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INSIGHTS

"He [Robert Bellah] is saying that we have come to the place in America where our freedom has no content and our values have no context"

Elton Trueblood, in his book, "The Predicament of Modern Man," writes, "The terrible danger of our time consists of the fact that ours is a cut flower civilization. Beautiful as cut flowers may be, and as much as we use our ingenuity to keep them looking fresh for awhile, they will eventually die. And they die because they are severed from their sustaining roots. We are trying to maintain the dignity of the individual apart from the deep faith that every man is made in God's image and is therefore precious in God's eyes."

Anyone who has been paying attention knows that what he says is true. We are indeed a "cut flower" civilization. What makes his comments even more significant is that he wrote those words in 1944. It makes you wonder how much time we have left. No longer believing in God, man has determined that he is on his own to figure out what constitutes real life. The problem is that man, without the possibility of God, is coming to some wrong conclusions. Dostoevsky once stated, "If God does not exist, everything is possible." Paraphrased one could say, "If God does not exist, any self is possible."

In the book, "Habits of the Heart," sociologist Robert Bellah made an attempt to discover what Americans thought about how one should live. They wanted to see how the typical American determined his own personal ethics and values. (This is a non-Christian book whose only goal was to present their findings from a sociological point of view.) What they found was interesting. In talking to one man, who was representative of many they interviewed, it was discovered that while he kept referring to "values" and "priorities" it was not

justified by any wider framework of life purpose or belief. What is good is simply what one finds rewarding. If one's preferences change, so does the nature of the good. Even the deepest ethical virtues were justified as matters of personal preference. In an interview a highly educated woman was asked to sum up her sense of personal ethics to which she replied, "I just sort of accept the way the world is and then don't think about it a whole lot. I tend to operate on the assumption that what I want to do and what I feel like doing is what I should do."

The book concludes by saying that much of educated America has values that have little meaning. This is what the author says, "Values turn out to be the incomprehensible, rationally indefensible thing that the individual chooses when he or she has thrown off the last vestige of external influence and reached pure, contentless freedom." He is saying that we have come to the place in America where our freedom has no content and our values have no context. Yes, we are a part of a "cut flower" civilization. Proverbs 14:12 says it best, "There is a way which seems right to a man, but its end is the way of death."

Great Lakes Christian College exists to help our students build a foundation of faith that has both content and context. Now, more than ever, we need to do all we can to make sure that in our civilization there are those who know who they are and what they believe.

*By Larry Carter
President*



CONSTRUCTION UPDATE



For more photos of the construction or to watch the construction live on our web cam visit www.glcc.edu.

LIBRARY AND TECHNOLOGY

If you have not visited the Library recently, one of the first things you will notice is how technology is changing the way GLCC students and faculty are accessing information.

As can be seen from the mission statement of the Louis M. Detrow Memorial Library (on page 5), we exist not only to support the needs of current students and faculty of the College but also its alumni and supporters. I strongly encourage everyone to take advantage of the resources available to them at the GLCC Library.

If you are able to visit our physical campus, all members of the public are permitted to use any of the Library's collection in-house and take advantage of our online research databases from the computers in the Library—just ask us for a guest login. If you are an Alumni Association member or if your local public library is one of the 300+ libraries that participate in the MichiCard system, you can check out books from us. The GLCC Library houses more than 85,000 items. Its book collection, nearly 60,000 volumes, includes over 20,000 full-text e-books as well as over 3,000 volumes in the reference collection. The Library also has a special collection of over 1,400 rare books, mostly in the area of Restoration Movement history and studies. The Library subscribes to 8,942 periodicals; 141 in print and 8,801 in full-text format through its online databases. The Library provides access to 42 online resources including journal databases, e-books, and subject-specific research programs. The Library also includes a media collection of over 1,800 items such as DVDs, videos, CDs, cassettes, and filmstrips.

If you have not visited the Library recently, one of the first things you will notice is how technology is changing the way GLCC students and faculty are accessing information. In the four years I have been the Library Director at GLCC, we have made many improvements. The Library has created a website to allow ease of access to online information sources. The computer lab has been upgraded to include 15 new PCs and one Mac as well as 6 new PCs in the Library lobby. Students can now access much of their reserve reading online in full-text through the Library's website as well as check on due dates and renew their books online.

The use of technology has also greatly influenced the quantity, quality, and quickness of interlibrary loans. The following table details the large increase in both books provided to other libraries and books received from other libraries over the past five years.

	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Provided to	165	315	240	365	347
Received from	16	59	137	621	788

Books provided to other libraries have increased by 110% in the last five years and books received from other libraries have increased by a stunning 48 times the amount received in 2002. Not only do our students and faculty have access to over 85,000 items from the GLCC Library, but now they have access to over a billion items from libraries throughout the United States and they are taking advantage of this opportunity.

