I am also humbled and very appreciative of this generous donation towards helping student physicians achieve their dreams of one day becoming practicing physicians."

Hagenson is an active member of the WCUCOM International and Medical Missions organization,

the Student Osteopathic Medical Association, and the Christian Medical and Dental Association. In the community, he is a member of Oak Grove Methodist Church, where he serves on their Missions Committee and mentors college students. Hagenson is also active with Baptist Medical and Dental Mission International, headquartered in Hattiesburg, and has traveled with and supported this organization in providing construction assistance and medical care in Nicaragua and Honduras.

Mr. McKenzie presented the scholarship to Hagenson on Dec. 12. The date was chosen in honor of Lois McKenzie's 90th birthday, which is Dec. 14, and the scholarship will be awarded on or near the 14th each year. Hagenson is the second WCUCOM student to receive the McKenzie Scholarship.



(second to left) Joel McKenzie presents The Lois S. McKenzie Humanitarian Restricted Scholarship to (center) Ryan Hagenson, a second-year William Carey University College of Osteopathic Medicine (WCUCOM) student from Purvis, on Dec. 12. Pictured with Mr. McKenzie and Hagenson are (left) Dr. Tommy King, president of WCU, (right) Dr. Jim Turner, dean of the WCUCOM, and Dr. Scott Hummel, provost of WCU.



### to Graduate First Class

The inaugural class of the William Carey University College of Osteopathic Medicine (WCUCOM) will graduate on May 24, 2014.

The ceremony will be held at 10 a.m. in Smith Auditorium of the Thomas Fine Arts Center on the Hattiesburg campus of WCU.

The address will be given by Dr. Karen J. Nichols, D.O., the former president of the American Osteopathic Association (AOA) and a current member of the association's Board of Trustees. Dr. Nichols was the 114th president and the first female president of AOA, taking office in July 2010. She is the dean of the Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine at Midwestern University (MWU).

Prior to her service at MWU, Dr. Nichols practiced internal medicine and geriatrics for 17 years in Mesa, Ariz., while also serving as assistant dean of postdoctoral education at the Arizona College of Osteopathic Medicine. Dr. James Turner, dean of WCUCOM, will introduce Dr. Nichols.

The WCUCOM was established in 2008 to address the shortage of primary care physicians in the Gulf South Region, particularly within rural and underserved communities. The inaugural class enrolled in 2010. The WCUCOM welcomed its fourth class in 2013 and, as of fall 2013, had 407 students enrolled.

A graduation banquet will precede the graduation on May 23.

### Scholarship

### WCU Professor Named

### Mathematics Teacher of the Year



Dr. Charlotte McShea, professor of mathematics and chair, Department of Mathematics at William Carev University, has been named College **Mathematics** Teacher of the Year

by the Mississippi Council of Teachers of Mathematics (MCTM). The purpose of MCTM is to encourage an active interest in mathematics, to afford a medium of interchange of views regarding the teaching of mathematics, and to further the cooperative study of problems

relating to the teaching of mathematics at all five levels of instruction. Mathematics students and instructors elementary through college level are members of the organization.

Dr. McShea received her B.S. from Mississippi College before receiving her master's at the University of Southern Mississippi and her Ph.D. from the University of Texas at Austin. In 2012, she was chosen as an honoree of the 2012 Higher Education Appreciation Day – Working for Academic Excellence (HEADWAE) program. HEADWAE was established by the Mississippi Legislature to recognize outstanding students and faculty in Mississippi's colleges and

universities. Dr. McShea recently served as a presenter at the MCTM Annual Conference held at Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College, where the Teacher of the Year award was presented.

During the presentation of this award, the presenter mentioned quotes from recommendation letters written by Dr. McShea's students. "Dr. McShea has been and still is a mentor to many former students who have become math teachers," a letter said, and "Dr. McShea exemplifies the quote 'They won't care how much you know until they know how much you care and her students know that she cares.""

### Six Carey Athletic Teams Named

3.62 GPA.

Other Carey

scholar teams



include softball (3.55), women's soccer (3.28), women's cross country (3.16), men's tennis (3.09), and men's soccer (3.02). Four other WCU programs just missed being selected as a Scholar-Team. Those programs were women's golf (2.99), men's track & field (2.98), men's basketball (2.97) and women's track & field (2.93).

Overall WCU athletics posted a 3.06 GPA for the 2012-13 academic year.

"The inclusion of six of our athletic teams in the NAIA scholar team recognition is further evidence of the quality of Carey's education programs," said WCU President Dr. Tommy King. "WCU operates its athletic programs in the true spirit of 'Scholar-Athletes' with the emphasis on 'scholar.'"

"We are extremely proud of our academic achievements this past year," stated Athletics Director Steve Knight. "It shows a certain amount of discipline, dedication and character to be successful both on and off the field of play."

# Lady Crusaders Win S8AC Championship Accer team finished the 2013

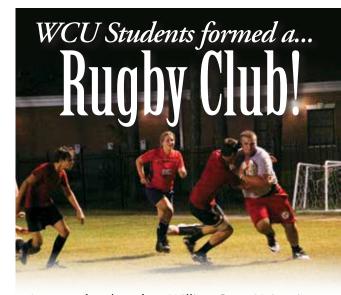
season with an 18-5 record and the Southern States Athletic Conference championship title.

The Lady Crusaders advanced to the second round of the Women's Soccer National Championship before falling to Embry Riddle 1-0.

In addition to their success on the field, the Lady Crusaders picked up 16 SSAC awards, with WCU senior Emmaleigh Davis being named SSAC Offensive Player of the Year while Claudia Saucedo earned SSAC Newcomer of the Year honors. Head Coach Danny Owens was named SSAC Coach of the Year.

Davis and Saucedo also earned All-SSAC first team honors along with teammates Linfah Jones, Kristen Satcher, and Lauren Satcher. Emily Doyle and Brittany Lang picked up All-SSAC second team honors while Darby Nettles and Maren Hasselbusch were named to the SSAC freshman team. Ashley Allen, Bridget Dennis, Emily Doyle, Macie Foreman, Blair Guice, Linfah Jones, Morgan Marfisi, Kristen Satcher, Lauren Satcher, and Torie Zimmer were named to the SSAC all-academic





A group of students from William Carey University recently formed a rugby club.

The William Carey Rugby Club includes about 20-25 students, said Club President and Women's Captain Lauren Hummel. Hummel, a 19-year-old sophomore environmental biology major at Carey, helped establish the club in 2013.

"I played rugby for a local Hattiesburg team and saw the culture of the sport," said Hummel. "I wanted to make it where we as college kids could play and still show Christianity through our sport."

The club meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays at Carey's intramural fields and has started competing against other clubs, including the University of Alabama, Spring Hill College and the University of West Florida.

"Although we haven't won a competition yet, we're doing good as the girls came in third at a recent tournament," said Hummel.

The club is recognized by USA Rugby, the national rugby organization, and is working to a goal of becoming the top seed in the division and eventually going to playoff competition. The club's coach is Chris Lochausen, a 20-year veteran of the sport.

### Women's Golf Team Captures First Win

William Carey University women's golf picked up their first win in program history as they posted rounds of 321-323 to capture the 2013 SSAC Women's Golf Showcase at Canebrake Country Club on Nov. 5.



### WCU Athletic Program Awarded for Highest Graduation Rate

WCU's athletic program was awarded the David M. Halbrook Award that is given annually by the Mississippi Association of Colleges and Universities for the highest student-athlete graduation rate - 96 percent - among private colleges and universities in the state of Mississippi. Dr. King recognized Coach Knight and other Carey coaches during the chapel service on Oct. 23 for their outstanding work in encouraging athletes to graduate.

#### WCU STUDENT-ATHLETES RECEIVE HALBROOK AWARDS

Student-athletes Kyle Curtis and Lauren Douglas were presented with the Halbrook Award. Dr. Tommy King, president of WCU, recognized the students during WCU's chapel service on Oct. 23.

Established in 1984 by former Mississippi Representative David M. Halbrook and his brothers John and James Halbrook in honor of their parents, the Halbrook Awards for Academic Achievement Among Athletes and the John C. and Ernestine McCall Halbrook Improvement Award are presented annually to encourage academic excellence of studentathletes in Mississippi's colleges and

in academics, athletic contribution, character, community service and leadership.

Kyle Curtis, a senior biology major from Hattiesburg, plays for the Crusaders golf team.

Lauren Douglas, a senior physical education major from Waynesboro, is a guard for the Lady Crusaders basketball team. Before coming to Carey, she was one of the top student-athletes at Jones County Junior College. She averaged 11.1 points, 3.5 rebounds and 3.3 assists per game while at JCJC, and shot 76.3 percent from the free throw line.

Pictured are (left to right) William Carey University's athletic director and head basketball coach Steve Knight; Kyle Curtis of of Waynesboro, a senior basketball player;



**RYAN KELLY** of Hattiesburg recently joined the William Carey University staff as chief advancement officer for the Hattiesburg campus.

Kelly formerly served as director of external relations for the College of Health at The University of Southern Mississippi,



and since 2011, has served as executive director of the Mississippi Rural Health Association. Other positions at USM included manager of constituent relations for the Southern

Miss Alumni Association and instructor of biology. He also served as administrative pastor at Mt. Salus Presbyterian Church.

Kelly obtained a B.S. in biology from USM in 2005 and a M.S. from Mississippi College in medical biology in 2007. As a senior, he was inducted into the USM Student Hall of Fame. He is a chair for the Mississippi Health Summit steering committee, a member of the Association of Fundraising Professionals, and the Mississippi Economic Council's Blueprint Mississippi Committee, and on the advisory board for The Children's Center for Communication and Development. Kelly

Joining the Carey Family

has also had numerous news articles and journal articles published, and served as a presenter for various sessions and forums.

#### **MONICA MILLER MARLOWE** of

Wiggins recently joined the William Carey University staff as chief advancement



officer for the Tradition campus in Biloxi.

Marlowe formerly served as director of institutional relations and strategic communications and special assistant to the president at

Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College (MGCCC) on the Perkinston Campus. Over the tenure of the 16 years she worked for MGCCC, she has held various positions, including coordinator of institutional development, assistant to the vice president of community campus, English instructor, secretary for workforce development, technical services librarian, and secretary for the assistant dean of the learning resources council (LRC).

