

# Key

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GREAT  
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(Top): Bob Girdwood and Vernon Boyd offer a history of the Restoration Movement in the Great Lakes region. (Middle): Leonard Allen discusses the future of the Restoration Movement. (Bottom): The GLCC choir joins voices with the Rochester College choir

## Excellence Through Unity



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GLCC President Larry Carter and RC President Dr. Michael Westerfield congratulate each other on a successful cooperation for the Restoration Forum.

This fiscal year has been marked with one overarching theme: unity. From the Restoration Forum last October, to the Michigan Christian Convention this April, there has been a strong effort to unify our churches under the Restoration principle “unity in diversity.”

“We have been divided way to long over way too little.” — Lynn Anderson

This Restoration Forum was the first-ever joint effort between Christian colleges from the Christian Church/Church of Christ and the Church of Christ a capella. Great Lakes Christian College teamed up with Rochester College to produce a stimulating forum with a fitting theme, for we truly are: *No Longer Strangers*. The most moving scene was that of the intermingled college choirs blending their voices in supreme splendor.

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**The following are excerpts from the two college presidents' sermons given during the closing service of the Restoration Forum. For a more complete version of both sermons, please visit our website at [www.glcc.edu](http://www.glcc.edu).**

## MY PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH

By Mr. Larry Carter, GLCC president

Ephesians 1:15-23

*"I speak for all of us at Great Lakes Christian College when I say that it has been a distinct privilege and pleasure to have worked together with the staff and faculty of Rochester College on the occasion of this year's Restoration Forum. The mutual respect and appreciation we share for one another has been a special blessing to us. In particular, I have enjoyed getting acquainted with my brother in Christ, Dr. Michael Westerfield. His positive spirit and obvious love for the Lord and His church has been an encouragement to me. We are looking forward to other opportunities where we can work together for God's glory and His kingdom."*

—Mr. Larry Carter

Family ties, though birthed in love, can become frayed. Differences that become disagreements that become disputes end up straining even the closest of relationships. Beginning with Adam's family through Isaac's then David's family the Bible is full of examples of what can happen to family relationships when what we think and feel becomes more important than who we are and what we share in common.

The Apostle Paul was very much aware of the difficulties incumbent in maintaining positive, healthy relationships in the family — especially in the family of God. His letter to the church at Ephesus was an attempt, in part, to convince his readers how central relationships are to living out the fullness of the Gospel.

He viewed these brothers and sisters in Christ as a permanent part of his life and that the responsibility for their growth and development didn't end with their baptism. He understood that Christians were family no matter where they were.

Paul considered it his business to help his brothers and sisters continue to grow and his prayers and this letter are indications of the depth of his commitment. It didn't seem to matter if a church was doing things right or not — he didn't write anybody off. He didn't decide that some of his brothers weren't worth the trouble — no matter how much they were in error. He knew it was his responsibility to help all those who were a part of the family of God to continue to grow in their faith. And so he prays for the church in Ephesus and, in effect, for every church throughout history.

Maintaining positive, healthy family relationships is one of the more difficult things there is to do. Being blood relatives doesn't guarantee that peace, love, and harmony will always exist. Our branch of believers knows we have a brother. Over the years a separation has developed. It wasn't deliberate. It wasn't planned. We simply began to see things differently. And the differences were deeply felt. Communication became difficult, painful — then practically non-existent. We became like distant cousins. Rationally, we both are aware that we are bound together by the common ties of parentage and historical origin. But, emotionally, there are still some who haven't figured out a way to overcome the issues that separate us. But by the power of God it can be done! As we understand the Father's plan for His children — as we see the purpose of our Brother's sacrifice — and as we know the unifying presence of the Holy Spirit — we can move toward a day when the issues that separate us will not loom large in the light of God's love. We can move toward a day when our love for each other will overcome our differences. No, not to become the same — but brothers. We serve a great God who called us out of darkness and into His glorious light. He has also called us into a family.

