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INSIGHTS

“The hope, despite the difficulty, is in learning how to communicate. It is in entering into meaningful dialogue with others. Communication is one of the greatest needs of our day.”

Reuel Howe, in his classic book, “The Miracle of Dialogue,” begins with these thoughts, “Every man is a potential adversary, even those whom we love. Only through dialogue are we saved from this enmity toward one another. Dialogue is to love, what blood is to the body. When the flow of blood stops, the body dies. When dialogue stops, resentment and hate are born.” He then states, “To say that communication is important to human life is to be trite, but that bit of triteness witnesses to an invariable truth: communication means life or death to persons.”

Communication in any relationship is vitally important. Yet, it seems that despite our need true communication is one of the most difficult things we humans have to do. Some would say we are living in the “Golden Age of Communication.” We are not. While technology has definitely raised the level of information it has done little to improve communication. All we have to do is look at the enmity and hate that exists around the world and we know the truth of what Strother Martin said in the movie, “Cool Hand Luke,” “What we’ve got here is failure to communicate.”

A large part of the problem in communication is our inability to look beyond preconceived ideas about issues and individuals. Whether at work, at home, or even in the church, communication is made difficult before anyone says anything because of who we are and who we think they are. I was watching an interview with Toni Morrison some time back. Morrison is an African American woman who won the Nobel Prize for literature in 1993. She’s written the best sellers, “The Bluest Eye,” “Beloved,” and “Song of Solomon.” She’s very popular and a welcome guest on talk shows and college campuses. In the interview, she was asked

about how she felt about “white people.” She said, “I’d never trust a white person. The bottom line is—in the end they’d always sell me out.”

While one can understand her comment I was extremely disappointed. Here was this bright, well educated, sensitive master of the skill of both oral and written communication making the kind of comment that only the prejudiced and ignorant would make. I couldn’t help thinking that if the best and brightest among us can’t see past their preconceptions and learn to trust each other, what hope is there for the rest of us.

The hope, despite the difficulty, is in learning how to communicate. It is in entering into meaningful dialogue with others. Communication is one of the greatest needs of our day.

Great Lakes Christian College is committed to not only providing an education where students become academically and occupationally adept, but also where they can become better equipped to truly communicate with the world around them. In this way we can build relationships again. Despite our differences we can build trust again. Without it how will anyone believe what we say?

Several years ago 20,000 young people were included in a survey in which they were asked a series of questions. One of the questions was, “If you could have something in your life right now what would it be?” One of the top answers was, “Having somebody to trust.”

Its through communication that we can overcome prejudice, heal relationships, and build trust. It’s no wonder that Proverbs 18:21 states, “Death and life are in the power of the tongue.”

*By Larry Carter
President*



GROUND BREAKING

*The Board of Trustees and President Lawrence L. Carter
Cordially invite you and your spouse or guest to a*

*Groundbreaking Ceremony
for the Doty Center
on the campus of
Great Lakes Christian College
Tuesday, March 27, 2007, 4:00 p.m.*

6211 West Willow Highway, Lansing, Michigan

*Reception to follow in the main lobby of the Administration Building
Please R.S.V.P. to Marie at 517-321-0242 x 250 or mriggs@glcc.edu*



Dr. Brant Lee Doty 1921-1998

This floor plan reveals a multi-purpose design. There are provisions for special events utilizing the stage. It will be equipped to play volleyball, basketball and intramurals. A large foyer is designed to house the Dr. Doty Divine Servant memorial and locker rooms to adequately take care of athletes during competition and large audiences during major events.

You will notice that the rendering of the Doty Center has changed. Our four years of preparation have brought about many changes in the design. The altering of the design will not affect the functionality of the building's original intent.



DOTY CENTER :

The time is finally here to start construction of the Doty Center! On January 26th, the trustees decided to move ahead after four and a half years of preparation and prayer. We praise God for those who generously gave to this project through the "Partnering to Change Lives" campaign. The projected completion of Phase 1 (gymnasium) is October 2007 and will be done by the Pioneer Tailored Builders. The challenge to raise the funds necessary to complete Phase 2 (classrooms) is before us.

It's amazing the impact this building will have on our students...

"Some might say that the Doty Center will be all play and no work but I think the Doty Center will also be a good influence on education here at the school. All work and no play is not good for anyone. The Doty Center will provide an outlet for the stresses and strains of both school and Michigan winters. Sports, for a lot of people is a good way to blow off steam and frustrations and helps them to relax and think clearly. I can't wait for it to be here. I love the fact that the sports teams will have a home court to play on in front of their school."

Mark Paget
Sophomore
Dublin, Ireland
Christian Ministries

"The Doty Center will be a place where not only the volleyball games are held, but also a place where the learning atmosphere is brought to the next level. This new facility will challenge us physically as well as providing a place for us to continue to be shaped spiritually."