Marlowe holds a Class AA license in English and a Class A license in library. She

taught language and English at Stone Middle School in Wiggins and served as a library/media specialist for Pecan Park Elementary School in Ocean Springs. Marlowe obtained an associate of arts degree from MGCCC in 1998, a B.A. in library and information sciences from the University of Southern Mississippi in 1999, and an M.Ed. from WCU's Hattiesburg campus in 2008. She is also currently working on her Ph.D. in community college leadership through Mississippi State University.

RICHARD "DICK" VOGEL of Hattiesburg has been recently named associate vice president for athletic and university advancement on the Hattiesburg campus of William Carey University.

Vogel formerly served as associate director of athletics at the University of Southern Mississippi. Over the tenure of the 17 years he worked for USM, he also served as associate athletic director and executive director of the Eagle Club. Prior to working at USM, Vogel worked as a quality engineer at Sunbeam Corporation in Hattiesburg.

Before moving to Hattiesburg, Vogel retired from the U.S. Army after 21 years of service. His service included



commanding three companies, serving as the operations officer for the first "Light Infantry Battalion" and upon completion of that assignment with the 2/9 infantry, going to Fort

Benning where he authored the first "Light Infantry Battalion" Operations Manual. He also served in Korea and Germany, and culminated his career with Desert Storm Operations where he served with FORSCOM (U.S. Army Forces Command). Vogel enlisted as a personnel strength manager for the XVIII Airborne Corps, as well.

Originally from Long Island, N.Y., Vogel obtained his bachelor's degree from the Virginia Military Institute and his master's degree from the University of Southern Mississippi while he was teaching ROTC at Southern in 1983.

### WCU President Elected to Consortium for Global Education Executive Committee

William Carey University President Dr. Tommy King was elected to the executive committee of the Consortium for Global

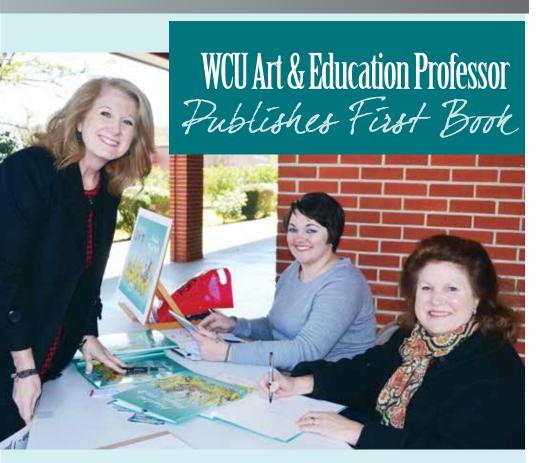


Education (CGE) during the organization's 26th annual meeting hosted by Samford University in Birmingham, Ala., Sept. 18-20.

CGE is a nonprofit organization

with members and affiliate members from 43 accredited Christian universities and colleges located on campuses in 19 U.S. states and three overseas nations. Each member is committed to a high value of quality academic learning and supports the internationalization of higher education through student and faculty participation. Every year, CGE helps hundreds of faculty members and thousands of students participate in CGE-related overseas study, service, and teaching programs.

"These are exciting days for CGE with our goals to make a significant impact globally through Christian higher education and to add value to our members in supporting their international programs," said Dr. Carolyn G. Bishop, president of CGE. "We will appreciate Dr. King's enthusiasm for international education, wisdom in leadership, and heart for students."



(left) Pam Shearer, curator for the Sarah Gillespie Museum of Art at William Carey University, is all smiles as she gets a book, Houdini and the Magic Molt, autographed by (far right) Dr. Read Diket of Laurel, professor of art and education/director of Center for Creative Scholars at WCU, while art student Amber Holifield of Collins looks on. Tally Scully, Dr. Diket's daughter, and Scully's niece, Callie LaValle, wrote the educational children's story, and Dr. Diket created the illustrations. The book is available for purchase at www.backyardscienceimprint.com.

Dr. Read Diket of Laurel, professor of art and education/director of Center for Creative Scholars at Carey, along with her daughter, Tally Scully, and Tally's niece, Callie LaValle, recently published their first book, *Houdini and the Magic Molt.* Scully and LaValle wrote the educational children's story, and Dr. Diket created the illustrations. Dr. Diket held a book signing for the new publication on WCU's campus on Dec. 11. The book is available for purchase at www. backyardscienceimprint.com.

The creative process for the book began when Scully and her husband, Mike, purchased an ootheca and watched the hundreds of tiny mantises emerge from the mantis egg case. They became enthralled with the creatures and their molting process, and Scully was inspired to write a children's book about a Chinese praying mantis who finds magic in the process of molting.

Her niece provided input from a child's perspective, and between the two of them, a science-based educational book with an inspiring story was born. Scully then enlisted the assistance of her talented artistic mother, Dr. Diket, to provide beautiful illustrations to accompany their tale. This three generational book is appropriate for adults and children alike.

"This is a book about family values, the journey to find yourself through the missions you undertake, the balance that we must all find in our lives, and the magic to be discovered in all of nature," Scully said. "One needs only to step outside and explore the backyard to forever feel the imprint of science on life."

For more information about the book, contact Dr. Diket at backyardscienceimprint@gmail.com.

### Leadership

WCUCOM
Dean Appointed
by Governor to
Healthcare Solutions
Institute's Board of
Directors



Dr. James "Jim" M. Turner, dean of the William Carey University College of Osteopathic Medicine (WCUCOM), was recently invited by Gov. Phil Bryant

to serve as a member of the Healthcare Solutions Institute's Board of Directors. The Mississippi Healthcare Solutions Institute, which was formed in 2013, serves as a public-private partnership to champion healthcare growth and development.

"Members of this board are expected to be active in their government roles, and I believe that your experience and involvement in the healthcare community will be assets to the organization and its mission," said Gov. Bryant when appointing Dr. Turner.

Dr. Turner, along with other members of the Board of Directors, were honored at a luncheon at the Governor's Mansion in Jackson on Jan. 15, 2014.

Dr. Turner has worked as an osteopathic family physician and emergency physician in Tennessee, Florida, South Carolina, and West Virginia. He currently serves on the Board of Directors for the American College of Osteopathic Emergency Medicine and is an inspector for the American Osteopathic Association for medical colleges and emergency medicine residencies. He relocated to Hattiesburg and joined the WCUCOM family in 2011 from Charleston, W.Va., where he worked in post graduate education and developed an emergency medicine residency program. Dr. Turner is married to Dr. Sherry Turner, and has a daughter, Ashley.

### Dr. Hannah Gay Speaks at Carey

University of Mississippi Medical Center pediatrician Dr. Hannah Gay, who has gained worldwide recognition for finding a functional cure for an HIV-positive infant, presented the first University Lecture of the 2013-2014 academic year at William Carey University on Sept. 17 in Tatum Theatre.



Pictured are (left to right) Ankit Patel, a second-year William Carey University College of Osteopathic Medicine (WCUCOM) student from Elk Grove Village, Ill., and Dr. John Jones, chair of osteopathic principles and practices and professor of clinical science at the WCUCOM, listening as Dr. Hannah Gay, University of Mississippi Medical Center pediatric HIV specialist, answers questions after her presentation.

Following the presentation, Dr. Gay spoke to WCU's College of Osteopathic Medicine students and conducted a question and answer session.

Dr. Gay is known worldwide for helping to find a functional cure of HIV for a child that has been nicknamed "The Mississippi Baby." This child, born in 2010, is now three years old and has been off of HIV medications for 18 months. Tests continue to confirm that there are no signs of the virus in the child's system. The hypothesis she gave for this success story is that starting the baby on triple drug therapy at 30 hours of age helped prevent viral reservoirs (that contain the HIV virus) from forming. As Dr. Gay stressed to Carey's medical students, "Benjamin Franklin's quote that 'An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure' is the understatement of the century. If there is a way, always work for prevention!"

Dr. Gay, who is guick to admit she is the "shyest pediatrician in all America," believes God must have a sense of humor to choose her to be a part of this discovery that led her to be named one of Time magazine's 100 Most Influential People in the World. The Jackson native has spent the majority of her academic and professional career at the University of Mississippi, where she received her undergraduate and medical degrees and also met her husband, Paul, of 37 years. Except for the six years Dr. Gay and her husband spent working in Ethiopia as missionaries, she has devoted most of her career to helping babies and young children suffering from HIV. From her time in Ethiopia, she learned a phrase that she repeated in her lecture: "Let the glory go to God." Dr. Gay is a firm believer that while this case brought about some amazing scientific discoveries, she is not the one who should take credit.

"I didn't do it," she said. "God did it. I just happened to be standing close by at the time."

Dr. Gay continues to visit various locations around the world to share her experience, including a lecture at the Oxford Union in Oxford, England.

### Inspirational Author David Vince

### Speaks at WO

Inspirational speaker and author David Vince of When Life Throws You Curves, Keep Swinging, who coached baseball in the college and high school ranks for over three decades despite being born without legs, spoke at WCU chapel service on Dec. 4. Vince spoke as a part of the Christian Leadership Lecture series. He also held a book signing on campus and served as keynote speaker for the Sports Banquet.

His condition never stopped him from earning 470 victories over the tenure of his coaching career. Despite never being able to play baseball himself, he served as head coach for Campbellsville University in Kentucky, where he led the team to their first baseball conference

championship in the history of the school. He also became such a successful coach that he had the opportunity to coach in Australia, Curaçao, Hawaii, Holland, Italy, Czech Republic, Puerto Rico, Spain, and Sweden. Vince has also worked as an associate scout for the Texas Rangers, Cleveland Indians and Tampa Bay Rays.

In addition to baseball, Vince also served as an assistant football coach for eight years, girls weightlifting for seven years, girls basketball for three years, and boys cross country for three years. Upon retiring from his successful coaching career, he and his wife, Susan, and their three children settled in Louisiana.

Vince's book tells the story of overcoming hardships with a determined attitude and positive outlook. His story

motivates young men and women to work toward their goals and aim to achieve their full potential in both athletics and all other walks of life, despite the obstacles they might face.

Pictured is (left to right) William Carey University Athletic Director and Head Basketball Coach Steve Knight greeting author David Vince of When Life Throws You Curves, Keep Swinging.



### GLOBAL HEALTH CARE Consultant Visits Carey

Dr. Rebekah Naylor, global health care consultant for Baptist Global Response, served as guest speaker for Carey chapel service on Oct. 9 as part of Baptist Student Union's (BSU) Global Opportunities Week. She also spoke at the BSU's Mission Banquet on Oct. 10.

Dr. Naylor graduated from Baylor University before graduating from Vanderbilt University School of Medicine with an M.D. degree in 1968. She then became the first female resident in general surgery at Southwestern Medical Center and Parkland Hospital in Dallas, Texas.

