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The mission of Asbury College, as a Christian Liberal Arts College in the Wesleyan-Holiness tradition, is to equip men and women, through a commitment to academic excellence and spiritual vitality, for a lifetime of learning, leadership and service to the professions, society, the family and the Church, thereby preparing them to engage their cultures and advance the cause of Christ around the world.

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The Cornerstones of Spiritual Vitality

"The one that follows me shall not walk in darkness but will have the light of life."

— John 8:12

For nearly 120 years, Asbury College has been investing in the lives of our students. Faculty and staff are completely devoted to meeting their academic, physical and spiritual needs. We pray and worship together with them as individuals and as a collective body. This is how we mentor, lead and encourage each other in our walks with the Lord.

God's influence at Asbury College is felt in every corner of this beautiful campus. It flows from weekly chapel services in Hughes auditorium into the classrooms and across campus. For instance: Professors across all disciplines weave discussions on Biblical connections into their classes; student leaders hold Bible study in the residence halls, and; our student-athletes use their athletic skills to bring light to some of the world's darkest places through mission trips. Faculty and staff are encouraged to always seek the Lord's guidance within their departments, and our Physical Plant employees begin every day with a staff devotion and prayer.

The "Cornerstones of Spiritual Vitality," a ten-year Quality Enhancement Program, was created by gathering thoughts and opinions from a wide range of faculty, staff and students. The result is a comprehensive set of guidelines the College will use to assess the many spiritual initiatives active on campus.

The entire College will use the Cornerstones to continually examine itself through the program's lenses of scripture, holiness, stewardship and mission. It will expand our thinking about spiritual development and how we seek the Lord's will in what we do institutionally and as individuals.

I am especially excited to see how our students have embraced this project. One of the first things the Lord laid on their hearts is to protect His creation. They are pursuing that call to stewardship by striving to serve as role models who create a better, cleaner, "greener" Asbury College and world. When we think about impacting the world for Christ, this is a wonderful way to manifest His love because all God's creatures benefit. As Asburians and Christians, it's our privilege to live on such a magnificent planet, and our duty to be good stewards of His creation for future generations.

As stakeholders in Asbury College's mission, we encourage you to pray often for our campus, students and employees. The next 10 years at Asbury College promise to be some of the most exciting and dynamic times in our College's history. Your support of our endeavors helps assure that we respond faithfully and enthusiastically to God's call upon Asbury College. ■



Sandra C. Gray

Dr. Sandra C. Gray
President



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Spiritual Vitality

Defining our Spiritual Vitality





Every 10 years, like all accredited educational institutions around the country, Asbury College participates in a process of re-accreditation through the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS). Asbury welcomes this process as an opportunity to receive objective evaluations of our identity, campus and processes. Because SACS examiners are experts drawn from a wide range of respected educational entities, the College receives the benefit of their knowledge and experience.

For this round, SACS raised the bar by asking all schools seeking re-accreditation to establish and implement a Quality Enhancement Program (QEP). Because there are many aspects and views in our college, our accreditation committee sought input from a wide range of groups across Asbury College. Each group (e.g., student committees, academic departments, etc.) submitted opinions and proposals for programs. Ten proposals were chosen and distributed across the campus community for a vote.

The results were interesting and instructive. The Board of Trustees, faculty, staff, administration, alumni board and Parent Advisory Council centered on reaffirming the centrality of Chapel through the development of broad-based goals; student selections showed a desire to develop greater awareness of environmental issues.

The committee considered these selections and distilled them into the Cornerstone Project, which seeks to offer a clearer understanding of Wesleyan Holiness and Spiritual Vitality. The Cornerstone Project's four emphases – Scripture, Holiness, Stewardship and Mission – are not new to the Asbury College community. According to Dr. Edward McKinley, professor of history and QEP chair, the Cornerstones are pre-existing tenets of the College's charter, present since its beginning and part of its fabric.

The formalization of the Cornerstone Project holds the College accountable for the centrality of spirituality



Defining our Spiritual Vitality *Continued*



in our community and provides a benchmark to assess our stewardship of it. "For years, we have claimed to have a transforming effect on the world, and it's true, but the only evidence we had was anecdotal. Now we will have hard data, if you will, year after year measuring what we are doing and the extent to which we're doing it," McKinley said.

Cornerstone Project execution has several phases, the first being the

development of the Cornerstone Council. It will continue to meet far into the future to ensure the program's success. It is charged with centralizing and influencing spiritual life on campus. To ensure consistent, balanced involvement by all groups, its composition is one-third each, faculty, staff and students. The Council's first duties include producing a CD of traditional hymns and contemporary worship songs played in Hughes and creating a book penned largely by the

faculty and administration. A new Worship Arts major housed in the Christian Ministries and Missions Department will also contribute to the Cornerstone initiatives.

This new major aims at shaping skilled leaders and talented performers in contemporary worship styles with emphases on the theology of worship and community celebration within different traditions. By teaching students ways to incorporate new

technologies and media into worship, the program hopes to help the message of the Good News reach an even greater audience. Put another way, the major strives to train Asburians to help people find Christ where they are by speaking to them in ways diverse populations can identify with and accept.

The second phase of the project begins in the fall and includes the development of a broad-based Creation Care program. Creation Care aims to help people understand how our faith and care of the earth are deeply intertwined.

"The response (to the project) has been good," McKinley said. "We're making intentional efforts to acquaint people with it. It's very important to garner support for the Cornerstone Project, and for the community to understand and embrace it. It's important for value, for unity and for the SACS committee."

"I have been here nearly 40 years and I am the most hopeful for the future of Asbury College that I have ever been." ■





Understanding a Wesleyan Education

The Lord is our High Priest, Redeemer and Savior, and our work is His work. His word gives clarity to our daily lives and everything we do should honor Him who is most high. Therefore, the integration of faith and learning within a Wesleyan context is more than chapel, prayer before class, or missions and stewardship programs. It is the very essence of what Christian higher education aspires to: Lifting the spirit and the mind to better serve God and man.

John Wesley believed that our faith should inform our learning, and our studies should help us interpret Scripture. Wesley himself studied Scripture and theology, philosophy, logic, languages, science, medicine and literature. "Wesleyan theology does not separate reason from faith as though intellectual discernment must be relinquished in order for real faith to flourish, for such dichotomies lead inevitably to theological error" (Miller, *Essentials of the Wesleyan Tradition*).

Wesley embodied the integration of faith and a liberal arts education, which is the foundation of a career at Asbury College and the essence of Spiritual Vitality. To further this Wesleyan ideal, a special team of faculty, students and staff will be assembled to create curriculum that focuses on Biblical literacy, holiness and striving to serve God on our campus and in society. The committee will review current curriculum and help develop new ways to further the Asbury mission of Spiritual Vitality.

Wesley also believed that private worship must not replace communal worship. God desires for us to "commune with him and with one another in deeply fulfilling relationships." Our chapel experience is unique because few colleges or universities

convene everyone for anything. We gather three times a week to seek God, His blessing and His plan for our lives. Communal worship, whether in Chapel, the classroom or residence halls, is a pivotal part of the Asbury College experience.

This is demonstrated at Asbury College through a rededicated emphasis on the Chapel experience for students and all Asburians. For instance, upcoming speakers' messages will focus on aspects of the four Cornerstones of scripture, holiness, stewardship and mission.