Lia Gentis
Freshman
Bluffton, Indiana
Undecided major

"The benefit of the Doty Center is two-fold: first of all, it connects the new generations of students at GLCC with the legacy of a man like Brant Lee Doty who lived out his love for Jesus as a servant-leader and reminds us of an example worth remembering. Secondly, it will provide a place for campus fellowship, corporate events, and physical exercise for the entire GLCC community, which has been sorely needed in the experience of our student body."

Mark Christian
BRE 1987
Vice President of Academic Affairs



FROM DREAM TO REALITY!

“Partnering to Change Lives...Reaching the Mark!” is our theme through the remainder of this project as we support the growth of our general fund budget and raise the funds for Phase 2. Changing lives is what we are all about. We anticipate the Doty Center playing a major role in providing a well-rounded, quality education that will glorify God. Reaching the Mark and realizing a completed Doty Center will be a dream come true. Join us on March 27th at 4:00 p.m. for the groundbreaking ceremony. It will be a wonderful celebration!



“The Doty Center will bring a new energy and sense of community for GLCC not only for the students but everyone involved with Great Lakes Christian College.”

Judy Carter
Admissions Office Manager



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UPDATES

If you would like more information on how you can benefit GLCC through an IRA, please contact me (517-321-0242, extension 215)

The Children's Church from Duplain Church of Christ in St. John's Michigan presents Phil Beavers and students Eric and Trisha Wilbur with the money they collected for the Doty Center.

On August 17, 2006, President Bush signed into law the Pension Protection Act of 2006. Included in this Act are many provisions designed to promote charitable giving. One of those provisions allows you to give a gift to GLCC through your IRA. Here are the advantages of giving IRA assets to Great Lakes Christian College as suggested by the Sharpe Group, Give & Take, October, 2006:

- Those age 70-1/2 who make charitable gifts directly from their traditional or Roth IRA can do so tax-free.
- Donors may give all or a portion of their mandatory IRA withdrawals up to \$100,000 per year for 2006 and 2007. These withdrawals will count against a donor's minimum distribution requirement.
- Persons over 70-1/2 who are not able to benefit from itemizing their tax deductions can give directly from their IRA and achieve the same benefits as if their gift was fully deductible.
- Donors over 70-1/2 who are receiving social security income may make gifts directly from their IRA without increasing their adjusted gross income and possibly subjecting their Social Security income to higher levels of taxation.
- Those with retirement assets in other types of plans, such as a

401(k), may be able to transfer assets to an IRA and then make their charitable gifts.

This provision is limited to gifts made in 2006 & 2007. If you would like more information on how you can benefit GLCC through an IRA, please contact me (517-321-0242, extension 215)

The Partnering to Change Lives campaign connected us with many friends and partners. Throughout the past four years many have shown interest in the Doty Center project and have given sacrificially to see it come to reality. Just recently, I was pleased to find out that the Children's Church from the Duplain Church of Christ in St. Johns, Michigan gave their offerings over several weeks toward the Doty Center. It was a blessing to receive a check of \$133.01 to "buy a brick" and to see children involved in this project. I thank Duplain and everyone who has been involved in our campaign to this point. Your consistent support has been, and continues to be God's provision for our present and future stability as we train students for the harvest field.

*By Phil Beavers
Vice President of
Institutional Advancement*



LIVING MEMORIALS

Donations listed are from January 1 — December 31, 2006

ALUMNI MEMORIALS 2006

Carol Ridenour (BRE 1977) lost her battle with cancer and passed away on July 19, 2006.

Ernest L. Barrett (BCE 1968) of Seaman, OH, died March 6, 2006. He ministered to churches in New

Point, IN; Payne, OH; Lucerne, IN; Lockport, IL; Ferris, IL; Montpieler, OH; and Seaman, OH. He is survived by his widow, Pat Barrett; four children, **Edward** (BRE 1996) of Etna Green, IN; Mark; Kristy Maynard; Jeff; and eight grandchildren.

Jim McNeill (1962-1966) died November 22, 2006. He was serving as part-time minister with the Salt River Christian Church.

IN MEMORY OF:

Nancy Altman — by Mr. and Mrs. Donald Suffel

Ronald L. Apple — by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Chamberlin

Rose Audia — by Owosso Church of Christ

J. Stephen and Gertrude Bishop — by Pamela A. Gatzka, Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Branscom

Delbert R. Blizzard — by Mr. and Mrs. Vern Varney, Mr. and Mrs. Roy W. Spencer, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Blizzard, DeWitt Christian Church