Paul prayed that the eyes of our heart may be enlightened. May that be our prayer as well.



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## MY PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH

By Dr. Michael Westerfield, RC president  
Ephesians 3:14-21

*"I want to say thank you to our brothers and sisters from Great Lakes Christian College in Lansing for their work with our team in designing a wonderful weekend. We may not change the world in these forums, but we certainly have seen what can happen when we focus together on ministry. God blesses ministry."* — Dr. Michael Westerfield

Larry and I were asked to share our vision for the church. As I prayed and wrestled with this topic over the last few months, I realized one day that the problem I was having with the topic is that no one really cares about my vision for the church. My only care should be Christ's vision for the church. There is a major difference in those visions. You see...my vision is colored by all kinds of history, teaching, and a worldview that are so far removed from the first century that any attempt on my part to cast a vision apart from Christ's vision is feeble indeed. I do know this: when we divide, judge, and control, we are not involved in anything our Savior established for His kingdom. I am moved by Jesus' prayer in John 17. Jesus lays out a vision for us that breaks down all barriers, that promotes a unity of spirit, and that calls us to be a witness to this world.

I want to share three ideas that I feel rise to the top in this second prayer of Paul in the book of Ephesians. First, we, I refer to the church, are part of a bigger family than what is simply here on earth. God's whole family includes both heaven and earth and He has given us his name.

Second, Paul prays for the church to be rooted and established in love. Paul has been talking about grace leading up to this prayer and now we see the fulfillment of that discussion in the love of Christ for us. Grace! Seems to me that Paul is praying that we better understand grace so that we can have the power as a church to minister to the world.

If we as a church allow a spirit of division, a spirit of judging, a spirit of meanness to direct us, can we take a message of God's grace to a lost and dying world? You see, Christ wants a church that understands grace because it is grace that fills us with the fullness of God and frees us to work together in the kingdom of God. Who are we to decide where grace ends and begins? I choose to leave it to God and get on with ministry.

Third, Christ's view for his church, as expressed in the prayer of Paul, is a church that recognizes Christ is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine when we connect to that power working within us. Working together brings glory to Christ and his church. Do we think we can bring unity through persuasion, through edicts from church hierarchy, or through our colleges and universities? We cannot, but God can and whether we want to recognize it or not, He is working today to pursue his will in marvelous ways.

I am not an expert. I don't expect people to always agree with me. But I do know that Jesus expects me to love the Lord with all my heart and soul and strength and to love my neighbor as myself. Jesus affirmed the Old Testament prophets' admonition to "act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God." When we judge and promote division, I am afraid God is very angry. May we trust God to be who He says He is and to receive the power He has promised.



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## FUTURE CRUSADERS

**Apple**, Elliana Grace brightened the lives of **Ryan** (BS 1999) and **Darcie (Foust)**, BS 2000) on December 2, 2004. She was 7 lbs. and 19 inches long and joins big sister Dorian.

**Caroland, Shannon** (BRE 2000) and **Cindie (Cocco)**, BS 2001) welcomed baby boy Eli Willis on January 3, 2005. He was 8 lbs. 9 1/2 oz. and 21 inches long. He joins big sister Hannah.

**Fabian, Mike** (BRE 2001) and **Jodi (Raap)**, 1998–2002) welcomed a baby boy, Michael Jr., on January 30. He joins big sister Jade.

**Goff**, Austin James "A. J." made his entrance on February 23, 2005. He weighed 9 lbs. and was 21 inches long. Parents, **Donny** (BRE 2002) and **Casy**, and siblings, Morgan and Brady, are so proud.

**Harris, Ash** (BS 1999) and **Kelley (Harden)**, 1995–2000) had a baby girl, Elizabeth Bryce, on February 12.

Haven, Jeremiah Richard was born to Erin and **Kelly (Walter)**, BRE 1999) on January 10, 2005. He weighed in at 8 lbs. 3 oz. and was 21 inches long. He joins big brother Jonathan.

