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The President's Perspective



Dr. Keith H. Ray, President

“Maintaining the Trajectory... an Adventure in Excellence” was announced as the 2001-2002 theme at the annual faculty and staff retreat. Over the last three years, God has given the College and Seminary unprecedented momentum. He has put us on a trajectory of growth, fiscal stability, and preparedness for our vision. I could go on tirelessly about God’s miraculous provision and the steady and positive support of churches, alumni, and friends. But an often-overlooked truth is the community of faculty, staff, and administrators that embody servant leadership. That servant-leadership from over 100 employees has given us this trajectory and serves as the key to ongoing excellence.

The excellence movement goes back to the 1980’s and was summarily defined as “the extraordinary effort of seemingly ordinary people.” It sounds strangely familiar to the profile of disciples that Jesus first recruited to His mission. I am pleased that this *Restorer* tells the story of these “extraordinary disciples” and their endeavor to achieve excellence on and beyond our campus.

More than anyone else, it is the student body that is impacted by this community of servants. It is my hope and prayer that you will enjoy reading about the milestones, academic and ministry accomplishments, and stories about real people who are “nurturing and equipping” students for Kingdom service around the world.

To Him be the Glory,

Dr. Keith H. Ray, President

About the Cover

Pictured left to right are:

Ernest E. Laughlin
Naomi Laughlin
Thomas A. Gaston
Lynn R. Laughlin

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Laughlin Center / Gaston Arena

Dedication Service



Bleachers filled with guests at dedicatory service



The Laughlin Center Foyer

The first new building to be built on campus in 30 years was dedicated to the glory of God on February 23, 2002. Named for the affectionate and long-term relationship of the Ernie and Naomi Laughlin family, the Laughlin Center houses the 30,000 square foot gymnasium called the Thomas A. Gaston Arena. The new facility features seating for 1,000 people, training and locker rooms, office space, a fitness center, and additional parking.

The history of the Laughlin family runs deep, as Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Laughlin became connected with Lincoln Bible Institute upon their arrival in 1945 at the West Side Christian Church in Springfield, Illinois, where Ernie was to serve as senior minister. He soon moved into the role of trustee at Lincoln and served in that capacity for sixteen years before illness demanded he retire. It was through Ernie and Naomi that a great partnership grew between Lincoln Christian College and Seminary and West Side Christian Church.

Ernie and Naomi's son Lynn came to Lincoln as a freshman student in 1960 and never left, graduating from the College in 1964 and from the Seminary in 1966. From the classroom as a student to an instructor, to the athletic department as basketball and baseball coach, to Dean of Men, to Director of Recruitment, to Vice President of Student Development, and now as Vice President of Alumni Development, Lynn's heritage in this place is quite unlike any other. It is appropriate that the building bear the name that has honored Jesus Christ, prepared students for ministry over the generations, and exemplifies our goal of developing the whole student . . . heart, soul, mind, and strength.

The Thomas A. Gaston Arena marks the heritage and legacy of a man who had, in many ways, the courage to live in obscurity. He dom-



Guest speaker and Olympian Jean Driscoll addressed audience.

inated no headlines and yet lived as a great and engaged man in the Lord's work . . . so much so that he was at times referred to as the "holy man of the Midwest." His connection with Lincoln Christian College and Seminary came through three of his children and two of his grandchildren who attended the College. He is honored and remembered through this memorial arena as a reaction to a man who left ample "evidence that he was here." The generosity of the Gaston family who, along with an any-



Lynn Laughlin expressed appreciation on behalf of the Laughlin Family

mous donor, made this facility possible, reflects much of what Thomas spent his life saying: "Be devoted to all things having to do with the Kingdom."

Dedicatory events included a Laughlin Center ribbon cutting ceremony, a Thomas A. Gaston Arena ribbon cutting ceremony, and remarks and recognition of special guests, including a flag presentation by The Honorable Ray LaHood, U.S. Congressman. President Keith Ray led in a statement of dedication, and Dr. Marion Henderson, Distinguished Professor and Athletic Director from 1952 to 1972, led in the prayer of dedication.

Special guest speaker was Olympic medallist Jean Driscoll. Ms. Driscoll is an Olympic athlete who won Silver medals in the 1992 and 1996 Summer Olympic Games. She has won the Boston Marathon eight times and is the only person in Boston's 105-year history to achieve this feat. She is a U.S.A. Member of Wheelchair Sports, serves on the Illinois Fellowship of Christian Athletes State Board, was named Illinois Fellowship of Christian Athletes Champion in Christ, and Athletes International Ministries Female Athlete of the Year. She is the author of *Determined to Win*, a 2000 biography about her life.

Lynn Laughlin introduced alumni athletes and coaches by decades, following which the ceremony was closed with a prayer circle with athletes past and present participating.

A reception followed the dedication events, and most appropriately the first women's basketball game (LCC vs. Emmaus Bible College) was played in the new arena at 1:00 p.m., and the first men's basketball game (LCC vs. Emmaus Bible College) was played at 3:00 p.m.

LCS Celebrates 50 Years

A Jubilee Year!

This year marks the 50th anniversary of Lincoln Christian Seminary. The Seminary will celebrate its Jubilee Year with an impressive list of featured alumni who will speak during chapel in Restoration Hall throughout the spring semester.

Lincoln Christian Seminary was established in 1952 as the dream of founder Earl C Hargrove, who worked hard to make his dream a reality by raising the funds to build a graduate building named Restoration Hall in 1966. With its own building, Lincoln Christian Seminary entered an era of rapid growth.

Today, Lincoln Christian Seminary has grown to more than 300 students who are instructed by 10 full-time faculty members and 20 adjunct faculty. In 2001, LCS graduated its 1,000th student. LCS graduates serve in 38 countries and across the United States, preaching in churches, teaching in Bible colleges and seminaries, and serving the Lord in many different ministry capacities.

The Seminary has a reputation for its high-quality faculty who bring years of experience



Restoration Hall serves as classroom and office facility for the Seminary.

and expertise into the classroom. Students cite the excellence of the faculty as their top reason for choosing LCS. The curriculum now includes three degree programs: the Master of Divinity, the Master of Arts, and the Master of Arts in Counseling Ministry. Lincoln

Christian Seminary is accredited by the Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada and The Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association.

The Seminary is under the direction of the Vice President of Academics, Dr. Tom Tanner, and Associate Deans, Dr. Robert Lowery and Dr. Paul Boatman. Prior to Dr. Tanner's inauguration in 2000, Dr. Wayne Shaw served as the Seminary's academic dean for 26 years, and Enos Dowling served for 22

years. Together as deans, Shaw and Dowling spanned 48 years of Lincoln Christian Seminary's 50 years. Dr. Keith H. Ray, a graduate of Lincoln Christian College and Seminary, serves as President.

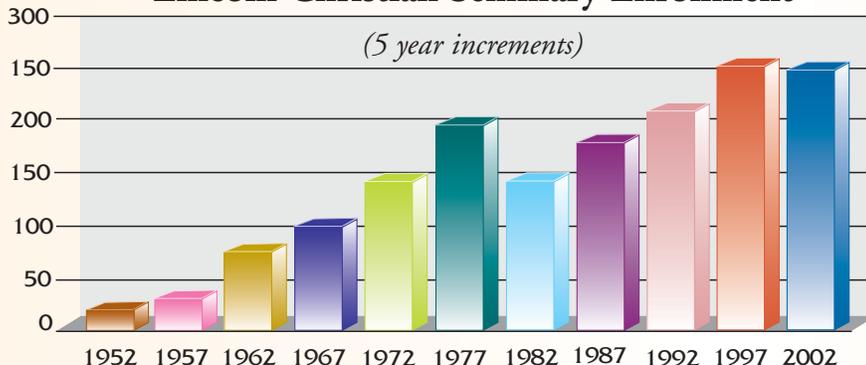


Gary Johnson, LCS '82, and Senior Minister at Indian Creek Christian Church, Indianapolis, IN, preached at this year's first spring semester chapel service.



Seminary faculty, Dr. Paul Boatman (top) and Dr. Gary Hall (bottom) challenge students in class lectures."

Lincoln Christian Seminary Enrollment



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A Jubilee Year!

LINCOLN CHRISTIAN SEMINARY ANNOUNCES MA IN WORSHIP STUDIES

Professor of Worship Called for Fall of 2003



Dinelle Franklin

Lincoln Christian Seminary is pleased to announce the calling of Dinelle Frankland to serve as Professor of Worship, effective the fall of 2003. Dinelle has taught music and worship at Ozark Christian College since 1993 and at Dallas Christian College prior to that. She graduated in 1979 from LCC with a Bachelor of Sacred Music, in 1987 from Southwestern Baptist Seminary with a Master of Music in Church Music, and is completing a Doctor of Worship at the Institute for Worship Studies, founded by Robert Webber. She has served as a minister of music in Bedford, TX, and has conducted numerous workshops on worship at churches and conventions around the country.

She and the Seminary are excited about developing a graduate program that focuses on worship. "Our churches are in need of strong Biblical teaching on worship," says Dinelle. "A master's program would build on the curriculum offered by our colleges in the area of music, providing a broader base for the education and edification of the local church. I am excited about being involved with the Seminary at the forefront of this need." Though this new program in worship is still in the developmental stages with wide input being sought from sister Bible colleges and others, the Seminary looks forward to offering a cutting-edge program that will help our students and our churches worship God with all their heart, soul, strength, and mind.

Worldview Eyes Receives Renewal Grant

Lincoln Christian College and Seminary recently received another three-year grant and a check for \$262,095 from Lilly Endowment Inc. of Indianapolis to continue its successful WorldviewEyes youth program. The program began two years ago with a \$525,000 grant from the Endowment.

In addition to writing a forthcoming WorldviewEyes curriculum and developing a website, program staff have given multimedia presentations on "worldview" themes to over 30,000 at conventions and Christ in Youth conferences and retreats in the last two years.

WorldviewEyes also hosts four unique summer seminars that have now enrolled 84 select youth from eleven states. Cost to attend is only \$75 if admitted. Enrollment is limited and applications are required. Christian teens who want "worldview eyes" have four fantastic options this summer:

- "Church Planting in the Modern World" (June 16-22 in New Hampshire)
- "God's Creation and Human Psychology" (July 28-Aug 3 in Colorado)
- "Worldviews and Urban Ministry" (Aug 4-10 in Chicago)
- "Christian Faith, Competing Worldviews, and Contemporary Culture" (Aug 4-10 in Lincoln)

For more information, visit www.worldvieweyes.org or contact Dr. Rich Knopp.



Students are engaged in summer seminar on the Seminary's campus.

Near Decade with Haus Edelweiss

by Dr. Robert Lowery.



Dr. Lowery poses with students from Poland, Estonia, and Russia.

"I am a teacher at heart, and there are moments in the classroom when I can hardly hold the joy." The educator who made this statement about himself sums up my feelings as a teacher. For more than twenty-five years I have experienced the joy of teaching at Lincoln Christian Seminary. But in the last ten years perhaps the most profound impact on my teaching and on my life as a Christian has been my involvement as an adjunct professor for The Institute of Biblical Studies, the educational arm of TCM. TCM exists to assist, disciple, encourage, and equip Eastern and Central European Christians to reach their own people for Christ.

More than fifteen years ago, Wayne Shaw, then our Dean, challenged the Seminary faculty to become involved in cross-cultural experiences in order to be better equipped teachers and more sensitive to impacting our world for Christ. Beginning in July, 1993, I began traveling to Haus Edelweiss, located outside Vienna, Austria. In the summers since then I have had the humbling and joyful privilege of teaching some of the finest students I have ever encountered—students from Bulgaria, Croatia, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Poland, Romania, Russia and Ukraine...humbling because I have surely learned more from my students than they from me...and joyful because of their zeal for Godly knowledge, their love for Jesus and His Word, and their servants' hearts. To discuss eternal matters in the classroom, to sit in a dining hall and carry out conversations through translators, to meet in the kitchen area and dry dishes together, to go for walks in the Vienna woods—such experiences have been some of the richest in my life.

Country to the Cities

LCS Alumni Lead Model Churches

In this the 50th year of Lincoln Christian Seminary, it is appropriate to celebrate that we are "Still Impacting the World for Christ." That impact is being felt around the globe and all across our nation—from the rolling hills of New Hampshire to the Gulf shore of Florida to the coast of California and everywhere in between. The impact of Lincoln's alumni is not unlike the ripple effect of the church at Thessalonica as Paul wrote of them, "And so you became a model to all the believers in Macedonia and Achaia. The Lord's message rang out from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia—your faith in God has become known everywhere." (1 Thess. 1:7-8)

A Model Country Church



Members share in a groundbreaking ceremony for the first of two additions built in last ten years at the Walnut Grove Christian Church in Arcola, IL.

One of those models is a dynamic rural congregation in central Illinois led by a 1982 LCS alumnus, Dr. Barney Wells. Through Barney's leadership in the past 20 years, the Walnut Grove Christian Church has distinguished itself as a resource for other rural churches in America. It is a church of about 150 people located 7 miles from the nearest town of 2,400 in population. This 113 year-old church is well known in

the area not only for its chicken dinners, but also for the outreach of its Vacation Bible School, a testimony to the church's future orientation. Yet its influence and impact is felt throughout the Midwest. Barney, a graduate of Bethel Seminary's Doctor of Ministry program in Town and Country Ministries, is an adjunct faculty member at Lincoln Christian College and Seminary, where he teaches a very popular and helpful course, "Leading the Town and Country Church." He is also an adjunct faculty member at Bethel Seminary, where he teaches regularly and supervises the research of the current Town and Country track students. He has led workshops and conducted seminars throughout the Midwest.

In partnership with Lincoln Christian College and Seminary and under Barney's direction, the Walnut Grove Church has established the Center for American Rural Ministry Studies (a catchy acronym-CFARMS). It is a website that provides resources for rural and small town ministry. It will be of special interest to rural ministers with practical helps in areas of evangelism, education, youth ministry, preaching, pastoral care, and worship and to rural ministry educators offering course syllabi, textbook reviews, video and audio resources, classroom teaching tips, etc. You will soon be able to check this out at www.lccs.edu/churchdev/cfarms.

The recent Church Profile Survey conducted by LCCS revealed that over half of Christian Churches and Churches of Christ are located in rural areas and small towns under 5,000 in population, so it is essential that we equip leaders to lead these churches effectively in fulfilling the Great Commission in their context.



The Walnut Grove Church focuses on its young people with popular VBS programs.

A Model City Church

With over 80% of the American population residing in urban and suburban areas, Lincoln's impact also extends to the cities. Dr. Gary Johnson, also a 1982 LCS alumnus, leads a staff of 20 at the rapidly growing Indian Creek Christian Church in Indianapolis, Indiana (population:1,000,000). When Gary began his ministry there in 1990, the church had no elders and was running about 250 in attendance. Today Indian Creek welcomes an average of 2,000 worshippers each week and has become a model in many areas of church leadership.



Indian Creek greeters welcome Sunday morning worshippers.

Their process of elder selection and elder evaluation are exemplary. Their thorough and painstaking process of ordination for ministry candidates reflects the eternal importance placed upon the proclamation of the gospel and leadership in the Lord's church. They are now on the cutting edge of applying a purposeful, policy governance model to local church leadership. Since Gary began his ministry at Indian Creek, they have modeled the value of strategic planning. From January 1990 through January 2000, their Vision 2000 served as an effective planning document as they not only met, but by God's grace far exceeded most of their goals. *Vision 2010: Taking the Church into the 21st Century* outlines the church's ten objectives and accompanying strategies. Yet in all of their efforts, Indian Creek exhibits a huge dependence upon God, as they continually seek to discover where He is leading and to stay in step with Him.

Dr. Johnson, who did his Doctor of Ministry studies at Grace Theological Seminary in Warsaw, Indiana, serves as an adjunct faculty member at Lincoln Christian Seminary and Cincinnati Bible Seminary, where he teaches such courses as "Principles of Christian Leadership" and "Special Issues in Church Development." For the past two years the Indian Creek congregation has provided bed and breakfast accommodations for

students who spend a week on site learning from Dr. Johnson and his staff as well as experiencing firsthand many of the myriad of details that must be managed to effectively lead a dynamic, growing church in the 21st century.



Indian Creek Christian Church is pictured engaged in worship.

You can check out this church at their website, www.thecreek.org.

Church Profile

Survey Observations

Lincoln Christian College and Seminary conducted a Church Profile Survey in November of 2001, which was the first such survey of its kind. It provided results from a statistically valid, random sampling of 1,437 of the 5,500 Christian Churches/Churches of Christ nationwide and the 500 churches in Illinois. The survey results reflect the responses from 363 churches, an average response rate of 26%. The responses indicate fairly reliable data for the Midwest (especially Illinois) where 31% of the churches responded, but not as reliable data for other areas of the country, especially the East where only 13% of the churches responded. The results provide some cause for celebration and some cause for concern.

For Instance,

- over 80% of the churches are in rural areas, small towns, and towns under 100,000, and less than 20% are in suburban and urban areas (80% of the US population is in suburban and urban areas).
- 45% of the churches are over 100 years old and only 3% are less than 10 years old.
- the churches average over 200 in worship attendance and just fewer than 100 in Sunday school attendance (the average church of all faith groups is a church of about 100 in worship attendance).
- one-third of the churches have experienced no numerical growth in the past year (80-85% of churches of all faith groups are either stagnant or in decline and the report from ANUKAN Ministries a few years ago was that 73% of Christian Churches/Churches of Christ were either stagnant or in decline).
- nearly one-third have experienced a positive growth rate of 1-9%.
- over one-third have experienced a positive growth rate of 10% or more.
- one-fourth of the churches have 50% of their worshippers in small groups.
- over two-thirds of the churches have a blended style of worship music.
- over three-fourths of the churches support a Bible college or seminary, yet nearly one-third have not sent a student to Bible college in the last five years.
- the preachers of these churches have been in their present ministry an average of nearly 8 years, and nearly one-fourth of them will be eligible for retirement in the next 10 years.
- nearly one-half of the churches see leadership development as the greatest need in their church, one-third see evangelism as the greatest need, and one out of ten see worship as the greatest need.