Dr. Naylor was appointed by the International Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention as a missionary to India in 1973. Arriving at the new Bangalore Baptist Hospital in early 1974, she launched a missionary career that included responsibilities in clinical practice, administration, and teaching. She led major expansion of the facilities and services, and in the 1990s, she organized training programs in allied health disciplines, set up accredited residency training programs for doctors, initiated a training program for chaplains, and established the Rebekah Ann Naylor School of Nursing in 1996.

Over the tenure of her missionary career in India, Dr. Naylor was involved

in church development in the state of Karnataka working alongside Indian pastors and church planters, serving as strategy coordinator for the state from 1999 - 2009, when she retired from active IMB service. Returning to the States for family reasons in 2002, Dr. Naylor joined the faculty at UT Southwestern Medical Center and retired as a clinical associate professor of surgery in 2010.

Serving now as global health care consultant for Baptist Global Response, she is mobilizing health care personnel to meet medical needs all around the world. She continues to make frequent trips to India to participate in the ministry of Bangalore Baptist Hospital.



Pictured are (left to right) Dr. Rebekah Naylor, global health care consultant for Baptist Global Response, with WCU student Gracia Sircar of Calcutta, India, at the 2013 International Food Fair.

### WCU Professor Appointed by Governor to Commissioner Role



Dr. Mike Reed, assistant professor of educational leadership at William Carey University, was recently appointed by Gov. Phil Bryant to serve as Mississippi's

Commissioner of the Interstate Compact for Educational Opportunity for Military Children. The Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children was developed by the Council of State Governments, the Department of Defense, as well as education and military family experts.

It enables member states to uniformly

address various educational transition issues faced by children of active-duty military families. The mission is for all of the states to work together to establish uniform standards for entering school, transferring records, course placement, graduation requirements and other common problems that affect military students as a result of frequent moves and deployments.

Before moving to Mississippi, Dr. Reed served as superintendent of Hartselle City Schools in Alabama, and served as Alabama's Commissioner of the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children. He was the first person chosen for this position in Alabama, and is the first to serve in this role for Mississippi, as well.

### leadership

### CEO of Nicholson and Company

### Gives WCU Christian Leadership Lecture

Carl L. Nicholson Jr., CPA, president and CEO of Nicholson & Company, served as guest speaker for William Carey University's Christian Leadership Lecture on Oct. 16 in Smith Auditorium.

Mr. Nicholson received his B.S. in accounting from Mississippi State University. He has over 43 years of experience and manages the construction service division and litigations support of the firm of which he is a founding member. He also serves as a consultant on bonding, succession, estate planning, acquisition of companies, and litigation support projects. Mr. Nicholson has testified in state and federal court as an expert witness on various business matters.

Mr. Nicholson is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, Southeast Chapter of the Mississippi Society of Certified Public Accountants, Mississippi Society of Certified Public Accountants, and the National Association of Certified Valuation Analysts. He served as the first and only CPA in Mississippi appointed to the board of trustees of the Institution of Higher Learning.

He has served as chairman of the Area Development Partnership, chair of the ADP Business and Industry Political Education Committee, president of the University of Southern Mississippi Foundation, and is a member of the Mississippi State Board of Health. Mr. Nicholson received the Distinguished Citizen Award by the Boy Scouts of America and was selected as one of Mississippi States and was selected as one of Mississippi Business Journal.



### WCU S BNC form partnership

Presidents Barbara McMillin and Tommy King signed a Memorandum of Understanding establishing a partnership between Blue Mountain College and William Carey University in order to offer the M.Ed. in Secondary Education and the M.Ed. in Mild and Moderate Disabilities to students in north Mississippi. Under this partnership, BMC will provide up to 15 hours of coursework for the M.Ed. in Secondary Education and up to 12 hours of coursework for the M.Ed. in Mild and Moderate Disabilities. William Carey will accept the courses in transfer for students who qualify for admission. Successful candidates will graduate from William Carey with a Master of Education (M.Ed.) degree.





# WCU Dining Team Recognized for Property of the Year

The William Carey University Dining Team was recognized as the MMI Contract Property of the Year and presented with the Ronald J. Cockayne Sr. Platinum Award on Feb. 11. MMI has about 100 other sites who were eligible for this award, and WCU was chosen for their hard work, dedication to the company, and for their ability to produce a quality product for the students, faculty, and staff. Pictured are (left) president of MMI, Ronald Cockayne Jr., and (right) district manager Bob Gilstrap, presenting the award to Dale McVeay, food services director for WCU's MMI Dining Services.

# WCU President Recognized for Fromotion of the Arts

The Historic Hattiesburg Downtown Association (HHDA) recently presented Dr. Tommy King, president of William Carey University, with the Promotion of the Arts award at the Annual Membership and Awards Luncheon held on Jan. 23 at the Historic Train Depot. This award was given in honor of Carey's continued efforts in providing theatre and art events for students, faculty, and staff, as well as the Hattiesburg community.

WCU dedicated the Joe and Virginia Tatum Theatre in October 2010. The nationally recognized theatre produces three major plays and a series of student-directed acts during the academic year and the Carey Dinner Theatre, which just finished its 38th season, during the summer. Since 1995, several WCU productions have been honored by the Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival with performances at the state and regional festivals.

WCU's Winters School of Music continues to see rapid growth, and now offers 17 musical ensembles for students. Carey's ensembles include The Carey Chorale, Carey Company (show choir), Carpenter's Wood, Music Theatre and Opera Workshop, Restoration Band, Oratorio Choir, Symphonic Winds, Spirit of Carey marching band, Jazz Band, Grace Notes woodwind ensemble, Tuscan Reeds saxophone ensemble, the String Ensemble, the Guitar Ensemble, Piano Ensemble, the Pep Band, and the Carey Handbell Ensemble. The school of music hosts numerous performances

Pictured is Dr. Tommy King, president of William Carey University, whom the Historic Hattiesburg Downtown Association (HHDA) presented with the Promotion of the Arts award at the Annual Membership and Awards Luncheon held on Jan. 23 at the Historic Train Depot. throughout the year.

In addition to the performing and visual arts opportunities at Carey, the HHDA also recognized that during Dr. King's presidency, Carey has added sculptures to the campus. In 2013, WCU erected "Behind the Scenes," a thespian mask sculpture, in front of the Joe and Virginia Tatum Theatre. In 2012, WCU installed the metal 1,000-piece Perihelion Sculpture in front of Thomas Hall. Most significantly, in 2011, WCU dedicated a life-sized bronze statue of the "Father of Modern Missions" and the institution's namesake, William Carey, which stands in front of the Sarah Gillespie Museum of Art.

Carey, which stands in front of the Sarah Gillespie Museum of Art.

The Sarah Gillespie Museum of Art and the Lucile Parker Gallery host numerous exhibits and events throughout the academic year and are open to the public.

Dr. King is committed to the arts on campus, in the city, and with HHDA events

For more information about any of WCU's theatre and art programs, visit www.wmcarey.edu.



### Carey medical student Chelsea Rick named

### Miss Mississippi

William Carey University College of Osteopathic Medicine student Chelsea Rick was crowned Miss Mississippi in Vicksburg on July 13, 2013. Rick, a native of Fulton, is a second-year medical student who plans to specialize in internal medicine.

This was Rick's fifth year to compete in the pageant and her perseverance served her well. As Miss Amory Railroad Festival, she won \$10,000 in scholarships, as well as \$500 for winning a talent preliminary and \$400 for winning a swimwear preliminary. Rick was most excited about winning the talent preliminary as singing has been one of her many lifelong passions.

Beyond the glitz and glamour of the Miss Mississippi pageant, Rick was also thrilled to have the chance to promote her platform, "Full Plates, Healthy States," which focuses on ending child hunger. She became interested after volunteering at a local food pantry as a teenager, and as her interest in medicine developed, she

realized that malnutrition was the initial cause of many health issues. In her new role as Miss Mississippi, Rick has had the opportunity to promote her platform around the state and visit with children at local hospitals. She was most excited about going to the Children's Miracle Network Hospital and serving as a positive role model for the children.

Only shortly after the conclusion of the Miss Mississippi pageant, Rick represented Mississippi at the Miss America Pageant in Atlantic City. Rick completed the Miss America pageant as a top 15 finisher. She collected a preliminary win in the health and fitness contest and was a finalist for the Quality of Life award.

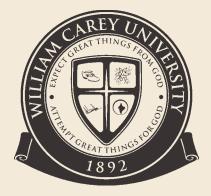
Other Carey students competing in the Miss Mississippi Pageant were Miss WCU Jennifer DeMelo; Miss Deep South Ali Blackledge; Miss Southern Magnolia Julie Falgout; and Miss Spirit of the South Shelby Ryals. A recent Carey graduate who serves as a dental hygienist and sergeant in the U.S. Army, DeMelo won the overall



Quality of Life award and scholarship for her platform work "Healthy Smiles, Happy Smiles: Promoting Good Oral Hygiene." Blackledge, who is working on her master's in education at Carey, won the People's Choice award and scholarship.



Tougaloo College and Blue Mountain College attended the Mississippi Association of Independent Colleges and Universities (MAICU) Day at Mississippi's state Capitol in Jackson. In recognition of the many contributions of the state's private colleges, Gov. Phil Bryant signed a resolution commending the value of members of the Mississippi Association of Independent Colleges and Universities. The period of Jan. 20-24, 2014 was proclaimed MAICU Week. Carey representatives to MAICU Day included (from left to right) Sean Laird, Tiera Towns, Vice President of Academic Affairs Dr. Garry Breland, President Dr. Tommy King, Provost Dr. Scott Hummel, Colton Lee, Rachel Brown and Victoria King.



### WCU Receives Perfect Score

for College Financial Responsibility

The U.S. Department of Education has just released its College Financial Responsibility Composite Scores for private non-profit and proprietary schools, and William Carey University received a perfect score of 3. The composite score reflects the overall relative financial health of institutions along a scale from negative 1.0 to positive 3.0. An institution must demonstrate its financial responsibility by submitting an audited financial statement and the school's compliance audit to the Department of Education yearly in order to participate in the Federal Student Aid programs. Receiving a score lower than 1.5 could place an institution's financial aid in jeopardy if the institution does not correct the financial issues.

"We are pleased that the U.S. Office of Education recognizes that William Carey University is handling its overall financial matters, including federal financial aid, in a responsible manner. The score of 3 reflects the financial strength and stability of WCU," said Dr. Tommy King, president.

