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We receive a periodic update on events and issues in higher education from an on-line publication called *Inside Higher Ed*. In the most recent edition, (12-29-09), there was an article that focused on Christian colleges in America. The article included an interview with Samuel Schuman, a non-Christian academic, who wanted to learn more about these institutions and whether or not they still had a place in 21st century America. He found that, first of all, Christian colleges are quality institutions that do an excellent job in higher education. Secondly, he makes this observation,

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“There are lots of things we can learn from the faith-based colleges and universities. Most important, to me, is that these institutions respond to the yearning of college students for a connection between intellectual exercises and spiritual considerations. Alexander Astin and the Higher Education Research Institute are studying spirituality in our colleges and universities. In a survey of 112,000 students from 236 colleges of all sizes and sorts, they found that about three-fourths of those students say they want, in college, to search for meaning and purpose in life. 80% affirm they believe in God, and two-thirds pray. Most tellingly, about half of those students said they want their colleges and universities to encourage their personal development and the expression of their spirituality. But only 30% of all college faculty think the college experience should provide any help in students’ spiritual development. At public colleges, that number is 23%; at public universities, it is 18%. So, if you will forgive a rather pig-headed over-generalization, our students overwhelmingly want something; we have it; we haven’t given it to them; I think we should.”

Schuman’s comments reflect a growing awareness among secular colleges of not only the academic quality of Christian colleges, but also of the importance of our emphasis on spiri-

tual development. Indeed, he intimates that if a college wants to remain relevant in 21st century America, they need to understand the desire of students to have meaning and purpose in life. They need to understand their wish to delve more deeply into the spiritual dimension of their lives. The problem is that the faculty of most of these secular colleges doesn’t see the value in that kind of education.

We do. Great Lakes Christian College has been in the business of spiritual development for over 60 years. While we are an excellent academic institution that provides students with a quality education, we have always understood that our instruction is incomplete without helping our students to discover their meaning and purpose in life. And we believe that the best place for that discovery is through a person’s relationship with the One who created that life – God. Our faculty, 100% of them, agrees. As a result, our curriculum reflects not only our desire to prepare students for an occupation, but also for a purposeful and meaningful life. While secular colleges spend much of their time teaching “what” and “how”, we focus on the ultimate questions of “who” and “why”. After all, the “who” and “why” will remain long after the “what” and “how” is gone. We don’t want to be relevant just for the 21st century – we want to be relevant for eternity.

*Larry Carter*  
GLCC President



# Who's Who in Admissions

## LLOYD SCHARER

### Director of Admissions and College Relations

As the Director of the Admissions Department, I coordinate the recruiting efforts of the College. Really, I am the coach of a very competent team. While we all work together and are involved in the various aspects of admissions, each of us has a fairly defined area of responsibility. This is designed to allow everyone to express their creativity and to take ownership of their job. It is my hope that they each will have a great sense of accomplishment and job satisfaction.

Recruiting events take up a significant portion of my schedule. I personally attended about 50 of the 80 college fairs in this last recruiting year as well as attended home educators conventions in Ohio, Indiana, and Michigan. I also participated in a variety of other events last year such as the National Bible Bowl, National Missionary Convention, and the Michigan School Counselors Association, just to name a few.

It is most gratifying to see the efforts of the fine group I work with. For example, last year we saw our attendance at Fusion almost double. We sent out almost 1000 packets of information — a 30% increase from the year before! We also more than doubled the number of college fairs and events we attended. Everyone is fully engaged in the mission of Great Lakes Christian College.

## JUDY CARTER

### Office Manager of the Admissions Department

As the Office Manager of the Admissions Department, I oversee our calendar of activities with all of the college fairs, campus visits, GLCC events, conferences, high school visits and conventions and keep track of who is representing the College at these events. Keeping admissions and applicant files up to date, maintaining databases and Admissions Department statistics, answering the phone, and helping with campus visits are also parts of my job.

Being the first contact students have when they express an interest in the College is my favorite part! It's fun to introduce people to all the great things we have going on at GLCC and helping them realize that being a student here is doable while we work through the application process together. I love keeping in contact with our applicants and letting them know what a great choice they have made in wanting to be a student at Great Lakes

Christian College. A fun part for me is letting them figure out later that I am the President's wife too!