We are pleased to see that more of our churches are growing and that they are larger in average size than many other faith groups. However, we are concerned about where future preachers will come from with one out of four preachers being eligible for retirement in the next ten years and one-third of our churches having sent no one to Bible college in the last five years.

A copy of the complete survey results is available from the Church Development Office upon request.



Dr. Kevin Boll leads 150 trainees in T-Net methods.

Lincoln Christian Seminary alumnus, Dr. Kevin Boll, has gained national recognition for his work with T-Net, International. A 1982 graduate of the Seminary, Kevin is presently the President of the Center for Church Dynamics and a professor at Puget Sound Christian College. He is currently serving as the trainer on our campus with ten churches and 150 church leaders who are already invested in this T-Net training. He will also lead a second introductory workshop here on April 13.

Dr. Boll, who holds the franchise for T-Net training for Christian Churches and Churches of Christ, explains, "T-Net training is an invaluable principle-based coaching process that trains a team of leaders from a local church to lead their church

into more effective and intentional discipling." Additionally it has been discovered that:

- The average T-Net Church increased the number of people won to Christ and their church by 80%.
- 80% were successful in leading their churches through significant change.
- 97% said it was worth all the time and money invested.

These endorsements, added to the experiences of a T-Net Intentional Discipling program already under way on campus, lead us to eagerly announce a second workshop designed for a closer look at how to help return your church to its discipling roots.

We strongly encourage ministers to bring a team of leaders and decision makers to this workshop. You will then be prepared to work together to make a decision regarding participation in additional training offered by T-Net.

Jason Cooper, LCS 01, Associate Minister of the First Christian Church of Moweaqua, Illinois, one of the ten churches participating in the T-Net training, offers this perspective: "T-Net is excellent

in that it practices the same principles it teaches-it disciplines churches to be disciplers that produce disciples. T-Net does not just overload you with information, then send you on your way. Instead, they provide long-term coaching and reasonable accountability to help the churches actually use what they are learning. What most churches lack in their discipling is not knowledge, theology, desire, or even ability. The primary reason churches are ineffective at discipling and spiritual growth is the lack of a good, sound, and comprehensive model. We have found that T-Net provides that model for us. It's much easier for a church to improve discipling when they can see how it should be done. One of our concerns going into this program was whether or not we were going to find differences in theology. After two sessions, we have had no problems. T-Net truly is principle-based and adaptable to all churches."

The workshop will be held in the Earl C Hargrove Chapel, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Registration for the April 13 introductory workshop is \$40.00. For additional information and to register, phone the Church Development Office, Lincoln Christian College and Seminary, 217.732.3168, ext. 2222.

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"Non-traditional Education for Non-traditional Students"

Because of a creative degree completion program called "LincUp", Christian adults are taking that final step to graduation day and a diploma. The program is designed for those 25 years or older who have completed some college work. Its purpose is to provide a quality education and a mentoring experience for adult learners who want to complete an undergraduate degree in a reasonable period of time. The program results in a Bachelor of Arts in Christian Leadership and Management or General Ministry. Typically students take a minimum of 16 courses, totaling 48 hours for a degree in Christian Leadership and Management, or 20 courses, totaling 60 hours for a degree in General Ministry. LincUp students attend one class at a time during one evening per week or two Saturdays per month.

The LincUp program is growing. In January, 2001, the first cohort met on campus and the program has evolved into the fourth cohort, which began in January, 2002. LincUp now has a total of 49 people enrolled in all the cohorts. .

LincUp director Robert Monts describes his experience of instructing adults as fulfilling because of the enthusiasm they have for learning. Adult students are finding a whole spectrum of benefits, such as:

" . . . my job is dependent on the completion of my Bachelors degree."

" . . . LincUp is an educational experience relevant to today."

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LCC Professor Presents Research and Pursues Second Doctorate



*Dr. Robert C. Kurka,
Professor of Bible and Theology*

Dr. Robert C. Kurka, Professor of Bible and Theology at Lincoln Christian College, presented a paper titled, "The Stone-Campbell Understanding of Conversion: A Misunderstood 'Sola Fide,'" at the 53rd annual meeting of The Evangelical Theological Society, which was held November 14-16 in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

(notably Ulrich Zwingli, c.1520ff), "faith" has been defined in terms of merely an inward experience, thereby relegating baptism to a position of insignificance in conversion to Christ. Consequently, the Stone-Campbell "recovery" of baptismal theology has been seen as somewhat out of the mainstream in evangelical circles, a situation that Kurka says needs to be corrected.

Dr. Kurka is presently on educational leave from his teaching duties at LCC, pursuing an additional doctorate in Systematic Theology at Trinity Evangelical Divinity School in Deerfield, IL. He also holds a Doctorate in Ministry from Trinity. He is the author of another study in Stone-Campbell theology, "Role of the Holy Spirit in Conversion," which will appear in a 2002 release from InterVarsity Press, "Evangelicals and the Stone-Campbell Movement," edited by Dr. William R. Baker (an LCC graduate).

His paper argued that the Restoration Movement's emphasis upon baptism in the conversion process is a view that essentially was held in the first 1,500 years of the Church and was how the New Testament writers conceived of "saving faith." However, since the time of the Reformers

University Piano Loan Program

Instruments to be Sold

This past year Lincoln Christian College's Music Department, through the coordination of Professor Jeff Colleen and through the Samuel Music/Yamaha University Loan Program, has had the use of new grand and vertical acoustic pianos and digital keyboards with the latest technological advancements in keyboard music.

This program enhances Lincoln Christian College's Music Department. It allows music students to utilize and play quality (latest in technology) instruments. Through the digital pianos, students become familiar with the many digital voicing features as well as the 16-track recording unit built into the keyboard.

For the loan program to be successful for all parties, Samuel Music offers to sell these proven units (meticulously maintained by the College staff and still under new manufacturer's warranty) at the end of the yearly loan agreement at greatly reduced prices.

Interested parties can set an appointment (by calling 888.742.6632) to see, play, and purchase the piano or keyboard of their choice on campus at Lincoln Christian College on April 19 and 20.

Through this support, Lincoln Christian College and Samuel Music can continue the yearly loan agreement in 2002/2003 with a selection of new pianos and digital keyboards.



The coaches and 2001 LCC volleyball team poses at the National Championship following their third place victory.

LCC Volleyball Championship Again

Lincoln Christian College's volleyball team are familiar faces at the NCCAA National Championship, as the Angels have made the finals for the last six years. This year they ended up as the NCCAA third place team. Other championship years were in 1998 as National Champions, taking 3rd place in 1999 and 2001, and taking fourth place in 1996.

Coach Kevin Crawford also received honors as the NCCAA Women's Volleyball Coach of the Year for the second time, and was named Midwest Regional Coach of the Year for the fifth straight year. Coach Crawford won his 300th match by winning the Midwest Championship and has a current win/loss record of 306/149.

Two players, junior Breanne Prunty and senior Becky Nangle, were named First Team NCCAA All Americans. Freshman Christen O'Malley was named Second Team All American, and senior Heather Brock was named Academic All American.

Ending their season with a 36-10 record, the Angels captured the 2001 Midwest Regional Championship first place trophy, which was the first ever in the school's history, managing to stay unbeaten throughout the tourney. The team was ranked #1 in the nation (NCCAA poll) for six weeks.



Coach Kevin Crawford poses with his All Americans.



European study group is pictured in front of the Lagoon at Venice.

EUROPEAN STUDY TOUR

LCCS will offer a study tour of Italy and Greece May 27-June 10, 2003. If you would like to travel to Venice, Florence, Assisi, Rome, Pompeii, Delphi, Mycenae, Corinth and Athens, walk in the footsteps of Peter and Paul and learn more about art, architecture and history from LCCS faculty, please contact Dr. Brian Messner (messner@lccs.edu or 217-732-3168 ext. 2350) for more information.

A Word From *Lynn*



*Lynn Laughlin, Vice President
of Alumni Development*

Mission Accomplished!

We are so proud of you, our alumni! That statement comes as we hear more and more from the field of how God is using you and allowing your talents to spill over into Kingdom work. The reason for more focused attention on you is because Tom Tanner, our Vice President of Academics, just put together a Lincoln Factbook 2001-02, which is the result of a good deal of survey work. Through statistical analysis, we have discovered (for a fact) what we had previously thought to be true. We learned that over two-thirds of our known graduates are serving in church-based ministries, including preachers, associate ministers, youth ministers, music ministers, children's ministers, missionaries, Christian child-care personnel, and other church and para-church staff and administrators.

We also know that 92% of our College graduates from 1991 to 2001 are serving in paid or volunteer ministries or have gone on to do graduate work. These statistics show the fulfillment of our mission statement—presenting Christ to this generation.

For those who graduated from Lincoln Christian Seminary from 1991 to 2001, 92% are involved in leadership ministry. This speaks convincingly for those undergraduate schools from which they came, along with the education received at LCS, coupled with their own personal spiritual development. These three components have produced effective workers for the sake of Christ.

We realize that a sizeable number of our alumni are involved in volunteer positions with our churches or other Christian organizations. We are thrilled that you have maintained that desire to serve and impact your community for Christ. As God continues to reveal His will, may He strengthen and sustain you for His purpose. We pray for you, many times by name.

Pray for Alumni Month

Thousands of alumni will be prayed for by name during the month of April, as members of your Alumni Cabinet and Council and other volunteers commit themselves to focus on specific people assigned to them for focused prayer. Those listed below will serve as prayer warriors, and are also available to receive your call(s) if you have a special need you would like to make known. You may select someone from the list below, being assured that all calls are completely confidential:

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Annual Alumni Reunion

in conjunction with the North American Christian Convention - Columbus, OH

Columbus Convention Center Terrace Ballroom 4 and 5

**Wednesday, June 26, 2002
8:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.**

Reception and Program**

Restoration and Encouragement Awards

**Tickets are required at no cost
Donation basket at each table to help offset expense**

**In an effort to plan our Alumni Reunion around the NACC's evening session (which will begin at 6:30 p.m. this year), we have changed our gathering to reflect a formal sit-down reception and program following the evening session. Come and let our caterers pamper you with exceptional reception cuisine, desserts, and drinks. This promises to be an “uncommon” reception experience.

Tickets are required; your advance reservation by June 19th will help us adequately plan for our guests.

2002 Alumni Reunion Reservation Form

I would like to make reservations for _____ (number of guests)
for the Alumni Reunion on Wednesday evening, June 26, 2002, in Columbus, OH.

Name _____

Address _____ City, State, Zip _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

**Please return reservation form by June 19th, 2002, to the Alumni Office,
100 Campus View Drive, Lincoln, IL 62656;
or, register through our web site: www.lccs.edu, going to the Alumni link;
or e-mail alumni@lccs.edu, or call 217-732-3168, ext. 2222.**

Ministry News

Harry Orn, LBI '54, completed a 3-day per week interim ministry with the First Christian Church in Winslow, AZ. Harry retired from full-time active ministry after 44 years of service. Since then, he has done interim ministries for 10 congregations. He and his wife **Lila, LBI**, have also enjoyed working as security guards at the "Phoenix Open" for the past several years. They reside at 11009 Welk Drive, Sun City, AZ 85373.

Ross Willimann, LCC '77, and wife Becky just celebrated 10 years of service at Sunnyside Christian Church, Colorado Springs, CO, where Ross serves as Minister of Music and Worship. The church gifted Ross and Becky with a trip to Hawaii as an expression of their appreciation. The Willimanns reside at 4620 Ranch Circle, Colorado Springs, CO 80918.

Tom and Becky Marshall have moved from a preaching ministry in Southville, Nova Scotia, to Cornwall, Prince Edward Island, as **Tom, LCC '89, LCS '95**, begins a teaching position at Maritime Christian College in Charlottetown, PEI. Tom and **Becky, LCC '89**, reside at RR. 2, Cornwall, PEI C0A 1H0.

Cindy Bingamon, LCC, is serving as "Girls' Dorm Mother" at St. Louis Christian College. She is also employed as a teacher at Kingdom Christian Academy, also in St. Louis. Cindy resides at 1360 Grandview, Florissant, MO 63033.

Andrew Chitwood, LCC '98, and wife **Nikki (Karr), LCC**, serve with the Chatham (IL) Christian Church, where Andrew is the youth minister. They have two sons, Jeremiah, age 3, and Rylan, age 1. They reside at 66 Downing Road, Chatham, IL 62629.

Sean Rittenberry, LCC '96, has accepted the position of worship minister at Hill N' Dale Christian Church, Lexington, KY. His wife **Amy Jo (Steinlicht), LCC '98**, graduated from Indiana University in December, 2001. The couple resides at 371 Hill N' Dale Court, Lexington, KY 40503.

Christine Henes, LCC '76, is a professional member of the American Music Therapy Association, of which she has been named Clinical Practices Chairperson. Christine is also registered as a Music Therapist with the Wisconsin Department of Regulation and Licensing and provides music therapy and consultation services through her private practice, Sonshine Music Center, Cottage Grove, WI. Her husband **Ken, LCC '73, LCS '78**, is director of a church planting organization in Madison, WI.

David Johnson, LCC '84, wife **Sharon, LCC '83**, and **Tom Cater, LCC '86, LCS**, and wife **Tricia, LCC '86**, planted Colonial Point Christian Church, in Manchester, CT, on March 5, 2000. The church continues to grow by the grace of God. The two couples may be reached by writing to the church address at 95 Avery St., Manchester, CT 06040.

Sue (Richardson) Abegglen, LCC '68, was named recipient of the T. A. Abbott (faculty) Award for excellence in teaching and integration of Christian faith and learning. Sue is education professor at Culver-Stockton College in Canton, MO. Besides chairing the applied arts and sciences division, Sue founded and advises the Culver-Stockton Ecumenical Christian Fellowship Group and has led student mission trips.

Calvin Forman, LCC '71, recently completed his 10th year as chaplain at the Jacksonville (IL) Developmental Center. His wife **Marcia (Merry), LCC '71**, received endorsement as a chaplain and is licensed by the Disciples of Christ to serve as chaplain at the NBA Barton W. Stone Christian Home in Jacksonville, IL. They reside at 6 Morningside Dr., Jacksonville, IL 62650.

Dave, LCC '82, and Ann, LCC '81, Sincox report that they are serving with the Olivet Baptist Church of Lansing, MI, where Dave is the Associate Pastor, concentrating on worship, drama, and small groups. Ann is a staff writer/editor for the Michigan Nurses Association.

Gordon Nelson, LBI '57, and wife Estelle, veteran missionaries to South Africa, recently moved back to the States and have planted a new church, the

Southwest Christian Church, in Dunnellen, Florida. A veteran church planter in South Africa, Gordon said in spite of more than 30 years in ministry overseas, he's not ready to retire and feels an ongoing need to evangelize and plant churches.

Charles Johnson, LBI '50, is beginning his fifth year as Seniors Minister with the Rising Sun Church of Christ, Des Moines, Iowa, after coming out of retirement for the second time. He and his wife **Lois, LBI**, can be reached at 6350 Rising Sun Drive, Des Moines, IA 50327.

Steve Swan, LCC '83, has concluded a ministry of nearly thirteen years at Mandarin Christian Church, Jacksonville, Florida, to help with a new church plant called LifePoint Christian Church, in the north Orlando, Florida metro area. Steve will lead a staff team of four in this fast growing area of Orlando. A total of 418 people attended LifePoint's first services on January 27, 2002.

Bill Proisie, LCC, has concluded his ministry with the Paris (IL) Christian Church to serve as preaching minister with the Cincinnati Christian Church, Bloomfield, IN. He and his wife Lynette may be reached at Rt. 4, Box 385, Bloomfield, IN 47424.

Peter Schmale, LCS '95, recently accepted a full-time ministry position with the Church of Christ Eastside, Oelwein, Iowa, following five years as a web-based training consultant in Indianapolis. Peter and his wife Karen can be reached at 527 8th Ave., Oelwein, IA 50662.

Dr. David M. McFadden, LCC '71, son of **Howard, LBI '49**, and **Ruby Ann, LBI, McFadden**, is a surgeon in Poplar Bluff, Missouri, and has received a degree in Bioethics from the Center for Bioethics and Human Dignity at Trinity College in Deerfield, Illinois. David and his wife **Kathleen (Bollinger), LCC**, reside at 15 Hickory Meadow Lane, Poplar Bluff, MO 63901.

Miscellaneous

Barbara (Davis) McInturff, LCC, and husband Joe recently celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary. They reside at 3925 Westbrook Drive, Lexington KY 40514.

Marcy (Courtney) Burkum, LCC '94, reports she and her husband Jason recently moved to 2105 Geneva Drive, Thompson's Station, TN. Marcy is 6th grade language arts and Jason is a musician/songwriter/producer.

John Schlieker, LCC, received the Master of Arts degree in Special Education December 15, 2001, at Adams State College of Colorado, Alamosa, CO.

Jonathan Nolan, LCC '96, graduated from the Indiana Law Enforcement Academy with honors. He is working with the Avon Police Department as a patrolman. He and his wife **Jennifer (Klockenga), LCC '95, LCS**, also proudly announce the birth of a son, Tyler Jordan, born May 10, 2001. The Nolans reside at 278 Bent Stream, Brownsburg, IN 46112.

Laura Richardson, LCC '99, announces her marriage to Jody Higginbotham on June 2, 2001. The Higginbothams reside at 210 Belmont, Tomball, TX 77375. Laura is teaching high school in Tomball, and Jody is a police officer for the constable's department.

Barbara (Grzegorek) Durnil, LCC '79, reports she has worked as a nurse for the past 20 years, specializing in physical rehabilitation. She is married to Edward, and they have one son, Jordan, age 14. Barbara also completed a MA from Lexington Theological Seminary in 1985. She and her family reside at 1107 Pawnee, Elizabethtown, KY 42701.

Aaron Longdon, LCC '87, graduated from Indiana Wesleyan University in Indianapolis with a MA in Business Administration in September, 2000. He is an adjunct professor in Computer Information Systems at Ivy Tech State in Indianapolis. He also owns an Information Technology consulting business called Technology Renaissance, Inc. Aaron resides at 12373 Ostara Ct., Fishers, IN 46038.