### Prestigious Honors



William Carey University continues to receive prestigious honors. The honors include being named the number one "Best Value" in the South among regional universities by U.S. News and World Report, receiving the "Military Friendly School" distinction for the fifth year in a row and being named one of "America's 100 Best College Buys" by Institutional Research and Evaluation, Inc. The university was also named as one of the "Top 10 American Colleges with Lowest Room and Board Fee" by U.S. News & World Report.

The "Best Value" ranking is, according to U.S. News, calculated by taking into account a school's academic quality and the 2012-2013 net cost of attendance for a student who receives the average level of need-based financial aid. The higher the quality of the program and the lower the cost, the better value a college has.

U.S. News and World Report also recently ranked Carey no. 36 among regional universities in the South, a ranking that improved significantly from last year's 69th place.

"We are extremely proud for Carey to be recognized as the number one best value among regional universities in the South because it represents Carey's diligence to keep costs down while providing a fantastic education," said Dr. Scott Hummel, provost. "In a national context of ever increasing education costs, Carey has been committed to making a quality Christian education affordable."

The "Military Friendly School" ranking, awarded by premier military-civilian transition group Victory Media, is given to the top 20 percent of colleges, universities and trade schools in the country that are doing the most to embrace America's military service members, veterans and spouses as students in order to ensure their success on campus.

"Inclusion [as a Military Friendly School] shows William Carey University's commitment to providing a supportive environment for military students," said Sean Collins, vice president at Victory Media.

The "America's 100 Best College Buys" list is calculated based on measures of Carey's quality academic programs and lower than average cost.

Only two other Mississippi schools were ranked as a Best College Buy, including Belhaven University and the University of Mississippi.

"This [the Best College Buys] listing is further recognition of Carey's outstanding academic program at a very affordable cost," said Dr. Tommy King, president of WCU.

### WCU was recently honored as...

- The no. 1 "Best Value" in the South among regional colleges and universities by U.S. News & World Report
- No. 36 among regional universities in the South by U.S. News, up from no. 69 last year
- A "Military Friendly School" for the fifth year in a row by Victory Media, Inc.
- An "America's 100 Best College Buy" by Institutional Research and Evaluation, Inc.
- One of the "Top 10 American Colleges with Lowest Room and Board Fees" by U.S. News

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arah Beth Sewell, a sophomore vocal performance major from Starkville, was crowned Miss William Carey University 2014 at the Miss WCU Scholarship Pageant on Feb. 4. She was also the preliminary talent winner.

Sewell's platform is on skin care and knowing the causes/effects of melanoma. Her talent was singing a rendition of "How Great Thou Art," and her career ambition is to be a professional classical singer, as well as a vocal professor on the college level. She has won first place at the National Association of Teachers of Singing (NATS) competition, first place in talent at the Mississippi State Fair, and placed as a semi-finalist for a classical singers competition in Los Angeles, Calif.

Sewell will represent WCU in the Miss Mississippi Pageant to be held in Vicksburg in July 2014. The daughter of Billy and Beth Sewell, she is a Dean's List scholar, and a member of Delta Omicron, the Chorale, Carpenter's Wood, and Carey Company. She is active in church missions, in the Rice and Beans ministry, and involved in the Salvation Army. Sewell was crowned by Miss WCU 2013, Jennifer DeMelo of Kenner, La.

R-Reonnia James, a senior nursing major from Wiggins, was named first runner-up and preliminary interview winner. Ashley Barding, a senior nursing major from Petal, was named second runner-up. Katie Sims, a freshman music education major and accounting major from Purvis, was named third runner-up and preliminary

Left: Miss WCU 2013, Jennifer DeMelo of Kenner, La., crowns Miss WCU 2014, Sarah Beth Sewell of Starkville in the Miss WCU Scholarship Pageant on Feb. 4.



Above: Winners of the 2014 Miss William Carey University Scholarship Pageant are (left to right) R-Reonnia James of Wiggins, first runner-up and interview winner; Ashley Barding of Petal, second runner-up; Sarah Beth Sewell of Starkville, Miss WCU 2014 and talent winner; Katie Sims of Purvis, third runner-up, evening gown winner and Highest GPA, and Hannah Taylor of Covington, La., fourth runner-up and Virginia Scott Spirit Award winner.

evening gown winner. She also received the Amy E. Allen Award for highest Grade Point Average among the contestants. Fourth runner-up was Hannah Taylor, a freshman nursing major from Covington, La.

Each year, one of the contestants receives the Virginia Scott Spirit Award. Voted on by the contestants, this award recognizes the contributions to the Miss WCU pageant by former director Virginia Scott who produced three Miss Mississippi's, all of whom finished in the top five at their respective Miss America pageants. Hannah Taylor also received the spirit award.

During the pageant, there was a crown drawing for girls between the ages of 4 and 11; the winner was named Honorary Miss Carey. Maddie Smith of Sumrall, 10, was chosen and crowned on stage by last year's winner, Elyse Bolling of Petal.

Other contestants were Deborah McNeal of Biloxi and Shybril Tamayo of Meridian. Emcees for the event were Miss Mississippi 2013 Chelsea Rick and Miss WCU 2012 Kenna Spiller.

Proceeds from the pageant were donated to Children's Miracle Network.



Above: Miss WCU 2014 Sara Beth Sewell of Starkville is pictured with Miss Mississippi 2013 Chelsea Rick.

### WCU Dedicates Davis Hall

### Named in Honor of Former Missionaries

WCU hosted a dedication ceremony for Davis Hall, the newest women's resident facility on the Hattiesburg



Cora Joyce Davis thanks everyone for coming to the Dedication Ceremony for Davis Hall, named in honor of her and her late husband Ralph, as William Carey University President Dr. Tommy King looks on. Ralph and Cora Joyce were the first missionary couple to represent Mississippi Woman's College (WCU's campus, on Aug. 22. The residence hall is named for Ralph and Cora Joyce Davis, alumni of Mississippi Woman's College (WCU's predecessor). Located directly behind Byrd Hall on the south end of campus, Davis Hall accommodates nearly 100 women to relieve the school's housing crunch.

The Davises were the first missionary couple to represent the institution. They served as missionaries to Nigeria for 20 years, and during the civil war in Nigeria, they escaped and served for another 15 years in Ghana. During their time at MWC, Cora Joyce served as the campus nurse in the Mary Ross Infirmary, where she and Ralph lived, and Ralph was the night watchman for the college. He was the first male to graduate from MWC in 1949. Their children, Nan and David, are also graduates of William Carey University. Ralph passed away in 2012 at the age of 91.

During the ceremony Dr. Tommy King, president of WCU, called Davis Hall "an important step in the growth of William Carey University." Dr. King updated guests about the growing need for more residential housing on Carey's campus due to a growth in enrollment, and

thanked those who helped make Davis Hall

a reality in record time.

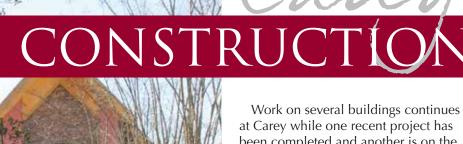
Hannah Cook-Kelley, a business administration major and Davis Hall resident from Phoenix, Ariz., gave the prayer of thanksgiving. Dr. Jerry Rankin, president emeritus of the International Mission Board and a WCU trustee, followed with a testimony of the impact of the couple's mission efforts. Dr. David C. Davis, associate professor of history and associate dean of Arts and Letters at Millsaps College, responded on behalf of the Davis family. The ceremony concluded with a prayer of dedication by Dr. Scott Hummel, provost.

Cora Joyce expressed appreciation on behalf of herself and her late husband, Ralph. She stated, "I have to express my thanks to my home church, Macedonia, and to all the faithful churches and individual Baptists who supported the Cooperative Program and made it possible for us to go. The Cooperative Program is still the lifeblood of our missions effort. Without it our whole mission program would collapse, and so many in our world would die without ever hearing of the love of Jesus."

The building cost approximately \$4 million to build and the funds came from support by the Mississippi Baptist Convention, private donors and careful management of existing funds.



### leadership



been completed and another is on the horizon.

The Randy and Brenda Ross Anatomy Wing of the WCU College of Osteopathic Medicine was dedicated on Jan. 30. The wing, named for longtime supporters Dr. Randy Ross and wife Brenda, is a 7,379-square-foot building that gives medical students increased space for laboratory work.

Work on the Bass Memorial Chapel is wrapping up. The 2,630-square-foot chapel is located behind Chain Garden and will hold about 100 people for various functions, such as small religious services, musical programs and private meditation.

Construction continues on the new School of Business building, a 20,574-square-foot facility across Tuscan Avenue from the medical complex. University officials expect the building to be complete in time for the 2014-2015 school year.

Groundbreaking is expected later this year for a new athletic center, which will be 40,000-square-feet. This facility will be located behind Milton Wheeler Field and will require construction of a new street that will then connect with County Drive on the south side of the campus.





To contribute to any of Carey's building projects, please contact the Office for Advancement at 601-318-6542 or visit www.wmcarey.edu

Ross Anatomy Wing

School of Business Building

### Student Practices in India

William Carey University senior music therapy student Hannah Melancon of Eunice, La., put her skills from the classroom to use when she embarked on a two-month journey to India during the summer of 2013. Through her father's connections, she had the opportunity to intern with Dr. Rebekah Naylor, global health care consultant for Baptist Global Response, at the Bangalore Baptist Hospital (BBH) and stay in the nurses' hostel. In addition to serving as a hospital, BBH also has a comprehensive teaching program for medical science, nursing, allied health, and pastoral care. Hannah grew up with both parents serving as International Mission Board (IMB) missionaries. Her father worked at BBH with Dr. Naylor, who is now retired from IMB after her 37 years of service.

Hannah's face lights up as she passionately explains how she was able to work with a variety of patients, finding different ways to use music therapy to help them. One such case was six-yearold Iver who has Burkitt lymphoma. She met with little Iver often, playing her guitar softly and singing to him during his treatments to calm him. On more than one occasion, the nurses struggled to administer his medication because of the little boy's resistance, but when Hannah sang and played for him, he calmed down, focused on her instead of them, and they were then able to perform their job.

Hannah also has the opportunity to work with patients suffering from cerebral palsy, intellectual disabilities, terminal cancer, and other conditions. She spent Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays helping with rehabilitation sessions, and other days helping in the oncology and ICU units. One of the patients she worked with has spinal muscular atrophy, and she said it was such an amazing moment to witness the patient finally beginning to walk again during physical therapy sessions. In addition to playing guitar and singing, Hannah used shakers,

rhythm sticks, bells, and ocean drums to calm and soothe the patients as they struggled through exhausting treatments.