## ADAM NOVELLO

### Admissions Counselor

I plan events and conferences like Fusion, our high school weekend conference in November. Last year we had some amazing preaching from Shannon Caroland, not to mention fantastic praise time with The Aaron Pelsue Band. The event was a blast to plan and run. Right now I am privileged to work with youth ministers from all over the state to plan The Michigan Statewide Teen Convention in March. The MSTC is a very fun event that is held in Lansing this year. Recently I have worked with some of the youth ministers that compose 1721 Worship out in the Trenton, Michigan area. It has been an encouraging experience to see the ministry God is doing through that group. I love that I get to help be a part of that.

My job connects me to youth ministers, which I enjoy. Great Lakes Christian College is committed to being a resource and aid to The Church. Getting GLCC students to help at a lock-in, sponsoring a pizza party or putting on a conference like Statewide and Fusion keeps me going. Any opportunity I get to work with churches and youth groups is a lot of fun for me.

## RHONDA VANCE

### Admissions Counselor

I primarily focus on campus visits and overseeing student admissions staff who assist with recruiting and GLCC representation. I also help with events such as Fusion and Java & Jam, which allow students the opportunity to interact with current students as well as professors. I attend college fairs and assist with selecting and training our summer outreach teams.

I have only been a part of the GLCC Admissions Department since October so I look forward to the experiences that are yet to come. One of the most exciting parts of my job is having the freedom to be creative in how I relate to perspective students. Often, when we get a perspective student on campus to experience our community, my only responsibility is to invite him or her to be a part of it.



JUDY CARTER • LLOYD SCHARER • RHONDA VANCE • ADAM NOVELLO

# Focus on Admissions

## Fusion 2010

is scheduled for  
November 12-14.

If you would like additional  
information please contact  
us at [admissions@glcc.edu](mailto:admissions@glcc.edu).



Attendees were invited to participate in communion, and prayer with their youth groups during the Fusion weekend.

More than 450 Michigan youth, ministers and sponsors attended this year's Fusion event held at Great Lakes Christian College, November 13, 14 and 15. Fusion is geared toward groups who want to connect and commit to each other and God in order to build community in their daily lives. Fusion was a time of learning, worship and activities for youth groups to merge, have fun and be challenged.

This year's theme was Praxis: From Belief to Action. Youth groups were merged with others to form Fusion Groups and discuss the struggles, hesitations and results of beliefs without action, as well as to encourage one another towards praxis.

This year's main speaker was Shannon Caroland, a graduate of Great Lakes Christian College, with a major in Bible Teaching. He served as the youth minister at Duplain Church of Christ for two years, and is now the senior minister at Elizabeth Lake Church of Christ, where he has been for nine years.

Throughout the weekend, Shannon challenged attendees to consider what



Attendees participate in the oversized "paper, rock, scissors" game to win prizes.



Guest speaker, Shannon Caroland, an alumnus of GLCC, challenged attendees to put their beliefs into action.

Aaron Pelsue Band



Attendees having a blast worshipping to Aaron Pelsue Band



# Come Visit Us!

We would love to show you around our campus! Just let us know when you are able to come and we will set you up with a guided tour. Contact us at [admissions@glcc.edu](mailto:admissions@glcc.edu) or visit the web page [www.glcc.edu/admissions](http://www.glcc.edu/admissions).

they are doing, based on what they believe, as individuals and as youth groups. Shannon also invited the youth to consider what actions they would take if resources and permissions were granted to do the work of the Lord and he challenged them to consider what they can do immediately to work towards those goals/services.

Youth groups also participated in workshops that reiterated putting our beliefs into action. The workshops consisted of: Social Justice: how advocating for the poor and helping all people having equal dignity and same access to resources is a biblical concept, Being Involved: how teens are a vital part of the church through involvement and service, vocational ministry, The Future: preparing for the next step in your life, Missions: discussing the difference between Mission and Missions-looking at the world through God's eyes, Daily Witness: How we can share our faith through daily interactions, Spiritual gifts: Using your gifts in the world and Thinking Eternal: focusing on the big picture, through our everyday actions.

Attendees were also given the opportunity to hear from local and international non-profit organizations, including:

Teen Challenge International, a ministry dedicated to helping men and women

of all ages with life-controlling problems. Habitat for Humanity of Michigan, a Christian based ecumenical organization that builds and rehabs homes in partnership with people in need. Also present was Ronald McDonald House, which provides housing to more than 250 families who come to Lansing to seek medical treatment for their children, with only a \$10.00 donation asked, however no one is ever turned away because of inability to pay. The Lansing house is part of a community of nearly 300 Ronald McDonald houses worldwide.