Valeta Metcalf Wright, LBI '53, reports she and her husband Robert have moved to Santee, California, to be close to their daughters and five grandchildren. Valeta retired from Christian education work last year, a field she had been in for 30 years. They reside at 8712 Magnolia Ave., Santee, CA 92071.

Jaime Ann Thompson, LCC '99, reports she is serving as the Marketing Communications Director for the American Heart Association. She resides at 92 Greenleaf Meadows, Apt. C, Rochester, NY 14612.

David Schultz, LCC '75, was recently named "Best General Columnist" for small daily newspapers in the 2001 Hoosier State Press Association. David serves as Associate Editor of the Huntington Herald Press, Huntington, IN.

Births

Jay Leeck, LCC '92, and wife **Lynette, LCC**, announce the birth of their first son, Ivan Lincoln, born October 2, 2001. Jay is a police officer and deacon/youth worker at Haltom City Christian Church. Lynette is a registered nurse. They reside at 1216 Oak Valley, Denton, TX 76209.

Marcus Allen, LCC '95, and wife **Angie, LCC '94**, announce they are adopting Sean Clarke Allen, born November 21, 2001. They seek our prayer support through the adoption process. The family resides at 5047 County Road 1510, Pomona, MO 65789.

Brian Beck, LCC '98, and wife **Christine, LCC '99**, announce the birth of Elizabeth Paige, born September 30, 2001. The Becks reside at 3119 23rd St., Zion, IL 60090.

Bryce, LCC, and **Debbie (Leonard) Haller, LCC '92**, announce the birth of their second child, Elizabeth Emma, born February 8, 2001. Elizabeth joins her brother, Josiah, age 2. The Hallers reside at 108 Persimmon Ct., Delaware, OH 43015.

Jonathan Marcus Oaks, born March 18, 2001, in Western Samoa, came home to his adopted parents **Marcus and Kay Oaks, LCC '85**. Jonathan joins a sister Emily and a brother Micah. The Oaks family resides at 547 Apex Drive, St. Louis, MO 63126.

Shaun, LCC '94, and **Juliet (Snyder), LCC '93, Betzelberger** announce the birth of their third child, Tessa Alysse, on August 17, 2001. Tessa joins siblings RaeAnne, William, and Mark. The family resides at 176 W. 26th St., Holland, MI 49423.

Jason and Joni (Boren) Burckhardt, LCC '97, announce the birth of their second child, Jadon Christian, born August 5, 2001. Jadon joins big brother Josiah, age 2. They reside at 1697 North State Street, Monticello, IL 61856.

David Christensen, LCC '99, and wife Hester announce the birth of their second son, Spencer David, born October 11, 2001. He joins big brother Tucker Wayne, age 2. The couple lives in Centralia, WA, where David serves as Youth Minister at Centralia First Christian Church. Hester is a homemaker.

Called Home

Thelma Moorhous, wife of **Carl Moorhous, LBI '52, LCS**, and mother of **Karen (Moorhous) Bundy, LCC '67**, passed from this life on February 3, 2002, following an extended illness. Carl and Thelma devoted much of their lives to new church work in the northern Illinois and Chicago areas. Carl resides at 2224 Margarita Blvd., Kissimmee, FL 34741.

Denis Beasley, LCC, passed away on Sunday, January 20, 2002, following a brief battle with cancer. Denis was serving with the Pleasant Plains Christian Church at the time of his death. His wife Kate resides at 304 E. Main St., Pleasant Plains, IL 62677.

Gail A. McCreary, wife of **S. Allen McCreary, LBI**, passed from this life on October 30, 2001, following cardiac complications. Allen survives, as does one son and six daughters, 26 grandchildren, and one great grandson. One daughter preceeded her in death. Allen resides at 2300 Joanna Ave., Zion, IL 60099.

Word has been received that **James R. Ross, LCC '81**, passed away October 1, 2000. His wife **Jean, LCC '81**, survives and resides at 1199 Hospital Road, #69, Franklin, IN 46131. They have two children and four grandchildren.

Edwin Dale Eddington, LCC '69, passed from this life on September 5, 2001. His wife Marilyn resides at 2310 N. County Road 2530, La Harpe, IL 61450. They have two surviving children, Deanna and Dean. Dale's last ministry was at Webster, Illinois, where he served for twenty-five years.

Paul Peelman, LCC '78, LCS, passed away February 13, 2002, following a battle with Lou Gehrig's disease. Paul had served for eleven years as preaching minister at the Pattonsburg (IL) Christian Church and more recently had been a postal worker in Bloomington, IL. His wife **Kathleen (Howard), LCC '78**, survives and resides at 1202 Challis Drive, Bloomington, IL.

Kenneth W. Baldwin, LCC '69, passed away October 13, 2001, following a brief illness. Ken had ministries in Ohio, Indiana, and Illinois, from which he retired in May, 2001. His wife Marge survives, as do two sons and one daughter.

Donald Quarton of Gillespie, IL, life-long friend of LCCS, father, and grandfather of a family of alumni passed away October 31, 2001. All of Mr. Quarton's children and several grandchildren attended LCC or LCS. An LCCS scholarship in his honor had been established prior to his death.

Joyce (Kelly) Davis, LBI, passed away suddenly on August 22, 2001. Her husband Ray survives. Joyce and Ray were living in Fernandina Beach, FL, at the time of her death. The couple met in Lincoln 50 years ago, when she was sophomore at LBI and Ray was a sports editor of the *Lincoln Courier*. They had three children.

James DiToro, LCS, passed away suddenly from a heart attack at the age of 57 on August 20, 2001. James was residing in Moline, Illinois, at the time of his death. James attended LCS between 1982 and 1988.

Patricia (Atkinson) Boldon, LBI, passed away at her home on August 31, 2001, following a battle with cancer. Her husband **Harold, LBI '53**, survives, as do two daughters, one son, and eleven grandchildren. Condolences may be sent to 1002 N. Walnut, Brazil, IN 47834.



Called Home

Former missions professor **Cyril Simkins**, age 86, died quietly in his sleep Saturday, February 23, 2002, following a battle with cancer. He is survived by his wife Mary, two sons, Jim and Ronald, and one daughter Mary Ann Offenstein. He was the founding pastor of Farragut Christian Church, Farragut, Tennessee. Cyril is

noted for his missions work in Ghana, Zimbabwe, and northern India and his years as a missions professor at Lincoln Christian Seminary

Christian Women's Conference

(formerly "Ladies' Day")

Wednesday, April 24, 2002

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for the day as you hear

FOUR KEY SPEAKERS



Joanne Wallace

... on being His image bearer

Joanne is an internationally known speaker and best-selling author of *As Refreshing As Snow in the Hot Summertime*, *Starting Over Again*, *The Confident Woman*, and *The Image of Loveliness*. She has been interviewed on many television and radio programs, including Dr. James Dobson's *Focus on the Family*.



Sylvia Harney

... on our mortal side, the seed or shell holding great potential

Believing one of life's most rewarding experiences is a good laugh, Sylvia addresses the realities of life from a humorous perspective, with the exuberance of Goldie Hawn, the literary wit of Erma Bombeck, and the folksiness of Minnie Pearl, all rolled up into a great big tender heart. Sylvia is the author of *Married Beyond Recognition* and *Every Time I Go Home I Break Out in Relatives*.



Linda Mirante

... on the changes that come with crisis, being refined by fire

Back by popular demand, Linda Mirante is a motivational and inspirational speaker who has traveled across the United States and Canada, speaking in churches, schools, hospitals, and businesses. She is a member of the National Speakers Association and is listed in *Who's Who of American Women*.



Yvonne Howard Chapman

... on being dressed and ready for heaven

Yvonne is a much sought after speaker who has ministered in hundreds of churches and women's groups across the United States and Canada. God is using her solid Biblical foundation, lively personality, and vocal talent to lead the lost to Christ and to encourage women on their journey with the Lord.

PLUS

NOON HOUR WORKSHOP ELECTIVES

(box lunch provided)

Changing from Mistakes and Sin – "Women experience them; wise women help women who do."

– with Chaplain Major Karen Diefendorf, 8th Army, Seoul, Korea

Changes in the Church – Custom vs. Contemporary

– with Dr. Robert Lowery, Faculty, Lincoln Christian Seminary

Changing the Boundaries of Your Family – Who Is My Sister?

– with Janet Shaw, Faculty, Lincoln Christian College

REGISTRATION

Registrations received by Wednesday, April 17 – \$20.

Includes continental breakfast, lunch, and all sessions.

Registrations received after April 17 – \$25.

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\$20,000 Female Seminary Student(s) Scholarship

Fund in honor of Lincoln Christian Seminary's 50th

Anniversary – 1952 to 2002.



Seminary Alumni Banquet

celebrating our

Jubilee Year

April 30, 2002 — 6:30 p.m.

Prime Rib Dinner — \$18/ea.

**Reservation deadline
April 23, 2002**

**Henderson Hall
Lincoln Christian College
and Seminary**

Jubilee Year Celebration Events

As we celebrate the 50th anniversary year of Lincoln Christian Seminary, chapel services will feature LCS graduates. Chapel is held in Restoration Hall, R49, at 9:30 a.m. Alumni and friends are invited to attend. The following schedule reflects the celebratory events for April.

- April 2** “The Kind of Faith that Pleases God” with Steve Crane
- April 3** “The Bread of His Presence” with Charles Crane
- April 10** “The Fragrance of Forever” with Linda McKinney
- April 17** “A New View” with Charles McGee
- April 23** “Out of the Garbage Dump” with Karen Diefendorf
- April 24** Praise Gathering
- April 30** Honors Day/Seminary Graduates Seminary Banquet - 6:30 p.m. with Mark Scott speaking

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The President's Perspective



Dr. Keith H. Ray, President

Commencement is a bittersweet experience. It is the joy of watching a new generation of graduates march off our stage and into their respective futures. There is also the sadness of saying good-bye to students that have completed their studies in our college and seminary. But we have fulfilled our mission to “nurture and equip students” for servant-leadership, and there is a great sense of stewardship and satisfaction in doing so.

I have always said and believed that there are no unemployment lines in the work of the Lord. As you read this issue of our *Restorer*, you will see the progress made in trying to address the deficit in preparing Christian leaders. It seems no matter

where you turn there is an overwhelming need for Christian leadership and influence. This complex world that we live in demands “the best from our best.” It is refreshing and encouraging to know that our graduates will be sharing the gospel in local church ministry settings, in hospitals, through counseling, through Bible translation, and in countless ministries around the world. The sheer breadth of their ministries reflects the heart of God for all people, in all circumstances, and in all places.

I will never personally be satisfied that we have enough students, graduates, or prospective leaders, but recognize that these 155 graduates will add to the global task of God’s mission. Yes, as one scholar notes, “We live in the largest, most difficult mission field in the world.” Yet, I ask that you rejoice with me in seeing the fruit of our labors and pray that the God of all blessings will bring home a bountiful harvest from these, our graduates.

To Him be the Glory,

Dr. Keith H. Ray
President

New Graduates:

The Class of 2002 received 155 degrees and certificates, the 4th highest total in Lincoln’s history. These 155 include 43 from the Seminary, 106 from the College, and 6 from Lincoln—East Coast, our satellite campus in Bel Air, MD. Among the 40+ Seminary graduates, 42% minister on a church staff (most in preaching), 40% serve in a para-church ministry (most in counseling), and 18% work on the mission field. Among the nearly 100 College graduates whose future plans are known, 43% will be serving full-time in a local church (most in youth ministry), 15% will be serving as missionaries, 15% will be teaching in public and Christian schools, 14% will be working in a para-church ministry, and 13% will be using their gifts in non-profit service organizations (like United Cerebral Palsy and the YMCA). More than one fifth of all our graduates this year will be continuing their education, most pursuing masters’ degrees. Thank the Lord of the Harvest for more workers for the fields that are “white unto harvest.”

Lincoln Christian Seminary

Celebrates 50 Years of Heritage In its Graduates

Mission:

Lincoln Christian Seminary is a graduate institution of Christian higher education whose mission is to develop an equipping leadership ministry for churches and church-related organizations to glorify God by carrying out the Great Commission of Christ.



President Keith Ray presents Dr. Tom Tanner with a 50th Anniversary Seminary Medallion.

As Lincoln Christian Seminary celebrates 50 years of history, it is the stories of her graduates, more than 1,000 of them, which tell the real history of this Seminary. They are the ones who matter most in the Seminary's history. The Seminary's first graduate, Thomas W. Overton (1920-1986), received a Master of Arts degree in 1947, five years before the "official" establishment of a graduate school. He later became president of the North American Christian Convention. Ten seminary alumni, faculty, and trustees have served as NACC presidents, including Dean Emeritus Wayne Shaw in 1999. Its history is the story of graduates like:

Norma Jeannie Norris, '52, the Seminary's first female graduate—who spent a lifetime ministering among the Yakima Indians of Washington.

Bob Stacy, '61, who went on to found CIY, an organization that has touched the lives of hundreds of thousands of young people.

Ken Idleman, '73, who has led Ozark Christian College since 1979, one of more than a dozen seminary graduates to become presidents of sister schools.

Harry Ropp, '74, whose seminary thesis was published in 1977 by InterVarsity Press

as *The Mormon Papers* and who died in a tragic airplane accident in 1978.

George Bajenski, '75, the man from Poland who continues to "ring the bells" for God all over the globe since his graduation.

Bill Redmond, '88, who served as a U.S. Congressman, the first and only seminary graduate in our religious heritage to do so.

Suriya Wongratanamajcha, '98, who is using his degree to teach God's Word in his heart language at Chiangmai Bible Institute in Thailand.

Anna Muenster, the 1,000th graduate in 2001, who is now serving the Lord in Moldavia by teaching English and sharing her faith with Muslims.

In 1944, founding President Earl Hargrove launched Lincoln Bible Institute, the Seminary's "alma mater." The Seminary traces its official beginning to 1952. In 1966 the Seminary moved into its own facility in Restoration Hall. In 1991 the Seminary became accredited with full membership in the Association of Theological Schools and in 1996 received dual accreditation with the North Central Association.

Today, the mission of Lincoln Christian Seminary is being carried out in literally



President Keith Ray addresses Seminary Chapel audience.

thousands of ways. Of those who have graduated since 1990, 43% are serving in paid leadership positions in the local churches, half in preaching. Another 17% are serving overseas as missionaries, and nearly 30% are serving in a church-related ministry, primarily as counselors or as professors in sister schools. Almost 10% are continuing their education, most at the doctoral level. Still more continue to serve the Lord through unpaid ministries inside and outside the church. Lincoln Christian Seminary has had a profound impact on God's Kingdom in her brief, 50-year history. And by God's grace, she is still impacting the world for Christ.



Alumnus Mark Scott addresses Seminary alumni gathered for 50th anniversary banquet celebration.

Meet the Seminary Class *Of 2002!*



CERTIFICATES

TEACHING ENGLISH TO SPEAKERS OF OTHER LANGUAGES

Elaine Ann Bird*, Lincoln, IL
Rochelle JoAnn Buckner*, Macon, MO

MASTER OF ARTS

Clayne Carl Beck*, Vale, OR
B.A., Northwest Nazarene College, 1969
B.S., Boise Bible College, 1996
Major: General Ministry

James Kevin Clark, Winchester, KY
B.A., Kentucky Christian College, 1999
Major: Contemporary Theology and Philosophy

Trevor Dale Cochell, Cottage Grove, OR
B.A., Northwest Christian College, 1998
Major: Old Testament

Craig Cottongim, Naperville, IL
B.Min., Harding University, 1998
Major: Christian Apologetics

Michael L. Dennis *, Gillette, WY
B.A., Kentucky Christian College, 1979
Major: General Ministry

Fred Hansen, Palmyra, IL
B.A., Lincoln Christian College, 1997
Major: Old Testament

Allen Douglas Hickerson, Lincoln, IL
B.Th., Ozark Christian College, 1997
Major: Old Testament

Danah Mary Horner, Rochelle, IL
B.A., Eastern Illinois University, 1999
Major: General Ministry

Robert D. McCormick Jr., Topeka, KS
B.B.L., Ozark Christian College, 1995
Major: Pastoral Care and Counseling

Jeremy Scott Miselbrook, Kinmundy, IL
B.A., St. Louis Christian College, 1994
Major: Old Testament

Martin C. Nagel, Springfield, IL
B.S., North Central Bible College, 1980
Major: Pastoral Care and Counseling

Khin Phan Phone *, Myitkyina, Myanmar
B.S., Mandalay Arts and Science University, 1976
B.A., Minnesota Bible College, 2000
Major: Old Testament

Dale Warren Robinson, Hillsboro, OR
B.A., Boise Bible College, 1997
Major: Preaching

Kerryn Elise Shaw
Brisbane, Queensland, Australia
B.A., University of Queensland, 1996
Major: General Bible

Scott Campbell Shaw, Lincoln, IL
B.A., Lincoln Christian College, 1987
Major: Pastoral Care and Counseling

Adam Piotr Szumorek, Olsztyn, Poland
B.Th., Warsaw Theological Seminary, 1997
B.Th., Eastern Pentecostal Bible College, 1999
Major: Preaching

Eric Anthony Teoro, Chicago, IL
B.A., Lincoln Christian College, 1998
Major: Contemporary Theology and Philosophy

David E. Vineyard, Springfield, IL
B.S., University of Illinois, 1978
Major: General Ministry

Michael Lynn Wands, Herrick, IL
B.A., Lincoln Christian College, 1994
Major: Pastoral Care and Counseling

Norman Craig Weatherhead
Calgary, Alberta, Canada
B.R.E., Alberta Bible College, 1984
M. Div., Canadian Theological Seminary, 1988
Major: New Testament

Joseph Jay Williams, Decatur, IL
B.B.L., Ozark Christian College, 1998
Major: Preaching