God created us in His image to experience the full range of emotions, intellectual growth, spiritual maturity, moral quandary and free will. This allows us to appreciate and participate in the fullness and intimacy of relationships with Him and each other. "The Church thus exists and grows as the mutually edifying 'Body' of Christ worshiping, praying, learning, fellowshipping, and ministering in other-oriented love" (Miller).

This "other-oriented love" extends beyond personal relationships and corporate worship. It also guides our desire to serve and fulfill His plan for Earth as His creation. He intended for us to care for this planet – to protect and love it as He loves us. In Genesis 1:26, God created humankind to "rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air, over the livestock, over all the earth, and over all the creatures that move along the ground" (NIV).

The Lord reigns over all, but he gave His children the distinct responsibility of caring for this beautiful "blue marble" and all the living things He created; we are entrusted as stewards of His resources. Asbury College, as a community, is joining

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– Dr. Paul Vincent



together to conserve energy and water, reuse and recycle, and protect the nature that surrounds and feeds us.

Likewise, we must do things that show us to be good stewards of our own lives because He created us, too. We are working to show each other ways to be

frugal with our finances and take care of ourselves so that we can be steadfast in working for Him.

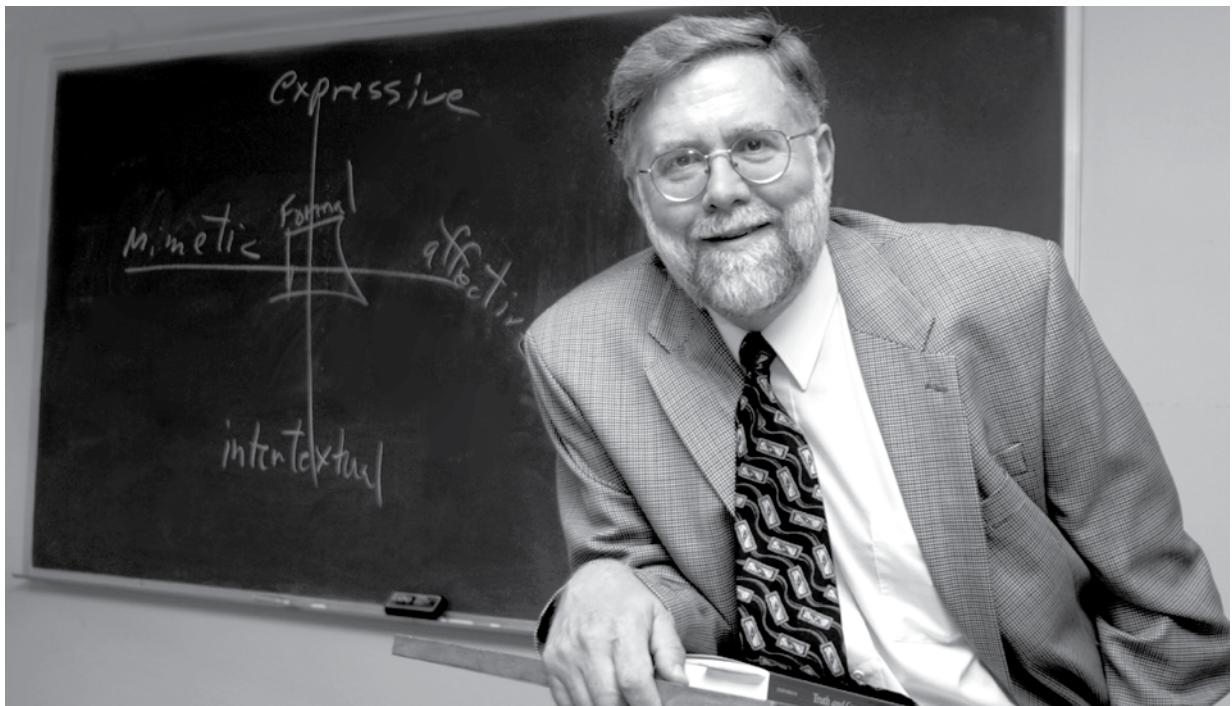
Our students, faculty and staff are charged with designing and implementing new strategies to take care of our campus, our world and

ourselves. A committee assembling this fall will discuss ways to accomplish these things.

The message they will send forth is that caring for His creation is our responsibility as Asburians, Christians and humans.



Understanding a Wesleyan Education *Continued*



Dr. John Paul Vincent is the first recipient of the Gardner Endowed Professorship for the Promotion of Holiness. He co-edited *Cornerstones of Spiritual Vitality*.

The foundation of God's infinite love supports our Cornerstone of Spiritual Vitality. From that stable footing, Asbury College will continue to develop a better, more Scripturally-based and outwardly-focused learning experience for our students. This benefits them, the community and Asburians everywhere.

With our divine Creator steadyng and guiding us, we will continue building upon our history of providing a truly

integrated faith and learning experience in the Wesleyan Holiness Tradition.

From the Faculty

For the Cornerstone Project to be successful, it must reach beyond the walls of Hughes into the classroom and co-curricular lives of students. "This is not a new thing we're trying to do," said Dr. Paul Vincent, Gardner Endowed Professor of Holiness and co-editor for

the Cornerstone book. "Let's talk about the essentials of our Asbury College heritage. If you don't keep it before yourself, you'll lose your way. All sorts of colleges start out Christian and have no spiritual emphasis today."

Dr. Steve Clements, associate professor of political science, is new to the Asbury College faculty this year. Clements '83 has spent most of his teaching career at secular universities. As chair of the

department of business, economics and political science (home of the new political science major), Clements' students study important topics such as American government, political philosophy, comparative politics and international relations. Clements said, "Each of the four cornerstones link political science at Asbury College to the institution's deepest spiritual and intellectual traditions."

Clements feels that the study of politics within a faith-based environment like Asbury College "is more balanced and holistic than in many institutions." The integration of faith and learning helps students understand how their theological background affects their views on political and governmental behaviors, and also asks them to consider how the Christian message can have the greatest impact within various governmental structures around the globe.

Dr. Linda Stratford, chair of the art department, emphasizes the need for a truly integrated faith and learning experience. "My hope is that we avoid a cut and paste mentality," Stratford said. "That's the whole point of integration – no academic and spiritual sphere, no split dichotomy and no subdivision.

If someone just prays before class, we have not accomplished our goal. We want a greater degree of integration with our mission."

Stratford explained that students often do not recognize or appreciate Asbury's spiritual foundation until they leave; Dr. Vincent agreed. "We want Asbury College to have a clearly identifiable distinctive — something you're quick to remember. Remembering Christ as our cornerstone led us into this project. He is the foundation on which everything rests. He is Lord of all." ■

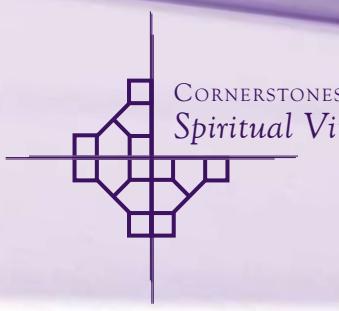
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Worship Arts – A new dimension in ministry

Asbury College's new worship arts major is an opportunity for the Christian Ministries and Missions Department to fully embrace the elements of the Cornerstone Project. This program will prepare students to create messages that speak to diverse audiences using a wide range of media resources. This means that sharing the Gospel can lead to the creation of new or different methods to reach a particular audience; mixing old and the new, the familiar and the contemporary.