Great Lakes Christian College was also proud to have the Aaron Pelsue Band leading worship. The Aaron Pelsue Band is a high-energy praise and worship band that ministers to both the body of Christ and nonbelievers. The Indianapolis brought an inspiring mix of originals and cover songs to the event, and brought attendees to their feet.

Attendees were encouraged to voice prayers, praises and concerns on the prayer table, through writing, drawing or scripture. The table was available during the entire Fusion event.

## Admissions Open House Monday, April 12, 2010

We are inviting one and all to attend our annual Open House. Each GLCC major is represented so students can discuss their specific interests. You will also have a chance to talk to professors, current students, the athletic department, financial aid and GLCC alumni who are currently using their degrees. It is the perfect time to come tour the campus, and get a load of information about attending college and specifically about attending GLCC.

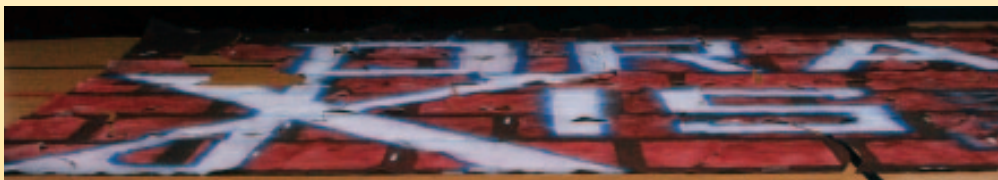
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Aaron Pelsue Band brought attendees to their feet during worship, nearly filling the Doty Center facility



In lieu of offering, youth groups were asked to take a patch and draw/write what they felt Christianity looks like. At the close of the event, youth groups were asked to take another youth group's patch and continue to pray for that youth group throughout the year.



The nine-foot Praxis banner was formed by sections decorated by youth groups describing what Christianity looks like to them. At the closing service of Fusion, the sections back was revealed to read "Praxis". Youth Groups took one of the 26 sections home to pray for throughout the year



I am writing this article as I sit in an airport in Florida where Haitians looking for refuge are coming to our country.

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Haiti.

*Devastation, broken walls, broken cities, broken people.*

Our response?

*Questions, disbelief, sympathy, prayer, generosity.*

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While waiting to go through security, I saw a room filled with Haitian people who had just arrived. Food was on the tables, people were working at computers to check in the refugees. Haitians were sitting staring at the walls, kids were running around, volunteers were helping to make the transition easier, and medical people were there to assist with special medical needs. My heart sank as I saw first-hand those who were suffering. Up to that point, I had only seen it on TV and read it in the newspapers. Right here in front of me was the reality of this tragic situation.

As I consider the overwhelming financial response to the earthquake in Haiti, I am reminded of our response to the spiritually destitute in our world. Jesus met the physical needs of people and then showed them the only way to

the Father. While many GLCC students and alumni are among the numerous people who are trying to meet some of the needs in Haiti, we hope that the preparation our students continue to receive will help them impact the world in years to come. Without a doubt, we know that your investment in GLCC will help train up our students to continue to serve a broken world – both physically and spiritually. Can our response to a sin-sick world be just as overwhelming? Are you moved financially to see more workers trained to meet the spiritual challenges in our world? Your financial response to Great Lakes is critical in 2010. Support our ministry today...let's get more workers on the field.

*Phil Beavers  
Vice President of  
Institutional Advancement*

Are you frustrated with low interest rates? If so, have you considered a Charitable Gift Annuity which benefits the College and provides a nice interest rate for the rest of your life? A CGA is a simple contract between you and Great Lakes. In exchange for your irrevocable gift of cash, securities, or other assets, Great Lakes agrees to pay one or two annuitants you name, a fixed sum each year for life. The older your designated annuitants are at the time of the gift, the greater the fixed income we can agree to pay. In most cases, part of each payment is tax-free, increasing each payment's after-tax value. Take for example that you gave an irrevocable cash gift of \$50,000 in exchange for a \$3,250 (6.5%)