MASTER OF ARTS IN COUNSELING MINISTRY

Matthew D. Duncan, Bloomfield, IN
B.B.L., Ozark Christian College, 1996

Cara Beth LeCureux, St. Cloud, FL
B.A., Florida Christian College, 1999

Karen Marie Lee, Bloomington, IL
B.S., Western Illinois University, 2000

Kari Nicole MacKenzie, Brownsburg, IN
B.A., Butler University, 1998

Velma Morris, Atlanta, IL
B.A., Illinois State University, 1996

Ron Payne, Saint Joseph, IL
B.A., Eastern Illinois University, 1998
M.A., Trinity Evangelical University, 2001

Lisa Marie Schwab, Lincoln, IL
B.A., Lincoln Christian College, 1998

Heather Elaine Smith, Boise, ID
B.S., Boise Bible College, 1998

Sara Elaine Thompson, Lake Villa, IL
B.S., Western Illinois University, 1999

Samuel Vuhahulla *, Mwanza, Tanzania
B.A., ICI University, 1994

MASTER OF DIVINITY

Aaron B. Bird, Casey, IL
B.A., Lincoln Christian College, 1999

Donald L. Brandt, Lincoln, IL
B.S., Kentucky Christian College, 1990

Nealy Pardee Brown, Joliet, IL
B.S., University of Illinois, 1996
M.A.C.M., Lincoln Christian Seminary, 2001

Trevor Dale Cochell, Cottage Grove, OR
B.A., Northwest Christian College, 1998

Stacy Benton Garner, St. Louis, MO
B.A., St. Louis Christian College, 1989
MA., Lincoln Christian Seminary, 1999

John Thomas Klockenga, St. Peters, MO
B.A., Lincoln Christian College, 1995

Jeremy Scott Miselbrook, Kinmundy, IL
B.A., St. Louis Christian College, 1994

Gregory Roland Ohrenberg, De Soto, KS
B.A., Nebraska Christian College, 1994

Greg Allen Robbins, Catlin, IL
B.A., Johnson Bible College, 1995

Larry D. Roberts, Clinton, IL
B.S., Illinois State University, 1987
M.A.C.M., Lincoln Christian Seminary, 1999

Scott Campbell Shaw, Lincoln, IL
B.A., Lincoln Christian College, 1987

** in absentia*

The following Seminary degrees were awarded in August, 2001:

Rochelle JoAnn Buckner, Macon, MO
M.A., Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages

Donald Morse Buckner, Jr., St. Louis, MO
M.A., Contemporary Theology and Philosophy

Joseph C. Grana II, Anaheim, CA
M.A., Pastoral Care and Counseling

Robert Richard Parks Sr., Rincon, GA
M.A., Old Testament

Todd Christopher Thomson, Morris, IL
M.A., Contemporary Theology and Philosophy

Jeramy Allen Townsley, Indianapolis, IN
M.A., General Theology

The following Seminary degrees were awarded in December, 2001

Nelson Ahlijah, Accra-North, Ghana, West Africa
M.A., New Testament

Kevin Douglas Ray, Lovington, IL
M.A., Church History/Historical Theology

Anthony Joseph Centore, Syracuse, NY
M.A.C.M.

Kurt Dean Litwiller, Minier, IL
M.Div.

Meet the College Class *Of 2002!*

CERTIFICATES

CHRISTIAN SERVICE

Jesse James Dillard, Olympia Fields, IL

TEACHING ENGLISH TO SPEAKERS OF OTHER LANGUAGES

Julia Ann Boden-McKenzie, Charleston, SC
Andrea Dee Clymer, Manchester, NH
Angela Lee Clymer, Manchester, NH
Daniela DeVon, Martin, Slovak Republic
Janeané Ruth Marseilles, Hudson, IL
Steven Keola Saito (Paumalu), V-Land, HI
Clay Holden Shaw, Washington, IL

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS

BIBLE

Ashlee Beth Kirk, Lincoln, IL
Katelyn Elizabeth Lemme, Lincoln, IL

EARLY CHILDHOOD MINISTRY

Sarah Ellen Grundhofer, Westmont, IL
Amanda S. Sprouls, Belleville, IL

GENERAL MINISTRY

Joel Benjamin Eagles *, Homer, IL
Derrick A. Simmons, Springfield, IL

OFFICE MANAGEMENT

Amy Ruth Harris, Bloomington, IL
Anne L. Ogden, Carlinville, IL
Matthew A. Sprouls, Indianapolis, IN
Amanda Marie Wagner *, Clinton, IL

BACHELOR OF ARTS

BIVOCATIONAL MISSIONS

Heather Dawn Brock, Sterling, VA
Tara Jean Ragsdale, Lincoln, IL
Steven Keola Saito (Paumalu), V-Land, HI
Emily Suzanne York, Santiago, Dominican Republic

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Patricia K. Allen, Lincoln, IL
Meghan Rhodes Meier, Bloomington, IL

CHRISTIAN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

William R. Abrams, Owosso, MI
Carrie B. Campbell, Monmouth, IL
Shannon Nicole Eckleberry, Mattoon, IL
Kristin N. Jarrett, Tower Hill, IL
Andrew Gregory Pierce, Grinnell, IA
Jennifer Renee Raymer, Bellflower, IL

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MINISTRY

Ross Michael Drennan, Monticello, IL
Jamie Lee Elliott, Roswell, NM
Chad M. Engel, Mackinaw, IL
Abigail L. Flaherty, Newburgh, IN
Kimberly K. Hageman, Beardstown, IL
Victoria C. Lee, Loves Park, IL
Melanie Marie Little, Lamar, MO
Nathan John Roberts, Lincoln, IL
Gabriel T. Rutledge, Lincoln, IL

EARLY CHILDHOOD MINISTRY

Tiffany Jo Gaston, O'Fallon, IL
Janna L. Grandi, Castalia, OH
Heather Marie Killebrew, Lincoln, IL
Dawn Elise Lockhart, Oblong, IL
Caren L. Mills, Walton, IN
Elizabeth Ann Wetherholt, Lincoln, IL

FAMILY LIFE MINISTRY

Luke M. Arnold, Loami, IL
Amy K. Bern, Rockton, IL
Thomas Gillespie Jr., Oswego, IL
Juliet L. Grundhofer, Westmont, IL
April Nicole Heern, Murphysboro, IL



Stephanie D. Keim, Queretaro, Mexico
Alysha Marie Mathias, Kenny, IL
Katherine McMinn-Gordon, Chatham, IL
Abbie Messana-Wertin, Crown Point, IN
Tracy Lynn Nolan, Morris, IL
Holly Jean Overby, Indianapolis, IN
Amanda Kay Pittman, Danville, IL
Tanya Renee Schell *, Streator, IL
Holly Rae Small, Onarga, IL
Benjamin Ross Woods, Palmyra, IL

GENERAL MINISTRY

Julia A. Boden-McKenzie, Charleston, SC
Kimberle Sue Crawford, Lincoln, IL
Daniela DeVon, Martin, Slovak Republic
Jeremy R. Dunham, Beachwood, NJ
Timothy A. Fountain, Rockford, IL
Wendell Klockenga, Jr., Dix, IL
Kellie N. Morris, Amarillo, TX
Clay Holden Shaw, Washington, IL
Roger Sparks, Peoria, IL
John Robert Walsh, Versailles, IL
Matthew D. Woodrow, St. Charles, IL

INTERCULTURAL STUDIES (MISSIONS)

Christopher Michael Warren, Chatham, IL

MISSIONS AND YOUTH MINISTRY

Tonia Sue Bruther, Hanover, IN

MUSIC MINISTRY

David M. Jarrett, Parachute, CO
David Antonio Medina, Peoria, IL
Kelly Dawn Robinson, Hillsboro, OR
Anthony Edwin Ross, Catlin, IL
Scott Andrew Sarver, Salem, IL
Abraham Stephen Underhill, Lincoln, IL

PREACHING MINISTRY

Dustin Paul Bagby, El Paso, IL
Tyler William Escoubas, Bloomington, IL
Christopher John Ewald, Lincoln, IL
Joshua Charles Peigh, Terre Haute, IN
Brad Thomas Prunty, Macomb, IL
Trent Randall Seggelke, Lincoln, IL
SoeBeck Joel Song, Champaign, IL
Jesse Philip Stoner, Merrillville, IN
David John Swihart, Morris, IL
Talondis L.O. Whisker, Peoria, IL

SMALL GROUPS MINISTRY

Jessie J. Claudio, Manteno, IL

YOUTH MINISTRY

Christopher J. Bilodeau, Manchester, NH
Lance A. Hampton, Terre Haute, IN
Jonathan Robert Hentrich, Chillicothe, IL
Keisha Suzanne Hill, Decatur, IL
David M. Jarrett, Parachute, CO
Jonathan David Spencer, Akron, OH
Michael Stephen Twist, Weldon, IL

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

BIBLE

Nathan Ryan Andris, Milford, IL
Shaun Richard Champ, Mundelein, IL
Andrea Dee Clymer, Manchester, NH
Angela Lee Clymer, Manchester, NH
Ross D. Forlines *, Assumption, IL
Janeané Ruth Marseilles, Hudson, IL
Ruth Elaine Martens, Andalusia, IL
Aaron Potsick, Moweaqua, IL
Sammantha Rose, Marshall, IL
Shawn Thomas Smith, Rio Rancho, NM
Sarah Dawn Warner, Beecher City, IL

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MINISTRY

Daniel Elmer Porter *, Springfield, IL

***In absentia**

*The following degrees were presented at
Lincoln Christian College-East Coast in Bel Air, MD:*

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS

Jessica Marie Hart, Lewes, DE

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Brian Sean Dicken, Cumberland, MD
Jocelyn December Haynes, Abingdon, MD
Leanne Carolyn Kick, Baltimore, MD

*The following College degrees were awarded in
August, 2001:*

Sarah Brooke Allen, Mt. Vernon, IL
A.A., Office Management

Jeremiah Thomas Gibson, McLean, IL
A.A., Bible

Silas L. McCormick, Decatur, IL
B.A., Christian Education

Special Honors *For Graduates*

Lincoln Christian Seminary

Congratulations, Trevor Cochell,



Trevor Cochell

an honored student selected by the faculty to represent the Master of Arts students. Trevor is the son of Dick and Kathy Cochell of Cottage Grove, Oregon. He is a 1998 graduate of Northwest Christian College, having earned a B.A. in Pastoral Ministry. He graduates with a Master of Arts in Old Testament and a Master of Divinity. "Trevor has the humble, servant attitude of an Isaiah, the inward motivational call of a Jeremiah, and the intense desire to communicate God's Word of an Ezekiel," says Dr. Zorn. "His character of humility, holiness, and godly zeal will lead him to success in his pursuit of Old Testament studies." Following graduation, Trevor and his family (wife, Kimberly, and daughters, Kristen and Haley) will move to Texas, where he will pursue further studies at Baylor University. His desire is to teach Old Testament studies at a Christian college.

Congratulations, Scott Shaw,



Scott Shaw

an honored student selected by the faculty to represent the Master of Divinity students. Scott is the son of Dr. Wayne and Janet Shaw, of Lincoln. He is a 1987 graduate of Lincoln Christian College, having earned a B.A. in Christian Ministries. He graduates with a Master of Divinity and a Master of Arts in Pastoral Care and Counseling. "Scott's commitment to the Kingdom and to the world-wide mission of the church is exemplary. His passion for Asia is clear to all who know him," says Dr. Gary Hall, Professor of Old Testament. "Scott is certainly among our top graduates in our fifty years of existence. He and his wife Kerryn have been and will be used by God in wonderful ways."

Congratulations, Kari MacKenzie,



Kari MacKenzie

an honored student selected by the faculty to represent the Master of Arts in Counseling Ministry students. Kari is the daughter of Ron and Bonnie Reynolds of Brownsburg, Indiana. She is a graduate of Butler University, having earned a B.A. in Psychology. During her Seminary career, Kari served for two years as a counselor in the student counseling office on campus. She also spent a summer as a counseling intern at Blessing Ranch in Colorado, an organization that focuses on the restoration and renewal of Christian leaders. "Kari has made herself one of the most sought after counseling majors we have graduated. She has accepted the job of her dreams with Blessing Ranch, where she will be serving missionaries and church leaders," says Tom Ewald, Professor of Pastoral Care and Counseling. Kari and her husband Mike (a 1996 LCS graduate) moved to Livermore, Colorado, in June to begin their ministry at Blessing Ranch.

PRESIDENT'S DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

In 1983, Warren Smith was called to be the Director of Estate Planning Services for Lincoln Christian College and Seminary. Since that time, Warren has faithfully served LCCS by conducting estate planning seminars, providing personal consultation, teaching stewardship, and preaching. His Estate Planning Guide is now revised and in its seventh printing. He has also written articles on estate planning and taxes that have appeared in national publications. In the last ten years, he has completed 1,675 estate plans. Numerous Christian ministries have benefited financially from his work, especially Lincoln Christian College and Seminary.



Warren Smith

God has worked through this very special man. Warren's work is a fine example of the true nature of Christian stewardship. His work has enabled us to partner with Christian friends, thus helping them invest in students and leaders that will impact eternity. This is the core value of our stewardship team as we endeavor to nurture existing relationships into productive partnerships. God has used Warren Smith in a marvelous way, and we have witnessed God's providential hand in his efforts.

The 2002 President's Distinguished Service Award was presented with appreciation to Warren Smith for nearly twenty years of faithful Kingdom service with Lincoln Christian College and Seminary.

COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER



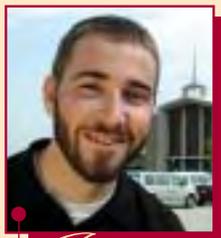
Kenneth D. Idleman

Lincoln Christian College and Seminary's 2002 commencement speaker was Kenneth Idleman, a 1969 graduate of Lincoln Christian College (B.A.) and a 1973 graduate of Lincoln Christian Seminary (M.Div.). He is the President of Ozark Christian College in Joplin, Missouri, where he has served in this position for 22 years.

In addition to his duties as President of OCC, he also has served as the President of the North American Christian Convention (1992) and as an International Advisor for Good News Productions. Mr. Idleman continues to be a resource speaker for churches and conventions, as well as a writer for College Press, *The Christian Standard*, and *The Lookout*. He is the recipient of several awards, including the Lincoln Christian College and Seminary Restoration Award in Preaching and Higher Education (1982) and the Lincoln Christian Seminary Distinguished Service Award (1992).

Lincoln Christian College

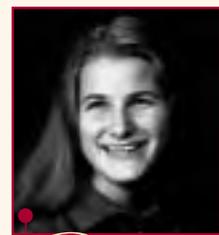
Congratulations, Joshua Peigh,



Joshua Peigh

an honored student selected by the faculty to represent the field of Christian Ministries. Josh is the son of Darrell and Lois Peigh of Terre Haute, Indiana. While in school, Josh prepared for ministry through a six-month internship with Manchester Christian Church, Manchester, New Hampshire, where he contributed to the life of the local church as part of the teaching team and programming team. Josh says that his experience at LCC has increased his passion for ministry and provided a solid foundation. Dr. Chuck Sackett, Professor of Christian Ministries, describes Josh as deeply spiritual. "He listens for the 'wind of the Spirit,' always sensitive to the Lord's leading. He has a kind, compassionate, sensitive spirit. I believe God will use him to attract people to faith and through him, to deepen them in their faith." Following graduation, Josh plans to continue his education. Eventually, he would like to return to the New England region and continue ministering in a local church.

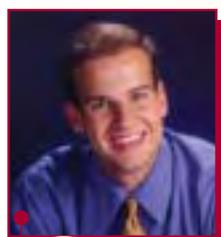
Congratulations, Ruth Martens,



Ruth Martens

an honored student selected by the faculty to represent the field of Teacher Education. Ruth is the daughter of Dennis and Phyllis Martens of Andalusia, Illinois. She graduates with a B.S. in Bible. During her college career, Ruth gained experience in her field while working with elementary students in public schools, including third, fifth and seventh grades. She is currently student teaching at Hanna City Grade School. "My experience at LCC prepared me academically and spiritually for college life at ISU (Illinois State University) and professional life," explains Ruth. "My classes at LCC encouraged me to be a life-long learner." Barbara Messner, Assistant Professor and Coordinator of the Teacher Education Program, calls Ruth conscientious and hard-working. "Her sweet spirit and kind-hearted nature endear her to adults and children alike. Ruth is an excellent example of what a Christian teacher should be." Following graduation, Ruth will marry her fiancé, Alvin, and hopes to work in the public schools in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Congratulations, Trent Seggelke,



Trent Seggelke

an honored student selected by the faculty to represent the field of Bible and Theology. Trent is the son of Tom Seggelke and Dale Seggelke of Lincoln, Illinois. During his college career, Trent served as a volunteer worship leader at Lincoln Christian Church for two years and as a worship leader for biweekly services at LCC. In his junior year, Trent began preaching at several Lincoln area churches; and during his senior year, he participated in an internship at The Church on the Way in California, where he served in a variety of ministries. Of his experience at LCC, Trent says he was encouraged and inspired by the example of the preaching faculty. "My time at LCC has taught me to approach the ministry of the church from the eyes of those who have needs," he says. Says Dr. J. K. Jones, Associate Professor of Christian Ministries, "He is one of those students who truly seeks to live out a God-honoring purpose. He continues to cultivate a Jesus-centeredness in all that he does. He models that rare balance between a commitment to thorough Biblical study and a Holy Spirit sensitivity. He has been a delight to know." Following graduation, Trent plans to enter into full-time ministry, and will marry his fiancé, Alysha, in August.

Congratulations, Juliet Grundhofer,



Juliet Grundhofer

an honored student selected by the faculty to represent the field of General Education. Juliet is the daughter of Keith and Anne Grundhofer of Westmont, Illinois. In addition to her academic experience at LCC, Juliet gained valuable experience outside of the classroom. She currently is a volunteer tutor for an after-school program, and she participated in an internship at Lifeway Counseling Centers in Cincinnati. Juliet says her experience at LCC has prepared her to continue with her academic pursuits, as she plans to study school psychology in a graduate program at the University of Cincinnati. Phil Foster, Assistant Professor of Family Life Ministry says, "Juliet is a critical thinker. She not only listens and hears, but is willing to challenge what she hears if she doesn't agree with the speaker, or finds any inconsistency in what is being said." He adds, "Juliet has chosen a career that will allow her to help others benefit from the learning experience. Her gifts are well suited for what she intends to do with her life."