The Library has made a concerted effort to allow a greater amount of its content to be available online, 24 hours a day. To this end, over the past three years the Library has purchased over 13,000 full-text e-books that current students and faculty can access wherever they have an internet connection. The Library has also added nearly 4,000 additional online, full-text journals through subscriptions to additional online databases such as ATLA religion database, Oxford Reference online, Old and New Testament Abstracts, and Christian Periodical Index online. With the addition to the already mentioned course reserve readings available online, may students use the Library daily without even stepping through the Library doors.

If you are not able to visit our campus, you can still take advantage of the Library's website at <http://library.glcc.edu>. The entire holdings of the Library can be searched through an online catalog. If you find a book on our catalog that you would like to read, you can request that book be sent to you through Interlibrary loan from your local public library. Also on our website you can listen to past chapel messages going back to the early 1970s and view the new arrivals list to see what has been added recently to the Library.

Whether your interest is to learn more about the Bible, dig deeper into a theological question, or to prepare a sermon, we at the GLCC Library would like to help you with your informational needs. All the Library staff welcome you and we look forward to seeing you, whether online, on the phone, or in person to assist you in your endeavors.

James Orme
Director of Library Services

New computer station in the student mall allows access to a computer even after the Library is closed.

Computer carols in the Library lobby.

CONTINUE TO IMPROVE

Of course, it is impossible to predict what technology will look like in the next five or ten years, but GLCC remains committed to providing the best learning environment for our students, whatever that may look like.

The technology world has been advancing by leaps and bounds over the past decade. I am pleased to say that the technological landscape at the College has been continually improving over that time as well. Back when I was a student at the College, technology often meant overhead projectors and cassette tape players. The computers that were available in the Library ran on floppy disks and had green screen monitors — and we thought that was great. My, how the times have changed.

I officially took on the title of Director of Technology in the spring of 2003. Since then, the College has been actively and deliberately improving the technology on campus that supports the learning and working of both students and staff. The network itself has been upgraded numerous times to accommodate the more content-rich ways we use our computers. During the summer of 2006, we finished a complete upgrade of the technology center (something that didn't even exist before 2000) with all new computers and flat-screen monitors. The faculty received new laptop computers that fall to facilitate their use of technology both in and out of the classroom. The students benefited from this upgrade because the used laptops from the faculty became available for check-out in the Library — a service that has been very popular among the student body. Students can connect to the network via wireless connectivity throughout the campus, both in the administration building and in the dorms.

The College has also been improving the software and services that support effective learning. When I took on the responsibilities of network administration, we had two servers: one for the Library and one for the website. Our server room now boasts seven servers offering

services such as network security, web and email, online coursework, and online course materials from the Library. Thanks to our Campus Agreement with Microsoft, students and staff have free access to the latest operating systems and office productivity software. The admissions office, registrar's office, and business office are in the process of integrating their databases so that everyone has up-to-date information. Students can now check their grades and schedules online and will be registering for courses online in the near future. Many instructors now use our online learning system to enhance the classroom learning experience for our students with everything from discussion groups to quizzes and tests happening in cyberspace.

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David Richards

Director of Assessment and Technology

The Mission of the Louis M. Detro Memorial Library is to support Great Lakes Christian College in its goal of preparing students to be servant-leaders in the church and world by facilitating the teaching, research, and lifelong learning of its students, faculty, alumni, and area congregations by assessing, anticipating, and providing essential resources, services, and instruction.



2007 Library Staff (Left to right) Library Director James Orme, Mark Paget, Adrienne Vazquez, Eric Wibur, Adam Dewitt, Assistant Librarian Beth Nugent, Bill Wilson, Esther Dimich, Terri Hayes, Melissa Burghdoff.



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UPDATES

*Our students are excited to see that
the dream is becoming reality.*



IT'S EXCITING AROUND HERE!

The Doty Center is progressing rapidly and after a few delays we are in the full swing of construction. Watching the dirt move and the cement pour brings great relief and joy. So many people are anticipating this new construction on campus. It will meet so many needs. Our students are excited to see that the dream is becoming reality.

We still have a major challenge ahead of us. It will be important that we stabilize financially and move toward accomplishing Phase 2 (classrooms) of the Doty Center project. Our campaign was successful but came up short of all the funds needed for the Doty Center and therefore we had to borrow money. As a result, our general fund has taken on more of a burden. Your diligence and faithfulness to the general fund will be a major factor in how quickly we can progress toward Phase 2. "Partnering to Change Lives — Reaching the Mark!" will be our emphasis in the next couple of years.

IT'S EXCITING AROUND HERE! We have experienced a record enrollment of 268 students. One hundred and eight are new students. The classes are full. The cafeteria line is a mile long after chapel. The residence halls are at capacity. It is a great feeling to experience these growing pains.

What can you do to help us keep this momentum going?