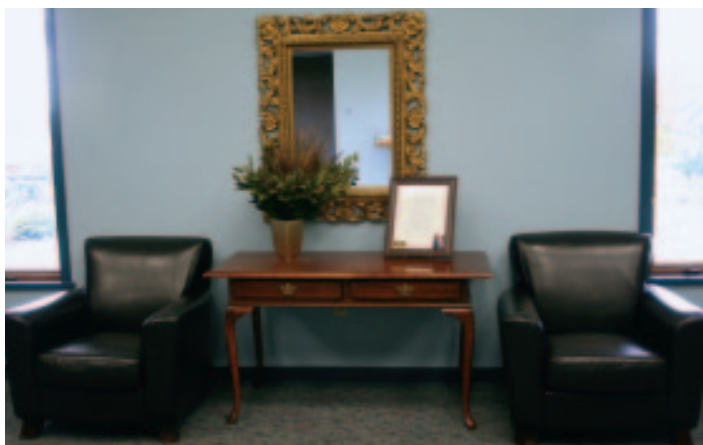
annuity for two people ages 72 & 71. You would realize an income tax deduction of \$8,075 and in addition, \$2,171 of each year's payments would be tax-free for the first 19.3 years. (These calculations are for illustration purpose only.) Your estate may enjoy reduced probate costs and estate taxes and you will find satisfaction in providing generous support for Great Lakes Christian College. The Charitable Gift Annuity is one more way you can keep the tradition of providing a quality Christian education that prepares students to respond to the spiritual needs of our world. To initiate an illustration for your situation, contact me, [pbeavers@glcc.edu](mailto:pbeavers@glcc.edu) or 517-321-0242, ext. 215.



# Campus Improvements

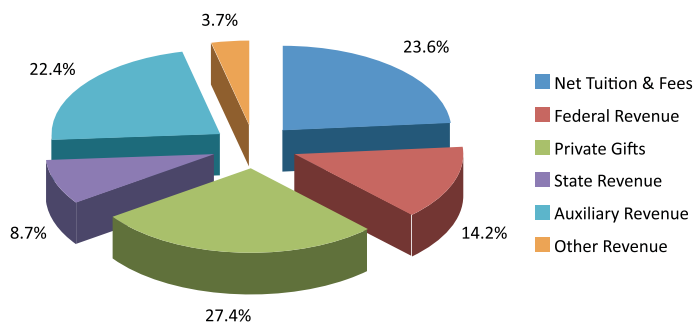
In Fiscal Year 2008 - 2009, the College experienced a decrease in net assets of \$ 217,245. This was predominantly due to devaluation in stock market reserves. This situation will improve as the economy recovers and the stock market returns to previous levels.

Campus improvement this summer centered around major renovations in the Men's Residence, including bathroom remodeling and new carpeting. In the Women's Residence, work began on bathroom renovations and carpeting was replaced throughout the hallways. Several units in Family Housing were remodeled. We also replaced some storage units by the cafeteria and created a Historical Display area in the front lobby of the Administration Building. A camera security system was installed in the Administration Building, Women's Residence, and the Doty Center. This will provide a safer campus atmosphere for all our students.



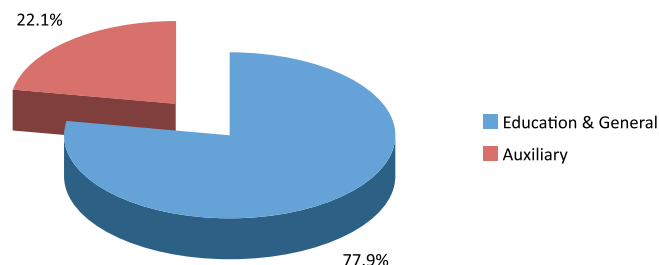
## Revenue

Net Tuition and Fees (23.6%)	\$ 876,343
Federal Revenue (14.2%)	528,716
Private Gifts (27.4%)	953,795
State Revenue (8.7%)	322,968
Auxiliary Revenue (22.4%)	829,490
Other Revenue (3.7%)	33,269



## Expenses

Education and General (77.9%)	\$ 2,931,224
Auxiliary (22.1%)	830,602





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I'll never forget my time spent at Great Lakes Christian College. The memories that stem from those years always bring a smile to my face. I'm sure that many of you share the same feelings. In fact, I'm positive that there are alumni all over the world who can look back and give thanks for being part of the GLCC family.

Recently, I was reminded that even though I've moved on I'm still as much a part of that family as I was when I walked the campus years ago. This past summer I was pleased to see one of the students that went through our ministry at the South Milford Church of Christ, Danielle, graduate from Ball

State with her nursing degree. As she and I talked she shared her anxiety and excitement about taking a job at a hospital in Louisville, Kentucky. She wondered how she would get acclimated. The job opportunity was thrilling, but the changes ahead were a bit daunting. Immediately I thought of a good friend with whom I attended GLCC, Steve Young, who works at Southeast Christian Church in Louisville. It only took one email and Steve was ready and willing to aid Danielle during her difficult transition. He and his wife were a blessing to Danielle in the midst of a stressful time in here life. They helped her find an apartment and connected her to the church. She later laughed when she told me that Steve said, "Any friend of 'Walter' is a friend of mine!" I am so grateful for the help and love Steve extended to my friend. Thinking back on this moment, I sat in my office and again thanked God for the small ways GLCC still plays into my life.