George W. Brown — by Richard Sherman

Harold T. Brown — by Mr. and Mrs. Gary Senko, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Schnabelrauch, James H. Lotridge, Sally J. Garman, Bernard Gilpin, Robert Fedor, Mr. and Mrs. Doug Clark, Arnold C. Perkins, Mr. and Mrs. Kevin T. Brown, David Brown and Family, Joyce A. Lotridge, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Shuster, Mr. and Mrs. George Stehle, Mr. and Mrs. Basil E. Keefer, Joan Lotridge, Mr. and Mrs. William P. Ireland, John E. Bond, Ruth Doty, Mr. and Mrs. Randall Woolsey, Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph S. Cadena, Mr. and Mrs. Louis D. Nader, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin C. Towle, Mr. and Mrs. Donald J. Weinman, Paul Holland, Linda Yates, Scaff of Ford Motor Media, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel E. Schillace, Ralph J. Schillace, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas V. Hummer, Mr. and Mrs. Merle A. Pettit, Naomi Brown

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Glenn H. Campbell — by Priscilla M. Campbell

Freda L. Carter — by Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence L. Carter

Roy Chenoweth — by Mr. and Mrs. George F. Stehle

Vanness and Laura Cook — by Mr. and Mrs. Cleland L. Cook

Everett Cranson — by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas L. Haynie

Arthur Cross — by Grand Rapids Christian Church

Louis Detro — by Mr. and Mrs. John D. Green

Brant Lee Doty — by Owosso Church of Christ, Cheryl K. Barnes, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Hess, Keats Wood, Barry D. Wood, Ruth Doty, Virginia A. Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. John D. Green, Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Girdwood, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Thompson

Doug and Marjorie Fairbanks — by Lynne A. Fairbanks

Virgil and Marjorie Felton — by Mr. and Mrs. Maurice L. Dawson

Hazel Fifield — by Owosso Church of Christ

Della Mae Frazier — by Willard Frazier

Alice Freimund — by David S. Harding

Hiram and Shelley Gates — by Mr. and Mrs. Roger S. Clark

Kaye Gilpin — by Shelley K. Hall, Louise A. Kent

Richard W. Gilpin — by Helms Funeral Home, Mr. and Mrs. William E. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Noel E. Beavers, D. E. Coe, Mr. and Mrs. Barry T. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Coldwell, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth L. Nichols, Helen Egbert, Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Hoyle, Linda Strong, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Coomer, Mr. and Mrs. Michael A. Baltusis, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Schlorff, Mr. and Mrs. Tim Foltz, Mr. and Mrs. William J. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Alan L. Studer, Mr. and Mrs. Richard J. Fleming, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon McCullough, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Graham, Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Fox, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Burlington, West Meade Elementary, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kellicut, Mr. and Mrs. Ivan C. Odor, Mr. and Mrs. Chris Courser, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Coe, Mr. and Mrs. George Kirkey, Mr. and Mrs. John Hunt, Ron Coe, Dianne Nell, Michael E. Cherven, Mr. and Mrs. Felix Famoye

Susan Gilpin — by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Graham, Louise A. Kent, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Beavers

Dr. and Mrs. Lawrence Ginther — by Nancy Ginther

Patricia L. Girdwood — by Mr. and Mrs. George F. Stehle

Dean Graham — by Mr. and Mrs. Gene Thompson

William and Lola Graham — by Mr. and Mrs. Gene Thompson

Charles O. Gwaltney — by Mr. and Mrs. Gene Thompson

Verda Marie Gwaltney — by Violet J. Downing, Richard Fleming, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth L. Nichols, Mr. and Mrs. Michael E. Cherven, Mr. and Mrs. Paul A. Perry

Alvin and Melva Hansen — by Mr. and Mrs. Andrew J. Hansen

Bill Harden — by Friends at Peace River Shores

Mary Martha Hargrave — by Mr. and Mrs. Steven J. Erwin, Mr. and Mrs. Russell B. Leuthold

Douglas Haven — by Mr. and Mrs. Don A. Stowell

LeRoy Haynie — by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas L. Haynie

Phyllis Hendrickson — by Mr. and Mrs. Paul A. Perry

Marg Holeton — by W. Allen Holeton

Lula Holt — by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas V. Hummer

William Holt — by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas V. Hummer

Peggy Hunt — by Owosso Church of Christ

Jeremy Johnson — by Mr. and Mrs. Larry H. Johnson

Patricia Jones — by Warren Jones

Archie Kirby — by Mr. and Mrs. Marion McCormick

Arthur Klein — by Owosso Church of Christ

Rollie Koutz — by Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Fox

Danielle Kuest — by Del and Winnie Schanie

V. Anthony "Tony" Lareau — by Mr. and Mrs. Verlin Lareau

Romona Leonard — by Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. McCaul

Wanetta Little — by Keith T. Little, Stuart Venema

Gene Mack — by Owosso Church of Christ

Jack Mason — by Joyce Mason

Janet Merritt — by Mr. and Mrs. Gene Thompson

George Moon — by Mr. and Mrs. Alma Moyes

Gwen Moyes — by Mr. and Mrs. Alma Moyes

Millie Olson — by Dennie L. Olson, Robert P. Olson, Marcia Archambault

Thomas Oplinger — by Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence L. Carter

Roger Page — by Mary Page

Evelyn Person — by Mary Lippincott, Sally J. Garman, Ruth Doty

Mary Pitts — by Mr. and Mrs. Gene Thompson



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ALUMNI

"We all have been blessed through our time as students attending GLCC, now we can continue to be blessed and also bless the College through Alumni Association partnerships."