**St. Louis**, Isabella Marie brightened the lives of current students **Tim** and **Pam (Wrisley)** on January 28, 2005. She weighed 8 lbs. 4 oz. and was 20 and 1/2 inches long.

Stetzel, Jared and **Kimberly (Walter)**, 1998–2000) welcomed Lilee Alayna on September 14, 2004. She weighed 3 lbs. 10 oz. and is doing well.

**Vitz, Eric** (BRE 1995) and **Jamie (Haynie)**, 1994–1995) welcomed Sydney Corinne on July 28, 2004.

West, Drew and **Kristi (Carter)**, BRE 1997) announce that their baby boys are here 6 1/2 weeks early! Silas Andrew and Jonathan Ralph were born on Saturday, December 4, 2004. Silas was born at 12:16 p.m., weighed 4 lbs. 9 oz., and was 17 1/2 inches long. Jonathan was born at 12:18 p.m., weighed 5 lbs. 1 oz., and was 18 1/4 inches long.

## WEDDING BELLS

Current students **Jeremy Kissling** and **Erica Vance** were married on December 20, 2004

Current students **Jason Sleight** and **Asia Miller** were married on December 17, 2004

## ALUMNI in WRITING

The College Press NIV Commentary Series Genesis — Volume 1 by **Paul Kissling** (BRE 1980) is now available in the GLCC bookstore.

**Schantz, Daniel** (1960–1964) wrote the column "At His Table" for the Christian Standard for the entire month of October.

# ALUMNI NEWS

**Ronald Klepal, Director of Alumni Relations**

## SIXTIES

**Olson, Mildred** (Millie), wife of **Bob Olson** (BSL 1962), passed from this life on October 20, 2004 in Winter Haven, Florida. She received a PHT as well as encouraged all their children — Debbie, Diane (Lantzer), D.J., and Dennie — in their studies at GLBC.

**Wentz, Orlin** and Kay of Kearney, Nebraska, welcomed 13 international students from six countries into their home last Easter Sunday. They took turns reading the story of Jesus' resurrection. This may have been the first time some of them had heard the greatest story ever told.

## SEVENTIES

**Carrick, David** (BRE 1978) and **Theresa (Sprunger)**, BRE 1976) concluded 21 years of preaching ministry with the Christian Church of Millersburg, Ohio. The Carricks have begun a preaching ministry with First Christian Church of Craig, Colorado.

**Zimmerman, Fred** (ARE 1979) and Bonnie began their 25th year of ministry with the South Redford Church of Christ in Redford, Michigan.

## EIGHTIES

**Gulley, Loretta** (BRE 1980) graduated *summa cum laude* with a Master of Business Administration in Strategic Planning from the Sneden Graduate School, Davenport University, in December 2004. Loretta has been employed by the Department of Veterans Affairs in Battle Creek, Michigan, since 1981. She recently accepted the position of Project Manager for VA's North Central Consolidated Patient Account Center, and will be relocating to the Indianapolis area.

**Stowell, Don** (BRE 1981) wrote a series of lessons for the Restoration Herald throughout the month of November.

**Wetzel, Michael** (BRE 1985) received his MA from Northern Michigan University in 1993. He currently teaches writing at Lansing Community College. He has also published over twenty-five articles, has a monthly news column in a small Ohio paper, has written a book for hire, and numerous other writing projects. Over the years, he has served various churches. He and his wife Shirley have raised four children who are now married and serving in ministries. They also enjoy seven grandchildren. He is the founder/director of Shepherd's Purse, a nonprofit ministry to aid homeless kids in Russia and Ukraine. [www.shepherdspurse.org](http://www.shepherdspurse.org)

## NINETIES

**Cutler, Matt** (BRE 1998) and **Jana (Smedley)**, AA 1998) live in Ft. Myers, Florida, where Matt has been a youth pastor for two and a half years. He is working on an M. Div. through CCU. Jana graduated from college in December with an English major.