I pray that you will all take time to reflect on the time you spent on campus at Great Lakes Christian College. More importantly, I pray that you will do your part to stay connected to this wonderful family. Contact those individuals who impacted you, stay in touch with those people to whom you were close, and never forget that you will always be part of the magnificent family that is GLCC. God bless you all as you represent this school, but more importantly as you seek to be ambassadors for Christ.

Brian Walter  
President of the GLCC Alumni Association

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ALUMNI

## Walk by Faith God's Answer to Tough Times Concert Choir Spring Tour 2010

Sunday,  
March 28, 10:30 a.m.  
DEER CREEK  
CHRISTIAN CHURCH,  
UNIVERSITY PARK, IL

Sunday,  
March 28, 6:00 p.m.  
FIRST CHRISTIAN  
CHURCH,  
CHESTERTON, IN

Monday,  
March 29, 7:00 p.m.  
BUFFALO CHRISTIAN  
CHURCH,  
BUFFALO, IN

Tuesday,  
March 30, 7:00 p.m.  
STURGIS CHURCH  
OF CHRIST,  
STURGIS, MI

Wednesday,  
March 31, 1:00 p.m.  
MICHIANA CAMP  
OLDER ADULT  
CELEBRATION,  
NILES, MI

Wednesday,  
March 31, 6:30 p.m.  
WEST SIDE CHURCH  
OF CHRIST,  
SOUTH BEND, IN

Thursday,  
April 1, 7:00 p.m.  
KENTWOOD  
CHRISTIAN CHURCH,  
GRAND RAPIDS, MI

HOME CONCERT  
Sunday,  
April 11, 6:00 p.m.  
GREAT LAKES  
CHRISTIAN COLLEGE,  
LANSING, MI





## ALUMNI NEWS

**Marjorie Lee (Midge) Girdwood (Hubbard, 1953-1956)** succumbed to cancer on August 11, 2009.

CLASSEMINARS, INC. announces a new scholarship for writers in honor of **Dan Penwell** (BA 1964), long time editor, and publisher, recognizing his years of teaching, mentoring, and encouraging writers. The scholarships will enable writers to attend the CLASS Christian Writers Conference (formerly Glorieta Christian Writers Conference).

**Bill Cook** (1970-1972) joined a team at the Kiamichi Mountain Mission to preach a Round Robin Revival last September. Over 20 people formed eleven teams that preached and sang at ten mountain churches. This was the second year for this event and a wonderful Spirit of Revival is burning up in those beautiful mountains.

**Arthur** (Librarian 1975-1999) and **Martha Grove** of Bremen, Indiana celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in August 2009.

**Dr. Terry Allyn Ferguson** (BRE 1977) passed away on November 3, 2009. Terry served at University Christian Church in East Lansing, Michigan for 23 years.

**Lori Ann (Lawrence, ARE 1983) Greer** passed from this life on August 20, 2009 in Fort Wayne, Indiana.

TSgt **Chad Lab** (1993-1994, 2000-2004) is currently serving Operation Enduring Freedom and Horn of Africa Operations. Since leaving GLCC in the spring of 2003, he has deployed in support of OIF, OEF, HOA operations throughout southwest Asia. Chad lives with his wife of seven years in Fowlerville, Michigan and is a proud father and husband.

**Matt** (BRE, 1998) and **Jana Cutler (Smedley, 1995-1998)** along with their children Joshua, Ezekiel, Shiloh, and Christianna are moving from Ft. Myers, Florida to Indianapolis, Indiana. They will be working with Mission Indy while Matt will be the Director of Operations. For information on Mission trips or Urban ministry contact Matt at [matt@missionindy.com](mailto:matt@missionindy.com).

**Brian Walter** (BRE 2000) just celebrated 10 years as the youth and worship minister at the South Milford Church of Christ in South Milford, Indiana.

**John Schaaf** (BS 2006) graduated from Emmanuel School of Religion last may with a Master of Divinity with a concentration in Doctrine. His thesis was "Augustine and Barth's views of Evil: Theodicy in Postmodern Context." John began a one year Chaplain Residency at the James H. Quillen VA Medical Hospital in Johnson City, Tennessee.