The Worship Arts major will equip students for carrying God's message of hope and love forward in the worship context through the creative use of drama, television, music, and visual arts. Worship Arts combines this interdisciplinary approach with foundational classes about the church, ministry and worship. The core of this program is a study of the Church and worship. This includes examination of Scripture and the practices of the Church across time. Everything else is built on this foundation. Through this combined course of study, students will realize a broader spectrum of ways to help people across the world understand and embrace the Story of God's Love.

Dr. Jon Roller, an instructor of music who assisted with the program's development, said, "We must use all possible means of equipping young people to lead others to Jesus Christ, particularly those who do not embrace the mainstream message. We have to speak to people where they are." To do that, the program must acquaint students with the rich resources of the Church across the centuries while preparing them to use today's technologies and drama, music, visual art and media.



Worship Arts is about, leading people to Jesus in a way that builds on their own culture. Experiencing worship in diverse settings shows us that the most significant experiences engage one's own culture and encourages the search for authentic worship. The Worship Arts major makes sense for Asbury College because it builds on our wonderful tradition of sharing the Word of God with people of different cultures.

The connection between music and worship are joined by the rapid rise of other media in church services, like video and computer graphics. To address this, the major works on two levels: It first examines foundational philosophies and theories about music, drama and other performance modes to understand their internal structures. Students will hear questions like, "What worked in the Middle Ages and still works now in a worship setting?" and "How do you draw folks

in with technology, yet not let tech overshadow the message?" The second level of the major gets into specifics such as live production techniques and the practical application of music and Scripture.

"Asbury is an ideal place to have this major," Roller said. "Our Media Communications department is world-class and we have a dedicated, seasoned faculty. There are vibrant churches nearby who engage multiple cultures very well that work with us. Our connection with ICHTHUS is another important avenue that supports this program. We have all the ingredients for an outstanding course of study."

Roller went on to say that, "Asbury is the perfect place to raise up a new generation of leaders for this area of the church's ministry. We will prepare people to guide churches interested in engaging the cultures that are important to them." And with that, Asbury College continues its long tradition of sending people into the world to do God's work wherever He needs us to be." ■





The Future

The Cornerstone Council is responsible for shepherding and maintaining all of the spiritual life on campus including prayer groups, outreach and mission under one umbrella. Rev. Greg Haseloff, campus chaplain, will head the Cornerstone Council beginning in the fall.

The council is looking for additional opportunities for the integration of spirituality within academics, residence life and athletics activities. "Our spiritual vitality is written into our DNA at Asbury College and, because it's written there, it comes out in our classroom and community standards," Haseloff said.

Beyond campus life and the respect students show one another, they also have a deep and abiding respect for the earth as a part of God's blessings. Forrest Hamrick, a junior from Lexington, S.C., feels the work of Arocha Asbury, the College's student Creation Care organization, rests on the four cornerstones.

"We have been given this planet by the Creator to care for and to glorify Him through the Earth," Hamrick said. "The idea is that we manage our time, resources and God-given intelligence to take care of the planet that has been given into our hands. This reflects two ideas found in the beginning of the Scriptures: that Adam was made the steward of the Earth, and that the Earth sings the glories of God. By taking care of the planet we glorify God."

Hamrick said that Creation Care is "mission critical" because some of the greatest environmental catastrophes occur in the most poverty stricken areas of the U.S. and abroad. "The whole point of Arocha is to illuminate the link between many of the social and environmental problems in our country and around the world," Hamrick said.



Today, Arocha Asbury is focused on campus recycling but hopes their outreach will expand to include broader stewardship and community education components in the near future. And, more importantly, many small, committed, groups of leaders meet regularly for prayer. ■



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-Forrest Hamrick



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Build your life upon the rock



Just as a student's GPA is used to measure academic proficiency, the Cornerstone Project represents an opportunity for students to take the pulse of their spiritual health.

The cornerstones of Scripture, Holiness, Stewardship and Mission are the rock foundation upon which a holistic Christian life can grow.

"They are a good way for me to simply define Christian living," Ian Canada '09, student body president and student representative on the Cornerstone Committee, said. "If you can use those four areas and assess how you're doing, you have a good tool to continue growing in your faith in Christ."

In the parable in Matthew, Jesus taught about the importance of a sure footing by comparing the houses of a wise and foolish man. The foolish man built his house on the sand, while the wise man built on the rock.

When the rains came down and the floods came up, the house on the rock stood, while the other fell flat. In His parable, Jesus was using sound construction principles to point toward the basis of a Christian life.

"To me these Cornerstones make sense because the Word of God and my participation in it can begin to have a sanctifying work in me, which makes me more holy," said Dustin Pugel '09, a student representative on the Cornerstone Committee. "From that holiness, you can better understand the world and the things that God has given you, so you can better steward them. When you are a good steward, you will be called to serve in some way. This is your mission."

The Cornerstone Council and Committee hope that

students will follow the admonitions of the Word, emerge from Asbury College with an excellent education and frame their lives on the most solid of rocks – Jesus Christ.

"Ideally, these Cornerstones will support a community lifestyle that moves from campus into the world," said David Brenneman '10, student representative on the Cornerstone Council. "They are meant to transform a person's life from the bottom up. We cannot be fully effective if our foundation is built on something other than scripture, holiness, stewardship and mission."

The program is designed to help students consider their lifestyle's impact on the larger community. For example, the College recently completed a trash audit in order to reduce waste and is investigating new ways to recycle. As students move into the world and take their places as stewards of God's works, learning from Creation Care to value all He has given us becomes even more important.

"We can't effectively make Him known unless we are using what He has given us, whether these are gifts, talent, time or energy resources," senior Sarah McQueen '09 said. "If

we can't learn how to use what He's given us, I don't think we can make Him known."

Plans for Creation Care are already being put in motion. For instance, the College plans to conduct a food waste audit soon. One proposal to reduce cafeteria discards is to get rid of trays. This could limit the amount of food wasted and use less energy for washing and sanitizing.

Another idea is to have students dialogue during Chapel services about topics that relate to the four Cornerstones. Chapel will still include a variety of speakers, but each will be asked to demonstrate how their message builds on one or more of the Cornerstones.

"We consider Chapel as the primary way we influence spiritual vitality," Pugel said. "In this way, when we make sure that Chapel lines up with each of the four Cornerstones, then it makes other aspects of life on campus more cohesive."

While there won't be a flashing sign saying, "Pay attention, we are talking about stewardship today," each Chapel will intentionally focus on these Cornerstones independently or collectively.

"By the time a student leaves Asbury College, the student should be able to view Chapel, the classroom and the rest of campus life through the same lens of the four Cornerstones – scripture, holiness, stewardship and mission," Pugel said.

Based on student response and suggestions, more initiatives stemming from this quadrilateral foundation are forthcoming. "These four (Cornerstones) are important because, without scripture, our lives would be misguided; without mission, others would remain lost; without holiness, Christianity would have no point, and; without stewardship, we would be wasting the gifts God gives us," Brenneman said. ■

– Heidi Heater
Class of 2009

Deeper Spiritual Vitality



Whether you graduated in 1938 or 2008, Asbury College has remained steadfast and solid in our mission and heritage. The Lord is our foundation for all of the College's initiatives—from the athletic field to the mission field. So when the SACS re-accreditation process presented Asbury College with a challenge of enhancing an aspect of the Asbury experience, it seemed obvious that we would use this opportunity to grow our spiritual vitality.