1. Continue to send us your students. Our 10% increase in enrollment this year is a blessing and it can continue as you see the need for Christian higher education and send us your students. We are not satisfied with this small increase. We believe there are many more students looking for a Christian education that will prepare them for their life's work for the Lord.
2. Continue your monthly giving. Your faithfulness to our mission is important at this time. We depend on the faithful giving of churches and individuals in order to keep the cost of education appealing at GLCC. With the additional cost of the Doty Center, we need new friends to join us financially.
3. Continue speaking a good word about GLCC. We train workers for the harvest field. Speaking well of GLCC helps to nurture a good reputation. A good reputation spreads confidence in our mission and work. Our intent since 1949 has been to teach the Bible and train students to fulfill their life's work in Christ whether it's in the church or world. A good word goes a long way to promote our mission!
4. Come see us! Come experience the excitement on the campus of GLCC. You will be impressed with our students and their desire to learn. You will also be overwhelmed at the changes being made to the landscape of the College. With the Doty Center on the horizon, our look will change drastically. Come experience GLCC!

IT'S EXCITING AROUND HERE!

*By Phil Beavers
Vice President of
Institutional Advancement*

CAMPUS IMPROVEMENTS

REVENUE

Net Tuition and Fees	\$ 657,252
Federal Revenue	\$ 338,948
Private Gifts	\$ 972,205
State Revenue	\$ 266,233
Auxiliary Revenue	\$ 713,562
Other Revenue	\$ 261,650

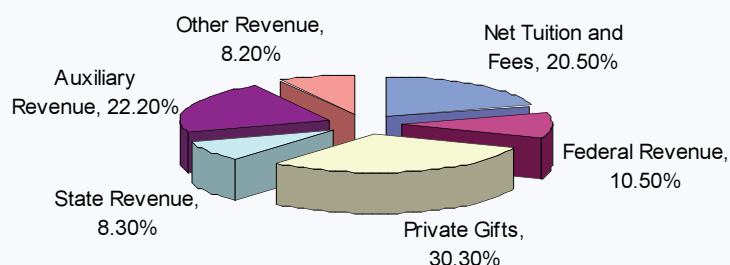
EXPENSES

Education & General	\$ 2,481,319
Auxiliary	\$ 601,211

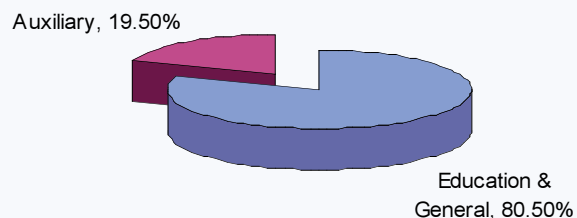
The College continued to operate in the black with an increase in net assets of \$127,320. Once again, the College was blessed this past summer with a work group from the Bethel Church of Christ in Ohio. Their work on campus included painting the Cafeteria, installing new countertops in the Men's Residence, and numerous landscaping projects. They really did a great job. We also added a fountain to our pond as a response to a request from our students to add an aesthetically pleasing element to our pond and therefore beautifying our campus.

The College has broken ground on the new Doty Center. The foundations are already in place and erection of the metal structure started in mid-September. The Building should be ready for use by February 1, 2008.

Revenue 2006 - 2007
\$3,209,850



Expenses 2006 - 2007
\$3,082,530



Photos from top to bottom:

A new coat of paint makes a big difference in the look of the cafeteria.

Volunteers from the Bethel Church of Christ (Ohio) rest after a long day of replacing countertops in the men's dorm.

Volunteers from the Bethel Church of Christ (Ohio) beautify our landscaping.

The Doty Center continues to progress... workers are preparing the curb for the new driveway.





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ALUMNI

*AlumniFest07 — We all were truly
blessed by our time together.*

Light of the Pie led us in worship on Saturday morning. Band members are (from left) Darcie (Foust, BS 2000) Apple, Ryan Apple (BS 2002), Brian Walter (BRE 2000), Robert Locklear (on drums, BS 2001), and Ryan Hullah (1997-1999).

“GLCC Family Far and Near—AlumniFest07” was a special two days of Great Lakes friends and family who currently serve on the foreign or domestic mission field or serve a para-church organization. Several missions were represented with their GLCC alumni during the AlumniFest including:

House of Blessing (Haiti)—Abelean Hinton (BRE 1974)

Team Expansion—Tom Chamberlin (BRE 1974)

Rock Lake Christian Assembly—Henry Hawver (APT 1986)

Shepherd’s Purse—Michael Wetzel (BRE 1985)

Pioneer Bible Translators—Shannon Haynie (BRE 1995) (represented by Tom (BSL 1971) and Julie (Cranson, 1967-1969) Haynie)

Navajo Trails Mission—Don Crain (BRE 1977)

Christ’s Mission to the Yucatan—Craig (BRE 1982) and Rhonda (Scott, ARE 1981) Gates

We all were truly blessed by our time together. We were able to hear from Tom Chamberlin, our main speaker, about the many GLCC alumni who are serving throughout the world. Alumnus Art Bush led us in music and worship Friday evening while “Light of the Pie” led worship and music during the Saturday morning session.