## ANNIVERSARIES

**Forrest Hill Church of Christ** 150 years  
**Wheatland Church of Christ** 140 years  
**Algonac Church of Christ** 60 years  
**First Church of Christ** in Jackson 90 years  
**Westshore Christian Church** 25 years

## FUTURE CRUSADERS



Current students, **Randy and Melissa (Zmierski) Burghdoff** welcomed Benjamin Andrew on September 25, 2009. He weighed 7 pounds, 14 ounces and was 21 inches long.



**Jim** (BS 2007) and **Melissa (Ploof, 2005-2009) Bruin** are proud to announce the arrival of James H. Bruin III. He was born on July 30, 2009 weighing 5 pounds, 15 ounces and was 19 inches long.



**Steve Young** (BRE 1999) and his wife Tammy welcomed their first child into the world on January 13, 2010. Hendrik (Henry) Edward weighed 7 pounds, 9 ounces and was 20 inches long.



**Ash** (BS 1999) and **Kelly (Harden, BS 2000) Harris** present Olivia Marie. She was born on September 22, 2009 at 9 pounds, 8 ounces and was 21.25 inches long.



**Brandi Clem (Goodrow, BRE 1999)** announces the arrival of Alia McKenzie on June 30, 2009. She weighed 9 pounds, 4 ounces.

**Timothy Berry** (BS 2005) was blessed with Calista Theodora on February 13, 2010. She weighed 7 pounds, 12 ounces and was 21 inches long.



**James** (Director of Library Services) and **Robyn Orme** (Communication Coordinator) announce the birth of their first child, Aoife Cassidy. She was born on October 19, 2009 weighing 7 pounds, 5 ounces and was 19.5 inches long.



**Joel Lauritzen** (BS 2007) announces the birth of his third son, Ty Anthony, on June 20, 2009. He weighed 6 pounds, 7 ounces and was 19.5 inches long. Ty joins brothers Nevaeh, 4, and Connor, 2.

**Stanley Ray** (BRE 1974) and **Vickie Johnson (Fleming, CSC 1975)** welcomed their newest granddaughter, Trinity Hope, into the world on June 1, 2009.

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17th Annual  
**Golf Benefit**  
 August 14, 2010  
 8:30 a.m.  
 Centennial Acres  
 Golf Course





## The Witness of Theology

In my previous article I shared the rationale for teaching theology here at GLCC. It matters immensely—it's at the core of our calling. But I believe the teaching and practice of theology cannot be—must not be—an impersonal, passionless, pedantic exercise. So much more is at stake. We realize that there is a lost world committed to false, mistaken worldviews around us with which we need to interface for its sake. Theology is for preaching, evangelism, nurturing. It's for the redemption of the world and her peoples.

Everyone has a *worldview*, that is, an integrating perspective that serves as the lens through which s/he sees

“For though we live in the world, we do not wage war as the world does. The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds. We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ.”

*2 Corinthians 10:3-5 NIV*

and interprets the world. Worldviews differ—sometimes significantly, and they can separate us from each other...and especially God. So what does this have to do with theology? Much! Theology not only has the positive, irenic task of explicating the thoughts, will and judgments of God (the Christian worldview) for the growth and maturity of his Church, but there also is a less irenic, more confrontive task.

Paul speaks of this polemic task of theology in the classic Christian warfare passage: 2 Corinthians 10:3-5 *“For though we live in the world, we do not wage war as the world does. The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds. We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ.”* (NIV)

This is where theology meets apologetics. In fact, this is theology as *apologetics*! Think about it, apologetics is the discipline of defending the integrity of Scripture and Christian doctrine (the Christian worldview) in light of challenges put to it and accusations made against it. But how will

a believer know what to defend and how to defend it unless s/he is conversant with the core content of Christian theology? As Peter reminds us to all be ready to be apologists even in the face of persecution and danger (1 Peter 3:15), so Paul defines the core process of doing this “applied theology.”

Paul describes the challenge before the Church as using our minds so as to demolish the strongholds of the principalities and powers around us, that is, their *“arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God...”* And we take captive every thought by speaking and living the truth of our worldview before and within the world as a witness.

So how do we demolish and take captive the wrong and inadequate worldviews that control the minds of so many? By grooming our minds to know the worldviews that live next door—so as to understand, care for, enter in and share the good news of Jesus. And also by knowing and pursuing the theology that the Lord has revealed to his people in Scripture.

*Dr. Dan Cameron  
Professor of Theology*



# Distinguished Service Awards

The Distinguished Service Award is given by the Alumni Association of Great Lakes Christian College. This award is given to a non-alumnus who exemplifies a life of service, showing outstanding leadership and bringing distinction to the ministry of Great Lakes Christian College. This year the Alumni Association gave this award to four former presidents who are well deserving and had not yet received this award.