**Hadley, Ryan** (1997–2000) is working at Careersite as the Network/System Administrator in Ann Arbor, Michigan. His wife **Jillian (Fowler)**, 1999–2000) is a stay-at-home mom to Janelle Ashlynn who was born September 9, 2002 and Kincaid Chance who was born on March 29, 2004.

**Rawls, Dave** (BRE 1991) The Owen Valley Christian Fellowship in Spencer, Indiana, is supporting a minister in Liberia. The former President of Liberia, Amos Sawyer (President from 1990–93) came to their special commissioning service for the Liberian minister. You can see more pictures on the website [www.OVCF.org](http://www.OVCF.org).



## TWO THOUSANDS

**Bennett, Doug** (ARE/AMP 2004) has accepted the position as full-time minister with the Waldron Church of Christ in Waldron, Michigan.

Send alumni news to [rklepal@glcc.edu](mailto:rklepal@glcc.edu)

# CAMPAIN

## update

## NOW IS THE TIME



**Phil Beavers**  
Vice President  
of Institutional Advancement  
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The Doty Center will be a wonderful facility on our 47 acre campus. It will be positioned at the center of campus and its beautiful and versatile gymnasium will be the focal point of this building. We are excited about having a home court for our volleyball and basketball teams as well as intramurals and other sports activities. We anticipate many opportunities to host major events on campus like the Women's Spring Celebration, Breakaway, and Commencement. We have great plans for this building and we believe God will use it for His purpose.

The ultimate benefit of a building like the Doty Center is that it will be a tool that will change lives. Changing lives is what GLCC is all about. Think of the student who comes to us to play basketball and after four years commits his life to

full-time Christian ministry. Think of the high school student who attends a Breakaway program, decides to attend GLCC, and then goes on to serve on a mission field. Story after story can be told of the lives changed because of their time at GLCC.

We can tell these stories because of the generosity of people who see the value of Christian higher education. I asked individuals in an anonymous survey why they give to GLCC. Here are some of their responses:

"I am one of the first graduates of the College and have a love for its faithful performance through the years."

"I do not want to see the day when we do not have this important tool available in the Lansing area. I want to ensure it is around as an option for our children."

"We need workers in Christ's Kingdom. How shall the unsaved know unless we have ministers to deliver the Word?"

"I have an appreciation for my *alma mater*."

If you have, at anytime, considered partnering with us financially, now is the time.

Your gift to the Doty Center building fund would push us ahead to the ground-breaking. You will find an envelope at the center of this issue that you can use to send your special gift to the Doty Center. Please contact me if you are interested in making a gift of stocks, bonds, or property.

We are celebrating 55 years of service to the Michigan, Indiana, and Ohio area. Your support of GLCC and our Doty Center project will have a lasting impact on generations to come.

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Great Lakes Christian College!



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## LIVING MEMORIALS (CONT'D.)

Carl Richards – by Mr. and Mrs. Paul Perry

Walter Roberts – by Mr. and Mrs. Paul Perry

Dale and Eleanor Roe – by Mr. and Mrs. David Apple

Agnes Rollston – by Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Rollston

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Mr. and Mrs. Glen Swarthout, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Swarthout,  
Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Thrush

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Elaine Walstead – by Mr. and Mrs. Paul Perry

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Ruth Doty – by Mr. and Mrs. Brian Wood,  
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Great Lakes Christian College invites you to

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Great Lakes Christian College  
For more information call  
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or visit [www.glcc.edu](http://www.glcc.edu)

**1 Peter 1:8-9**

*Linda Mirante*



## GLCC FAMILY TIDBITS

**Mark Christian** (BRE 1987), Associate Professor of IOC, led a group of 10 students to the National Communication Associate in Chicago in conjunction with the Organizational Communication Class. He attended a Short Course on "Teaching The College Course in Interpersonal Communication" at the NCA convention, led a seminar for the Duplain Church of Christ on "The Blessings of Finding Financial Freedom In God: Learning to Trust God With Our Most Personal Treasures." He continues to preach and develop leadership each week at the First Church of Christ in Mt. Pleasant, Michigan, where he has been on staff for 18 years.