Spending time with fellow GLCC alumni serving the Lord was especially meaningful for me after 20+ years serving Christ’s Mission in the Yucatan. During our years living full-time on the field in Mexico, a gathering of fellow GLCC alumni such as our AlumniFest07 was something that we longed for. What an awesome and loving God we have for times we share together.

*Rhonda Gates
Alumni Association President*



Dan (BRE 1981) and **Sherry** (**McAdams** 1969-1971) **Johnson** were recognized for 20 years of ministry with the Kalkaska Church of Christ.

Ron (BRE 1986) and **Bonnie** (**Lund**, CSC 1983) **Otto** left a 16-year ministry with South Lansing Christian Church to serve in Illinois as senior preaching minister of Lincoln Christian Church.

1980s

Tiana Hawver (BRE 1993) has left the radio industry after over 6 years with Smile FM in Lansing. She now works for Motion Marketing & Media, a full-service marketing firm in Lansing. Tiana is the Promotions and Event Coordinator for M3's clients. Tiana lives in DeWitt and attends Northpointe Community Church where she is part of the women's ministry team as well as singing on a worship team.

1990s

Douglas Bennett (ARE 2005) has accepted the full-time pastoral position at Ashland Center Church of Christ in Grant, Michigan.

Michael Waugh (BRE 2007) was ordained into Christian ministry on June 9. He is now serving Farwell Church of Christ as their preaching minister.

Jared (BS 2007) and **Traci** (**Hamilton**, 2004-2007) **Gates** were married on August 11. Jared was ordained at Country Christian Church on September 16.

Jordan Ickes (BS 2007) has accepted the position of Senior Minister at the Etna Green Church of Christ in Etna Green Indiana.

Board of Trustees member, **Barbara Broadway McLeod** from Haslett, Michigan, passed away on July 12 at age 68.

2000s

Lenny and Jackie (**Cosner**, BRE 1996) **Felger** welcomed their fourth son, Trevin Noah Anthony, into the world on July 25, 2006. He was 8 lb. 6 oz. and 21 inches long. Big brothers Caleb, Cyrus, and Riley were excited to show him the ropes!



John and Rebekah (**St. Louis** 1997-1998) **Gute** welcomed Brenna Lynea on August 5. She weighed in at 8 lb. 9 oz. and 21 inches long.

In October 2006, **Matthew** (BRE 1998) and **Jana** (**Smedley**, AA 1998) **Cutler** welcomed home Christianna Rachel from Liberia, Africa. They will soon add more from Liberia!

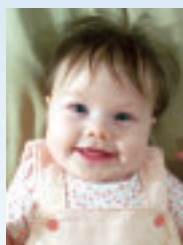
Justin (BRE 2001) and Christine **Daron** had a baby girl on May 21. Elizabeth Grace was 8 lb. 4 oz. and 21 1/2 inches long.



John (BRE 2002) and **Jill** (**Carter**, BRE 2002) **Toth** are pleased to announce the birth of Avery Faith on September 4. She weighed 7 lb. and was 19 3/4 inches long. Grandparents Larry and Judy Carter are so proud!



Kris (BS 2006) and **Emily** (**Beavers**, BRE 2005) **Bargen** and big sister Michaela welcome Luke Johann, born at 8:46 on August 10. He weighed 7 lb. 1 oz.



Abigail Color **Deaton** was born on May 8 to **David Alan** (BRE 2004) and **Annette** (**Leazenby**, BS 2002). Abigail weighed 7 lb. 14 oz. and was 21 1/2 inches long.

Congratulations to **Salt River Church of Christ** in Shepherd, Michigan for 50 years of ministry on August 5.

Oakland Drive Christian Church celebrated 45 years on September 23.

Alpena Christian Church celebrates their 25th Anniversary on October 20.

St. Louis Church of Christ will celebrate 150 years on November 2, 2008.

The Philippine College of Ministry would like to thank all the people who contributed books, money, and prayers on behalf of our library. The GLCC family demonstrated a generosity that was completely unexpected. The library has been rebuilt and filled once again with valuable resources. Now our students can complete research assignments and have access to ministry helps once again. Thank you to all of the GLCC family! **Marianne** (**Ellert**, BRE 2000) **Badongen**

CHURCH NEWS

FUTURE CRUSADERS

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ALUMNI IN ACTION

Michael (BRE 1985) and Shirley (Ray, BRE 1979) Wetzels, Dennie Olson (BRE 1979), and Alice (Graham, BRE 1984) Schueller traveled to Kiev, Ukraine with Shepherd's Purse in May. They worked with a foster center that has rescued 22 kids from the streets.



Dan Nicksich (BRE 1987) published a sermon "Discipleship: Me plus We" in the January/February 2007 issue of Preaching. He also has devotions published in two recent issues of Secret Place and taught two workshops at the Christian Writer's Conference in Stoneboro, Pennsylvania in April.