New Faculty: KAREN ESTEP



Karen Estep

Dr. Karen Estep joins the College faculty this summer as Director of Teacher Education. She will coordinate Lincoln's self-study for state approval for our Early Childhood Education program, as well as approval by the Association of Christian Schools International. Such approval will allow our graduates to be fully certified to teach children (birth through 3rd grade) in public and private schools, as well as serve as teachers and directors of day care centers and other children's programs. Lincoln's five-year program will result in two bachelor's degrees—one in education and one in Bible—so

graduates will be equipped to minister as teachers in both public and church settings.

Dr. Estep is well credentialed to lead Lincoln's teacher education certification process. She has a B.A. in education from Northwest Missouri State and a Ph.D. in educational administration from Michigan State, as well as masters' degrees in ministry and in theology from Cincinnati Bible Seminary. She has taught in both public and private schools, has served as principal at two different Christian schools, and has been a member of several accreditation teams. She is married to James Estep (see below), and they have three children: Budd, Dovie, and Dylan. Dr. Estep will be working with our other teacher education faculty, Barbara Messner and Debby Carter. If you would like to learn more about this program, please contact Mrs. Messner at bmessner@lcs.edu or Mrs. Carter at dcarter@lcs.edu.

New Faculty: JAMES ESTEP



James Estep

Dr. James Estep, Jr., will be joining his wife Karen on the faculty at Lincoln. He will serve as Professor of Christian Education in the Seminary and as Director of Assessment and Faculty Development for both schools. Dr. Estep has advanced degrees from Cincinnati Bible Seminary (M.A., M.A., M.Div.), Southern Baptist Theological Seminary (D.Min.), and Trinity Evangelical Divinity School (Ph.D.). He served as Professor of Christian Education at Great Lakes Christian College for ten years, the last five as dean, and has served the last two years as provost and professor at

Kentucky Christian College.

Dr. Estep has ministered with several churches as preacher, youth minister, and Christian education director, in addition to his teaching role in Christian higher education. He reads avidly (a book a week) and has written widely (more than thirty published items). His written works include articles in the College Press *Foundations for Christian Education*, the *Baker's Evangelical Dictionary of Christian Education*, the *Stone-Campbell Journal*, the *Christian Education Journal*, and the *Christian Standard*. He will be presenting a paper this fall at the National Association of Professors of Christian Education. He is one of the leading minds in Christian education in the evangelical world, and he will be a great asset in helping Lincoln advance the cause of Christian higher education.

New Faculty: SCOTT JONES



Scott Jones

Scott Jones will serve Lincoln Christian College as Assistant Professor of Science starting this fall. He attended Lincoln for one year in 1988-89 and then completed a bachelor's degree (1993) and master's degree (2000) in science at Illinois State University. Mr. Jones has been teaching science on a part-time basis for the College this year, while serving as full-time science teacher at Illini Bluffs High School. Students rate his teaching effectiveness among the highest for any Lincoln professor, which is not surprising given his passion for his subject and his enthusiasm

for his students. One of his professors at ISU wrote of him, "During my 33 years of teaching, I would place him in the top 10% in terms of overall promise as a teacher." Mr. Jones is active in the Morton Christian Church, where he serves as deacon and chair of the education committee. He has served as a counselor and dean at several Christian camps, including Macgomery, Little Galilee, and Lake Springfield. He and his wife Shelly have a daughter, Amanda Marie, and are expecting their second child this fall.

Faculty Accomplishment:

KEVIN LARSEN



Kevin Larsen

Kevin Larsen, Professor of Theology and New Testament at Lincoln—East Coast, our satellite campus in Bel Air, MD, recently completed his requirements for the Th.D. degree at Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C. Dr. Larsen also serves as coordinator for graduate studies for the Seminary's extension courses on the East Coast. He spent the last half of May traveling to China with several students and staff from Lincoln—East Coast.

Memorial/Honor *Gifts*

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Same Foundation... *New Generation*

Update

One year ago Lincoln Christian College and Seminary launched a \$5 million five-year over-and-above campaign. The purpose of the campaign is to take LCCS to the next level – from "Good to Great." To date we have received \$4,105,018. in cash and commitments.

	GOAL	RECEIVED
Trustees/Former Trustees	\$1,250,000	\$1,230,250
Faculty/Staff	350,000	389,849
Alumni	1,000,000	723,804
Churches	1,000,000	373,303
Friends	750,000	1,051,352
Foundations/Corporations	650,000	336,460

Campaign Initiatives

Several strategic initiatives have already been funded through the campaign. Those initiatives still needing support are:

- Doctor of Ministry degree program
- Dr. Marion W. Henderson Chair of Bible
- Dr. Wayne E. Shaw Chair of Preaching
- Dr. James D. Strauss Chair of Worldview Studies
- Endowed Scholarships for both the College and Seminary
- Endowment to support faculty outreach and publication

Church Campaign

While the campaign continues to encourage all of the LCCS contingent groups to support Same Foundation...New Generation, the current focus is on our partnering churches. Several churches have responded by endowing scholarships that give their students first preference to receive awards. Two of these churches have named the scholarships to honor the longtime service of their pastors. One church is supporting the Marion Henderson Chair*.

**A Chair honors the one for which it is created and recognizes the scholarship of the faculty person assigned to the Chair. As an endowment fund that lasts in perpetuity, the fund income pays the salary and related expenses of the person assigned to the Chair.*

Please Help

You can help by praying daily for the success of the campaign. You may call 217-732-3168 for more information and make your five year over-and-above pledge. You can help by inviting President Ray or Vice President of Stewardship Development, Gary Edwards, to make a presentation to your church. Help us prepare workers for the Church for the Next Generation.



*Lynn Laughlin,
Vice President
of Alumni Development*

A Word From *Lynn*

MISSION ACCOMPLISHED!

We are so proud of you, our alumni! That statement comes as we hear more and more from the field of how God is using you and allowing your talents to spill over into Kingdom work. The reason for more focused attention on you is because Tom Tanner, our Vice President of Academics, just put together a Lincoln Factbook 2001-02, which is the result of a good deal of survey work. We learned that over two-thirds of our known graduates are serving in church-based ministries, including preachers, associate ministers, youth ministers, music ministers, children's ministers, missionaries, Christian child-care personnel, and other church and para-church staff and administrators.

We also know that 92% of our College graduates from 1991 to 2001 are serving in paid or volunteer ministries or have gone on to do graduate work. These statistics show the fulfillment of our mission statement - presenting Christ to this generation.

For those who graduated from Lincoln Christian Seminary from 1991 to 2001, 92% are involved in leadership ministry. This speaks convincingly for those undergraduate schools from which they came, along with the education received at LCS.

A sizeable number of our alumni are involved in volunteer level positions with our churches and other Christian organizations. We are thrilled that you have maintained that desire to serve and impact your community for Christ. May God strengthen and sustain you for His purpose. We pray for you, many times by name.

Class of *1952*

Members of Lincoln Bible Institute's Class of 1952 returned to campus during Commencement weekend to celebrate their 50th Class Reunion. Nine graduates represented their class, coming from the states of Illinois, Colorado, Iowa, Ohio, Virginia, Indiana, and California. The Friday and Saturday activities included a luncheon with the Class of 2002, an afternoon reception in their honor, evening dinner with faculty, staff, and trustees, Commencement, and the President's Luncheon following graduation services.



*From left to right, first row: William Casler, Jack and Virginia Schlieker, Jeanetta Green, David Lang, Merle Melton
Second row: Howard Kraps, Leland Short, and Paul Ingram.*

Ministry News

Tom and Carrie Marshall moved to Cornwall, Prince Edward Island, as **Tom, LCC '89, LCS '95**, assumes a teaching position at Maritime Christian College in Charlottetown, PEI. Tom and **Carrie, LCC '89**, reside at RR 2, Cornwall, PEI COA 2 HO.

Andrew Lanham, LCC '66, became Music Minister at Pomona Christian Church, Pomona, Missouri, effective October, 2001. He and his wife **Katie (Mahannah), LCC '96**, reside at 502 Pierce St., West Plains, MO 65775.

Matt Payne, LCC '92, LCS, and wife **Cindy, LCC**, started a cell church in the Portland, Oregon metro area. The church is named the HighPointe Community Christian Church, and is located in Tigard, Oregon. The Paynes reside at 13023 SW Caddy Pl., Tigard, OR 97223.

Loren Rasbury, LCS '96, is serving as adjunct professor at St. Louis Christian College, teaching homiletics. He and his wife Karen serve with the Maryland Heights Church of Christ in Maryland Heights, MO, and they reside at 1932 Cherokee Trails, Florissant, MO 63031.

Ron Payne, LCC '93, and wife Shirley began their 37th year of ministry on March 6 with the Ingraham Christian Church, Ingraham, Illinois. Ron and Shirley can be reached at P.O. Box 7, Ingraham, IL 62434.

Dr. Eleanor Daniel, LCC '62, LCS '65, is retiring as dean at Emmanuel School of Religion in Johnson City, Tennessee, effective May 31. She will continue to teach one-third time at Emmanuel, but will be assuming the new role of dean at TCM Institute for Biblical Studies at Heiligenkreuz, Austria. In this role, she will be teaching and guiding the self study process leading to accreditation with the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association.

Miscellaneous

Congratulations to James Egli, LCS '86, for completing his Ph.D. in Communication at Regent University in Virginia Beach, VA. He serves as the Small Group Pastor at the Champaign (IL) Vineyard Church. He and his wife **Vicki, LCC**, reside at 9 Bel Air Court, Champaign, IL 61820.

Sarah Szoke, LCC '01, graduated in December, 2001, with a B.A. in French Education. Sarah is among the first French majors to graduate from LCC in the TEP consortial agreement. She is currently teaching French at Oswego High School and resides at 204 S. Highpoint Drive, Romeoville, IL 60446.

Congratulations to Dennis Durst, LCS '95, who recently received his Ph.D. in Theological Studies from Saint Louis University. Dennis and his wife **Zana (Fairbrother), LCS**, reside at 5328 Walsh Street, St. Louis, MO 63109.

Jamie (Coleman) Brennan, LCC '99, announces her marriage on May 18, 2002. Jamie and her husband Timothy Brennan will be residing at 1336B East 38th Street, Tulsa, OK 74015.

Terry Martin, LCC '90, was promoted to 2nd Lieutenant in the U.S. Army Reserves. Terry and his wife Valerie reside in San Antonio, TX.

John Mark Boonaerts, LCC '99, LCS '01, announces his marriage to Michelle Cox on March 2, 2002, in Rochester, Illinois. John continues to recover from serious injuries received in a motorcycle accident during the summer of 2001.

Births

Jason L. Gordon, LCC '00, and **Katherine McMinn-Gordon, LCC '02**, were blessed with their first child, Abigail Korrine, born May 3, 2002. Jason serves as Minister of Worship at Lakeside Christian Church, Springfield, IL, and Katherine serves as a case manager for Inner City Mission in Springfield.

Ben and Kari (Flood) Matthews, LCC '99, announce the birth of their second child, Lily Marie. Lily was born December 1, 2001, and joins big sister Hannah Charis. The Matthews family resides at 805 Bryan Street, Normal, IL 61761.

Hank and Julie Wilson, LCC '95, announce the birth of their daughter Jonah Karin, born March 5, 2002. She joins a big sister, Alex, age 5, and big brother, Trey, age 2. The Wilsons reside at 899 Symphony Dr., Aurora, IL 60504.

Cindy (Ross) Jensen, LCC '88, and husband Steve recently celebrated the birth of their second daughter, Erica Caitlin. Erica joins sister Alicia, age 3. Cindy is a free lance wedding photographer and Steve is in hardware sales. The family resides at 1415 Erik Road, Cedar Falls, IA 50613.

Tim and Tammy (Dykstra) Wanless, LCC, welcome their new daughter, Savannah Leigh, born January 7, 2002. She joins her 4-year old brother Justin. The family resides at 1011 Bill Beck Blvd., Kissimmee, FL 34744.

Deaths

Joan (Ragsdale) Ingram, LBI, beloved wife of **Paul Ingram, LBI '52**, passed away on January 31, 2002, following a battle with cancer. Together they served in Christian missions to Korea, in pulpit ministries in four states, and helped to establish two new churches in Florida. Joan also authored and published several books. Paul survives, along with a daughter, two sons, and several grandchildren and great grandchildren. Condolences may be sent to Paul at P.O. Box 621, Washington, IN 47501.

Jean Roland, beloved wife of **William Roland, LCS**, passed from this life on February 19, 2002. Jean and William were residents of Bison, Kansas. Jean was the daughter of Sterling and Zoena Rothermel, Christian Church missionaries in India. She and William served as missionaries in India from 1947 to 1997. She is survived by **William** and sons, Charles, **David, LCC '72**, and **Paul, LCC '74, LCS**, and a daughter, **Mary Esther Boonaerts, LCC**.

Kenneth W. Baldwin, LCC '69, who passed from this life on October 13, 2001, is survived by his wife Marjorie, who resides at 138 Minwood Drive, Tallmadge, OH 44278.

Sandra J. (Cole) Dahl, LBI '61, passed from this life on March 5, 2002 in Waukesha, Wisconsin, where she resided with her husband **Ted, LCS**, and where she had been employed with the Waukesha Memorial Hospital Physical Medicine department. Her twin sister, **Sonja (Cole) Beaulieu**, is also an alumna of Lincoln. Condolences may be sent to the family at W. 250 S. 3803 Center Road, Waukesha, WI 53189.

Jane Scattergood, beloved wife of **William Scattergood, LBI '57**, passed away suddenly on November 10, 2001. Bill and Jane were residing in Decatur at the time of her death. Although retired, Bill and Jane had continued to serve at the Antioch Christian Church in Decatur. Condolences may be sent to Bill at 3353 Kent Circle, Decatur, IL 62526.

Art Mentzer, LCS '83, passed away at his home on May 20, 2002, following a battle with cancer. He is survived by his wife Pam and two children who reside at 1135 S. W. First Avenue, Mill City, OR 97360. Art's most recent ministry was as Senior Pastor of Mill City First Christian Church. Memorials can be made to the Mentzer Family Emergency Fund at any Bank of America branch.



Dr. Walt Zorn and Dr. Gary Hall are pictured with the scroll.

HEBREW SCROLL

In June of 2001, Ron Newlin (LCC '76) gave the College and Seminary a piece of leather Hebrew Scroll. It is one sheet of a Torah scroll containing the text of Numbers 7:88 to 12:7. It is a beautiful hand copy, 29 inches wide and 26 inches high. It is from the Middle East and perhaps up to 400 years old. It has some damage, but is easily read. The scroll piece is displayed in Restoration Hall and is used as a reference for both beginning and advanced Hebrew classes. The College and Seminary are deeply grateful to Ron and Marie Newlin for the gift. Ron died shortly after giving the school the scroll, and it provides a wonderful legacy in his memory.



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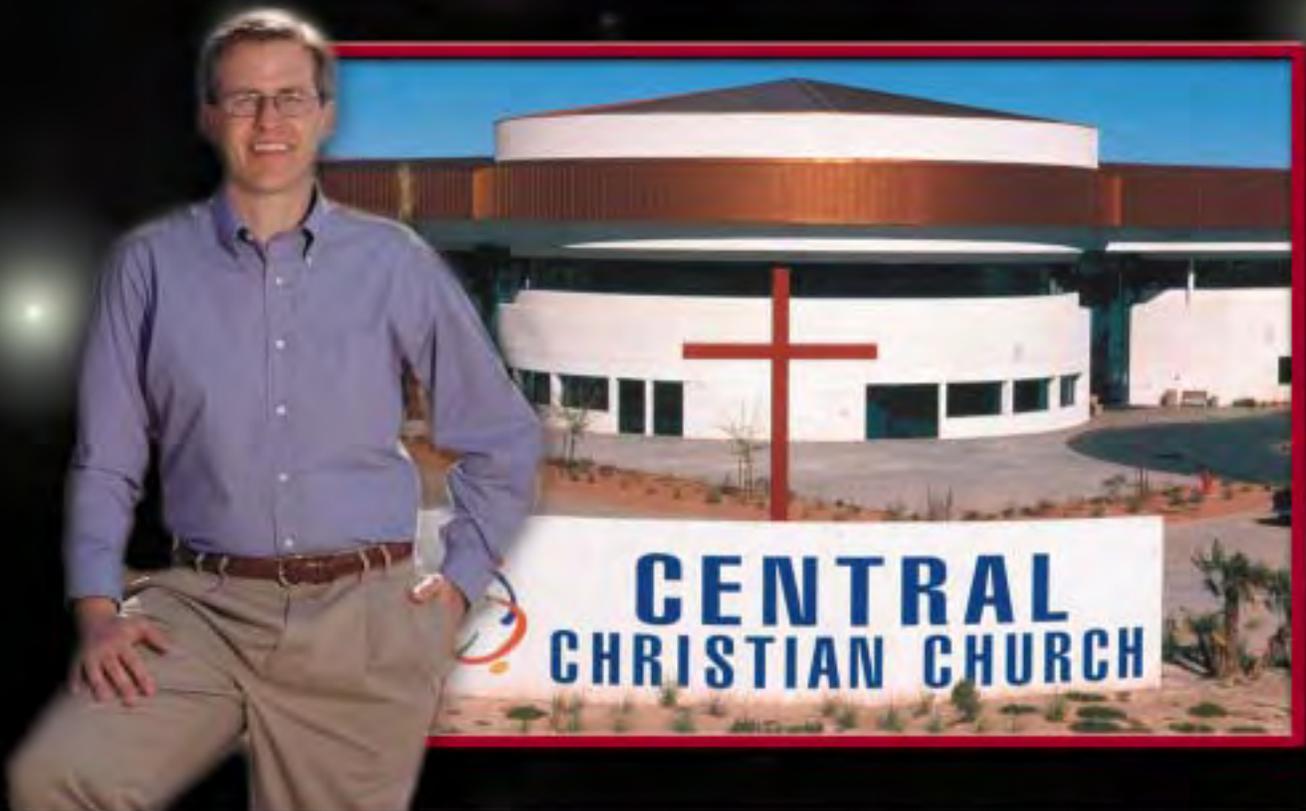
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Gene Appel, LCC '82, Leading with Excellence



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The President's Perspective



Dr. Keith H. Ray, President

I am pleased that our alumni continue to be a strong advocate for our school. The growing enthusiasm and support was easily recognized this past summer at the North American Christian Convention in Columbus, Ohio. Both the reception and awards ceremony reflected exuberance for what God has done and is doing through Lincoln Christian College and Seminary. With a growing attendance each year, this event has proven to be a primary source for alumni momentum.