**Dr. Kendi-Howells Douglas**, Professor of Cross-Cultural Ministry, delivered a paper at the National Missionary Convention in Peoria, IL titled "Postmodern Trends in the Missiological Classroom" in September. She also spoke at Milligan College and taught a class there in October.

**Dr. Lloyd Knowles**, Professor of History, attended Restoration Forum at Rochester Hills, Michigan. At the conference, he served on a 5-man panel to evaluate the Stone-Campbell Encyclopedia in which he has two articles. He also co-led a "break out" discussion group concerning the unity efforts of the "Independent" Christian Churches and the "A Capella" Churches of Christ. He completed his interim ministry with the Waldron Church of Christ in Waldron, Michigan after 14 months.

**John Nugent** (BRE 1995), Associate Professor of Old Testament, lead a Leadership Forum titled "Using Small Groups to Foster Authentic Christian Community" at GLCC on Oct 23. He also presented material for a minister's meeting on Nov 5, entitled "Why Something Like Small Groups is Needed in Church Life."

**Lloyd Scharer**, Registrar, led a Small Group Leadership Training Workshop at the South Milford Church of Christ in South Milford, Indiana.

## Farewell to Paul and Cathy Kissling

Paul and Cathy Kissling left for Vienna, Austria on January 6, 2005. They are now employed by Training Christians for Ministry International Institute (TCMI Institute) at the Haus Edelweiss campus. Dr. Kissling will serve as Professor of Old Testament and Director of the Leadership Formation Center. He has been teaching for TCMI Institute for five years on a volunteer basis. Mrs. Kissling will serve as Registrar. TCMI Institute has about 600 students from 20 countries. There are 10 teaching centers throughout the former soviet block countries offering graduate level programs for church leaders. TCMI Institute is a member of the Euro-Asian Accrediting Association, but Paul will also help them qualify for accreditation with the North Central Accrediting Association for Colleges and Schools.



Paul and Cathy Kissling

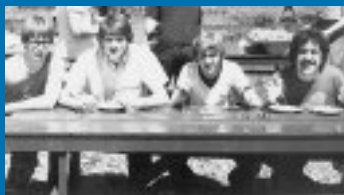
Dr. Kissling served Great Lakes for 13 years. He wore many hats during his time here including that of Professor of Old Testament. During his tenure as Vice President of Academic Affairs, he led the College to accreditation with the North Central Accrediting Association for Colleges and Schools. Under his leadership and the hard work of others, GLCC was allowed to skip the candidacy phase of accreditation and GLCC has been asked many times to be a model for other schools to follow in their endeavor to attain accreditation.

The Kisslings will be missed. We sincerely appreciate all the years they served GLCC. Great Lakes Christian College is a better place because of Paul Kissling's service.

*Paul Kissling is not only a gifted minister, mentor, and teacher; he is a minister's minister, a teacher's teacher, and a mentor's mentor. He knows the heart of a Christian leader so well that he can resuscitate one that is dead, accelerate one that is flagging, and calm one that is beating uncontrollably. Paul has had his hands on our hearts for over a decade and his impact has been so profound that our current lives would not be recognizable were it not for his influence. We count it a privilege to call Paul both teacher and friend and we look forward to seeing what wonders God works through TCM because of Paul and Cathy's involvement. May God bless them in their service.*

—an excerpt from "A Student's Tribute to Paul Kissling"

## Remember These Faces?



Do you recognize these messy faces after a pie-eating contest in the 1970's? See page 7 for the answer.

## CALENDAR of EVENTS

April	2–10	Week of Outreach II	22–28	Biology Extension Class
	19	Admissions Open House	24–June 9	Summer Courses
	22	Women’s Spring Celebration	June 28–30	Regional North American Christian Convention
	23	Leadership Forum		
	29–30	Michigan Christian Convention	July 23	Leadership Forum
May	29–May 1	Biology Field Trip	16	New Student Pre-Registration
	5	Honors Chapel	August 18	New Student Registration
	9–13	Final Exams	18–21	New Student Orientation
	13	Alumni Reception for Graduates	22	Returning Student Registration
	14	Commencement	23	Fall Classes Begin
	15–21	Biology Extension Class	23	Convocation (Chapel 11:00 a.m.)