During physical therapy sessions, she played rhythmic beats to help patients keep steady breathing patterns, thus improving flexibility and movement. One patient said that this practice allowed him to go the furthest he had been able to stretch since having his ACL surgery on his knee. For patients in the oncology unit, Hannah was able to provide coping skills by offering hope and peace through Christian counseling and soothing music.

In another case, Hannah had the opportunity to help with a little boy from Africa. Joshua has liver cancer, and the nurse was trying to get him to sit up to help drain the fluid from his lungs. Hannah played for him, and soon he was engaged with her, forgetting about his pain and agreeing to cooperate with the nurse. She said it was especially rewarding having the opportunity to pray with the patients as much as possible, which also had an influence on the staff who were nonbelievers.

Hannah said she was most nervous about working in ICU as a student, but that it was a fascinating learning experience that helped her grow.

"The staff taught me how to read the patients' vitals, and I would watch as their heart rate would go down and their oxygen would go up when I played for them," Hannah said. "It was a rewarding experience, and instant gratification getting to see that my therapy really was helping them physically."

Pictured is William Carey University senior music therapy student Hannah Melancon of Eunice, La., who spent summer 2013 in India, interning at the Bangalore Baptist Hospital. She used the music therapy skills and techniques she learned in the classroom to help patients at BBH, while also participating in missionary work in the local slums. Hannah continues to put her music therapy skills to practical use in the local community, through WCU's partnerships between Forrest General Hospital and PineBelt Mental Health Resources.

In addition to working in the hospital, Hannah also worked directly with people living in nearby slums. She joined a local pastor in leading worship sessions, and helped with rehabilitation sessions that were held in the local people's homes.

"Sometimes we fail to recognize the hardships people go through with children with disabilities and illnesses, especially in India, where the culture does not treat women or the disabled well," Hannah said. "As a therapist, I get to offer a glimpse of hope to these people."

Prior to her trip to India, Hannah had an opportunity to use music therapy locally, thanks to WCU's partnership with Forrest General Hospital. Currently, WCU students provide weekly music therapy sessions to oncology and pediatric patients at FGH, giving students vital practicum experience while allowing Forrest General to expand its services and enhance patient care. Hannah's experience working with FGH patients during the spring of 2013 trained her for



her work in India.

In addition to the partnership with FGH, WCU has a similar agreement with PineBelt Mental Health Resources, thanks to a recent grant from The Greater PineBelt Community Foundation.

The foundation awarded \$6,901 to a program called "Harnessing Adults' Full Potential through Music Therapy," which provides music therapy services to adults with intellectual disabilities at a day rehabilitation center to increase acquisition of skill building and activities for daily living.

Both of these partnerships are mutually beneficial to William Carey and the healthcare facilities. Music therapy is a clinical and evidence-based health profession that uses music interventions to accomplish individualized goals within a therapeutic relationship by a credentialed professional to address physical, emotional, cognitive and/or social needs.

"It is really special to me to see how what I learn at Carey can be put to use and change people emotionally, physically, and spiritually, both in the local community and in other parts of the world," Hannah said.

For more information on WCU's music therapy program, contact Jim Pierce, assistant professor of music therapy, at (601) 318-6249 or jpierce@wmcarey.edu.

To contribute to Carey's music therapy program, contact the Office for Advancement at 601-318-6542 or visit www.wmcarey.edu





# WCU School of Music Holds Concert to Benefit Extra Table

The William Carey University Winters School of Music, in collaboration with Oak Grove Middle School (OGMS) Chorus, presented "A Concert of Thanksgiving" to benefit the Extra Table on Nov. 21 at Smith Auditorium. Extra Table is a local non-profit organization that helps eliminate hunger by supplying food pantries and soup kitchens with the

food they need. Admission to the concert was either a nonperishable food item or a donation to Extra Table.

The concert featured music by WCU's oratorio choir and orchestra and OGMS' chorus. The dean of the Winters School of Music, Dr. Don Odom, served as conductor, and Kathy Vail as accompanist.

### Parker Gallery Moves to 512 Tuscan

### THE LUCILE PARKER GALLERY HAS A NEW HOME

The Gallery relocated last year to a historic building located at 512 Tuscan Avenue. The building, constructed in 1924, saw many years of use as a neighborhood store and was renovated by the university to serve as home to the Gallery and also as residence space for five apartments.

The Gallery, previously located in the Thomas Fine Arts Building, houses over 500 original pieces of art by Lucile Parker, who organized Carey's art department. The Gallery is home to many different art exhibits throughout the school year.





The Lucile Parker Art Gallery at William Carey University hosted a reception to celebrate the opening of the Fiber Art Exhibition by Martha Ginn of Hattiesburg on Nov. 12. Ginn, an internationally recognized Mississippi artist and quilt maker, displayed her exhibit Nov. 12 through Dec. 11 at the relocated gallery at 512 Tuscan Avenue.

Growing up in a family that sewed, Ginn's passion for quilting began as a child and continued to grow into

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adulthood. Her beautiful quilts are made from a variety of unique materials and are better suited for the wall than a bed. After mastering the traditional techniques of her trade, she put her own vision and creativity to work, creating beautiful pieces that she has had the opportunity to showcase all around the country and even in China.

"My quilting has evolved to art for the walls as I constantly strive to create the beauty all around me in fabric and thread," Ginn said. "Leaves and trees are a favorite subject and a constant reminder of God's care and love."

Ginn is a founding member and children's quilt chair of the Pine Belt Quilters, membership director of the South Mississippi Art Association, a member of the Gulf States Quilting Association, Studio Art Quilt Association, the American Quilter's Society, and Quilt Art Internet List.

# WCU Hosts "Art for Externity" EXHIBIT

The Sarah Gillespie Museum of Art at WCU hosted a reception to celebrate the opening of "Art for Eternity" on Nov. 14. The exhibit is sponsored by The Kindness Foundation. All art pieces in the exhibit are biblically themed and created by students in Russia and Ukraine as a result of the biblical training promoted by The Kindness Foundation.

### A Life of Me, Laughter & Legacy

Most current students never got a chance to meet her, yet whether they know it or not, their William Carey University experience was touched by an amazing woman who passed away on Nov. 13, 2013. Donna Duck Wheeler, for whom the alumni house is named and the late wife of Dr. Milton Wheeler, served as the alumni director and in many other positions in her 42-year history with Carey. In fact, her legacy and life are intertwined with the university itself.

Lacey Walters, class of 2006, said in a Carey Magazine article honoring the Wheelers, "In 1965, on the porch of what is now the Baptist Student Union, Donna Duck said "yes" to Milton Wheeler's marriage proposal. This was not only the beginning of a long life together, but it was the beginning of a life of service to William Carey University that includes a planned gift valued at more than \$2 million."

Donna gave so much more than financially. As alumni director she had the uncanny ability to remember the names of alumni from as far back as the 1960s and could often recall their children's names as well.

"She is the kind of woman you never heard anybody ever talk badly about," said Jeanna Graves, a former colleague and alumna. "She had the best laugh. I can still hear it when I think of her and I always smile." Derek Belk, computer network technician at Carey, said, "I was visiting my grandmother in the hospital. She happened to be on the same floor as Mrs. Wheeler. The nurses had Mrs. Wheeler walking around and I instantly recognized her laugh."

She would need that sweet spirit in the early years at the university when salaries were low. She and Dr. Wheeler were committed to saving and throughout their lives together supported many endeavors both at church and especially at Carey.

Both of the Wheelers received their education at Carey. Walters added, "After the college gave so much to the Wheelers as students and employees, they saw it only fitting to give back to the college. The Wheelers' lives have been shaped and molded by their experiences at William Carey. From life-long friendships to hard lessons learned, the Wheelers gained a great deal from their four decades here."

After 42 years at Carey, Donna was so influential to many students that every Mother's Day she received flowers and cards from various students from around the world. "I love the university and I wouldn't have stayed here for 42 years if I didn't," said Donna in a past interview. "I believe in Christian education and in the mission of this school, and I believe that this college belongs to God," she continued.

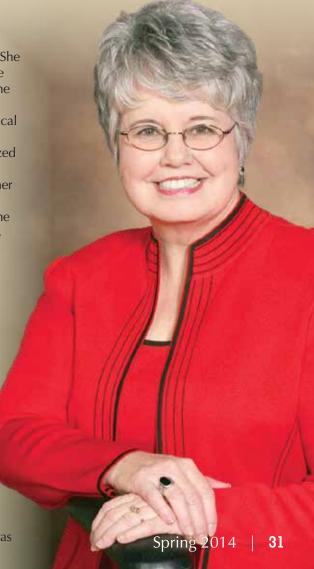
Donna worked to transform homecoming from a formal alumnioriented event to an alumni- and current student-friendly celebration. She was instrumental in spearheading the publication of a pictorial history of the university.

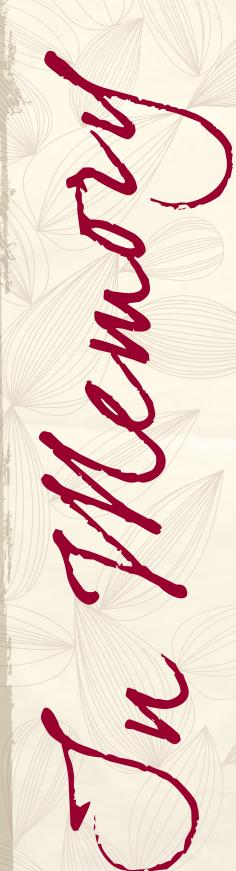
"She was a treasure trove of historical information about this school and it was important to her to get it organized correctly," said Graves. "It's hard to explain how enjoyable it was to be her friend and to work with her. She told wonderful stories about spending time with her sisters, and sweet memories of her and Dr. Wheeler's beginning years together. She was this woman who traveled the world and was so educated and worldly, but naturally made people comfortable in her presence."

Not only was the alumni house named in her honor, but Donna also received an Outstanding Service Award during her beloved homecoming in 2006 and was recognized by the late WCU President Dr. Larry Kennedy for her dedication to Carey. She was also awarded an honorary doctoral degree.

More so than any of her contributions to the university, she was

a strong woman of God who loved and honored her husband, promoted her alma mater, and bestowed the greatest of kindnesses upon her friends. There is a beautiful portrait of her hanging in the Donna Duck Wheeler Alumni House. Although for now it is a reminder of loss to those of us who knew her, in the future new students will see her portrait and possibly notice the twinkle in her eye and her sweet smile and wonder who she was. If the greatest gift in this life is to be remembered, Donna Wheeler can rest easy with our Lord. She will be remembered with smiles and laughter.