Allow me to cite just a few small examples of that momentum:

- Multi-generation enrollment continues. Many of the alumni from my era (1976-1985 LCC, LCS) are now enrolling their children along with mine. This kind of loyalty is gratifying.
- Involvement in annual and occasional alumni gatherings reflects a renewed interest in the school's present condition and its future plans.
- Alumni dues and gifts are at an all-time high (even in recessionary times). That kind of support is a key to many needed projects.
- Finally, the leadership provided by Lynn Laughlin and the exceptional receptivity to his role are fundamental in building a strong future for the Alumni Association.

The following pages testify to even greater accomplishments among our alumni around the world. Join me in saluting them through the reading of this *Restorer*.

A salute to our Alumni,

Dr. Keith H. Ray
President

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Distinguished Alumni . . .

Making a Difference

Three Lincoln Christian College and Seminary alumni were awarded the 2002 Restoration Award and recognized for their contributions to Kingdom work at the annual Alumni Reunion held in conjunction with the North American Christian Convention in Columbus, Ohio, July 26, 2002.



Dr. Keith Ray is surprised when Lynn Laughlin presents him with the Restoration Award in Kingdom Leadership.

Dr. Keith H. Ray, LCC '80, LCS '85, was presented the 2002 Restoration Award in the field of Kingdom Leadership. When Keith was called to Lincoln Christian College and Seminary as its president, he left a very fulfilling post at Dallas Christian College as their president. But, explained Keith, *"Lincoln was a very significant part of my conversion and early spiritual formation and theological education. I am very indebted to Lincoln for that. This is my opportunity to pay back a debt that was invested in me 20 years ago."* Each year since Keith's arrival in 1998 has carried with it exceptional levels of accomplishment resulting in record-breaking enrollments, record number of graduates, record financial gifts, record debt-reducing strides, and a new campus "stem to stern" look, including a new athletic facility, updated residence halls, a new student center, a beautiful book store, and remodeled and expanded cafeteria. Those who labor with Keith will say this is Lincoln's finest hour because of commonality of purpose, trust, and empowerment.

Keith is married to **Jeanee (Strauss)**, LCC '81, LCS, and they have three daughters, Ashleigh, Allyson, and Abigale. The Rays are "family" to the entire campus, hospitable, and sharing, as they serve as spiritual leaders among our student body, our faculty, and our staff.

Keith received his B.A. in Church Growth and World Mission from Lincoln Christian College in 1980. He earned a Master of Divinity degree in Theology and Philosophy from Lincoln Christian Seminary in 1985, earning high honors at every level. In 1991, he entered Trinity Evangelical Divinity School and was awarded the Doctor of Ministry degree, again with high honors. During his scholastic years, Keith preached at Raymond, Lake Fork, and Toluca, Illinois.



Dr. Ray presents Mark Scott the Restoration Award in the field of Christian Higher Education.

Mark R. Scott, LCS '83, was presented the 2002 Restoration Award in the field of Christian Higher Education, especially noting his service at Ozark Christian College since 1983. Mark began his ministry at Ozark as a faculty member, where he also served as assistant academic dean for thirteen years. Since 1998 Mark has served as Academic Dean at Ozark. He is known nationally and internationally for his exemplary preaching skills, as he has served large and small churches, conventions, youth conferences, camps, and on the mission field. His preaching style has endeared him to his audience, and his hallmark is his ability to teach deep truths in a humble and understandable way. Lincoln Christian Seminary's Dean Emeritus and Professor of Preaching, Dr. Wayne Shaw, says, *"Mark puts the cookies on the low shelf."*

Mark committed his life's work to Christian ministry in the fall of 1971, when he entered Ozark Christian College and he earned a Bachelor of Theology in New Testament and was named class orator. Following his graduation, he entered Lincoln Christian Seminary, where he received his Master of Divinity degree in the spring of 1983.

In December, 1972, Mark married Carla (Parker), and they are the parents of four children: Casey, Corey, Annie, and Allison. They have given themselves to Kingdom work for over thirty years.

Mark is one of the many reasons Lincoln Christian College and Seminary bonds so closely with Ozark Christian College, working together as two institutions who serve a common God and common purpose.



Les White receives the Restoration Award in the field of Preaching Ministry.

Dr. Leslie L. White, LCC '71, LCS '83, '88, was presented the 2002 Restoration Award in the field of Preaching Ministry. He began his life-long work in the Christian ministry as a youth minister with the Williamsville (IL) Christian Church, later moving to Decatur, where he was called to the Northwest Christian Church. He served the Decatur congregation for twenty-one years, leading the congregation through a major building campaign and the birthing of a Christian school. In 1991, Les was called to the First Church of Christ in Painesville, OH, where he has served for the last 11 years. He teaches yearly for TCM, either at Haus Edelweiss in Vienna, Austria, or in-country. He also serves on the Board of Directors for Global Missionary Ministries. On the home front, Les served on the leadership team for a new church plant in the Cleveland area, the Polaris Church in Brunswick, which is now a thriving, healthy congregation.

Les is currently a trustee for Lincoln Christian College and Seminary, and has served one term as Chairman of the Board. He has also participated as an adjunct faculty member for Lincoln, teaching extension courses at LCC-East. He is a board member of the Christian Counseling Center in Painesville and has added to his service the work of mediator and facilitator for area churches in crisis. He is a disciplined servant, giving himself to diligent and long-time pastorates, having been in only two ministries since his graduation in 1971. Les is married to **Anita (Smith)**, LCC '72, and they have two grown children, Stacy, 26, and Adam, 23.

Les graduated from Lincoln Christian College in 1972, earned his Master of Arts degree from Lincoln Christian Seminary in 1983, and added to that a Master of Divinity in 1988. In 1995, Les earned his Doctor of Ministry degree from Northern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Alumni Making A *Difference*

The alumni highlighted below are a tribute to thousands of Lincoln alumni who serve around the world in a multitude of ways. Would that we could bring honor to all who serve so faithfully! We highlight these alumni, recognizing they, along with you, are Christian servants hard at work.



Gene Appel, LCC '82, LCS

growing churches in America. During this time, Central has transitioned from a fairly traditional church to one that strategically focuses on reaching and discipling non-churched people.

The son of Leon H. Appel, a recognized and popular preacher who also served as Lincoln's second president before a fatal heart attack took him from us in 1974, Gene was destined to be another great preacher. Family and friends recall, even when Gene was only 5

years old, that he would be found in his room preaching and praying. Having been raised in a large family with sisters Gloria, Glenda, and Gail, and brothers Greg and Mike, Gene was the youngest, but seldom outwitted by his clever siblings. Today, his sense of humor and devotion to family reflects the loving, close relationships of his father, his mother Veva, and his brothers and sisters. Gene and his wife Barb have three children, Jeremy, Alayna, and Jenna.

Those hearing him preach will find that although he serves large numbers of people in his pastoral ministry, to Gene each are individuals. The "big" found on the campus of Central Christian Church does not overtake the personal ministry of the congregation. Gene's staff is well orchestrated to cover areas such as community care, programming, music, worship, women's ministries, outreach, adult ministries, young adults, children, production, sports, operational ministries. . . just to name a few.

Gene, along with Alan Nelson, co-authored a book, *How to Change Your Church (without killing it)*. The book "contains many success as well as crash-and-burn stories . . . on how to guide your church through innovation with the least pain possible." The suggested guides found in this book will help bring about a journey that will "make your local church body irresistible to believers and seekers alike." Gene has also authored *Dream Intruders* and *Healing Hidden Hurts*.

Getting to know Jud Wilhite means getting next to challenge, adventure, inspiration, wisdom, and a dose of humor. Soon after coming to Lincoln Christian Seminary as a graduate of Dallas Christian College, Jud was recognized for his exceptional potential. What was to come next was the shaping of a plan to put the desires of his heart on the printed page in two books, *It's a Wonderful Life . . . Really! Happiness and Hope for the 21st Century*, and most recently, *Faith That Goes the Distance*. . . *Living an Extraordinary Life*. Jud explains, "I wanted to live life to the fullest,



Jud Wilhite, LCS '96

beyond the meager and the mundane. I began looking at ancient and contemporary people of faith for inspiration. I saw how God used everyday people such as Noah, Abraham, and Rahab to live extraordinary lives . . . they were real people who made real mistakes . . . but God met them and they were transformed by His love.

I wrote the book [*Faith That Goes the Distance*] to encourage every reader to rise above mediocrity and experience God's best." Definitely a "can't put this down" kind of book, Jud delivers a clear plan on living a God-pleasing life and demonstrates how you don't have to be a figure of prominence to make a difference.

Jud serves as a teaching pastor on the leadership team of Crossroads Christian Church in Corona, California. He also teaches in the Londen Institute for Evangelism, a training center for second-career champions interested in ministry and church planting. He serves as an adjunct faculty member for Azusa Pacific University, where he teaches graduate courses in the area of communication and preaching. Jud and his wife, Lori, have one daughter, Emma, and he loves cappuccinos, great books, pro-football, and the joy of seeing someone come to faith in Christ.



Darryl Bolen, LCC '75

Darryl makes "role model minister" an icon to be recognized. This LCC alumnus made his way to Lincoln in 1971, all the way from Havre de Grace, Maryland, but once his roots were placed down in Illinois, that is where he stayed. Not too many pastors can claim 30 years of service with one congregation, but Darryl has done just that. In October of 1973 the Greenville (IL) First Christian Church called Darryl as a part-time youth minister. Upon his graduation in 1975, Darryl and his new wife Sally (Reynolds), LCC, began a full-time youth ministry there. In 1977, the congregation called him as their senior minister. Darryl gives credit for his lengthy ministry at Greenville to the church's leadership, saying they nurtured and encouraged him in his ministry. In 1977 the church averaged close to 300 in worship services. Though the town has not grown appreciably, the church now averages close to 1,000 in worship services each week.

Darryl is a tireless worker who loves his ministry, people, and his community. His regular personal contact with members of the congregation, the community, and with ministry teams brings about effective ministry to a vibrant congregation. Darryl expands his role of senior minister by being a frequent speaker for other churches, civic and corporate functions and working in the community on the Bond County Health Department, Relay for Life, and the Senior Citizens of Bond County Board. Darryl is a part of the North American Christian Convention Continuation Committee and serves on the board of trustees at St. Louis Christian College. Darryl and Sally have two children: Kirk, an LCC student and a member of "Slingshot 57," a popular Christian rock band; and Suzanne, a freshman at St. Louis College of Pharmacy.

Don't let the graduation year of 2001 mislead you. Karen is a veteran alumna and a veteran Christian servant. What makes Karen unique at this time is the fact that she first entered Lincoln Christian College as a freshman in 1961, but left to be married and to help put her husband Neil through school. Karen's desire was to complete her degree, and we celebrate with her as she became part of the graduating class of 2001.

Over the thirty-eight years of their marriage and ministry, Karen has served as part of a co-ministry team with Neil, as they labored with troubled churches in Illinois, Ohio, Oklahoma, and Indiana. They have been a team as they have led marriage enrichment seminars and retreats for ministry couples. Karen is a popular women's speaker and is known for her encouragement, mentoring, and equipping of younger women for leadership roles in the church. Karen has initiated and developed Home-Bound Shepherding Ministries, along with other women's ministry events, such as MIFF (Moms in Fast Forward). Presently Karen serves as Director of Children's Ministry at Town & Country Christian Church in Crown Point, IN.

Karen is a free-lance writer, having written articles for *The Lookout*, *Integrity*, and articles and lesson backgrounds for *The Christian Standard*. Her book, *Mrs. Preacher*, was published by College Press of Joplin, MO. Other interests include her musical gifts on the piano and organ and painting of murals, stage backdrops, china, and anything else that stands still.

Karen and Neil are the parents of two grown daughters, Jennifer and Angela, and a foster daughter Terri. For Karen, there's always room for a new love, which has proven itself in the person of her new grandson, Andrew, age one, who lives entirely too far away in Birmingham, Alabama.



Karen Norheim, LCC '01

Publish or Parish?

For most professors in higher education, the motto is "publish or perish"—either to be published or fail to succeed as professors. But for professors in Christian colleges and seminaries, the choice is often between "publish or parish," where parish refers to the local church. Their choice is between the academic world and the church world, between conducting research and doing ministry.

For professors at Lincoln Christian College and Seminary, this issue is not "either/or" but "both/and." Lincoln's faculty are increasingly finding ways to research and write, while also maintaining an active role in leadership ministry in the local church. One example is Dr. J.K. Jones, Professor of Preaching, who not only teaches full-time at the College and preaches nearly every weekend for Jefferson Street Christian Church in town, but is also beginning work on a book on preaching for College Press, in concert with Mark Scott, Professor of Preaching at Ozark Christian College.

Other upcoming faculty publications include an article on theistic belief in the book *God Matters* (Longman Press, 2003) by Dr. James Sennett, Professor of Philosophy; two articles in the book *Evangelicalism and the Stone-Campbell Movement* (InterVarsity Press,

2002) by Dr. Robert Kurka and Dr. Robert Lowery, Professors of Theology and New Testament; an article on spiritual formation in the journal *Religious Education* (2002) by Dr. James Estep, Professor of Christian Education, as well as a new book on the history and philosophy of Christian education being co-written by Dr. Estep for College Press (2003).

In addition to these publications, several faculty will be presenting formal academic papers at various professional conferences this coming year. These presentations include one on preaching the Gospels at the Evangelical Homiletical Society in St. Louis by Dr. Wayne Shaw, Professor of Preaching; one on Christian education at the National Association of Professors of Christian Education in San Diego by Dr. James Estep; and three papers being read at the Evangelical Theological Society in Toronto: one on C.S. Lewis by Dr. James Sennett; one on the Gospel of John by Dr. Brian Johnson, Professor of New Testament; and one on churches of Christ and open theism by Dr. Robert Kurka.

For all of our professors, scholarship and service are complementary, not contradictory. If you were to ask them, "Publish or parish?" they would quickly respond, "Yes!" We thank God for the contribution that these servants are making in publishing and in preaching the Good News of Jesus Christ.

New Web Pages Provide Avenues to *Stewardship Growth*

Gary Edwards, Vice President of Stewardship Development, announces new home and web pages for the Stewardship Development Department. The pages are designed to provide up-to-date information about Lincoln Christian College and Seminary, estate planning, methods of giving, and the many different ways to partner with LCCS in living out its God-given mission. Above all else, it is designed to help the visitor to grow in the adventure of personal stewardship. Each week there will be guest preachers who will share in text form their favorite stewardship sermon. A stewardship thought for each week will be presented by Gary Edwards.

In addition to this, you will now be able to make a credit card gift online through a secured server. But, Gary Edwards has noted, "While we really need everyone's personal gift – what we desire is for each person to practice good stewardship. This means that if one's gift causes him or her to carry over a credit card balance, it would probably be better to make a gift in some other way." Those other ways of giving are spelled out on the web site.

You will also find a good explanation about charitable gift annuities and remainder trusts. These arrangements offer alternatives for establishing a life-long stream of income. This is especially true in today's economy with record low CD rates and an unpredictable market.

Check out the new Stewardship Development web pages. Go to www.lccs.edu and click on Stewardship.



Gary Edwards introduces Keith Snyder to the vault storage, as Keith becomes familiar with his new role as Associate Director of Estate Planning. Keith will lead out in estate planning seminars and will bring direction to the estate planning wishes of our friends.

Memorial/Honor *Gifts*

In Memory Of:

Given By:

Norman Banister

M/M Dean Boyer
M/M Larry Ferguson
Ms. Dorothy Stockwell

Kaye Bennett

M/M Jack Trout

Sandy Cole Dahl

M/M Robert Wright

Loren Dart

First Christian Church,
Oblong, IL

Joyce Y. (Kelly) Davis

Mr. Ray Davis

Gay & Ida Elliott

M/M John Miller

Anita Fix

Mr. Ray Fix

In Memory Of:

Given By:

Robert Luse

Mrs. Dorothy Luse

William & Wilma McCubbin

M/M Roger McCubbin

Clyde & Mira Miller

M/M John Miller

Frances Phillips

Dr./Mrs. Marion Henderson

S. Edward & Daisy Tesh

M/M LaVerne Tesh

Julie Wright

Mrs. Mada Wright

In Honor Of:

Given By:

Tom Ewald

M/M Roger Tedrick & family

Marion Henderson

M/M Russell Bone

M/M Jack Getchel

M/M Maurice Henderson
West Side Christian Church,
Springfield, IL

Ron Ritchey

M/M Deric Ritchey

Wayne Shaw

M/M Paul Williams

James Strauss

M/M Brad Neal

Charles & Eloise Webb

M/M Robert Disney

Lincoln Alumnus Launches *Carpenter's Shop International*



Pat Heston, LCC '79

A recent study was conducted by the Murdock Charitable Trust to determine what kinds of preparation and disciplines ministers needed most. The study surveyed ministers, seminary professors, and lay members of local congregations and the results were revealing. Ministers believed they needed better administrative skills, seminary professors believed ministers needed more theological training, and the laity believed that ministers needed deeper spiritual formation.

Too many ministers are living spiritually starved lives—attempting

to feed the flock out of their known spiritual emptiness and to lead the flock in spite of their own spiritual disorientation. In many cases, a minister's work for God preempts his walk with God, and the result is a spiritually starved life and an undernourished congregation. Under such conditions, the spiritual lives of ministers and members remain static at best, and dynamic discipleship remains as an elusive, impossible dream.