WRITINGS

ALUMNI IN ACTION

The following alumni got together for lunch on August 10: (from left) Guy Modlin (BSL 1968), Justin Shepard (BSL 1968), Sally Garmin (Doty, BCE 1968), Takako Kaizu (former student of Sally's in Japan), Kathy Stehle, Mary Lou Platner (BA 1965), Larry (BSL 1970) and Susie Vollink (1966-1969), George Stehle (BA 1957), Patti and Ed Geans (ThB 1970), Jim Harnish (1965-1970), and Carolyn Modlin (Packer, 1965-1968).





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SCHOLARSHIP

“One may often get to the heart of a narrative by noting how it begins and ends. Ruth is no exception.”

I always thought Luke was the star of *Star Wars*. At least until I watched interviews with producer George Lucas—interviews that changed how I viewed both the storyline of *Star Wars* and the book of Ruth. Toward the end of the *Empire Strikes Back*, Darth Vader made the paradoxical claim he was Luke’s father. I was skeptical, but it later made sense. Darth Vader, formerly Anakin Skywalker, would be redeemed. He would offer his life to vanquish the wicked Emperor. When this transpired I thought it was a mere add-on, but the interviews revealed otherwise. Lucas explains that his epic’s plot actually revolves around Anakin’s redemption. It was no mere subplot and, after the prequels are released, the waiting world would finally grasp Vader’s centrality. Until then, in Lucas’s words, “The real story hasn’t even been told.” Luke was not the star of *Star Wars*; his father was.

As Luke overshadows his father in *Star Wars*, so Ruth does Naomi in the biblical story. The book of Ruth is often read as if Ruth is *the star*. Ruth faithfully remains by Naomi’s side, is rewarded by God with a wonderful husband, and gives birth to a son who becomes forefather of king David and Jesus. While this reading highlights important aspects of the book, unless it acknowledges Naomi’s centrality, the real story hasn’t been told.

One may often get to the heart of a narrative by noting how it begins and ends. Ruth is no exception. It begins with Naomi’s loss of husband and sons. She considers this a deliberate act of God, saying: “The hand of the LORD has turned against me” (1:13). When she returns home, the women are mortified at her loss and Naomi asks them to address her by a new name, saying: “Call me no longer Naomi [meaning pleasant], call me Mara [meaning bitter], for the Almighty has dealt bitterly with me” (1:20). Naomi’s complaints are not rhetorical flourish. They are the author’s means of establishing the book’s central crisis: Has God truly forsaken Naomi?

If Naomi’s crisis is central, one would expect the story to resolve it. This is precisely what happens. Ruth remains by

Naomi’s side and soon meets and marries Boaz. These events are not narrated, however, so as to draw attention to Ruth. Instead, they furnish evidence that God has not forsaken Naomi and intends to restore her.

This is certainly how Naomi sees it. When Boaz graciously accepts Ruth, Naomi is not concerned for Ruth’s love life. She focuses upon God’s action on her own behalf, saying: “Blessed be [Boaz] by the LORD, whose kindness has not forsaken *the living or the dead!*” (2:20). Naomi believes God was providing for her by sending Boaz to marry Ruth. She realizes that through them the name of her husband (the dead) would be preserved and that she (the living) would be restored. Boaz agrees. He informs the townsmen that he is redeeming the land and marrying Ruth not because he found a beautiful woman but so “the name of the dead may not be cut off from his kindred” (4:5).

This reading is confirmed at the end. Notice what doesn’t happen. When Ruth and Boaz have a son, they do not settle into a nice cottage to live happily ever after. Instead, the focus is on Naomi, to whom the townswomen say: “Blessed be the LORD, who has not left you this day without next-of-kin... He shall be to you a restorer of life and a nourisher of your old age” (4:14–15). Then Naomi takes custody of the child and the townswomen exclaim: “A son has been born to Naomi” (4:17). Naomi’s friends even name the boy (4:17). Indeed, Ruth has all but faded from view.

We thus see that Naomi and Anakin share much in common. Incomplete tellings of their stories have diminished their rightful place in their respective dramas. While invaluable supporting cast members, Luke and Ruth were never intended to eclipse the true stars.

John Nugent
Professor of Old Testament

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

MARIE RIGGS, ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY

If you have ever called the school and heard, “Thank you for calling Great Lakes Christian College. If you know the extension number of the person you are calling, enter it now...”, you know the voice of this year’s recipient of the Distinguished Service Award, Marie Riggs. From designing banquet centerpieces to compiling portfolios for Trustee meetings, Marie has used her creativity and organizational skills to help make the College look good. She functions much like the mortar that fills in various gaps. As the Administrative Secretary, she has many bosses including the College President, the three Vice Presidents, and the entire Board of Trustees. She is also known for helping professors with their syllabi, managing the campus phone system, arranging the College vans and rental vehicles, maintaining the College calendar, and aiding in any project that is asked of her — from preparing for Accreditation to decorating for the Senior Banquet.