As I start my term as President of the GLCC Alumni Association, I would like to share with you some of the things that the association does to help GLCC and benefit us as alumni.

The Alumni Association assists the College by hosting many activities throughout the year. Some of these events are a finals week pizza party for the students, a graduate reception in May, a faculty and staff appreciation luncheon, and the AlumniFest.

We also help the College's future by providing scholarships for children of Alumni to prepare themselves for jobs and ministries.

As alumni you already belong to a great body of people that are dedicated to serving our Lord and Savior and can be found all over this world. What you

might not know is that you and your family can be blessed by being part of this association. You can receive discounts on all your Insurance needs through Liberty Mutual Insurance; these policies also give donated funds back to the Association. You can take advantage of discount rates in your travels by using YTB travel (www.ytbtravel.com/glcc). This travel organization specializes in individual and group rate travel plans. Some of the proceeds are returned to the GLCC Alumni Association.

We all have been blessed through our time as students attending GLCC, now we can continue to be blessed and also bless the College through our membership and participation in Alumni Association partnerships.



LIVING MEMORIALS *continued...*

George and Mary Pond — by Lynne A. Fairbanks
Margaret J. Ponzinipio — by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Franklin, Ford Motor Company
Nick and Frances Reichert — by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Skinner
DeVon Rivard — by Owosso Church of Christ
Sue Sandy — by Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Fox
Rodney Sindel — by Mr. and Mrs. Donald Suffel
Richard Small — by Mr. and Mrs. Paul A. Perry
F. Noreen Smith — by Mr. and Mrs. Richard J. Colbry, Mr. and Mrs. Alma Moyes
Lefka Todoroff — by Lynne A. Fairbanks
Howard Woodard — by Keith T. Little
Ralph Woodard — by Mr. and Mrs. Gene Thompson

IN HONOR OF:

Matt and Jessie Allison — by Mr. and Mrs. Frederick M. Allison
George D. Brown — by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Palmer
Ruth Doty — by Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Broene, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Thompson
Ronald W. Fisher — by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Chamberlin
David Lautzenheiser — by Edna L. Neal
Robert J. Hargrave — by Mr. and Mrs. Steven J. Irwin, Mr. and Mrs. Russell B. Leuthold
Mark McGilvrey — by Mr. and Mrs. Terry M. Crawford
Howard Nourse — by Timothy Parks
Robert P. Olson — by Dennie L. Olson
Donald Phipps — by Mr. and Mrs. Keats Wood
Harry Richards — by Mr. and Mrs. Alma Moyes
Ronald J. and Mikie Scott — by Mr. and Mrs. Matthew W. Scott
Mark and Cindy St. Louis — by Mr. and Mrs. John Forsythe
Don A. Stowell — by Lloyd Lindner

Matching Gifts

Auto-Owners Insurance Co.	1250.00
Coca-Cola Company	500.00
Dana Corporation Foundation	2000.00
Dow Chemical Company Foundation	750.00
Ford Motor Company	150.00
GenCorp Foundation Inc	175.00
General Motors Matching Gift Program	1650.00
Kellogg's Corporate Citizenship Fund	3954.52
Marathon Oil Foundation	300.00
Pfizer Inc.	3400.00
Pharmacia and Upjohn Foundation	400.00
SBC Matching Gift Program	845.00
Scripps Howard Foundation	100.00

Total **15,474.52**

Jim McNeill (1962–1966) died November 22, 2006. He was serving as part-time minister with the Salt River Christian Church in Shepherd, Michigan.

Jerry Paul (BA 1962) and **Art Bush** (BRE 1981) spoke at *Restore: Symposium 2006—A Bible Conference* in Mason, Ohio in October.

1960s

Vickie (Whaley, 1976–1977) McMillin became the full-time secretary at West Lansing Church of Christ on January 12, 2007. **Denise (Krill,** 1976–1978) **Harrell** also started working part-time in the office last April.

David (1971–1979) and **Carol** (1971–1972) **Singer** moved to Hawaii in January to help a small Philippino church.

1970s

Marianne (Ellert, BRE 2000) **Badongen** professor at the Philippine College of Ministry has reported to us that her college's library has burned down. She is requesting book donations as well as monetary donations to help with the shipping cost of the books. If you are able to help, please contact Alvin Kuest at (517) 321-0242x240 or akuest@glcc.edu.

B.J. George (BRE 2003) began as the Youth Minister at Kentwood Christian Church in Grand Rapids in October.