Our faith is something that we Asburians share no matter our graduation year or occupation. When our alumni gather together for reunions or meet by happenstance, they know that they share a bond—the brotherhood and sisterhood in the body of Christ. This linkage with Christ and with one another is far greater and stronger than any other college or university tie can be.

Being an Asburian is as timeless as it is timely. Since 1890, this College has been training, educating and graduating leaders in every field. The composite photos in Hughes are filled with the faces of God's servants whose name may not be well known to

the whole world, but are revered in the places they have gone to do His work. This tradition and mission continues with the Cornerstones of Spiritual Vitality project. Our departments are bursting at the seams with talented, eager young people who are excited to use the gifts they have honed through their education at Asbury College to further His plan domestically and abroad. Therefore, it is evermore important that these students receive an academically excellent and intensely spiritual education. We can't have one without the other.

This experience is made possible by all of our faithful alumni and friends who continue to pray for and support our young people. The Lord has been good to Asbury College and we are so grateful for His blessings. May the Lord bless you and your family, and please continue to keep Asbury College and our students in your prayers as we continue to pursue this exciting and pivotal chapter in Asbury College's history.

—R. Gregory Swanson, JD '78
Vice president for institutional advancement and general counsel

Asbury College announces no tuition increase for 2009-10

Following a careful and prayerful evaluation of the current financial climate, the Board of Trustees at Asbury College has approved the administration's recommendation to hold tuition, room and board charges constant for the next academic year. Therefore, tuition and fees will remain: tuition, \$22,242 (12-18 credit hours; rooms, \$3,206, and; board (20-meal plan), \$2,208, for a total of \$27,827.

Access and affordability are key concerns in these days of economic uncertainty, and Asbury College believes this action will assist both current and prospective students to have the Asbury College experience of Academic Excellence and Spiritual Vitality.

Asbury College welcomes new trustees

The College welcomed two new Board of Trustees members at the fall meeting: Mr. Rich M. Wright, senior director for internal audit at Yum! Brands; and Mr. Mark H. Whitworth, associate commissioner for external affairs for the SEC.

Wright graduated from Asbury College in 1989 and began his career as the College's director of career planning and placement. He then moved to positions in real estate and banking before going to work for Yum! Brands in 2000. Today, Wright is the senior director for internal audit at Yum! Brands, the parent company of Taco Bell, Pizza Hut, KFC, Long John Silvers and A&W. He earned his M.B.A. from the University of Kentucky. Wright and his wife, Lori Lauter '87 Wright, have two children, Nathan, 18, and Benjamin, 14. Wright is the son-in-law of long-time Asbury College professor **Dr. Roy Lauter '64** and **Sue Bowyer '71 Lauter**.

Mark H. Whitworth's legacy with Asbury College includes his parents **Albin '60** (longtime Asbury College professor) and **Kathryn Rieke '60 Whitworth**, his wife **Tyanne James '84 Whitworth**, brother **Kent '84** and his wife, **Sarah Hunt '83 Whitworth**. Mark received his degree from the College in 1984. Since 1988, Mark has served on the staff of the Southeastern Conference (SEC) in Birmingham, where he is the associate commissioner for external affairs. His primary responsibilities include working closely with the league's multimedia rights agreements, branding and sponsorship initiatives, and serving as liaison to the SEC football, men's basketball and men's golf coaches. He holds his M.S. from the University of Tennessee, Knoxville. He and Tyanne have two children, Tyler, 16, and Mary Kathryn, 13.

College hosts economic forum, Leading through Economic Crises



Asbury College President Dr. Sandra C. Gray and the Department of Business, Economics, and Political Science hosted an economic forum, "Leading through Economic Crises" on Thursday, April 2. This event was designed to help members of the Asbury College and broader community think coherently about the present and future. Guest speakers included Mark Bunning, former VP of Exstream Software; Doug Dean, CPA, founding partner of Dean, Dorton and Ford; Scott Rasmussen, President of Rasmussen Reports; Linda Rumpke, President of JP Morgan Chase Bank, Lexington; and Rich Wright '89, Sr., Director of Internal Audit, YUM! Brands, Inc.

Center for Career and Calling hosts local forums

The Asbury College Center for Career and Calling, in collaboration with the Jessamine County Chamber of Commerce and the Jessamine County Public Library, created a three-part Economic Survival Series for residents of the Jessamine County community. Born from a desire Dr. Sandra Gray expressed at the 2009 Jessamine County Chamber Breakfast to reach out to the community in tangible ways, the Economic Survival Series was designed to help hone the skills of Jessamine County residents on resume writing, interviewing and financial strategies to help residents in our local community weather these tough economic times.

INSTITUTIONAL



Asbury College and ICHTHUS to award \$200K in scholarships

In Celebration of the 40th Anniversary of ICHTHUS and the long-standing relationship between ICHTHUS and Asbury College, Asbury College is awarding \$200,000 in scholarships during the 2009 ICHTHUS Festival, June 10-13 in Wilmore.

Fifty \$4,000 Scholarships will be awarded both directly to students through an online drawing and through certificates given to youth pastors during the festival. Asbury College sees this as an opportunity to support ICHTHUS and to aid students who may be interested in attending Asbury College. Youth pastors often encourage students to consider a Christian higher education and we want to support those efforts by empowering them to be a part of that decision. For more information, visit ichthusfestival.org.



Dr. Sandra Gray received the "President's Award" from the Jessamine County Chamber of Commerce at the annual awards banquet. Cyrus Hutcherson '96, president of the Chamber of Commerce and vice president of the Orchard Branch of National City Bank, presented the award to Dr. Gray for her contributions to the Jessamine County community. Since Dr. Gray began her presidency in 2007, she has been heavily involved in the community and has made tremendous strides toward making Asbury College more visible in the Jessamine County area and beyond.



College struck by ice storm

The ice storm that left more than 700,000 customers without power in Kentucky also affected Asbury College. More than 130 students in the Aldersgate complex and off campus housing were without power Wednesday through Saturday (Jan. 28-31). Students living in other campus residence halls, and faculty, staff and local Asbury families opened their homes to displaced students. "I have to say I'm personally very proud of the staff, students, faculty of this place we call Asbury. Everyone was so patient and helpful. What a great testimony during Holiness Conference week," said Mark Troyer, vice president for student development.

Gray named to CCCU board of directors

The Council for Christian Colleges & Universities named Asbury College president Dr. Sandra Gray to the CCCU Board of Directors during the Annual Business Meeting Jan. 29-31.

Asbury College adds new majors, fall 2009



Asbury College approved the addition of worship arts and political science majors beginning fall 2009. The worship arts major has foundations in Christian ministry, including theological understandings of church and worship, but the interdisciplinary character of the major also draws on courses from theatre, visual arts, music and drama. The political science major is housed in the business, economics and political science department. The program will focus on the ongoing American experiment in republican, constitutional government; great political thinkers of the western tradition; and other forms of government, international affairs and political economy.

ACADEMICS

Senior wins KMEA award

Matthew Riddle, a senior double major in music (composition emphasis) and biochemistry, has been named the winner of the Kentucky Music Educators Associations' KMEA Collegiate Composition Competition.

Student newspaper racks up awards



On February 27, Asbury's student newspaper, The Collegian, won several awards, including 19 first place awards, at the annual Kentucky Intercollegiate Press Association awards for 2008.