For more information about any events, visit [www.glcc.edu](http://www.glcc.edu) or call (517) 321-0242.

# The Passing of a Friend

## HAROLD DEAN WARREN, FORMER PROFESSOR



H. Dean Warren

Dean served in local church ministries in Indiana, Illinois, and Ohio. He served GLBC from 1978–1985. He began as professor of Bible and then became Academic Dean in June of 1981. He served with the New York Christian Institute as Academic Dean and President before coming to Great Lakes. He was honored as an outstanding alumnus of Kentucky Christian College.

He loved to read and to teach. He was a master at crossword puzzles. He always enjoyed time with his children and grandchildren. Dean's grandson, Jon Hatter, is a junior at GLCC this semester.

*"Our lives are richer for having known him and having sat at his feet. GLBC was bettered by his instruction and leadership. What better thing can be said than that he changed his world. This is no mere sentiment, now that he is gone. His daughter serves her husband and the church where they minister with enthusiasm and grace, one grandson has now been in my classroom at GLCC. His sons are two of my very best friends (and one is my brother-in-law). Barbara is still "Mom" to me. By his fruit he is known; his tree will blossom and bear fruit until our Lord comes. We have been blessed."*

— Greg Steere, Minister of Holt Christian Church and family friend

## EXCELLENCE THROUGH UNITY (CONT'D. FROM PAGE 1)

Some churches have already been practicing the Restoration Movement principle of unity. In 2000, Meadowbrook Christian Church (MCC) began a Christian-based, fine arts day camp for students entering grades 4–12. The staff is comprised of professional people from several churches. It soon outgrew the MCC facility and needed to find a new location. In 2004, it became a joint effort between MCC and Rochester Church of Christ (RCC). The two churches take their union even further as a worship leader from RCC is occasionally brought in to lead the MCC praise team during the worship service. In 2003, RCC and MCC collaborated on the Christmas Eve Service that was held at RCC and attended by both churches. In addition, for past two years people from MCC and RCC have participated in the musicals and cantatas at both churches.

*"Unity does not require a surrendered truth but a surrendered pride."* — Dick Alexander

These are not the only churches to overcome their differences and cooperate on projects, but they are a good illustration that the two colleges hope to match.

## Michigan Christian Convention

### Battle Creek

Central Christian Church, Battle Creek, Michigan

## April

April 29-30, 2005

## Lord Give Us Boldness

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Featured speakers:

- David Beamer, Father of Todd Beamer who died on Flight 93 on 9/11/01
- David Butts, President of Harvest Prayer Ministries
- Brett Kays, Founder of Southpoint Community Church

## MATCHING GIFTS

(as of February 28, 2005)

Auto-Owners Insurance Co.	\$500
BASF Corporation	\$25
Coca-Cola Company	\$400
Dana Corporation Foundation	\$1500
Ford Motor Company	\$1355
General Motors Matching Gift Program	\$250
Merill Lynch	\$100
Scripps Howard Foundation	\$50
State Farm Companies Foundation	\$498
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$4678</b>

Check with your personnel department today to see if your company would match gifts to GLCC.

## Congratulations

Saginaw Bay Church of Christ  
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*Let us know if your church is having an anniversary so we can recognize it in the KEY and celebrate with you!*

## Corrections

In the last issue of the *KEY* we incorrectly reported that Phil Schlaegel led the College through the construction of Memorial Hall in 1983. It was, in fact, Curt Lloyd who was president at that time.

**In Memory of**  
Curt Lloyd — by Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Fisher

**In Honor of**  
Jim and Lou McDaniel — by Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Fisher

We apologize for the inaccuracy.