Andy Meek (BS 2006) has accepted the position of Associate Minister at the Fairland Christian Church in Niles, Michigan.

Francisco Reynoso (BS 2006) is now the associate minister at the Okeechobee Christian Church in Florida. He will work with Hispanic families and children and introduce missions awareness in the church.

Faith Swick (2001–2004) has been blessed with a teaching job in New Orleans through Teach America.

2000s

Bob and **Doris (Wilson,** 1954–1956) **Craycraft** celebrated 50 years of marriage in June 2006.

Emily Upton (2000–2005) married Andy Young. The happy couple is now living in St. Clair Shores, Michigan.

WEDDING BELLS

Daniel Schantz (1960–1964) wrote "The Mark Project" for the September 3 issue of the *Christian Standard*.

Dan Knust (BRE 1980) wrote four installments of "The Lesson and The Life" during the month of November for *The Lookout*.

WRITINGS

Cassie **Christian** arrived on October 6 to greet parents **Eric** (BRE 1993) and **Mary (Kaser,** BRE 1993) and big brother Caleb.

Kyle **Cooper** brightened the lives of **Todd** (2000–2002) and **Liz (Van Damme,** BS 2006) on October 5.

Chad (BS 2000) and **Deanna (Leghorn,** BRE 1999) **Foust** welcomed baby boy Tanner on November 30 at 7 pounds 14 ounces. He joins big brother Carter.

Paul (BS 2006) and **Carrie (Cline,** BS 2005) **Funk** announce the birth of Andrew on January 5.



Brian (BRE 2002) and **Jessie (Lawhead,** BS 2003) **Heninger** announce the birth of Hunter Matthew Heninger on September 28.

Kailyn Rhyann **Sleight** made her entrance into this world on December 18, 2006. Mom and Dad, **Jason** (BS 2005) and **Asia (Miller,** 2002–2004), are so proud.



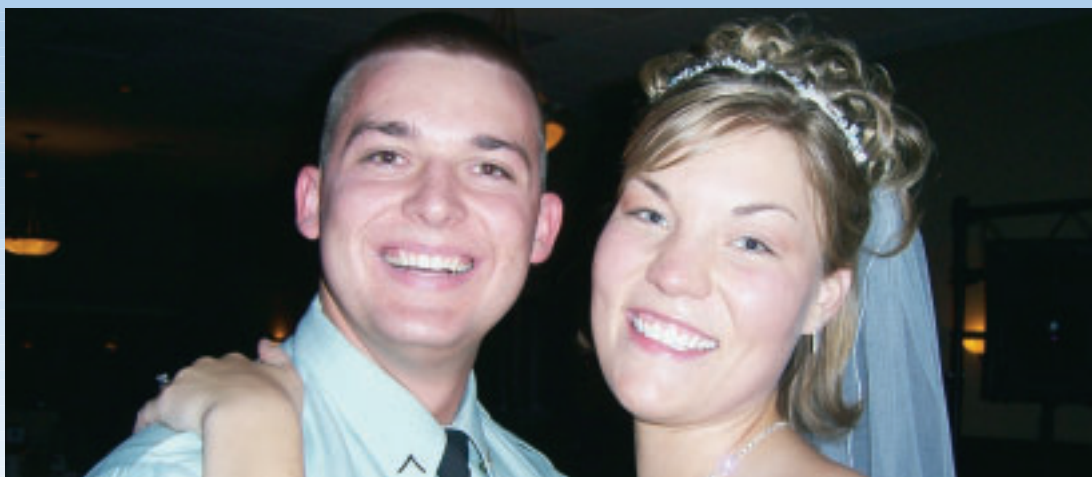
Brian (BRE 2000) and **Lisa (Scharer** 1997–1999) **Walter** welcomed Luke Michael Walter on January 23. He was 7 pounds 14 ounces and 20 inches long. Cameron James Walter was born on November 20, 2006 to **Mark** (current student) and **Deana (Foust,** BS 2005) **Walter**.

Russ and **Carrie (Long,** BRE 1998) **Wiley** had a baby girl on September 16. Hannah Elizabeth was 7 pounds 4 ounces and 19 1/2 inches. She joins brothers Noah and Jared.

FUTURE CRUSADERS

Send alumni news to key@glcc.edu

FALLEN CRUSADER



Brandon Stout (2002–2003) was killed just outside Baghdad, Iraq on January 22, 2007 after his vehicle struck a roadside bomb. He had been a member of the Michigan National Guard for the past five years. His wife **Audrey (Hinken)** is a senior

at GLCC and lives in Grand Rapids. For those who wish to make a memorial contribution, a scholarship fund in Brandon's name is being established. To read more about Brandon's life or share a favorite memory, please visit www.lifestorynet.com.



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SCHOLARSHIP

Silence is not golden, it speaks. To fail to make a spiritual and moral connection is to communicate an absence of a belief system.