One response to this need for ongoing spiritual formation was recently introduced by Lincoln Christian College alumnus Pat Heston's *Carpenter's Shop International*. Pat concluded a five-year ministry with the Copper Creek Christian Church in Maryville, IL (formerly the First Christian Church of Collinsville, IL), and now Pat is pursuing a lifelong dream.

The mission of *Carpenter's Shop International* is "to work around the world and across denominations, in conjunction with the Holy Spirit and local churches, to produce fully-devoted disciples of Jesus." The vision of this ministry is three-fold:

- To proclaim Jesus' call to discipleship, motivating and equipping all to become fully-devoted followers
- To provide a means of long-term spiritual formation through short-term retreats and meetings
- To produce resource materials that assist the discipling process for ministers and churches.

This vision will be realized through spiritual formation seminars and workshops in local churches, camps, and conference settings; spiritually focused retreats for church groups, ministry staff, and individuals; and supplemental resources such as printed materials, media productions, and on-line information and services.

Darryl Bolen (LCC '75), senior minister of Pat's home congregation, First Christian Church in Greenville, IL, writes regarding this new ministry: "Someone said that the conversion of a soul is the miracle of the moment, but the manufacture of a saint is the task of a lifetime. For many years Pat Heston has been helping others in that never-ending task. I highly recommend him and *Carpenter's Shop International* as a powerful tool to grow God's people into Christ's likeness."

For more information about this ministry or to schedule Pat for a seminar, retreat, or speaking engagement, you may contact Pat Heston at 2101 Copper Creek Road, Maryville, IL 62062, or by calling 618-288-9475.



John Wasem and Greg Lee, LCC '96, LCS review building plans and envision results.

In response to the growing need for trained church planters and mentors, Lincoln Christian College and Seminary now offers certification and a masters' degree in New Church Leadership. This program is designed for those who may already be serving in ministry but desire to retool for a specialized calling in planting and leading new churches. It consists of seminars offered in two-day modular formats at different locations throughout the United States. Experienced church planters from across the United States serve as faculty for these modules.

The director of the New Church Leadership program is John Wasem, the lead minister of the SunCrest Christian Church in St. John, IN. John brings nearly 20 years of church planting experience to this role. In 1983 he led a task force at East 91st Street Christian Church in Indianapolis, IN, to address the need for more parking spaces due to the rapid growth of the congregation. As a result of their work, the task force decided to launch a 20-year church-planting effort to plant a new church every year for twenty years. SunCrest, where John serves with Lincoln alumnus Greg Lee, is the eighth church that was planted by East 91st Street.

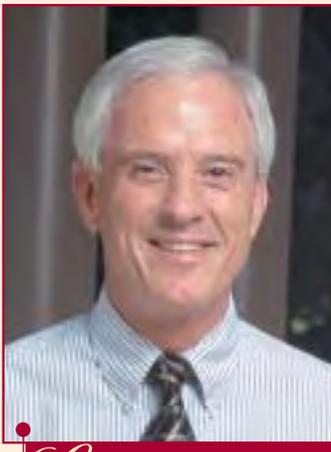
In addition to his service with Lincoln Christian College and Seminary and SunCrest, John serves as a church planting consultant for several church planting associations, an advisor to the Liberia Evangelistic Mission, a West African church

planting effort, and as a member of the Board of Directors of the North American Christian Convention.

Following a two-year pilot program with the Chicago District Evangelistic Association (led by Lincoln alumni Bob Sloniger, LBI '55, LCS '58, LCS '60, Lance Hurley, LCC '81, and Bob Szoke, LCC '73), Restoration House Ministries (led by Lincoln alumni Dan Clymer, LCC '70, LCS '73, and Curt Nordhielm, LCC '75, LCS '78), and the Northern California Evangelistic Association (where Lincoln alumnus Roger Gibson, LCC '60, '61, serves as Director of Mentoring), the next two-year cycle begins in October, 2002.

For more information about the New Church Leadership program or to seek assistance with church planting ventures, you may contact John Wasem at NCL@suncrest.org or call toll-free to Robin Moes, NCL Administrator, at 888-850-4519.

A Word From Lynn



Lynn Laughlin, Vice President of Alumni Development

Dear Alumni,

Every day I hear about how you are making a difference—some in leadership ministry, some in volunteer ministry positions, and others in the communities where you live. It thrills me to know you have taken what you learned at LBI, LCC, or LCS, and have applied these things to daily life situations.

Our alumni made a difference for their alma mater this past year by exceeding the alumni budgeted goal of \$150,000 by another

\$5,000, a budget amount, by the way, which was increased by \$20,000 from the previous budget year. We are now in a new fiscal year and will soon be entering our annual fund drive and

phonathon. Our student callers will be calling you sometime between October 7 and 18. We are looking forward to your friendly response to their call and your generous gift commitment for this fiscal year.

As you can see, this issue of the *Restorer* focuses on our alumni. God has blessed us through you, and as the stories of our alumni are told again and again, we find a tribute to not just a few, but to all who serve so faithfully.

My last thought is this. How can we serve you better? We enjoyed having nearly 500 alumni at the alumni reunion at the NACC this past June. We are looking forward to doubling that number in Indianapolis next summer. But in the meantime, what can we do for you? Let me know.

Yours for making a difference,

Lynn Laughlin

James D. Strauss Lectureship

Featuring David A. Noebel of Summit Ministries, Manitou Springs, Colorado

Theme: Understanding the Times

Schedule:

October 1, 9:30 a.m. Chapel Auditorium
"The Real Class of Worldviews within Western Civilization"

October 1, 5:30 p.m. Taylor Hall
Banquet with brief remarks from Dr. James Strauss. Reservations required, ticket cost \$10.

October 1, 7:00 p.m. Restoration Hall, R49
"Examining the Essence and Influence of the Secular Humanist Worldview"

October 2, 9:30 a.m. Chapel Auditorium
"Defending the Biblical Christian Worldview"



David Noebel

David Noebel is an author, editor, public speaker, and ordained minister. He has been a college professor, a college president, and a candidate for the U.S. Congress. He is recognized as an expert on world-view analysis and the decline of morality and spirituality in Western civilization. Summit Ministries, of which Mr. Noebel is president, "exists to train the next generation of Christian leaders to understand the times in which they live and know what they ought to do." In addition to *Understanding the Times* (a book currently in use by over one thousand Christian high schools, churches, and colleges), Mr. Noebel has co-written with Tim LaHaye the recent New York Times best seller, *Mind Siege*. For further information, call 217-732-3168, ext. 2254 or email robbyn@lccs.edu.

Graduates Omitted

Three College graduates were omitted from the graduation list published in the June issue of the *Restorer*. They are:

Susan Kristen Moore, Kenney, IL
Certificate in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages

Karen F. Norheim, Crown Point, IN
B.A., General Ministry

Anita Walter, Danville, IL
A.A., General Ministry

Congratulations to these students who graduated last August, 2001.

Alumni Association Executive Cabinet For 2002-03

The following officers were elected at the annual meeting of Alumni on June 26:

Tracy Thomas, LCC '91	President
Tony Billingsley, LCC '91, LCS	Past President
Brandon Boyd, LCC '98, LCS '01	Vice President
Deb Martin, LCC '96, LCS '99	Secretary
John Plunkett, LCC '69	Delegate
Joy Blazek, LCC '77	Delegate

Alumni Annual Fund

Highlights of 2001-02

- A new goal of \$150,000 was placed before the alumni and surpassed by over \$5,000.
- Partial funding of \$20,000 for our Vice President of Alumni Development demonstrated alumni endorsement of this new position.
- The \$300,000 mortgage on the Alumni and Visitors' Center has been paid in full, three years early.
- Alumni provided \$43,000 to the LCCS general fund, \$25,000 to the library, and \$21,000 for alumni scholarships.

2002-03 Proposed Budget

At the annual business meeting held June 26, 2002, in conjunction with the Alumni Reunion at the NACC in Columbus, the alumni adopted the following budget for 2002-03:

General Fund	29%	\$43,500
Special Project	13%	19,500
Library	17%	25,500
Scholarships	17%	25,500
V. P. of Alumni Development	18%	27,000
Association Expenses	6%	9,000
Total	100%	\$150,000

Two important notes:

- The alumni voted to increase the funding of the position of Vice President of Alumni Development by another \$7,000, making our contribution to that position a total of \$27,000.
- The special project totaling \$19,500 will be used to provide air conditioning for the classrooms in the E-Wing of the Administration Building. These are the only classrooms on campus remaining that are not air conditioned.

October Phonathon Provides Major Momentum for Alumni Budget

Serving as the major catalyst for meeting the alumni budget the last several years, the annual Alumni Phonathon has proven to be a great way to secure gift commitments, answer questions, and provide encouragement to those with whom we speak. We ask you to be ready again to greet and encourage our student callers and to show your support with an annual fund gift commitment as they call you sometime between October 7 and October 18. If you are able, perhaps you can even increase your gift just a bit to help us reach the top!

Mortgage Paid In Full

Note-Burning Celebration Scheduled for October 1

A 10-year promissory note in the amount of \$300,000, which funded the purchase of the L. H. Appel Alumni and Visitors' Center seven years ago, has been paid in full three years ahead of schedule! A note-burning celebration is being planned for Tuesday, October 1, 2002, at 11:00 a.m. at the facility, followed by a celebratory luncheon. This date coincides with the Strauss Lectureship (see this issue for more details), and we are hoping a number of alumni will want to be present for both events.



Alumni & Visitors' Center

For the last seven years, alumni have designated a significant part of their annual budget to the mortgage on this facility. Additionally, funds received that were in excess of the actual cost of

the engraved bricks for the Corridor of Alumni Heritage were applied to the mortgage, thus allowing us to realize an early payoff of the promissory note.

Those alumni who want to attend the note-burning ceremony on October 1 should contact the alumni office for lunch reservations. You may call the Alumni Office at 217-732-3168 or e-mail alumni@lccs.edu to indicate your plans to attend.

Congratulations and thank you to all who have participated in any way to bring this debt to a zero balance! Once again, the alumni have made a momentous mark upon the ministry of LCCS.

Cafeteria Addition

An 18' x 70' addition to the north side of the cafeteria was built this summer, providing 1,260 more square feet of dining space. The addition includes two new rooms that result in a 70-80 seat dining room and a 24-seat private dining room. Other changes to the cafeteria include new tile floor throughout, additional tables and chairs, new kitchen appliances, and a cafeteria manager's office. The addition and renovation were made possible through the generosity of our food service company, Sodexho.



National Missionary Convention Alumni Reception

Please join us on Friday evening,
November 15, 2002

For an Alumni Reception
Wichita, KS

Hyatt Regency

Held in the Chisholm, Stimson,
and Santa Fe rooms

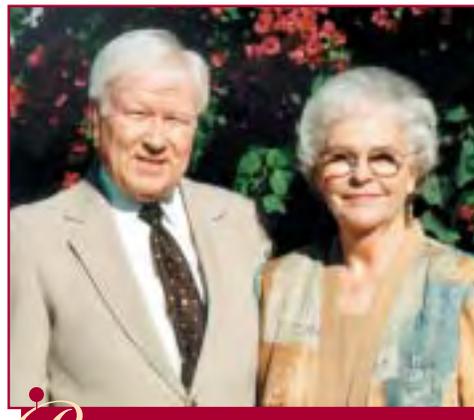
8:30 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

50th Anniversaries



Robert and Joanne Phillips

Robert, LBI '54, LCS, and Joanne Phillips, LBI, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary as well as 50 years of ministry on August 24 at Little Galilee Christian Camp's Three Oaks Lodge. They were married on September 28, 1952, and one week later began a student ministry at Central Christian Church in Pontiac, IL. Other ministries were in Meadville, PA, Moweaqua, IL, Bloomington, IL, and an 18-year ministry at First Christian Church in Champaign. Bob's ministry also included a 5-year term as the third president of Lincoln Christian College and Seminary from 1975 to 1980. Bob currently serves as the Development Director for Little Galilee Christian Camp. Joanne has been a faithful helper in each of their ministries and has served as a key speaker for ladies' events. They have three sons, Mark, Paul, and Jim, and nine grandchildren. Bob and Joanne reside at 2206 Glenoak Drive, Champaign, IL 61821.



Prescott and Helen Benson

Prescott (Scott), LCS '99, and Helen Benson celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at a reception July 13 at First Christian Church, Phoenix, Arizona, where Scott served as the first youth minister on staff in 1958. Scott received his ThB at the Southwest Christian Seminary in Phoenix in 1955 and received his M.A. from Lincoln Christian Seminary in 1999. The Bensons ministered in Auburn, IL, and several churches in Arizona on a full and part-time basis. Scott retired recently from his ministry to Senior Adults with Northwest Christian Church in Phoenix. He is serving on a part-time basis wherever needed. The Bensons have two daughters, Debbie and Denise, three grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. They may be reached at P.O. Box 30277, Phoenix, AZ 85046.



Darrel and Daren Malcom

Darrell, LBI '54, LCS, and Karen Malcom, LBI, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on August 12, 2002. A reception was held in Carol Stream, Illinois, on Sunday, August 11. The Malcoms were also recently honored for 50 years of ministry. Darrell's most recent ministry has been with the Poplar Creek Church in Bartlett, Illinois. Other ministries in Illinois were at Milton, Glasgow, Washington, DeKalb, Urbana, and Carol Stream. The Malcoms reside at 536 Indianwood Drive, Carol Stream, IL 60188.



In Memory

Dr. Harold Ford, former faculty of Lincoln Bible Institute between 1947 and 1959, passed from this life on June 29, 2002. He was residing in Kirkland, Washington, at the time of his death. Dr. Ford taught New Testament and Church History at Lincoln Bible Institute, Pacific Christian College, Midwest

Christian College, Cincinnati Christian Seminary, and Puget Sound Christian College. Other ministries included pastoral positions in Whiting, IN, Elkhart, IL, Riverside, CA, and Cincinnati, OH. Dr. Ford was a frequent writer for the *Christian Standard*. He is survived by his wife Pamela, who resides at 9759 NE 134th Pl., Kirkland, WA 98034.

(If you have news to share, please send or e-mail your information to the Alumni Office.)

Ministry News

Virginia (Smith) Thompson, LCC '73, was recently promoted to the position of Associate Registrar at Bacone College (a 4-year Christian liberal arts college) in Muskogee, Oklahoma. She and her husband, **Leroy, LCC '72, LCS '77**, have served with the York Street Christian Church in Muskogee for the past two years. They reside at 408 Trenton Road, Muskogee, OK 74403.

Alecia Lutz, LCC '95, serves with Sight and Sound Ministries in Strasburg, Pennsylvania, where she was recently promoted from Living Waters Crew Chief to Deck Supervisor. Alecia oversees the show-run deck crews for both of Sight and Sound's Theatres. Alecia resides at 133 W. Main, #2, Strasburg, PA 17579.

Mark Berrier, LCC '66, has just completed his second book available from his office and Amazon.com, entitled, *The Bible for Busy People*. Book one is for Old Testament study and book two is for New Testament study. Mark is in his 32nd year of teaching at Dallas Christian College.

Robert Hayworth, LCC '80, is serving as Worship Pastor at Grace Brethren Church, in Chico, California. He and his wife Marty reside at 955 McIntosh Avenue, Chico, CA 9928. They have three sons, Josh who is with the Navy and stationed in Italy, and Garret and Collin at home.

Morris, LCC '87, and Kathy Randall, LCC '71, have been ministering in Western Australia for nearly 25 years. They have five children and three grandchildren. Kathy received her Master in Education (Music) from Xavier University in 1989 and her PhD in Music from the University of Western Australia in 1993. They may be reached at 11 Oakfield Retreat, Ballajura, Western Australia 6066.

Danny Caulkins, LCC '69, LCS, recently completed a seven-year ministry with the Stilesville (Indiana) Christian Church and has begun a new ministry with the First Christian Church in Bloomfield, Indiana. Danny recently completed a Master of Science degree in Library Science from Indiana University. He and his wife **Kathleen, LCC**, reside at 120 W. Spring St., Bloomfield, IN 47424.

Jeremy Miselbrook, LCS '02, will be leaving a ministry of over eight years in Patoka, Illinois, to enter the graduate Th.M program at Trinity Evangelical Divinity School. Jeremy and his wife Kathy will be residing at 2065 Half Day Road, Deerfield, IL 60015.

Debbie (Owens) Ward, LCC '86, completed seven years as Worship and Fine Arts Minister at Second Church of Christ, Danville, IL, and began a new ministry as Programming Director of the Fine Arts Department at Brownsburg (IN) Christian Church. Debbie, her husband Steve, and daughter Elena Joy can be reached at 6423 E. County Rd. 100 North, Avon, IN 46123.

Dave Williams, LCC '86, serves as co-pastor of Grace Community Church in Turlock, California. Dave also serves as Senior Chaplain for the Turlock Police Service. He is enrolled in a master's program in conflict management.

Joanne (Jacobs) Krueger, LCC '79, received her Master of Arts in English with distinction from Northern Arizona University on May 17, 2002. Joanne and her husband **Phillip, LCS**, recently celebrated eleven years with First Christian Church in Yuma, where Phillip is the Associate Minister. Joanne and Phillip have two children, Nathan and Angelina. They reside at 4447 W. 14th Place, Yuma, AZ 85364.

Tracy Eichelberger, LCC '97, is beginning her second year at Northside Christian Church in Wadsworth, Ohio, where she serves as Director of Children's Ministries. Tracy may be reached at P.O. Box 820, Wadsworth, OH 44282.

Miscellaneous

Trevor DeVage, LCC '01, reports his marriage to **Laura (Meade), LCC '99**, last fall. They reside at 102 Boulder Drive, Gridley, IL 61744.

David Eichenberger, LCC '77, and wife Rosalie, LCC '75, celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on July 23, 2002. David serves with the Maple Manor Christian Children's Home in Sellersburg, IN. They reside at 635 W. Utica, Sellersburg, IN 47172.