Students win Kentucky Academy of Sciences awards
 Christie Otto placed first in Ecology and Environmental Science; Matt Riddle placed first in Cellular and Molecular Biology; Wanda Eberhard received second place for her presentation in Physiology and Biochemistry; and Micah Buckel placed third in the Health Sciences division. Other participating students include Nathan Defreitas (Chemistry), Cory Butler (Physiology and Biochemistry), Aaron Baker (Health Sciences), Emily Rehner (Ecology and Environmental Science) and Josh Lester (Cellular and Molecular Biology).

Music major wins piano competition

Sophomore music major Chan-Mi Jean was selected as the Music Teachers National Association (MTNA) Young Artist Piano Competition State

Winner. Jean performed Beethoven Sonata Op.81a, Schumann Symphony Etuden op.13, and a Chinese piece called "In Honor of a Beautiful Bird." She advanced to the second round of the Southern Division of MTNA and perform an extended program at Virginia State University. She competed with students from Virginia, Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Florida and Mississippi.

Asbury Professors speak at Ocean City Youth Explosion

It was standing room only when Asbury College Professors Greg Bandy and Devin Brown spoke at the annual Peninsula-Delaware UMC Youth Rally Jan. 10, 2009, in Ocean City, Maryland. The Asbury professors' presentation included Dr. Brown's dynamic presentation on "The Spiritual Lessons from The Chronicles of Narnia," and "The Storyteller." Asbury media communications students created these documentaries, which tell the stories of how C. S. Lewis wrote "The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe" and "Prince Caspian." Prof. Bandy introduced the documentaries in the context of Lewis' important influence on developing a Christian worldview for today, as well as the emphasis on understanding true vocation as seen in Lewis' life.

Class experiences Washington first-hand

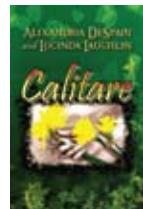
Students enrolled in the Washington Federal Seminar class taught by Prof. Peter Kerr and Dr. Steve Clements spent several days in the D.C. area. They attended the Christian Student Leadership Conference hosted by the National Association of Evangelicals, met with area alumni, and toured Washington's museums and monuments.



Music department performs annual opera

The Asbury College Opera Workshop presented its production of the 2000 opera, "Too Many Sopranos" by composer Edwin Penhorwood of the Indiana University Jacobs School of Music, Jan. 22-24. The annual opera is made possible through the generous gift of The Pauls Foundation in Chicago. Vice President of The Pauls Foundation, David Valkema '88, attended the opening night of the production.

Freshmen authors publish first novel



For the second time in less than a year, Asbury College students' are published authors. Freshmen Ali DeSpain and Lucinda Laughlin of Henderson, Ky., began writing short stories together their junior year of high school. Their Christian fantasy novel Calitare hit bookstore shelves in January.

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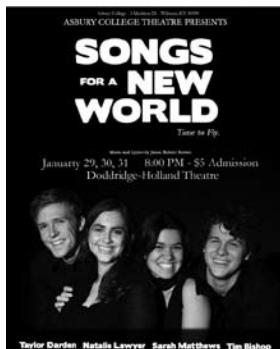
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Theatre students land roles in Lexington shows

Asbury College theatre students had special acting opportunities this semester. Senior Eric Henninger performed the role of Pa Joad in "Grapes of Wrath," a University of Kentucky production, and junior Taylor Darden, senior Sarah Matthews and freshman Gex Williams have won roles in Actor's Guild of Lexington production of "The Waiting Room."



Student-directed play

"Songs for a New World"

The Asbury College theatre and cinema performance program presents, "Songs for a New World," Jan. 29-31. First-time director junior Taylor Darden directed the play of his peers as part of a directed study course. The show featured sophomore Tim Bishop, junior Natalie Lawyer, Darden and senior Sarah Matthews.

Students help with PBS production

Last fall several Asbury College students and their professor, Doug

Smart, got a unique opportunity to tape and produce the PBS broadcast of the live play, "Walden: The Ballad of Thoreau" in high-definition. This was done in conjunction with Michael Johnathon, the founding force behind "WoodSongs Old Time Radio Hour."



Asbury College students film live Sit-Com

Asbury College Theatre and Cinema Performance program presented a sitcom "Friends Like You" to a live audience March 6-7.

Welcoming new directors of cross cultural studies, Kinlaw Library, marketing

Asbury College welcomes Dr. Kathryn Hendershot as director of cross cultural studies, Mr. Morgan Tracy as director of Kinlaw Library and Mr. Frank Goad, as director of marketing and communication.

Dr. Hendershot graduated from Asbury College in 1980 and subsequently earned an M.A. in counseling from Liberty University and an M.A. in theology from Houston Graduate School of Theology. In addition, she holds the D.Miss. from Asbury Theological Seminary. Dr. Hendershot will be the point person on continuing to develop and implement policies, procedures, and protocols for internal and external individuals and groups planning cross cultural experiences designed to meet the institution's mandatory cross cultural experience.

Mr. Tracy graduated from Mount Mercy College in 1993. He has earned his M.S.L.S. from Clarion University and an M.L.S. from Fort Hays State University. Mr. Tracy comes to Asbury from the Kentucky Department of Libraries and Archives in Frankfort, Ky., where he was the circulation and audiovisual librarian. He was responsible for managing the circulation of print and audiovisual materials to state employees, public libraries, and other patrons.



Mr. Goad will initiate steps to implement an integrated marketing plan for the College. His background includes television production, launching several regional magazines, editorial writing, corporate training and graphic design. His marketing experience includes work for companies such as Lexmark, AT&T and regional firms.



Student puts action behind stewardship

The Family and Consumer Sciences for Jessamine County recently adopted a kindergarten class in Ghana, Africa. In order to gain a better understanding of Ghanaian culture, they asked freshman Anna Mozley, a child of missionaries for 10 years in Ghana, to speak Feb. 23. Mozley shared about her time and experiences in Ghana in order to help others reach out.

ATHLETICS

For more information on athletics, visit asbury.edu/athletics.



Men's basketball

The Asbury College men's basketball team was crowned the NCCAA Mid-East Champion. The Eagles were declared champions after defeating and finishing higher than fellow Mid-East Region team Oakland City at the NCCAA National Tournament. The Eagles defeated the Mighty Oaks 103-99 on March 21. After the game, Asbury Coach **Will Shouse** was named NCCAA Mid-East Region Coach of the Year. In his first season as coach of his alma mater, Shouse complied a 21-13 record and the team's best finish (5th) at the NCCAA Tournament. Shouse also led the team to a 5-6 record in the KIAC and to the semi-finals of the KIAC Tournament. Before the season began Coach Shouse took his team to the North Point Training Center in Burgin, Kentucky, to scrimmage and share their testimony with the inmates.



Women's basketball

Senior **Anna Stephenson** (Covington, Ky.), freshmen **Courtney Albin** (Hartford, Ky.), and freshmen **Ellen Gray** (Owensboro, Ky.) were named to the Kentucky Intercollegiate Athletic Conference 2008-2009 All-Conference team for women's basketball.



Swimmers Take Conference Title

Asbury College swimmers made it a clean sweep of the Appalachian Conference Meet at Marshall University, with the women winning by an astounding 196.5 points over second place Notre Dame College and the men winning by a 45 point margin over Mars Hill College. Asbury won the combined results as well as scoring 1,443.5 points with Mars Hill finishing second with 1,094 points.