## Remember When (answers to the photo on page 6)

Teddy Kees, Jim Lockwood, Mark St. Louis, and Mike Church literally submerged themselves in the festivities on skip day in 1975. Lemon meringue pie probably still brings back memories of that day.

## NEW WEBSITE

Check out the NEW GLCC website at [www.glcc.edu](http://www.glcc.edu). Thanks to Ash Harris (BS 1999) at Kinetic Web Media for the redesign!

## DEAN'S LIST FALL 2004

(Full-time Students – 3.5 GPA or higher)

Bargen, Emily	Lambright, Christen
Benedict, Bethany	Lauritzen, Joel
Bennett, Doug	Lumley, Ryan
Bennett, Sarah	Marckel II, Charles
Berry, Timothy	Martin, Beth
Bruin, James	McCoy, John
Clough, Jaclyn	McKean, Kimberly
DeYoung, Jesse	Meek, Andrew
Fisher, Jeremy	Merritt, Jessica
Flickinger, Jessica	Mudd, Sabrina
Foster, Jamey	Neuenschwander, Walter
Fox, Travis	Numerich, Roger
Gates, Jared	Owen, Carmen
Gentis, Mia	Provenzola, Ronald
Gonzales Jr., Conrad	Renaldi, Carl
Harden, Jamie	Robinson, Emily
Harden, Jeffrey	Robinson, Jonathan
Hatter, Jonathan	Salvaggio Amanda
Hinken, Audrey	Schaaf, John
Hunt, Larry	Schaaf, Meggin
Kellicut, Jordan	Sleight, Jason
Kellicut, Laura	Vance, Erica
Kissling, Jeremiah	Wallace, Erica
Kissling, Kathryn	Walter, Deana
Kituri, Esther	Wilson, Jason
Klauka, Elizabeth	Zylstra, Brian
Kyriakides, Mario	

# A Community of Practice

## FOR MINISTERS AND CHURCH LEADERS

GLCC is providing a place where ministers can experience the following:

- Build relationships and network with other ministers;
- Seek advice from other experienced ministers on pressing questions and concerns that you have;
- Share your insights into ministry with others;
- Study and discuss current literature on ministry with other ministers;
- Receive encouragement and support from others with whom you share common experiences and struggles.

This online community contains forums where you can ask questions of other members of the community and where you can post news and announcements to share with others. Also, you

will be encouraged to read a book and engage in an online threaded discussion about its application to our various contexts.

Two communities are currently available, one for ministers and one for church leaders. If you would like to know how to enroll in the system and begin participating in the online communities, e-mail Dr. Linton at [glinton@glcc.edu](mailto:glinton@glcc.edu). He will e-mail you all the instructions that you need to get started.

One of the College's Institutional Goals is "to assist the churches of our constituency through special events and educational programming." We view our mission as extending beyond the needs of our current students to supporting the alumni and friends of the college who are serving the Lord. We hope that this *Community of Practice* will help us fulfill that goal by meeting your needs as a minister or church leader.

## NEW SCHOLARSHIPS

We have received funding for several new scholarships.

The Mary Martha Music Scholarship is to motivate and encourage students who have declared music as their vocational goal. This scholarship was initiated in memory of Mary Martha Hargrave, former and late music professor of Great Lakes (1967–1983).

The Christian Leadership Scholarship is to assist the student who has financial need and has declared their intent to enter the preaching ministry. This scholarship was initiated by an anonymous donor.

The Danielle Kuest Scholarship is to provide financial assistance to juniors, seniors, or Native American incoming freshmen planning to serve in the areas of Christian education, youth ministry, or music. This scholarship was initiated by the parents of Danielle Kuest, a Native American, who died in 2003 at the age of 17.

If you would like to donate to these scholarships, please contact Phil Beavers at (517) 321-0242, ext. 215 or [pbeavers@glcc.edu](mailto:pbeavers@glcc.edu).

**Check out the NEW [www.glcc.edu](http://www.glcc.edu). You'll be glad you did!**

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