**CHARLES MATTHEWS**  
Second President  
(1957-1964)

It was in August 1957 that Charles Matthews was called to be the President of Great Lakes. As part of his duties, he was given the challenge to locate property in an urban setting where there would be more employment opportunities for students. In 1958, the campus was moved to Lansing. As President, Charles held a

wide range of responsibility: Dean of Men, custodian to the ancient gas furnaces in the Dodge Mansion, teaching responsibilities in the field of homiletics and Bible, as well as representing the College to the churches in the tri-state area on weekends. Charles was able to receive this award before his death on November 8, 2009. Velda resides at Mason Christian Village in Mason, Ohio.



**JAMES GREENWOOD**  
Fifth President  
(1975-1979)

On Monday, September 27, 2008, the fifth president of Great Lakes Christian College, James W. Greenwood, passed from this life into his glorious reward in heaven. Jim's leadership on the campus of Great Lakes elevated the passion to produce more preachers and Christian workers. He was an excellent preacher and exegete

of the Bible which provided a wonderful example to the students who attended during his tenure.



**JOHN HASTY**  
Fourth President  
(1967-1975)

John Hasty accepted the call to be the fourth President of the College beginning August 1, 1967. The College made four major location moves in her 60 year history. John was instrumental in moving the campus in its last move from the Dodge Mansion in Lansing to our present campus, also located in Lansing on the west

side, in 1972. It is evident that throughout the history of Great Lakes in those earlier years that many made sacrifices that we will never know. John and his wife Ginger are among the many. John and Ginger presently live in Lakeland, Florida and continue to serve the church in preaching and teaching.



**PHILIP SCHLAEGEL**  
Seventh President  
(1988-1991)

Philip Schlaegel served on the Board of Trustees at Great Lakes from 1976 until being appointed interim president in July of 1987 and then took the role full time on January 1, 1988. President Schlaegel's years at Great Lakes are characterized by a dedication and commitment to the mission of the College.

He stepped into a challenge and he faced that challenge head on with great business sense and wisdom. Standing above the rest, he remained true to training more workers for the Kingdom of God. Phil and Nancy presently live in Worthington, Ohio and Phil serves the church as an elder.



We continue to see increases in interest in Great Lakes Christian College and the great education we have to offer. We are working hard at communicating the many advantages GLCC has to offer as well as the great value we represent.

2009 was a challenging year for recruitment. With the poor economy, unstable financial market, loss of State assistance, and a significant out-migration from Michigan, we had our first downturn in enrollment in four years. We are however, very thankful for the wonderful students who enrolled this year! While less in number, they are great in potential for Kingdom work! We are excited by the possibilities.

Looking forward, we continue to see challenges, however, we are optimistic. We continue to see increases in interest in Great Lakes Christian

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We are thankful for the great FUSION event on campus this last November! In our second year for this event, we had over 450 in attendance, almost double from the first year! This year's theme was, Praxis — From Belief to Action. The Aaron Pelsue Band led our worship and Shannon Caroland was our speaker. It was truly a life-changing event for our senior high youth as we asked them to consider how to move their faith into action.

Finally, we welcome Rhonda Vance to our department as Admission Counselor! Rhonda is a 2004 graduate of GLCC and brings many great qualities to our department. Rhonda is passionate about GLCC and is anxious to tell others about the many benefits of an education here. If you know someone who may be interested in hearing more about Great Lakes Christian College, contact Rhonda at 517 321-0242 ext. 249 or [rvance@glcc.edu](mailto:rvance@glcc.edu).

*Lloyd Scharer*  
Director of Admissions

**The Magnetic Church**  
Michigan Christian Convention 2010  
[www.michiganchristianconvention.org](http://www.michiganchristianconvention.org)  
April 16-17 at Great Lakes Christian College

**Special Seminar featuring Bob Russell and the elders from Southeast Christian Church**  
**Friday, April 16, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.**



**Bob Russell**  
Southeast Christian Church (retired)



**Gary Johnson**  
Indian Creek Christian Church, Indianapolis, IN



**Don McLaughlin**  
North Atlanta Church of Christ, Atlanta, GA



## Welcome to the Staff

Great Lakes Christian College welcomes **Jeremy Brummel** to our staff as Director of Technology. Jeremy is a recent graduate of GLCC with a Bachelor of Science degree in May 2009.