This is the Marie that we all know and depend on. But I would like to tell you about the woman that isn’t often acknowledged:

I have known Marie for 31 years, 2 months, and 16 days—in other words, I have never known life without her. But more importantly, because of her in my life, I have never known life without Jesus.

If anyone knows her, they know that she is a very determined woman. She attended church — even without her parents — as a young girl, began teaching 20 years worth of Sunday School as a teenager, and served her church as the Christian Education Director for over 14 years.

Her love for education continued as she taught at Lansing Christian School as the Art Instructor. For 10 years, kids from Kindergarten to 12th grade had the privilege of expressing their creativity and imagination with her constant encouragement. All of her students experienced the love and acceptance of Jesus through her love of teaching.

From there, God opened the door for her to work at Great Lakes Christian College. For nearly 15 years, she has dedicated her service to God at this school. Some would question the sanity of her devo-



tion as she is known for arriving to work before the sun rises, but no one questions the benefit that she has brought us in her time here.

Her service doesn’t stop there. As a Board Member and Secretary of White Fields Evangelism, she provides the support and organization state-side as missionaries spread the Gospel across the ocean.

Regardless of all of these accomplishments, Marie has said that she is most proud of her four kids because we are all Christians. This is largely due to Jesus using her in our lives. Even when going through a painful divorce, my mom held true to her faith in God and showed us that He was our strength in our weakness. She exemplified Christ to us as she sacrificed herself to keep our family going—and I never remember her complaining. Rather, she looked for ways to be a blessing to everyone around her at any cost.

Betsy Carter
Dean of Students

BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

Dr. Alvin Kuest, Professor of Christian Education, led a workshop with South Lansing Christian Church on Youth ministry. He also sent 16 cases of books to the Philippines Thank You to those who sent books and money.

Ryan Apple (BS 2002), Instructor of Music; **John Nugent** (BRE 1995), Professor of Old Testament; and **James Orme**, Director of Library Services attended the Ekklesia Project Conference on the topic of congregational formation in July.

John Nugent (BRE 1995), Professor of Old Testament, attended a “John Howard Yoder” symposium and delivered a paper about Old Testament warfare. He also published a series of lesson commentaries in Standard Publishing’s 2007 Fall Bible Teacher and Leader and the 2008 Spring Bible Teacher and Leader, both of which were released in August 2007.

James Orme, Director of Library Services, and **Beth Nugent** (Wetzel, BRE 1995) Assistant Librarian, attended the Association of Christian Librarians Conference June 11–14 in Grand Rapids.

Mark Christian (BRE 1987), Vice President of Academic Affairs, taught a three day Bible study at the North American Christian Convention in Kansas City in July. He also served as the Encounter Speaker and Next Step Bible Study teacher for Christ In Youth Conferences in Indiana, Tennessee, and Missouri.

Dr. Dan Cameron, Professor of Theology and Ministry, led an “Islam Awareness Seminar” at the Algonac church and attended the Rochester College Sermon Seminar. He also concluded his preaching ministry at Duplain Church of Christ and began an interim preaching ministry at the Holt Christian Church.



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ADMISSIONS

*"This is the biggest freshman class
ever with a 30% increase on the
Lansing Campus."*

Fall is here! Where did the summer go? Seems like yesterday we were looking forward to the busy summer and now classes have begun. We are thankful for a terrific summer. Our Summer Outreach Teams did an excellent job representing GLCC. One youth minister told me the GLCC team was "the best I have ever had!" They traveled a great deal, interacted with thousands, and returned to campus safely. Praise GOD!