Softball

The softball team began their inaugural season 6-6, bouncing back with a win against Brescia College after a fire in their equipment van destroyed gloves, uniforms and other equipment on the return trip from two victories at Concord University in Athens, W. Va. No one was injured in the blaze. The team comprised of all freshmen and one junior exhibited true team spirit as they banded together to finish the season in spite of adversity.

Baseball

In their second season, the baseball team was off to a strong start with wins against No. 7 Union College and the University of the Cumberlands. At press time, Junior Zach Monroe has broken a school record this season with nine homeruns. Sophomore pitcher Greg Bowling has the best ERA in the conference at 1.59 and third in the country with only 4.76 hits allowed per 9 innings and sixth in opponents batting average at .160.

FACULTY

Asbury Professor presents to C. S. Lewis Conference

Dr. Devin Brown was keynote speaker at the 12th Annual Conference of the C.S. Lewis and the Inklings Society held March 26-28 at Calvin College. Dr. Brown spoke at the opening session about Lewis's position on race and gender in *The Chronicles of Narnia*.

Math professor hosts origami exhibit at the University of Kentucky



Dr. Duk Lee, associate professor of mathematics at Asbury College, had his origami exhibit on display at three University of

Kentucky libraries. Lee's exhibit, "Origami: The Art of Science and Mathematics," featured more than 50 origami works including geometric forms, animal, insect and plant figures. The exhibit ran March 30 through May 1 at the W.T. Young Library, the Fine Arts Library and the Science Library on the University of Kentucky campus.

Psychology professors study the development of forgiving among Asbury students

Dr. Steve Stratton '82 (ATS), Dr. Janet Dean, Dr. Art Nonneman, **Rachel Bode** '06 and Dr. Everett Worthington (Virginia Commonwealth University) joined forces to study the learning of forgiveness among Asbury students. The title of their article was, "Forgiveness Interventions as Spiritual Development Strategies: Comparing Forgiveness Workshop Training, Expressive Writing about Forgiveness, and Retested Controls." The article recently appeared in *Journal of Psychology and Christianity*, Winter 2008.

Prof. David Wheeler '99 published an article with photos in the Dec. 17 edition of the Lexington Herald-Leader. The article, "Storytellers know Kentucky is full of characters, plots," profiled the Kentucky Storytelling Association, a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting the art of storytelling in Kentucky.

Prof. Margaret Park Smith had work included in Clay and Context: National Juried Exhibition at Indiana State University, Terra Haute, Ind., Jan. 15-Feb. 6.

Dr. Ron Holz and **Dr. Bea Holz** hosted the first North American Music Leaders' Forum at Asbury, Jan. 15-18. Thirty outstanding church music leaders, six from each of the five North American territories of The Salvation Army, attended the intensive time of musical, intellectual, and above all, spiritual renewal.

Matthew Riddle, a senior composition student of **Dr. Ron Holz**, had his a cappella choral work "Sanctus – Agnus dei" premiered by the Asbury Chorale (**Vicki Bell**, director) at the Kentucky Music Educators' Conference at the Louisville Center for the Arts, Feb. 5.

Riddle won the Kentucky Intercollegiate Composition Contest, open to all undergraduate composers in the state of Kentucky. He is the third Asbury student to win the award in the last four years.

Dr. Linda Stratford published her article online, "Journeying to the Christ Child, the Portinari Altarpiece" December-January 2008/09 The Well, Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship's online journal for graduate and professional women. The article is based on her presentation at Inter-Varsity's "Following Christ 2008" conference, Dec 27-31, in Chicago.

On February 20, **Dr. Brown** traveled to Opelika, Ala., to speak to students at Trinity Christian School. **Anna Ballard '04**, who was an English major at Asbury and one of Brown's advisees, is now an English teacher at Trinity and coordinated his visit.

Dr. Bruce Branan's collaborative research project on the caffeine content of tea with senior Micah Buckel was featured in the January issue of Fresh Cup magazine.

Dr. Ed McKinley was invited to speak at the Commencement at Greenville College in May. His title is "You Must Remember This."

Dr. Marcia Hurlow has been asked to teach a week-long class in poetry writing for middle schoolers this summer at the Lexington Carnegie Center for Learning and Literacy as part of the Camp Carnegie program.

2009 Highbridge Film Festival



The fifth annual Highbridge Film festival was April 25 in Hughes Auditorium and has become one of the largest annual campus events, with more than 1,400 attending in each of the last several years. This year's Hollywood judges included Micheal Flaherty, the co-founder of Walden Media; Brian Godawa, screenwriter for the award-winning feature film, To "End All Wars"; Michael Corwin, president of Highway Media, Inc.; Beverly Holloway, a Los Angeles-based casting director; Jason Epperson, 1st runner-up in "On the Lot," a Steven Spielberg venture to find the newest and most talented young director; and Dennis Babcock, president of PalmTree Productions, Inc. and executive producer of "Triple Espresso."

Top winner for the evening was **Ben Rogers '10** and his film, "Downfall," a drama about a police detective struggling to testify against a dirty cop, which won Best Drama, Best Cinematography, Best Editing and Best Audio and the coveted Audience Favorite award. Other honors included Best Comedy: "The Love Doctor" by **Eric Henninger '09**, Best Super Short: "From America With Love" by **Lenka Kolarikova '09**, Best Screenplay: "Knot Yet" by **Kendra White '09** and **Audra Buckel '11**, Best Special Effects: "One Night Out" by **Zach Meiners '12** and Screenwriting Winner: "Condition of the Heart" by **Leiza Palpant '11**.

CLASS NOTES

1940

Martha Evans '48 Sparks lives at 178 Wesley Drive, Wilmore, KY 40390. E-mail: msparks1@windstream.net

1950

Lowell Williamson '55 is acting principal for two seminary training centers in China. He and his wife **Naomi Bletcher '56 Williamson** are field directors for China through OMS International.

1960

Arthur Lindsay '60 published a book, *Influence: a History of the Nebraska Fellowship of Christian Athletes*.

Bonnie Hayes '64 Lashbrook retired after 43 years of public high school teaching and counseling. She teaches part-time in the graduate program at Asbury College and supervises undergraduate student teachers and first year teachers working on their master's degrees. **Paul Lashbrook '62** expects to take the Kentucky Bar and resume his law practice in the near future. The Lashbrooks live at 101 Pacer Road in Wilmore.

James Curnow '66's composition, *Terra Beata*, was performed by the US Marine Brass Choir at Washington, D.C.'s National Cathedral Inauguration Prayer Service on Jan. 21.

James R. Sunderland Jr. '68 has been appointed community spiritual director of Keystone Emmaus and Chrysalis of Central Pennsylvania for 2009. He is currently serving Trinity United Methodist Church in New Freedom, PA.

Dr. Steven L. Rumford '69 has been re-elected chairperson of the National Board of Governance of the United Methodist Association of Health and Welfare Ministries (UMA).

1970

Don Adams '71 published *With Hands Outstretched*, (Bristol House Publishing) a spiritual life study of Philippians.

Guy LaJeunesse '75 is manager of marketing and communications for May Festival at the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra.

Sue Bell '76 Cobb was elected Alabama's 1st female Chief Justice of the Supreme Court in

2006 and is now beginning 3rd year in office.

Terry Ligon '76 is working for the International Student Ministries, a Christian ministry at the University of Tulsa.

1980

Sherry Davidson '80 formerly Sherry Miller is a Title I teacher at Beaverton Primary School in Beaverton Michigan. Her new address is P.O. Box 322 Beaverton, MI 48612.