### Elaine Byrd

Elaine Byrd, assistant professor of music, passed away on Dec. 12. Byrd taught

piano at Carey from 2011 until 2013 and was also the pianist for Petal Presbyterian Church.



#### Donald Cabana

Donald Cabana, associate professor of criminal justice and founding chair of Carey's

criminal justice department, passed away on Oct. 6. Dr. Cabana spent the majority of his 40-year-career in corrections, serving as the warden of Parchman, the state penitentiary, and also as the commissioner of the state Department of Corrections.



#### William Clawson

William Clawson, a retired professor of Bible and chair of the Department of Biblical

Studies and Church Vocations, died on Oct. 3. Dr. Clawson worked at Carey from 1965 until 1990 and was also a pastor and interim pastor of numerous churches throughout Louisiana and south Mississippi. He also served as a missionary to Mexico through the Southern Baptist Convention from 1953-1966.



#### George Dixon

George "Cat Daddy" Dixon, who worked in the **WCU Facilities** Department for

13 years and specifically worked with athletics, died on Sept. 10. Dixon was regarded as an honorary member of the WCU athletic teams and was known for his close, mentoring relationship with students. He was named Outstanding Staff Member of the Year by the student body in 2012.



#### Eddie Miley Lewis

Eddie Lewis, associate professor of business, died on Nov. 6. She

had been on the Carey faculty for 10 years and had worked on the business faculty at the University of Southern Mississippi for over 30 years, where she was instrumental in establishing the International Business Program.

#### Donna Duck Wheeler

Donna Wheeler, a longtime Carey employee, died on Nov. 13. A 1965 graduate of the university, Wheeler served the university for 42 years before her retirement in 2007. She served for 17 years as the alumni director and was awarded with the honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters in 2007. Wheeler is survived by her husband, professor of history Dr. Milton Wheeler, and the couple has been honored multiple times for their outstanding service and generous financial support of Carey.

### Legacy Scholarship Program Seeks to Honor Educators

Two years ago, William Carey University's legacy scholarship program was established to recognize professors who leave a "Legacy of Learning" and administrators who leave a "Legacy of Leadership."

These professors and administrators are honored with a legacy stone placed on the Carey campus. Current honorees include Josephine D'Arpa, William Clawson, Steve Knight, Ralph Noonkester, Obra Quave, Milton Wheeler, Andy Tate and Eugene Winters.

Now, Carey is seeking to honor the legacy of several more educators, including:

- Dr. David Gruchy, a professor of biology and chair of the biology department (1947-1956)
- Dr. Sarah Rouse, wife of Mississippi Woman's College President I.E.
   Rouse and administrator, serving as dean of students and dean of women (1966-1976)
- Mrs. Jewell Hannah Conniff, Baptist Student Union director (1946-1956)
- Dr. Dorman Laird, professor of religion (1968-2007) and professor emeritus of religion

Once \$1,000 is raised for the legacy stone, the remainder of the money goes to the legacy scholarship.

Donations may be made in the person's honor by giving online at www.wmcarey.edu or by sending a check to William Carey University, Office for Advancement, Box 141, 498 Tuscan Ave., Hattiesburg, MS 39401. For more information about the scholarship, contact the Office for Advancement at (601) 318-6542 or advancement@wmcarey.edu.



Each year, the Office for Advancement calls alumni of William Carey University in an effort to involve graduates in giving back to their alma mater.

This process, known as the Annual Fund Drive, offers opportunities for graduates to contribute financially to scholarships, new construction and other projects at the ever-expanding university.

"These gifts provide essential funds for the successful operation and expansion of Carey," said Annual Fund Director Pam Shearer.

Shearer, who took on the Annual Fund responsibilities in late 2013, is a familiar face to many donors at the university. She has worked at Carey since July 2010, originally serving as administrative assistant for the Office for Advancement and Church Relations.

Assisting Shearer in the annual drive is a team of seven student callers, including Willa-Ann Renard of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil; Corey Bell of Carthage; Bethany Bell of Maribor, Slovenia; Spencer Hollingsworth of Hattiesburg; Lauren Hummel of Oak Grove; Brooke Padgett of Purvis; and Allison Romack of McComb. The students each work seven hours a week, contacting donors,

gathering information and collecting gifts.

Carey, as a private university, relies heavily on donor support and that is why alumni support is so important, said Shearer.

"Annual Fund giving helps grow academic programs, athletic activities, capital projects, scholarships and much more," she said.

In addition, growing alumni support helps boost the university's national recognition. Carey is currently ranked "#1 Best Value in the South among Regional Colleges and Universities" by U.S. News and World Report, a recognition that takes into account the percentage of alumni who give back financially to their alma mater.

With Carey's prominence and enrollment on the rise, the need for alumni support has never been greater, said Shearer.

"Together, we can help the university continue to grow," she said.

Alumni interested in giving to the annual fund can give online at www. wmcarey.edu, by sending gifts to 498 Tuscan Avenue, WCU Box 141, Hattiesburg, MS 39401, or by calling Shearer at (601) 318-6542.

### WCU Students Participate in

### Make a Difference Week

Twenty-eight business majors and three faculty members from William Carey University participated in Make a Difference Week Oct. 22-25. The School of Business partnered with Volunteer Hattiesburg to serve as site coordinators for six homes in the Hattiesburg area affected by the Feb. 10, 2013 tornado. Also, the organizations Gamma Chi and Pi Omega sponsored a car wash on campus to raise money for tornado victims. Students attended the Petal Fall Festival, as well, to collect funds for Recovering the Pine Belt, and some students assisted in the renovation of a damaged home.

"The School of Business project with Volunteer Hattiesburg was organized by WCU student Jeremiah Lindley, and he worked closely with the organization's director Dena Parker to make sure that volunteers were trained and available at all sites," said Dr. Cheryl Dale, dean of the WCU School of Business. "I am impressed that he was able to recruit so many students to assist with this important project."

Emily Sheckells, director of student activities, helped Gamma Chi and Pi Omega organize the car wash on campus to raise money for tornado victims, and also encouraged WCU faculty, staff, and students to eat at Raising Canes during Make a Difference Week while they were donating a portion of sales to R3SM, the local recovery agency.

"I think the students became aware of the needs in the Hattiesburg area through participation in Make a Difference Week and realized how they could impact others through community service," said Dr. Dale.



Pictured is McKinsey Boss of Gulfport, a senior business administration major at William Carey University, helping Volunteer Hattiesburg at one of the houses in Hattiesburg affected by the February 2013 tornado.

Pictured are Michael Coelho of Niceville, Fla., and Jordan James of Moselle, both junior business administration majors at William Carey University, helping Volunteer Hattiesburg at one of the houses in Hattiesburg affected by the February 2013 tornado.





Pictured are Nisheka Manning of Tylertown, Analejsia Lee of Carriere, and Allison LeBoeuf of Collinsville, Okla., all senior business administration majors at William Carey University, collecting funds for Recovering the Pine Belt at the Petal Fall Festival.



## WCU Participates in Forrest/Lamar County Heart Valk

WCU School of Business Collects Food for

Collects Food for Edwards Street

The William Carey University School of Business students and faculty members found a great way to give back to the community this Christmas. They collected 632 canned goods and donated them to Edwards Street Fellowship Center in Hattiesburg. The canned goods were then distributed during the Christmas holidays to those in need.

The canned food drive all started when WCU's student activities director, Emily Sheckells, helped start a new tradition on campus: a Christmas decorating contest among the different buildings on campus. On Dec. 6, alumni council members came and judged the trees, and the School of Business was chosen as the winner. The "tree" was built with shelves to accommodate canned goods, and even after each shelf was full, the students and faculty continued to collect donations for this worthy cause.



(left to right) William Carey University School of Business student Jeremiah Lindley of Fort Irwin, Calif., is pictured with Jim Smith, a worker at the Edwards Street Fellowship Center, after dropping off the 632 canned goods that the WCU School of Business students and faculty collected for the center for the Christmas holidays. Faculty, staff, and students from William Carey University participated in the American Heart Association's 2013 Heart Walk held at The University of Southern Mississippi on Sept. 28. WCU had three teams raise money and participate in the 5K: Athletics, Cobbler/Yearbook Staff, and Student Activities. WCU Athletics came in second place for overall funds raised, and a Carey baseball player finished first place in the 5K race.



William Carey University School of Business students (sitting) Caroline Walker of Woodville; (standing, left to right) D.J. Johnson of Mobile, Ala.; Brooklyn Guillot of Port Allen, La.; Megan Monk of Denham Springs, La.,; and Jermaine Keys of Laurel pose near the school's unique Christmas tree. The "tree" is built with shelves to accommodate canned goods that were donated by students and faculty members from the School of Business. They collected 632 canned goods which were given to the Edwards Street Fellowship Center in Hattiesburg and distributed during the Christmas holidays.



# Alumni Council

The William Carey University Alumni Association functions to serve the interests and help maintain the stature of William Carey University, to facilitate alumni programs and activities, to promote communication between William Carey University and its alumni and to perpetuate relationships formed at William Carey University.

The 2013, 2014 alumni council pictured left to right:

BACK ROW: Randi Clark, Student Foundation President; Suzan Stephens Bounds '82, President; Ted Bower '79, Past President; Dennis Miller '88, AACS Chapter representative; Cindy Cofield '83, Director of Alumni Relations

FRONT ROW: John Clearman '72; Lori Edney '83, Vice President; Kaitlyn Cooksey, SGA Vice President; Mary Morton '65, South Alabama Chapter representative; Lisa Bunn '13, Tradition representative; Bernie Cousins '03, Secretary

NOT PICTURED: Patrick Brady '05, New Orleans representative; Sarah Gray Burrus '60; Alice Dominick '61, Southwest Mississippi Chapter representative; Charles J. Brown '73; DiDi Childress Ellis '12; Meagan Broom '12; Landon Adams, BSU President

# WCU Hosts Mississippi Woman's College Reunion featuring Miss Mississippi

WCU hosted a reunion for Mississippi Woman's College, the predecessor to William Carey, on Oct. 18 in the Thomas Business Building on the Hattiesburg campus. The luncheon included an address and special entertainment by Miss Mississippi Chelsea Rick, who recently completed her first year of medical school at the WCU College of Osteopathic Medicine (WCUCOM). Dr. Tommy King, president, gave an update on university happenings, construction, and plans for the future.