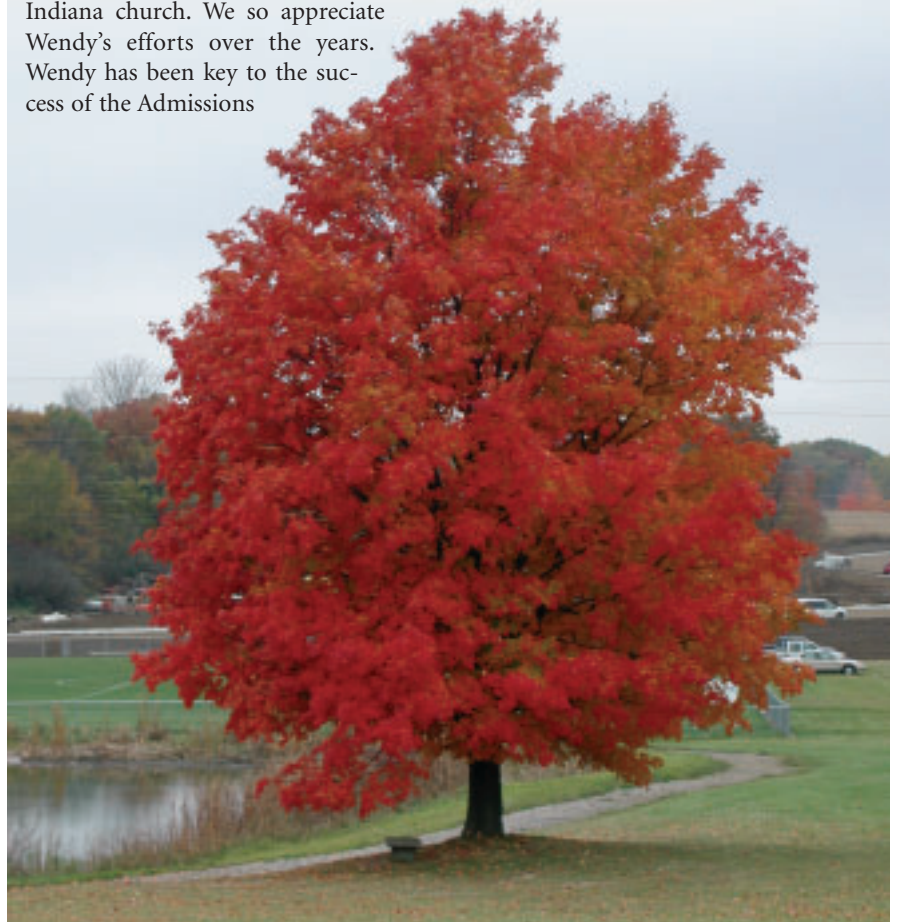
What an amazing fall enrollment of 108 new students! This is the biggest freshman class ever with a 30% increase on the Lansing Campus (not including our Detroit extension program). Not only are they a big class, they are a wonderful group. We are excited by the possibilities! I am proud of the hard work our Admissions Department put forth this last year. Thank you Adam, Judy, and Wendy! I am also grateful for the support of the entire GLCC faculty and staff. Most of all, I thank God for his blessing.

We do have some rather sad news to share. Wendy Ickes (Beavers, BRE 2000) will be leaving GLCC's Admissions Department after 5+ years! Wendy is leaving with her husband Jordan (BS 2007) to minister with the Etna Green, Indiana church. We so appreciate Wendy's efforts over the years. Wendy has been key to the success of the Admissions

Department. She will be missed! We are, at the same time, excited as we consider the possibilities of Jordan and Wendy's ministry. Christ's church at Etna Green is getting a great couple.

What's next? We are already looking forward to next year! This month we begin college fairs, high school visits, youth group visits, etc. as well as hosting campus visits. If you know someone who might like to visit GLCC please give us a call! 1-800-YES-GLCC.

*By Lloyd Scharer
Director of Admissions and
College Relations*



NEW ARRIVALS

WELCOME BARGEN FAMILY

GLCC would like to welcome Kris Barga to our campus community. Kris is our Director of Campus Life.

His responsibilities are to work with the student life council to organize events for students; lead the team of men's resident assistants; organize chapel services including speakers, music, and small groups; as well as ministering to the student body as needed. He is also the resident supervisor of the men's dorm and married housing.

"After being a student at this place, I grew very fond of the mission and purpose of GLCC. When the job opportunity arose, I was very interested to just be a part of the team at the College. I was thrilled to learn that the details of the job aligned with my passions and talents."

Kris hopes to connect with students here on campus and soften the soil of their lives through different interactions so that they may be fertile for the seeds sown in classes,



personal study, and mentoring from professors.

Kris has been married to Emily since May 24, 2003. They have a daughter, Michaela Kristine, who is almost 2; and a son, Luke

Johann, who was born in August.

Kris loves musical instruments, reading, sports, and video filming and editing. He hopes to be enjoying a motorcycle soon.

EVENTS COMING TO THE DOTY CENTER!

Though construction is not yet complete, we already have events scheduled in the Doty Center. The first event is the annual GLCC Women's Spring Celebration with main speaker Becky Hammond (1968-1969). Becky attended Great Lakes Christian College where she met her husband, Dean (BSL 1969) and together they have served in church ministry all of their married lives. They are presently serving Parkview Church of Christ in Wooster, Ohio. Becky chairs the Women's Ministry and loves teaching a Bible study and being involved in the music ministry as well.

The date to mark on your calendar is Friday, April 18, 2008. A light buffet and fellowship with friends will begin at 6:30 p.m. and last until our program begins at 8:00 p.m. Please feel free to invite any ladies that you know to come enjoy the evening with us.

The very next weekend, GLCC is happy to host the Michigan Christian Convention on



Becky Hammond will be speaking at the Women's Spring Celebration.

April 25-26. Main speakers include Bob Russell from Southeast Christian Church, Louisville, Kentucky; Matt Schantz, Campus Minister at Central Michigan University; and back by popular demand is Patrick Meade

from the First Church of Christ in Rochester Hills, Michigan. This will be a fantastic weekend of spiritual exercise as our speakers articulate the theme *Heart Smart: God's Prescription for Healthy Christians*. Children's program materials have been provided by Group Publishing VBS.

Exciting things are happening on campus! Check our website for more information about upcoming events.