Rob '81 and Betty Donaldson '81 Aukerman are pleased to announce the adoption of their 10th child. Alayna Joy Alejandra was born May 23, 2007 in Guatemala and was adopted Jan. 8, 2008. Rob is currently an executive director for Elanco, the Animal Health Div. of Eli Lilly and Co. They live in Shelbyville, IN.

Suzanne Wright '86 Freeman, Ph.D. was named the 2009 Superintendent of the Year for the State of Alabama.

Amy Henkle '87 has now become the women's program director for a residential drug and alcohol treatment center in Ohio. E-mail: AHenkle@cinci.rr.com.

Heather Hoag '88 married Tom Weed on April 12, 2008. They reside at 37433 Freedom Ave., N. Ridgeville, OH 44039.

Larry '88 and Valerie Carpenter '90 Stice announce the birth of Jeremy Loren on Jan. 18, 2009. Larry works as a software engineer at SAIC in southwest Indiana.

Jay '89 and Lillian Gage '89 Stinson now live in Shallowater, TX, and are both employed by Hospitality Services department of Texas Tech University. E-mails: jay.stinson@ttu.edu and michele.stinson@ttu.edu.

1990

Christina Haupt '93 married Russell Pearson on Aug. 25, 2007. They announce the arrival of Jonathan Norman on Nov. 17, 2008. Christina is a case manager and life skills instructor at a Christian ministry to homeless men. E-mail: cissa@ptd.net

Wm. Bruce and Christina S. Melton '93 Hansen welcomed Wm. Thomas Nicholas Hansen on Oct. 13, 2008.

Brent '94 and Beth Ann Hairell '94 Dillion announce the birth of Lane Hairell on Jan. 2, 2009. He was welcomed home by sister, Anna Kline, 4.

Chris and Jennifer Whitehead '95 Denison announce the birth of Maddox Joseph Denison on Oct. 8, 2008.

Brian '95 and Jenna Young '95 Gudalis announce the birth of a son, Bennett Robert, Dec. 25, 2008. The baby joins Lauren, Cade and Cooper.

Jeffery and Melissa Hargenrader '96 Singleton announce the birth of Spence Jeffery on Feb. 8, 2005.

Jason '96 and Melissa Fogal '97 Dickerson and their children, Hannah, 7, and Rebekah, 5, have moved to the South Georgia Conference of the United Methodist Church. He currently serves as pastor of Antioch UMC in Adel, GA. E-mail: JMDickerson@windstream.net.

David '97 and Kellie Tucker '99 McAdams are now living in Lancaster County, PA. David is associate pastor at Refton Brethren in Christ Church. Kellie is a stay-at-home mom with Graceanne Elizabeth born Nov. 24, 2007. She joins big sisters, Ava and Kalyssa. Their address is 361 Buck Rd. Quarryville, PA.

Mark '97 and Tanya Kragh '96 Damon announce the arrival of Sara Grace on July 4, 2008.

Nate '97 and Angie Riffard '97 Maust announce the arrival of their third child, Crew Nathan on April 4, 2008.

Benjamin '98 and Rachel Parker welcomed Alizah Moriyah on Aug. 15, 2008.

Michael and Margaret Brown '98 Weyler announce the birth of their first long-prayed for child, Michael David, born Aug. 13, 2008. They live in Houston, TX. Blog address is mweyler.blogspot.com.

Stephen '98 and Megan McCoy Brown announce the birth of their second child, Ella Grace, on Aug. 24, 2007 in Georgetown, KY. She is proudly welcomed by her big brother, Elijah Greysen.

Brian and Jennifer Olm '99 Peat announce the birth of Isabella Grace on Nov. 23, 2008. Jennifer's email is jennifer@thepeatgroup.com.

Joseph '99 and Jessica Fulkerson '00 Schroen welcomed Samuel Braden on June 3, 2008.

Nathan and Sarah Miller '99 Johnson welcomed their third child, Evelyn Kate, on July 28, 2008.

Nathan and **Janna Henderson '99 Coates** announce the birth of Levi Michael on July 11, 2008.

William Sterrett '99 received a \$25,000 Milken Educator National Award on Oct. 30, 2008. Sterrett serves as a public elementary school principal in Charlottesville, VA.

2000

Chris and **Jenny Moore '00 Meadows** announce the birth of Ethan Douglas on December 2, 2008.

Joseph and **Erika Houston '01 Lindsey** announce the birth of Caleb Joseph on Nov. 6, 2008.

Josh and **Katie Rubach '01 Gardner** announce the birth of Jacob Douglas on Sept. 17, 2008.

Melissa Miller '01 Tyler announces the birth of Chandler Brycen born Jan. 2, 2009.

Scott and **Jennifer Fielder '01 Larimore** announce the birth of Anna Katherine on March 6, 2008. They live in Atlanta where Jennifer is a post-doctoral fellow in the School of Medicine's Department of Cell Biology doing research on how the brain transports proteins.

Tom '01 and Sarah **Braun** announce the birth of Joel Daniel on Nov. 1, 2008.

Matt and **Karen Moose '01 Cochrane** announce the birth of Rebekah Lynn on Feb. 12, 2009. They have also moved to 970 SW 50 Ave. Plantation, FL 33317.

Tom Hoffman '01 works for Camp China (www.campchina.org) recruiting college students to go to Asia to teach English. E-mail: smileylittleman@hotmail.com

Andrew '99 and **Rachel Snow '01 Dvorak** announce the birth of Hannah Segolene on Dec. 3, 2007.

D.W. '02 and **Corrie Catlet '01 Merricks** announce the birth of Ezra Miles on Jan. 26, 2009.

Josh '02 and **Elizabeth Erwin '03 Bizzell** announce the birth of Claire Elizabeth on Oct. 3, 2007. Elizabeth is a licensed marriage and family therapist.

Kelly and **Michelle Sherrill '02 vanDellen** were married September 2007. They live at 105 Westchester Drive, C-2, Athens, GA. Michelle received her Ph.D. in social psychology from Duke University in May 2008.

Matt Swaim '02 is producing the Son Rise Morning Show on the EWTN Global Catholic Radio Network from 7-8:00 AM Eastern at all 125 affiliate stations, as well as on Sirius/XM Satellite radio.

Erin Ward '02 is the assistant director of annual programs in the office of development at Asbury College.

Rose Odom '03 married Derek Taylor on June 7, 2008. They are living in Seguin, TX. Rose is working as a recreation coordinator for the City of San Antonio Parks and Recreation.

Matt Holmes '03 and Leli Thomas were married Dec. 28, 2008 at Hilton Head, SC. They live in Colorado Springs, CO.

Anne Sabatino '03 married Jacob Hardy on Dec. 27, 2008. The couple will live abroad in Morocco and Oman.

Elizabeth Winterkorn '04 married Philip Cook on Oct. 18, 2008 at Caldwell Chapel in Louisville, KY.

Jason '04 and Karla Aukerman are pleased to announce the birth of Brynne Reece born Aug. 23, 2008. She is the granddaughter of **Rob '81** and **Betty Donaldson '81 Aukerman**. Jason is currently a web marketing manager for Olivet Nazarene University.

Justus and Ellen Cummins Hunter '04 announce the birth of Justus Hamilton II on March 16, 2008.