David Mills, in an article on training up a child, sounds this warning concerning how much the culture influences our choices:

"I think that many Christian parents are more modern than they realize, especially in assuming that knowledge of itself makes us good. Think, to take as the crassest example, of those many Christian parents of high-school students who drive their children to pursue the elite college, assuming that their

spiritual life will take care of itself." *"Enchanting Children," Touchstone, December 2006, p. 21.*

The real question is this: What should be the purpose of that education? C. S. Lewis, in his 1947 *Abolition of Man*, addressed his concern that the educational system was beginning to debunk "truths," and that in denying "absolutes" it was in effect creating "men without chests" — men with no spiritual or moral absolutes to guide them. He was fearful that men driven by mere intellects and appetites would be the end result. We have in the last sixty years come a long way down this unhappy road:

"According to a UCLA study, although about 80% of college faculty describe themselves as 'spiritual' and 64% describe themselves as 'religious,' only about half thought colleges should help students' moral development and fewer than one-third that colleges should be concerned with students' spiritual development. A majority of students (62%) surveyed in another UCLA study said that their teachers never encouraged discussion of religion or spirituality, nor even the meaning of life (56%)." *Touchstone, (July/August 2006), 57.*

Do we think Life's questions best left out of discussion, or that the business of college is to disseminate information in a moral vacuum? Is it not to teach truth, to inculcate virtues, to lead students into wisdom?

To study anything without seeing its relevance to the Godhead is to miss the more important lesson. And to pretend that it is not the business of education to address the questions of morality or spirituality is disingenuous. Silence is not golden, it speaks. To fail to make a spiritual and moral connection is to communicate an absence of a belief system. It is impossible to educate students without also indoctrinating them. Out of a fear of imposing absolutes on students who may be offended, education now mistakes the absence of an integrating

belief with some "higher ethic" of tolerance of all views by saying Nothing. In some sad way the universities value "silence is golden" over the "golden rule."

But there is no true value in the study of Art for Art's Sake, no Literature or History or Science apart from their ability to bring us into a greater awareness of the Creator Himself. The Creation sings His praises. And to study the Creation without heeding the song is to miss the message. To study History with no awareness of God working within, to ignore His Spirit moving in the hearts of men, is to miss the message.

What a quandary. "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom." And today's academics don't approach the beginning — either for fear of "meddling" in religious freedoms or from some fuzzy "separation of church and state" mentality. The consequence is a generation of college graduates who have yet to see the connection between their field of study and the Greater Reality.

Students learn both by reason and by Revelation. If in the very center of what our society believes to be the bastion of free thought, we ignore or avoid the most important thing, we are not educating. When we fail to make students aware of the Spiritual Reality, when we steer clear of God, His existence, His purposes, His expectations, His manifestations in History, His calling to all of humanity, then what can we expect except "men without chests," men who lack courage, morals, compassion, love, hope, purpose? And what is the value of this?

Don't parents want their children to understand the workings of the world around them, the workings of their own minds and hearts, to be wise? Apart from the Revelation, reason can take us only so far. This is why I am committed to a College which holds Scriptural Truth as its integrating power. For only in Christ, only in knowing Him first, may a person come to true knowledge, to wisdom.

George Brown
Professor of English

BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

Dr. Esther Hetrick, Professor of Music; **Ryan Apple** (BS 2002), Instructor of Music; and **Judy Beavers** (BRE 1978), Director of Outreach Ministries and Instructor in Piano, attended the Association of Christian College Music Educators meeting at Kentucky Christian University in September.

Judy Beavers (BRE 1978), Director of Outreach Ministries and Instructor in Piano spoke at a Women's Seminar at the Benzie Area Church of Christ in October.

Dr. Alvin Kuest, Professor of Christian Education, led a group of students to Lakes James Assembly to work with the disabled at Handicap in September. In October, he was Sponsor for Group Magazine's workshop Children's Ministry Magazine Live at GLCC. He also led a student retreat to Chicago as a class project in November.

Dr. Dan Cameron, Professor of Theology and Ministry, led a three-session workshop on Islam at the RLCA Seniors Retreat in September. In October, he preached at the Ordination of Art Schroeder and led a leadership retreat at RLCA for the Ionia County Church of Christ. In November, he presented "What I've Learned about Preaching" to the Ministerial association at St. Louis Church of Christ and attended the National Missionary Convention.

John Nugent (BRE 1995), Professor of Old Testament, published a review of Victor Matthews' book *Old Testament Themes in the Stone-Campbell Journal*, v.9, Issue 2.

Hervey Sewell passed away on January 25, 2007 in Alma, Michigan. Hervey was one of six men who originally talked of the idea to start a Bible college in Michigan at a meeting held at Rock Lake on August 25, 1948. After the College started in 1949, Hervey became the Field Representative recruiting students for the College. His daughter Judie Saunders is a former employee of Great Lakes Christian College.