Ministry Wives' Retreat

What About You?

Taking Care of Your Spiritual House

November 2 - 3, 2007

Special Guests: **Shawn Pogue** and **Ann Hegler**

Join us for warm fellowship, refreshing worship, encouraging small groups, and treasured time together in the Word.

Contact Judy Beavers at jbeavers@glcc.edu
(517) 321-0242 ext. 232.

A Madrigal Dinner and Concert

Thurs.-Sat., November 29-December 1, 2007

Thurs.-Sat., December 6-8, 2007

7:00 p.m. each evening

Ticket prices are \$30.00 per person
\$22.00 for students and seniors,
Thursday performances only.

NATIONAL WORKSHOP 2007



On the Campus of
Great Lakes
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October 13

Register on the website at
www.group.com/cmml

Fall Concert

*Thursday, November 8
8:00 p.m.*

*Hear all of the GLCC
music groups in one place!*

- *Concert Choir*
- *Madrigal Singers*
- *Small Ensembles*

Great Lakes Christian College Dean's List Spring 2007

(Fulltime Students — 3.5 GPA or higher)

Akins, Dan	Greene, Jon	Robinson, Emily	<i>Detroit Associate of Arts Program Fall 2006</i>	<i>Detroit Associate of Arts Program Spring 2007</i>
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Bruin, Jim	Kituri, Esther	Shouey Jared	Morehead, Leon	Moore, Carol
Chong, Esther	Klepal, Joel	Sprandel, Ashley		Ratchford, Paula
Denning, Tana	Lenski, Mary	Vasquez, Adrienn		
DeWitt, Adam	McCoy, Clay	Vibber, Amanda		
Fields, Eddie	Neuenschwander, Jamie	Wallace, Erica		
French, Joanna	Paget, Mark	Waugh, Michael		
Gates, Jared	Robbe, Corban	Wilson, Bill		
Gilpin, Sarah				

2007 Men's Basketball Schedule:

*Bold indicates home game

NOVEMBER	JANUARY	FEBRUARY
1 Grace Bible College 7:00	9 Taylor University-Ft. Wayne 7:00	2 Robert Morris College 7:00
3 Marygrove College 12:00	11 Grace Bible College 7:00	4 Kuyper College 7:00
9 Northland Baptist Bible College 8:00 CT	14 Rochester College 7:00	6 Southwest Michigan College 6:30
10 Kuyper College 2:00 CT	16 Marygrove College 7:00	7 Calvin College JV 7:00
16 Lincoln Christian College 7:00 CT	19 Northland Baptist Bible College TBA	9 Andrews University 7:30
17 Emmaus Bible College 1:00 CT	21 Kuyper College 7:00	11 Shawnee Baptist Bible College TBA
26 Alma College JV 5:00	25 East West University 7:00 CT	12 Shawnee Baptist Bible College TBA
29 Moody Bible Institute 6:00 CT	26 Dayspring Bible College 12:00 CT	14 Southwest Michigan College 7:00
30 Maranatha Baptist Bible College 8:00 CT	29 Rochester College 7:00	16 Dayspring Bible College 1:00
	31 Andrews University 7:30	26 Taylor University-Ft. Wayne 7:00
		28 Regional (Grace Bible) TBA
DECEMBER		
1 Emmaus Bible College 2:00 CT		
7 Robert Morris Tournament TBA		
8 Robert Morris Tournament TBA		
12 East West University 7:00		
14 Alma College JV 7:00		

2007 WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL TEAM

Back Row: Jessica Novetske, Ashley Ferris, Katie Watson, Lia Gentis, Terri Hayes
Front Row: Bethany Hager, Kathryn Steckroth, Kari Kinder, Samantha Graham





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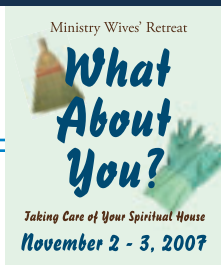
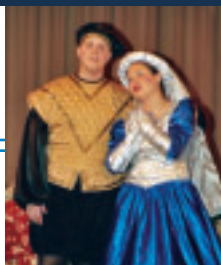
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October		February	
13	Children's Ministry Magazine Live	17-23	Week of Outreach 1
November		March	
2-3	Ministry Wives' Retreat	Mar 31-Apr 4	Week of Outreach 2
8	Fall Concert at GLCC		
17-25	Thanksgiving Break	April	
December		18	Women's Spring Celebration
Nov 29-Dec 1	Madrigals	25-26	Michigan Christian Convention at GLCC
6-8	Madrigals	25	Trustee Meeting
18-21	Final Exams	29	Honors Chapel
January		May	
7	Registration	6-8	Final Exams
8	Classes Begin	10	Commencement
16	Last Day to Add/Drop		
25	Trustee Meeting		

ON THE COVER

Top: Participants of AlumniFest07 stand in front of the soon-to-be Doty Center

Bottom: Kayla Ruff and Trisha Prickett

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