Prior to the luncheon program, Cindy Cofield, alumni director, greeted guests as they had an opportunity to view memorabilia and photos from the Mississippi Woman's College era.



Pictured are (far left) Miss Mississippi Chelsea Rick, WCU President Dr. Tommy King, (far right) WCU First Lady Mrs. Sandra King, Alumni Director Cindy Cofield, and guests at the 2013 Mississippi Woman's College reunion on WCU's campus on Oct. 18.

### WCU Alumni Reception Held at Mississippi Baptist Convention

Alumni from across the state joined William Carey University at a reception held in the chapel parlor of First Baptist Church Jackson on Tuesday, Oct. 29. The reception was held in conjunction with the Mississippi Baptist Convention.



### CARPENTER'S WOOD Alumni Reunite

Carpenter's Wood alumni who served under the direction of Mrs. Kathy Vail reunited in a performance at Macedonia Baptist Church in Petal. This small vocal group began as a "folk ensemble" in the 1960s, and continues its ministry, singing in churches and traveling abroad.



#### Alumni NEWS





## Alumni Celebrate Worldwide Carey Day William Carey's 252nd Birthday

Alumni throughout the United States gathered to honor the birthday of the university namesake, Dr. William Carey. Alumni are encouraged to continue this celebration each year on or near the August 17th birthday of Dr. Carey. The informal gatherings offer alumni the opportunity to fellowship, reminisce, and celebrate a common fondness of time spent at William Carey University.

Any alumnus who wishes to organize a gathering, large or small, for the week of Aug. 17, 2014, please contact Cindy Cofield at 601.318.6561 or ccofield@wmcarey.edu.









- Pearl River County alumni honor Carey Day.
- Alumni gather in Orange Beach, Ala. to celebrate Worldwide Carey Day.
- Carey interns meet in Disneyworld to celebrate Carey Day.
- Carey alumni at The Grind Coffee and Nosh in Biloxi celebrate Carey Day.
- Alumni gather in Shreveport, La. to celebrate Worldwide Carey Day.
- f Alumni celebrate Carey Day in Marion County.
- 7 A group of alumni in Columbia celebrate Carey Day.
- Ponovan and Stephen Moore honor the birthday of William Carey.
- Dr. Crockett and Dr. Noonkester, codirectors of the Center for Study of the Life and Works of William Carey, D.D., give a presentation at the Hattiesburg campus Carey Day celebration.
- Hattiesburg area alumni celebrate Carey Day at WCU.
- Hattiesburg campus faculty and staff meet to honor Carey Day.
- A group of alumni and friends meet in Hattiesburg to celebrate Carey Day.
- Alumni meet in Las Vegas to celebrate Carey Day.
- Lewis and Margie Myrick along with Sandra King visit during the Carey Day celebration.
- A group of alumni from Main Street Baptist Church honor Carey Day.
- New Orleans campus faculty, students, and alumni celebrate Carey Day.
- Alumni meet at Olive Garden in Hattiesburg.
- The WCU School of Education memorialize Carey Day.
- A group of alumni meet at Salute in Gulfport to honor Carey Day.
- The WCU South Alabama Alumni Chapter meet in honor of Carey Day.
- The Southwest Mississippi Alumni Chapter celebrate Carey Day.
- The Stewart family from Laurel celebrate Carey Day.
- Vicksburg alumni meet at First Baptist Church Vicksburg in honor of Carey Day.
- William Carey University celebrates Carey Day with a birthday cake.













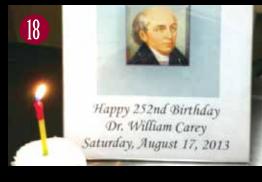
























## ALUMN Dr. Leo Day



Dr. Leo Day ('88) has been elected dean of the School of Church Music at Southwestern **Baptist Theological** Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas. After graduating from Carev. Leo

attended Eastman School of Music where he graduated with the master of music in vocal performance in 1990. He then earned the D.M.A. in vocal performance from Louisiana State University in 2000. While at Carey, Leo was a member of Carey Chorale, Serampore Players, Carpenter's Wood, and was named a Rotary Goodwill Scholar to Australia. Prior to his appointment at Southwestern, Day served as minister of music at Olive Baptist Church in Pensacola, Fla., as well as an adjunct voice professor for the University of West Florida in Pensacola.

He has performed with the Hawaii Opera Theatre of Honolulu and has recorded two albums: "He Loves Me" and "Solace for the Soul." Leo performs frequently across the United States and has performed in New York City for the U.N. ambassadors and most recently performed with Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary's Master Chorale and the Fort Worth Symphony Orchestra in this year's performance of Handel's Messiah, singing the tenor part.

Recalling his fondness for his alma mater, Leo states, "I love William Carey and am so proud of how it prepared me for a lifetime of making music for the King!"

#### Michael Hannaford



Michael Hannaford ('85), a resident of Frisco, Texas, serves as the vice president of product integrity for JCPenney, where he was awarded the

James Cash Penney Chairman's Award. Michael has been an influential part in both private label and exclusive brand launches. His involvement has led him to work closely with celebrities such as Jennifer Lopez, Marc Anthony, Vera Wang, and Lauren Conrad. Hannaford has also had an integral role in leading growth initiatives with companies like Food Network, Steve Madden, Aldo, Liz Claiborne, Giggle, and Ted Baker. When Hannaford is not busy launching brands, he enjoys traveling and spending time with his wife, Laura Montgomery Dale, and two children, Joseph Aston and Anna Marie. Hannaford also finds time to focus on his passions, which include fine art, sports cars and bow ties. Hannaford graduated from William Carey University with the Bachelor of Arts in music. He credits his time at Carey for teaching him that dedication and commitment will lead to a great reward. "I will forever be grateful for the influence of so many wonderful professors that led by example," said Hannaford. "Carey's core values continue to help drive my decision making on a daily basis."

#### Dr. Terry R. Tinsley



Dr. Terry R. Tinsley (188), of Bristow, Va., serves as director of clinical services for Joe Gibbs' Youth For Tomorrow, a residential youth home

and private school for at-risk teenage boys and girls. Dr. Tinsley received two M.A. degrees, one in marriage and family counseling and one in religious education, in 1992 from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas, and his Ph.D. in counseling psychology from Walden University in Minneapolis in 2010. He also holds the credentials of national certified counselor, licensed professional counselor, licensed marriage and family therapist and certified sex offender treatment provider.

Dr. Tinsley has worked in mental health services since 1986 and, in addition to his work at Youth For Tomorrow, works as a group therapist at Day Break Counseling Services in Manassas, Va. He is active in the community and was appointed by Virginia Governor Bob McDonnell to serve on the state Board of Counseling in 2011. He serves as an elder at his church, Centreville Baptist Church of Centreville, Va.

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#### **50's**

Don Stewart ('57) was recognized by New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary President Chuck Kelley as a distinguished alumnus during the 2013 Southern Baptist Convention annual meeting in Houston, Texas.

Gene Fant Sr. ('59) celebrated his 56th anniversary of being ordained to the gospel ministry.

#### 60's

Mona Hankins Fant ('60) also known as Mona Faith, served as an "extra" actor in the ABC television show, *Nashville*.

Joe Belan ('63) will release his newest novel, *The Rocks*, in late 2014.

Bill Martin ('65) will retire December 2013, after 46 years of working in community colleges. He served as a faculty member and administrator at Florida Community College at Jacksonville, Fla., and River Parishes Community College near Baton Rouge, La. At RPCC, Bill served as executive vice chancellor and helped establish the new college in 1999. Bill and his wife, Marty, will retire to Jacksonville where their children, Jeff and Emily, reside with their families.

Ron Herrod ('65) was recognized by New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary President Chuck Kelley as a distinguished alumnus during the 2013 Southern Baptist Convention annual meeting in Houston, Texas.

James E. Messer ('65) of Theodore, Ala., held his 49th JEM Ministries annual meeting on June 22, 2013. Dr. Fred Luter, president of the Southern Baptist Convention, provided the message.

Gerald "Jerry" Mixon ('66 & '75) was recently inducted into Petal School District's Academic Hall of Fame. The Academic Hall of Fame was established in 1989 to honor graduates who have demonstrated a record of academic and professional achievement. Inductees into the Academic Hall of Fame have been identified as having achieved a significant degree of success in their pursuit of higher education and their chosen field of work.

Stephen Garner ('69) has recently retired from Ouachita Baptist University in Arkadelphia, Ark.

#### 70's

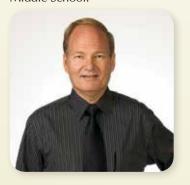
The Halford family of Meridian recently gathered at their home church, Central Baptist, to celebrate the 125th anniversary of the church. Three members of the Halford family are Carey alumni: Bobby Halford ('75 & '77), Jimmy Halford ('79), and Cindy Gaines ('82).



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### Classy 128 continued

Danny Von Kanel ('77) has released his third book, Building Your Life by the Owner's Design by standard publisher, 4RV Publishing out of Oklahoma. He has also published numerous articles which appeared in various magazines. Danny currently serves as a music teacher with the Natchitoches Public School system in Natchitoches, La. and teaches at the L.P. Vaughn Elementary/ Middle School.



James "Jimmy" Halford ('79) was recently selected by his peers for inclusion in the 2014 edition of The Best Lawyers in America in the categories of Communications Law and Energy Law. The Best Lawyers in America is widely regarded as the preeminent referral guide to the legal profession in the United States. The Best Lawyers lists, representing over 125 specialties in all 50 states and Washington D.C., are compiled through an exhaustive peer-review survey in which thousands of the top lawyers in the U.S. confidentially evaluate their professional peers. He was also recognized in Chambers USA. James practices law at Brunini, Grantham, Grower & Hewes, PLLC.



Dr. Leo Day ('88) has taken a position as dean of the School of Church Music at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.



Cynthia R. Maye ('91) recently earned the doctorate of management in information and systems and technology from the University of Phoenix.

Eric Kravette ('92 & '94) is the incoming Chair of the Coast Chamber Board of Directors and serves on the Tradition Campus Advancement Council.

William "Billy" McMurray ('94) currently teaches history at Mt. Olive High School. Billy resides in Sumrall with his wife April and two stepdaughters, Madelyn and Norah.

Keith Mitchell ('95) has started his own photography business, Keith M. Mitchell Photography, in Saucier.

Ken Nobles ('95) has released his first novel. The first in a three book series, Rook: Hunter's Oath Book 1, came out in April 2013.