Former Professor Paul Kissling (BRE 1980) wrote a two part article for the November 19 issue of the *Christian Standard* titled "Open to Open Theism."

NEW EMPLOYEE

Kyle Yerrick has joined the GLCC family as the Assistant Athletic Director. He assists Phil Beavers with the scheduling of sports facilities and scheduling games for our athletic department.

FACULTY RETIREMENT

On November 1, Mary Lou Platner retired from Great Lakes Christian College after more than 40 years of service. The school administration held a formal banquet on October 27 in Mary Lou's honor. Lloyd Knowles (the next most senior employee of GLCC) organized a side-splitting evening of lighthearted jokes and appreciation. Phil Beavers, Alvin Kuest, Lloyd Knowles, and Larry Carter formed a barbershop quartet (complete with letterman's jackets) and serenaded their appreciation for Mary Lou. Several speakers took their turn telling us their memories of Mary Lou and how much she has given to GLCC over the years.

Jerry Paul had this to say about Mary Lou: Two words describe Mary Lou's life at Great Lakes. Humble—she always worked in the background, didn't seek praise or recognition. She was happy to see others 'shine.' Servant—It is possible to serve without being a servant. Many who serve don't have a servant's spirit. Mary Lou served because she had a servant's heart. Her desire to be a servant of the Lord led her to be a servant at GLCC.

Jerry Paul, Former President of GLCC

A Message from Mary Lou

I want to thank everyone for your calls, cards, letters, and remembrances on the occasion of my retirement from GLCC. You've brought back memories that I had almost forgotten. I am so thankful for the way God has led my life—it's been a good one! I have always said I work for the Lord at Great Lakes Bible/Christian College. I hope I have been a good employee because He has certainly been the best boss I could have. If there is one thing I could encourage you to do, it would be to allow God to lead you through the big things and the small things as well as the good times and the bad times of life. Sometimes He moves very slowly and you wonder if He's paying attention and other times He moves so fast you can't keep up. Just remember, His timing is always perfect and He is still in control even though we might wonder. My mother told me several times before she passed away, "Stay faithful," and I would like to encourage you in the same way. The rewards are out of this world!



Tom (BSL 1965) and Ruth Ann (Wiggins, BRE 1965) Schantz with Mary Lou Platner (BA 1965). Ruth Ann was Mary Lou's roommate for three years.



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ADMISSIONS

"After the first day of the class, I knew that Great Lakes was where I was supposed to be."

– Adam Novello, Admissions Counsellor

I am very happy to announce that GLCC alumnus Adam Novello joined our team in January. Adam was chosen from an impressive list of applicants to be our newest recruiter. Adam graduated in 2005 with majors in Bible/Theology and Interpersonal and Organizational Communication. We are excited to have Adam on our team.

When asked what he hoped to accomplish in his new position, Adam said, "My senior year of high school I decided to go to Great Lakes Christian College for a single semester. Both of my parents attended GLCC, as did my sister, aunt, and uncle. I had no desire to work for a church; I just thought it would be a good idea to learn more about the Bible before starting my real life. After the first day of the class, I knew that Great Lakes was where I was supposed to be.

I applied to the Admissions Department after a call from a fellow alumnus informing me of an opening and strongly encouraging me to check into it. I am excited about Admissions because I know what GLCC has done for me. I have a deeper faith, a better understanding of scripture, as well as many friends and mentors to assist me through life. It is my hope that I can now be a part of that same process for someone else."

April 17th is our Open House. Plans are underway to make this a fun and informative event. This will be a great opportunity to find out all about GLCC. If you are interested in attending or know someone who may be, contact us by calling 1-800-YES GLCC or via email at admissions@glcc.edu.

ADMISSIONS OPEN HOUSE

April 17

6:30-8:30 p.m.

Meet faculty, speak with financial aid advisors, talk to current students, and just hang out!



DEAN'S LIST FALL 2006

Akins, Dan
Aldrich, Matt
Antonopoulos, Josh
Barron, Emily
Bennett, Sarah
Blakely, Andrew
Blakely, Kate
Blakely, Mark
Brummel, Jeremy
Burmeister, Katie
Chong, Esther
Dewitt, Adam

Dimich, Jake
Donald, Jessie
French, Joanna
Gates, Jared
Gilmore, Kyle
Hammond, Robert
Harden, Jeff
Harris, Gene
Hatter, Jon
Hayes, Teri
Hendrix, Michelle
Jones, Todd

Kituri, Esther
Klepal, Joel
Klug, Brad
Kyriakides, Mario
Lantzer, Laura
Lauritzen, Joel
Lumley, Lawrence
McCoy, Clay
Neuenschwander, Addy
Neuenschwander, Jamie
Paget, Mark
Pianosi, Suzie