Jonathan '04 and **Catherine Smith '05 Fitzgerald** were commissioned as Lieutenants in the Salvation Army to Bloomington, Indiana in June 2008. They also welcomed their first child, Emily Erika Fitzgerald, on Jan. 15, 2009.

Brian Sprinkle '04 and **Megan Reed '06** were married on March 27th, 2009 in Lexington, KY. Megan is the daughter of **Jim and Beth Luce '80 Reed**.

Rachael Schultz '04 Dadabo and husband, Nick, announce the birth of their daughter, Geneva Arline, on Feb. 3, 2009.

Andrea Thiemkey '05 accepted a position at Milton Hershey School (<http://www.mhs-pa.org/>) as a transitional living assistant.

Tara Ware '05 married Terry Miller on June 30, 2007 and announce the birth of Landen Miller on May 3, 2008.

Corey '05 and **Natalie Edwards '05 Robertson** have moved to 406 Brentwood Pt., Brentwood, TN 37027. Corey took a job with the web development team at Lampo Group, the Dave Ramsey show, in January 2009.

Angela Armstrong '06 married Jason Devine in October 2008.



Devin Jones '06 and **Jessica Cavanaugh '06** were married on Oct. 11, 2008. Devin is the son of the Rev. Rex Jones '73 and Mrs. Luanne Crews Jones '73. Jessica is the granddaughter of the Rev. Robert D. Wood '52 and Mrs. Mary (Gene) Garrison Wood '52; as well as, the daughter of Joe and Melanie Wood '76 Cavanaugh. The couple currently resides in Indianapolis, Indiana where Devin is a teacher and Jessica is an accountant. E-mail at jessica_a_cavanaugh@yahoo.com.

Benjamin Lewis '07 accepted a position as an adjunct instructor of Latin on the pontifical faculty of the Immaculate Conception at the Dominican House of Studies, a graduate school of theology in Washington, D.C.

Matt and Jodi Neely DeLong '07 announce the birth of Lucas Neely on July 13, 2008.

Will Adams '08 is a video producer at Frazer Memorial UMC in Montgomery, AL.

Will Sears '08 is director of communications for Blessed Earth, working with Dr. Matthew Sleeth. E-mail: w@willsears.com. Web site: blessed-earth.org.

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IN MEMORIAM

Alumni

Lucille V. Strouse '29 Oliver, educator, Jan. 12, 2009, Columbus, OH

Margaret White '30 Stockinger, educator, Jan. 16, 2009, New Castle, IN

Dorothy D. Akers '31 Barton, artist, Nov. 18, 2008, Vero Beach, FL

Olive Jane Davis '35, Dec. 20, 2008, Evansville, IN

B. Cotter Vaughn '35, metallurgist, Nov. 30, 2008, Indianapolis, IN

Wilbur B. Meiser '36, minister, Dec. 8, 2008, Sebring, OH

Kathleen Patterson '38 Amstutz, educator, Aug. 20, 2008, Ft. Myers, FL

George W. Connard '39, minister, Oct. 26, 2008, Newton, PA

William Savage '39, retired ATS administrator, Oct. 15, 2008, Wilmore, KY

Helen M. Lauman '41 Schaal, Dec. 16, 2008, Moorestown, NJ

William C. Treakle '42, retail worker, July 13, 2008, Street, MD

Joseph A. Scharer '43, minister, Oct. 12, 2008, Coral Springs, FL

Marion W. Coates '45 Cocker, social worker, Sept. 26, 2008, Tampa, FL

Comer Y. Ingram '45, educator, April 20, 2008, Indianapolis, IN

Wilda Hart '47 Ingram, Feb. 27, 2006, Indianapolis, IN

Lucille Wolford '47 Wilson, Aug. 29, 2008, Lancaster, OH

Josephine L. Wampler '48 Thomas, manufacturing inspector, Aug. 30, 2008, Kokomo, IN

Doris E. Hess '49, missionary, Jan. 13, 2009, Asheville, NC

Willie L. Milner '49, minister, Dec. 12, 2008, Irving, TX

Paul O. Bruce '50, educator, May 8, 2008, Douglasville, GA

Isaac A. Patton '50, minister, Sept. 17, 2008, Monroe, LA

Neva Bramlet Simms-Adams '50, tourism, Nov. 22, 2008, Belleville, IL

Joan Jones '50 Staton, banker, Sept. 5, 2008, Lexington, KY

Thomas E. Tillett '50, minister, July 19, 2008, Murfreesboro, TN

Ray Harrison '51, minister, Feb. 2, 2009, Lakeland, FL

Beverly R. Sund '52 Bird, teacher, June 4, 2008, Costa Mesa, CA

Edwin H. Grant '52, minister, Jan. 22, 2009, Fountain Hills, AZ

Judge Watson '52, minister, Oct. 30, 2008, Ocala, FL

David F. Frazer '54, minister, Dec. 21, 2009, Milford, MI

John W. Wallace '55, social work professor, Jan. 25, 2009, Upland, IN

John W. Conley '56, former president Circleville Bible College, July 25, 2008, Circleville, OH

Donald L. Hartman '58, minister, Dec. 17, 2008, Chehalis, WA

Geraldine Long Schriefer '58, librarian, Sept. 1, 2008, Urbana, IL

James A. Hord '59, minister, May 3, 2008, Union, SC

Thomas E. Thompson '59, Nov. 7, 2008, Livonia, MI

David S. Blackburn '60, music educator, Sept. 28, 2008, Natchez, MS

Ruth S. Smith '60 Boggs, bookkeeper, Aug. 26, 2008, Pine Mountain, KY

Myrna Joy Franklin '62 Van Horn, June 1, 2008, Morning View, KY

Michael C. Tickner '64, Jan. 20, 2009, Hillsboro, OR

J. Howard Olds '66, minister, July 23, 2008, Columbia, KY

Brenda N. Pryor '71 Williams, nurse, Oct. 22, 2008, Painesville, OH

Mark A. Hulley '84, teacher, Aug. 21, 2008, Channelview, TX

Donna D. Nelson '03, TV production, Jan. 8, 2009, Maumee, OH

Friends

Robert Anstett, Oct. 17, 2008, Wilmore, KY

Danny Corman, Dec. 23, 2008, Nicholasville, KY

Jesse T. Crowder, Oct. 3, 2008, Mt. Dora, FL

Mildred M. Cuckler, Feb. 5, 2007, Cape Canaveral, FL

Frances Hoftiezer, March 28, 2008, Rothschild, WI

Alvin R. May, Nov. 12, 2008, Nicholasville, KY

Ralph Sallee, Jan. 23, 2009, Lancaster, KY

Thomas M. Stein, Dec. 21, 2008, Olney, IL

Willa Mae Umphries, Sept. 10, 2008, West Terre Haute, IN

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2009

May 21-June 1

Music Dept. Cathedrals of Europe Tour

June 10-13

Ichthus (www.ichthusfestival.org)

June 25-28

Reunion with Men's Glee Club and Communication Arts Alumni

Registration online at www.asburycommunity.org or by calling the alumni office 859-858-3511x2167.

June 26

Groundbreaking: Communication Arts Center

July 4

Asbury Day at Taylor County Camp Meeting: Georgia

July 11

Asbury Day at Indian Springs Camp Meeting: Georgia

July 19

Asbury Day at Eaton Rapids Camp Meeting: Michigan

July 24

Asbury Day at Hollow Rock Camp Meeting: Ohio

July 30

Asbury Day at Beulah Camp Meeting: Illinois

August 20-21

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