## Giving Back

Great Lakes Christian College is proud to announce that we have put together a team to walk in the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life in Delta Township on May 21-22. Fighting cancer is a team effort. The impact we can make together is much greater than what any of us could do alone. So, we have created the Cancer Crusaders, a team made up of staff and students from Great Lakes Christian College.

If you would like to join our team or make a donation to a great cause, please visit our team website at [main.acsevents.org/goto/Cancer.Crusaders](http://main.acsevents.org/goto/Cancer.Crusaders). By joining or donating to our team, you will be a part of a life-changing event that gives everyone in the community a chance to celebrate the lives of people who have battled cancer, remember loved ones lost, and fight back against a disease that takes too much.

## Beyond the Classroom

**Larry Carter**, President, served as a peer reviewer for the Higher Learning Commission during the first week in December.

**Ron Peters** (BRE 1999), Associate Professor of New Testament, attended the Society of Biblical Literature national meeting in New Orleans back in November.

**John Nugent** (BRE 1995), Professor of Old Testament, attended the Ekklesia Project Conference in July, attended the SBL (Society of Biblical Literature) conference in New Orleans and delivered the paper "The Politics of Jahweh," published an article in the Herald Press book *Power and Practices*, and published lessons in *Standard Publishing's Adult Lesson Commentary*.

## GLCC Bookstore Online

You can now shop for all of your favorite GLCC logo gear and textbooks online! To visit our shop, go to [www.glcc.edu](http://www.glcc.edu) and click the bookstore link on the lower left corner. Get a FREE GLCC new logo key fob with every online order before May 15, 2010.

## Ensemble Ready to Serve

One of GLCC's most direct contacts to the churches comes through our traveling ensemble. Every fall, the music faculty assembles a team of student vocalists and instrumentalists to serve as representatives of the College to churches in Michigan, Indiana, and Ohio. This year's ensemble consists of Matthue Zittel (guitar/vocals), Kayla Ruff (piano/viola/vocals), Laura Swisher (vocals), Dean Little (guitar/vocals), and Adam Brower-Wolf (drums).

The ensemble usually shares one or two performance pieces with the hosting church, and often leads the entire musical worship time as well. Some high school Sunday School classes also

invite the ensemble to sit in on their class to share about various aspects of GLCC and college life in general. This provides a wonderful opportunity for high school students to hear firsthand the benefits of a Christ-centered education.

This year's ensemble still has a few dates available this spring, and then in the fall, GLCC will have an all new group ready to offer encouragement to tri-state area churches. If your church is interested in having the group come share with you, please visit our web page at [www.glcc.edu](http://www.glcc.edu) or contact Phil Beavers at [pbeavers@glcc.edu](mailto:pbeavers@glcc.edu).



# Living Memorials

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## Church Connect

March 27, 10 a.m.- 12:30 p.m.

We would like **every supporting church** to send representatives to connect with us and get a first hand update on the ministry of Great Lakes Christian College. We will provide **key information** that will help mission ministry teams and church leadership teams for 2010.

• **Tours of the campus (9:00 a.m.)**

• **Book giveaways**

RSVP by March 19 by calling Pat at 517-321-0242, ext. 214, or e-mail [pgoff@glcc.edu](mailto:pgoff@glcc.edu), or [www.glcc.edu](http://www.glcc.edu) in the alert section.



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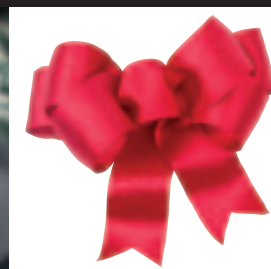
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## Upcoming Events



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- 29– Week of Outreach 2
- April 2

### APRIL

- 12 Admissions Open House
- 16-17 Michigan Christian Convention**
- 23 Women's Spring Celebration**
- 23 Board of Trustees Meeting
- 23 Senior Showcase

### MAY

- 4 Honors Chapel
- 11-13 Final Exams
- 14 Senior Banquet
- 15 Commencement**

### JUNE

- 13-19 Promise Music Camp on campus
- 25 Promise Home Concert

### AUGUST

- 14 Golf Benefit**
- 16 New Student Registration
- 17-20 Orientation
- 23 Classes begin
- 24 Convocation

### NOVEMBER

- 5-6 Ministry Wives' Retreat
- 12-14 Fusion
- 21-27 Thanksgiving Break

### DECEMBER

- 14-17 Finals
- 18– Semester Break
- January 9

### JANUARY

- January 10 Classes Begin

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