Prickett, Trisha
Robinson, Emily
Roth, Eric
Rowe, Justin
Ruff, Kayla
Scott, Rachel
Shouey, Jared
Simmons, Joshua
Smiley, Martin
Smith, Michael
Solitro, Sean
Sprandel, Ashley

Van Hoven, Erica
Vang, Sherry
Vasquez, Adrienn
Vibber, Amanda
Waldrop, Denise
Wilson, Bill
Yarbrough, Rick
Yurgel, Jessica

KEY SPORTS

SOCCKER

2006 was a year of change for the GLCC Soccer program—5 seniors called this their final season, and we also said goodbye to a coach. Our record was not as good as 2005, yet the team took another large stride forward in becoming competitive with the likes of Cincinnati Christian University and Rochester College, and we won a post-season

contest—which GLCC has achieved only once before. The team finished 6-9 (1-1 in the regional tournament) for the year, but more importantly, the team continued to represent their faith and their school impeccably on the field, tallying the fewest number of cards (fouls) of any Great Lakes team in over a decade.

Soccer Awards:

Most Improved Player: Greg Klauka
Defensive Player of the Year: Ryan Lumley
Offensive Player of the Year: Joel Klepal
Most Valuable Player: Jared Gates
Coaches Award: Rick Yarbrough
Coaches Award: Paul Yerrick

VOLLEYBALL

Megan Miller, junior at GLCC, made the NCAA Division II Volleyball All-American Second Team. Megan was chosen as one of the top eight in the Midwest region and was sent on to the National level as a Midwest Nominee. There she was chosen to be on the All-American Team. Megan is an outside hitter leading the team with 410 kills in the season. Coach Wendy Beavers says, "Megan loves the game of volleyball and this award shows her ability to perform at a high level. She is very versatile and this season she stepped up and played different areas. We are very proud to have an All-American here at Great Lakes Christian College." The team ended up 12-23 for the season and 4th place in the Midwest Region.

Other Volleyball awards included:

MVP: Megan Miller
Most Improved: Alisa McNerney
2 Coach Award: Maria Slater, Lia Gentis

Top: Samantha Graham, Megan Miller, Elizabeth Klauka, Kari Kinder. Bottom: Lia Gentis, Addy Neuenschwander, Alisa McNerney, Maria Slater.



UPCOMING EVENTS

God's Network:
 Linked to Love, Wired to Witness
 Southpoint Community
 Christian Church
 Trenton, MI

www.glcc.edu/mcc

April 20-21, 2007

Michigan
 Christian
 Convention



**Golf Benefit
 August 11**

Women's Spring Celebration
April 27th, 2007


Treasure in Jars of Clay
2 Corinthians 4:7



*With
 Kay Moll*

PROMISE
 MUSIC CAMP 2007

Dates
 June 17-30, 2007
 June 17-23 on campus
 June 24-30 on tour


Graduation Festivities

You and your family are welcome to join us as we congratulate our graduates.

Date	Event	Time	Location
May 8	Honors Chapel	11:00 a.m.	Chapel
May 11	Senior Showcase	2:00-4:00 p.m.	Various Classrooms
May 18	Senior Banquet and Alumni Reception	6:00 p.m.	Chapel
May 19	Commencement	10:00 a.m.	Memorial Hall

For more information visit www.glcc.edu



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PAVE THE WAY for future students

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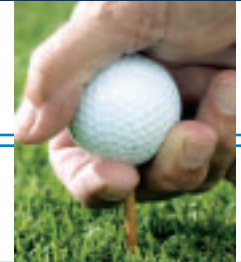
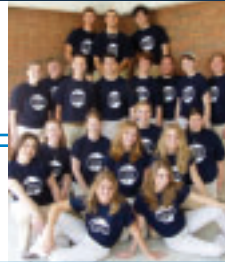
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U P C O M I N G E V E N T S

March

27	Groundbreaking
30	Scholarship Application Deadline

April

2-6	Week of Outreach 2
17	Admissions Open House
20-21	Michigan Christian Convention
27	Trustee Meeting
27	Women's Spring Celebration

May

8	Honors Chapel
11	Senior Showcase
14-17	Final Exams
18	Senior Banquet and Alumni Reception
19	Commencement

June

17-30	Promise Music Camp
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July

1-5	National Bible Bowl
3-6	North American Christian Convention

August

11	Golf Benefit
22	New Student Registration
22-25	Orientation
27	Returning Student Registration
28	Classes Begin
28	Convocation

September

21-22	AlumniFest
28-29	Releasing the Power of the Smaller Church Conference

ON THE COVER

Top: Students by the sign: Greg Klauka, Brendan Warren, A.J. Miller, Kari Kinder, Brian Wonzy, Lia Gentis, and Jared Gates.
Bottom: Students singing Susie Paul, Ashley Sprandel, Kayla Ruff.

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