Kevin D. Crozier ('00), a firefighter for the Columbia Fire Department and minister to youth and young adults at Foxworth (MS) First Baptist Church, recently published his first book, Reapers: The Preston Project, a work of Christian fiction.

Kyle Schenkewitz ('02) earned his Ph.D. in Historical Theology at Saint Louis University focusing on Early and Medieval Christianity in the Fall of 2013. He also received the Certificate of Teaching Excellence from SLU's Reinert Center for Transformative Teaching and Learning. Kyle and his wife Jean welcomed a baby girl, Abigail, in May.

Alumni

Bud Evans ('03 & '05), advisor at Payson High School in Payson, Ariz., recently led a delegation to Anaheim, Calif., where they were awarded 5th place at the annual Future Business Leaders of America National Leadership Conference.

Michael L. Johnson ('04), an art instructor at Thrasher Attendance Center in north Mississippi, currently has over 40 pieces of his art work including pencil drawings, pen and ink, watercolor, photography, and digital art on display at the art gallery at Northeast Mississippi Community College.

Larissa McDavid Bass ('05) and her husband Christopher Anthony of Hattiesburg, announce the birth of their daughter, Isabella Summer Bass. Isabella was born on June 6, 2013 at Wesley Medical Center.



Justin Berry ('05) and wife Amy have recently moved to Quanah, Texas where Justin has taken the position of minister of students and families at First Baptist Church Quanah. Megan M. Harvey ('07) graduated from the University of Mississippi Medical Center in May with her Doctorate of Medicine. She was also the 2013 recipient of the Blair Batson Excellence in Pediatrics award, which is awarded to one person each year for outstanding performance in the field of pediatrics. Megan currently lives in Brandon and is a pediatric resident at Blair E. Batson Children's Hospital. She plans to specialize in neonatal medicine and genetics.



Tom Smith ('07) has been promoted to regional vice president at Primerica, Inc. On Feb. 13, 2013, he proposed to Jessica Williams at the south rim of the Grand Canyon. The couple plans to wed on March 29, 2014 at the Venue in Downtown Hattiesburg. The couple will reside in Hattiesburg.



Chara Clancy ('08) was awarded the Rising Star award for her work at Ingalls Shipbuilding in Pascagoula. Allen ('08 & '11) and Melissa ('07 & '09) Bonner announce the birth of their daughter, Bren Gabrielle Bonner. Bren was born on May 30, 2013. Allen works as a student support services counselor, the disability services coordinator, and an adjunct instructor of psychology at William Carey.



10's

Lee Cormier ('10) and Amber Fountain ('10) were married Dec. 17, 2011. Lee is a master of divinity in international church planting student at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. Amber is the administrative assistant to the Psychology and Counseling Department at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. They hope to serve in Eastern Europe with the International Mission Board. The couple lives in New Orleans, La.



Jamie Pippin ('10) and Jennifer Pippin married on May 18, 2013. Jamie recently accepted a new position on the middle school ministry staff at Lake Pointe Church in Rockwall, Texas.

Kari ('10) and Brett Stewart announce the birth of their son, Caleb Ray Stewart. Caleb was born on March 27, 2013 at South Central Regional Medical Center. Paternal grandparents are Don ('81) and Gina ('82) Stewart.



Jacob Williams ('10) was recently selected for commissioning as a first lieutenant in the Medical Service Corps.

Albert Galeas ('12), was recently named District New Teacher of the Year for the Hattiesburg Public School District. Galeas, who teaches 7th and 8th grade students, began teaching Spanish at N.R. Burger Middle School in August.





Alumni passings Forever in our thoughts

Mildred Martin Barron ('29) passed away November 26, 2013

Betty Villanueva ('52) passed away November 29, 2013

Vivian Geiger Sexton ('54) passed away July 14, 2010

W. A. Fordham ('56 & '61) passed away July 3, 2013

**Bill Carman Bounds ('61)** passed away December 13, 2013

Donna Duck Wheeler ('65) passed away November 13, 2013

**Bernard Eugene Gibson ('67)** passed away May 23, 2013

Johnnie "Pat" Nobles ('67) passed away November 10, 2013

Elizabeth "Betsy" Sims ('67) passed away June 17, 2013

Winnie Kathy Woullard Woods ('72) passed away January 24, 2014

Manuel Mejia Jr. ('74) passed away February 23, 2012

Carolyn Kent ('76) passed away July 2010

Ira Ramey ('78) passed away August 27, 2013

**Lucille Williams McClelland ('93)** passed away July 8, 2013

Dennis Clifford "Cliff" Shanks ('02) passed away June 8, 2013

Carrie Hayes Valentine ('02) passed away September 20, 2013

Albert Randy Hendrix ('07) passed away June 28, 2013

Elaine Byrd, assistant professor of music passed away December 12, 2013

Donald Cabana, professor of criminal justice passed away October 7, 2013

Elma McWilliams Cameron, former professor of education passed away June 9, 2013

William Clawson, professor emeritus of religion passed away October 3, 2013

Virginia Shands Covington, former professor passed away July 29, 2013

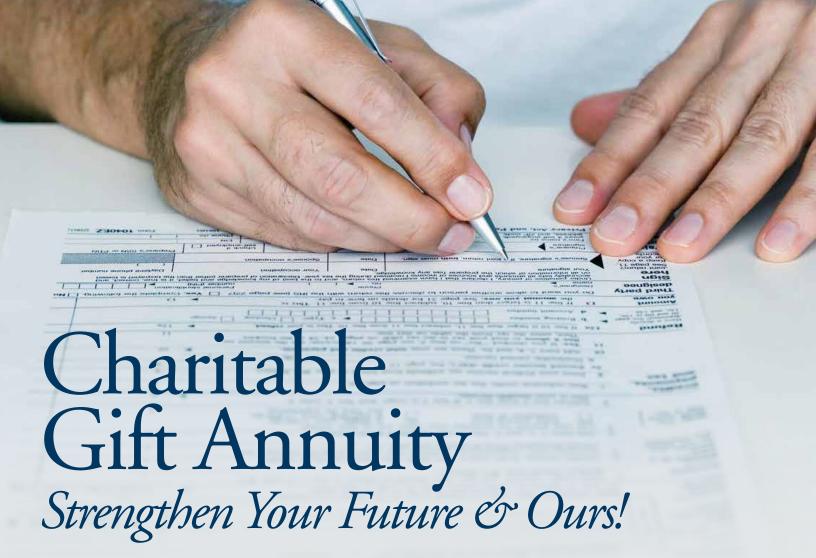
George R. Dixon Jr., facilities employee passed away September 10, 2013

**Eddie Lewis**, associate professor of business passed away November 6, 2013

Carroll Brent Meador, former instructor passed away September 6, 2013

William "Bill" Rivero, professor and chair of the psychology department passed away January 4, 2014

Mary Lou Sims, longtime business office associate passed away January 29, 2014



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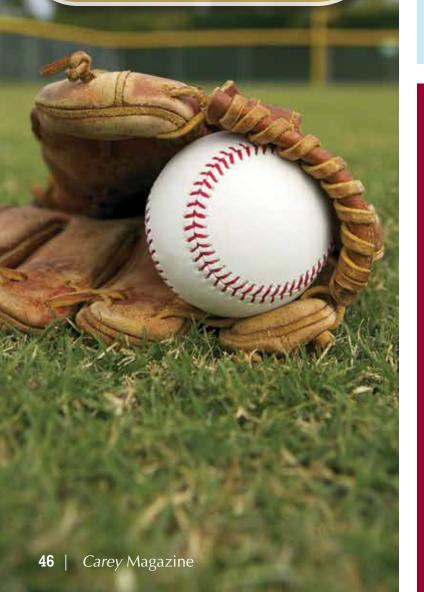
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## Ballgame

Carey alumni and friends will travel to Atlanta on Friday and Saturday, June 13-14, for Mississippi Night at the Braves and Mississippi in the Park. The Braves will be hosting the Los Angeles Angels at Turner Field. For more information contact Dick Vogel at dvogel@wmcarey.edu or Cindy Cofield at ccofield@wmcarey.edu.



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- Common Grounds Coffee House
- · Barnes and Noble Bookstore
- Athletic Events



#### Off-Campus Participants

- ABC Rental (Gulfport, Bay St. Louis, Ocean Springs)
- An-Jac's BBQ (Gulfport)
- Anderson's Rug Market
- Ashley's Sporting Goods
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- Click Boutique
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- Copy Club II (Gautier)
- Country Optical
- Dave's Chevron (Saucier)
- Dunn House Bed and Breakfast
- El Rancho (Biloxi)
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- Glorybound Gyro Company
- Hampton Inn and Suites (Wiggins)
- Kitchen Table
- Lights Jewelers and Gemologists
- Lovie's Boutique
- Main Street Books
- Marlins Grill
- Merle Norman Cosmetics & Salon (Gautier, Moss Point)

- Mugshots Grill
- Neblett's Frame Outlet
- Owens Business Machines, Inc.
- Parris Jewelers
- Pottery Playhouse (Gulfport)
- School & Carnival Supplies (Gulfport, Hattiesburg, Moss Point)
- Signs First
- Santini's Market & Café
- Southland Florists
- Stix and Stone's Garden Center
- Strick's Bar-B-Q
- The Depot Coffee House and Bistro
- The Grind Coffee and Nosh (Biloxi)
- Topher's Rock n Roll Grill
- The Kitchen Table
- The Pastry Garden at Gordon Creek
- Tracy Bullock Master Stylists & Color Specialists (Gulfport)
- Twelve Oaks Accessory Garden
- Unfinished Furniture Showcase (Gulfport)
- University Florist
- Waffle House (See complete listing on website)
- Westway Electric Supply



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- 50-Year Reunion
- Alumni Banquet
- Presentation of Homecoming Court
- Hall of Fame Awards Ceremony
- Special recognition for decades: 1974. 1984, 1994, 2004
- Special recognition for alumni chapters
- School of Music Production: Camelot
- Student Foundation 5K Race and 1 Mile Fun Run
- Carey Couples Vow Renewal at Bass Memorial Chapel
- School of Music Alumni Brunch

- Delta Omicron 50th Anniversary
- Sigma Beta Delta **Business Honor** Society Induction
- Children's Character Brunch
- Crawfish Festival and Cookout
- Revolving Stage by WCU School of Music
- Health Fair WCUCOM
- Faculty Book Signing
- Poetry Read
- Women's Soccer vs. Alumni
- Men's Soccer vs. Alumni
- Sports Hall of Fame Awards Dinner

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