Tatiana Bagrianskaia, LCC '98, reports she is studying law at the Indiana University School of Law in Bloomington, IN. She expects to graduate in May, 2004. Tatiana may be reached at P.O. Box 1912, Bloomington, IN 47402.

Russ Kuykendall, LCS, is serving as Director of Communications and Acting Manager at the Ontario Crime Control Commission, Toronto, Ontario. Russ is also Convention Chair for the Progressive Conservative Party Leadership Campaign for 2002. Since September 1999, Russ has served as Chairman and President of Frontier Labourers for Christ Canada, a church-planting and development agency working among the hill tribes of Thailand, Laos, and Myanmar.

Tracy (Tickner) Monts, LCC '01, was married to **Aaron Monts, LCC**, on March 9, 2002. Tracy and Aaron reside at 761 Theta Circle, Apt., 1, Porterville, CA 93257.

Deaths

Mary Lou Warden, LBI, passed from this life on July 1, 2002. She and her husband **Calvin, LBI '55**, were in ministry together for over fifty years, most of those years in new church work. Together they planted churches in Missouri, Colorado, and Florida. In recent years they traveled as far as Nova Scotia preaching and encouraging small churches. They had been married 54 years. She is survived by her husband Calvin and three children, **Edna Mae Stevens, LCC '71**, C. K. Warden, and Clifford Warden, ten grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

CHRISTMAS IN THE CHAPEL

Thursday, December 5

7:30 p.m.

Friday, December 6

7:30 p.m.

Saturday, December 7

11:00 a.m. ❖ 3:00 p.m. ❖ 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 8

3:00 p.m.

Experience the majesty and splendor of Christmas as hundreds of singers and actors from the LCC campus family join together to proclaim the greatest story ever told. Beautiful music, creative lighting and multi-media presentations combine to effectively enhance these memorable performances. Bring your family and friends to what has become a seasonal tradition . . .
Christmas In The Chapel.

Christmas ticket request forms will be mailed in October to those on our mailing list; or please contact us at (217) 732-3168, ext. 2295 or at christmas@lccs.edu to request an order form.

To download a ticket request form, please visit: www.lccs.edu/christmas.

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A ONE-ACT PLAY FESTIVAL
(3 one-act plays)

October 11 & 12, 2002

7:30 p.m.

Earl C Hargrove Chapel
Auditorium

"Final Dress Rehearsal"

(a side-splitting farce)

by Jack Frakes

"The Valient"

(a moving drama)

by Holworthy Hall and

Robert Middlemass

"If It Don't Hurt, It Ain't Love"

(touching and unexpectedly
humorous)

by John R. Carroll

Adults - \$6.00

Students - \$4.00

**For fall play tickets, call
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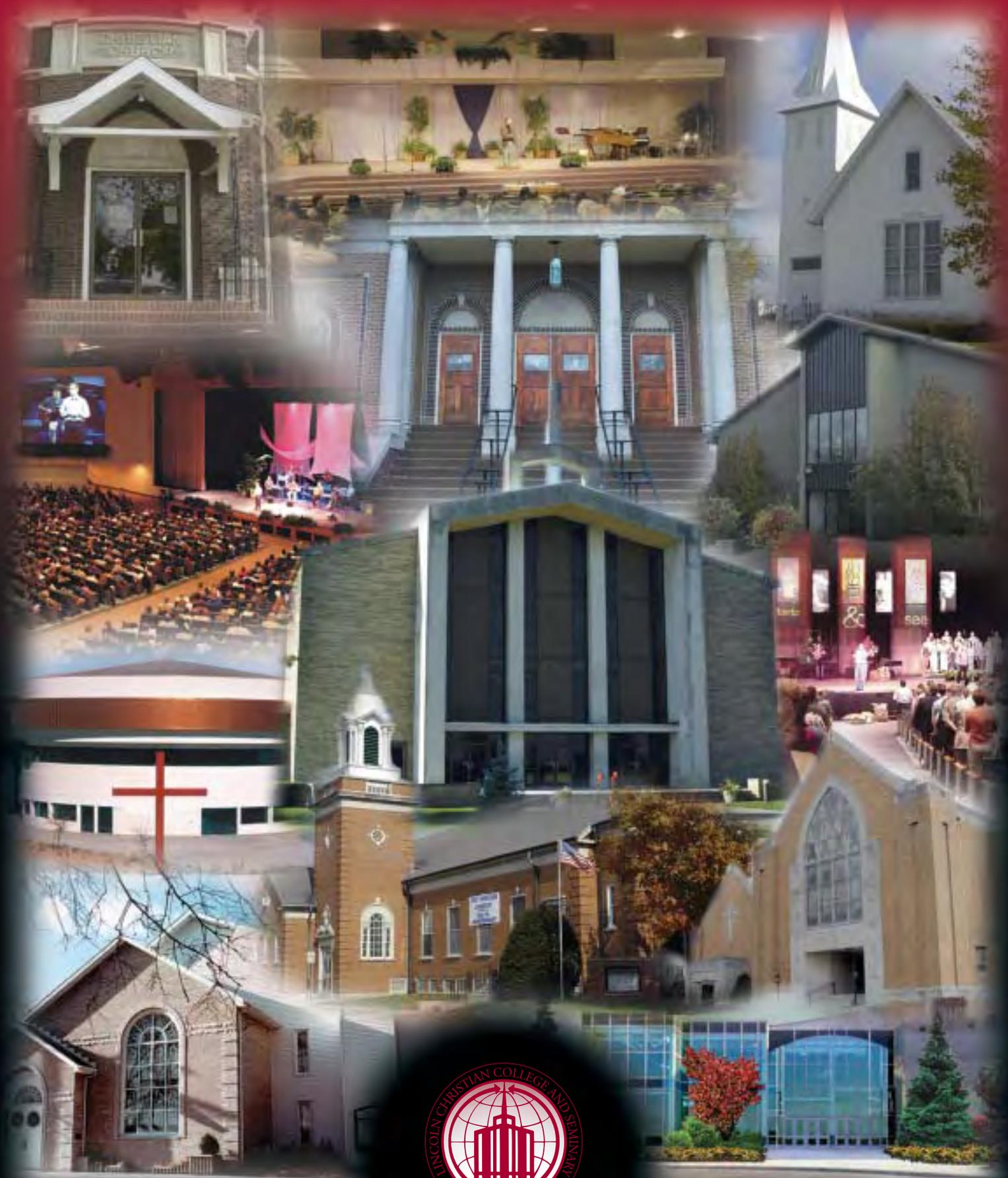
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MISSION:

Lincoln Christian College and Seminary is an institution of Christian higher education whose mission is to *nurture and equip* Christians with a Biblical worldview to *serve and lead* in the church and the world.

VISION:

Changing the world through equipped Christian leaders.

CORE VALUES:

- We believe that our highest privilege and duty is to glorify God, serve His Son, and rely upon His Holy Spirit.
- We believe that the Bible is God's authoritative Word for the Church and its study is foundational for all of Christian life, faith, and service.
- We value responsible stewardship of the resources and talents that God provides.
- We value Christian leadership as vital to the ongoing mission of the Church and as fundamental to our partnership with the Church.
- We value our Stone-Campbell religious heritage and its plea for Christian unity while carrying out God's global mission.
- We value students and their holistic development in and out of the classroom.



Dr. Sherry Miller addresses the faculty and staff at their annual retreat.



Trustee Dr. Gene Harker (left) lends a listening ear to Lincoln faculty.



Trustee and Board Chairman Dr. Gary Johnson (right) reviews documents with Dr. Tom Tanner.

OF MIRACLES and MILESTONES

Each year I am reminded of and astounded by the miraculous works of God. This report will surely testify to the ambitious endeavors of our campus faculty, staff, administration, students, and trustees. Yet, it would be impossible to overstate the obvious sovereign hand of God. He has led us through a year of milestones and miracles. Allow me the opportunity of sharing the highlights of our 2001-02 school year.

- Festivities surrounding the 50th anniversary of Lincoln Christian Seminary that culminated with a banquet, recognitions, and a formal written history.
- Dedication and grand opening of the new 30,000 square-foot athletic complex – The Laughlin Center.
- Completion of nearly \$6,000,000 renovation and new construction projects across the entire campus that culminated in a new cafeteria wing and formal dining area.
- Final phase of the Same Foundation—New Generation capital campaign as we approach the \$5,000,000 goal.
- Improved safety and beautification through added lighting and landscaping.
- The momentum of five-year trends (1997-2002):
 - Increased fall enrollment by 14%: 886 to 1,011
 - Increased fall FTE by 15%: 670 to 768
 - Increased number of full-time faculty by 25%: 36 to 45
 - Increased net fixed assets by 80%: \$6.29 million to \$11.33 million
 - Increased endowment/investments by 157%
 - Decreased debt by 16%, excluding capital debt

Behind all of these statistics are the lives and ministries of a loyal, faithful, and devoted faculty, staff, and administration. Additionally, the Board of Trustees has empowered the campus to achieve its mission and pursue the collective vision of the College and Seminary. That vision and mission is lived out through preaching and publishing, teaching and traveling, missions and mentoring, counseling and conversions; each one contributing to the solidarity of the present and a synergy for the future.

Hubert Humphrey once said, "Instead of worrying about the future, let us labor to create it." Thank you for sharing this labor of love that we hope and pray will create the future that God intends for us all.



Dr. Keith H. Ray
President



STUDENT DEVELOPMENT

The offices and programs of Student Development seek to promote the holistic development of each student at Lincoln Christian College and Seminary – heart, soul, mind, and strength (Mark 12:30).

Students are recruited to join a community of committed faculty, staff, and fellow students to prepare for Kingdom leadership.



Dr. Mark Seaby meets with new students during freshmen orientation.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

There are a variety of extracurricular activities provided for students. Many social activities occur in the remodeled student center, “The Warehouse.”

Lincoln’s athletic programs produced four All-Americans, three All-Regional athletes, and three Academic All-Americans this past year.



The Warehouse is a popular gathering place.



The Fitness Center is an added feature to the Laughlin Center.



Angels Volleyball Team
NCCAA Third Place in Nationals



The “Wizard of Oz” spring musical drew audiences of over 2,500.



Matt Clark, pictured with Coach Randy Kirk, received the Maravich Award as the NCCAA National Player of the Year.

SEMINARY ADMISSIONS

Serving as the only seminary between Chicago and St. Louis, LCS continues to draw students from many faith groups in addition to the Christian Church/Church of Christ.

The flexible offerings for the M.A. and M. Div. Degrees and the development of new programs for church leaders provides an opportunity for new students to attain a seminary education.



Nikki Medaris, Assistant for Seminary Admissions
Lyle Swanson, Director of Seminary Admissions

COLLEGE ADMISSIONS

The College admissions staff represents the school at college fairs, high schools, and churches. Individual visits are conducted with prospective students in local high schools as well as on campus.

Special campus events for youth include: Fall Campus Challenge, Junior High Experience, Young Preachers' Seminar, and "Connected!" (a special week of camps and the Lincolnland Bible Bowl tournament held in June).



Front Row: Kate King, Mary K. Davis, Jill Dicken
Back Row: Mark Searby, Chris Foster, Greg Taylor

POINTS OF DISTINCTION

- The student Spiritual Life committee provided leadership for the fall and spring retreats, as well as FOCUS, the Wednesday evening worship service.
- Student missions support – Students gave over \$12,000 to support world missions.
- Spring Musical – The Wizard of Oz drew over 1,500 during regular performances and 1,000 attended a special performance for area public school children.
- Greg Taylor and Nathan Davenport coordinated efforts with area youth ministers to plan special service and worship opportunities.
- Seminary admissions established a record enrollment of new students.

STUDENT OUTREACH

Operation Heaven provided six worship teams to assist admissions personnel in presentations to youth groups.

Student camp teams, a worship team, and a sports ministry team participated in 42 weeks of summer camp and four Christ in Youth Conferences.

LCC students volunteered service for local churches as well as the YMCA and the Salvation Army.

ACADEMIC DEVELOPMENT

Milestone may be the word to describe the 2001-02 school year academically. It was a milestone for the Seminary because she celebrated her 50th anniversary, with more than 1,000 graduates during that half century. It was a milestone

for the College because she graduated the largest class in her 58-year history with 114 students “commencing” last May into leadership ministry. This last year was also a milestone for other reasons, many of which are summarized below.



Assistant Professor Scott Jones leads his science class.



Dr. Karen Estep (center) leads Lincoln's efforts for state certification in teacher education.



This team of faculty and staff lead our library services.

OUR GRADUATES:

- Graduated the second largest class in school history, with 155 men and women participating in last May's commencement (only 3 shy of the year 2000 record of 158)
- Placed nearly 100% of these 155 graduates into leadership ministry (paid and volunteer), with nearly one in six (16%) committed to world missions
- Received very high ratings from our graduates for their academic and spiritual growth here, as well as the quality of our faculty (both well above the 90th percentile)

OUR STUDENTS:

- Enrolled last fall the largest class in the Seminary's history with 75 students who cited Lincoln's faculty, theology, and academic reputation as their top three reasons for attending
- Enrolled last year and this year a group of freshmen who placed in the upper one third nationally on their ACT scores—the highest scores in more than two decades
- Enjoyed another record-breaking year with 1,152 different students enrolled last year
- Enrolled 1,011 different students this fall semester, the first time in our history we have exceeded 1,000 in fall enrollment, including nearly 100 students in LincUp

OUR PROGRAMS:

- Adopted a revised College mission statement (“to prepare servant leaders to know Christ and to make Him known to the world”) with new learning outcomes
- Began developing a new academic assessment program to evaluate how well we are fulfilling our mission of preparing servant leaders for the Church and the world

- Revised the Seminary's core Master of Divinity program, leading to a 27% increase in that program's enrollment in just two years (from 73 in the year 2000 to 93 this year)
- Revised the Interdisciplinary Studies (IDS) program in the College to provide a more flexible approach, including elective course offerings in IDS
- Initiated a two-year approval process for state certification of our Early Childhood Education program and called Dr. Karen Estep to oversee this process
- Added a second major, General Ministry, to the College's adult degree completion program called LincUp

OUR FACULTY:

- Called three new faculty to the College: Dr. Mark Mangano in Old Testament, Dr. Karen Estep in Teacher Education, and Mr. Scott Jones in Science
- Called three new faculty to the Seminary: Dr. James Estep in Christian Education, Dr. Chuck Sackett in Preaching (effective Fall 2003), and Dinelle Frankland in Worship (effective Spring 2003; finishing doctorate at the Institute for Christian Worship)
- Promoted Dr. J.K. Jones from associate to full professor in preaching, following completion of his Doctor of Ministry degree from Dallas Theological Seminary
- Granted sabbatical leaves to three faculty for the 2002-03 year: Dr. Charles Sackett (to revise graduate preaching program), Dr. J. K. Jones (to co-write book on preaching), and Dr. Walt Zorn (to finish commentary on Psalms)
- Witnessed eight faculty participating in overseas mission and teaching trips (Gary Burlington, Robert Douglas, J. K. Jones, Robert Lowery, Mike Nichols, Chuck Sackett, Janet Shaw, and Wayne Shaw)

LCCS BREAKS RECORD WITH 1,000TH STUDENT

Lincoln Christian College and Seminary achieved a record enrollment of 1,019 students for the 2002 fall semester. This is the first time in the school's history that fall enrollment has exceeded 1,000 students.

Sandra Kellerstrass, a non-traditional student in the LincUp program, was the 1,000th student to register for classes at LCCS. A home-schooling mother of six, Sandra is pursuing a Bachelor of Arts in Christian Leadership and Management. "I've always wanted to finish my degree," she explains. "As my children started going off to college, I decided to do that for myself."

Sandra Kellerstrass is the 1,000th student to register for the fall 2002 semester.

Married for almost 30 years, Sandra and her husband Kim are actively involved in ministry at their church. Together, they serve as youth leaders for junior and senior high students, assisting them in Bible quiz memorization and competition. And as she pursues her degree through the LincUp program, Sandra says her education is not only helpful in her ministry, but also in her every day life. "In the LincUp program, we're getting a great education. I am very impressed with how the teachers incorporate Christ into any subject." She adds, "They have done a really good job with putting Christ at the center [of our education]."

As a LincUp participant, Sandra takes classes one evening per week. The accelerated courses enable students to earn a degree without compromising their time for family, career and ministry opportunities. LincUp's format is designed for students over the age of 25 and offers an accredited Bachelor of Arts degree in General Ministry or in Christian Leadership and Management.

WEBB LECTURESHIP ON PREACHING February 4-5, 2003

Dr. Haddon Robinson, Distinguished Professor of Preaching at Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary, will be this year's speaker for the annual Webb Lectureship on Preaching, February 4 and 5, 2003. Dr. Robinson is one of the foremost preachers and professors of preaching in the evangelical world. He has written scores of articles and numerous books on preaching, including the classic, *Biblical Preaching*. Dr. Robinson is co-director of the Doctor of Ministry Program at Gordon-Conwell, and in a 1996 Baylor University poll he was named one of the twelve most effective preachers in the English-speaking world.



Dr. Haddon Robinson

THEME:

PREACHING THE ANCIENT TEXTS IN A MODERN WORLD

SCHEDULE:

7:00 p.m.	MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3 Banquet (reservations required)	Taylor Hall
9:30 a.m. 12:00 noon 7:00 p.m.	TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4 "Good Guys, Bad Guys, and Us Guys" Sack lunch/Question and Answer Session "The Worlds of Biblical Preaching"	Earl C Hargrove Chapel Restoration Hall, R49 Restoration Hall, R49
9:30 a.m.	WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5 "Preaching as Listeners Like It"	Earl C Hargrove Chapel

For more information or for banquet reservations, please contact the Seminary Office, 217.732.3168, ext. 2354, or email bshelley@lccs.edu.

STEWARDSHIP DEVELOPMENT

Lincoln Christian College and Seminary is dependent upon annual giving to carry out its God-given vision. This year's numbers were impacted by the change in the fiscal year resulting in an eleven-month year. In spite of this, total gift income was \$2,354,908, up 8.5 percent from last year and 4.5 percent above the five year average.

TOP TEN DONOR CHURCHES

Eastview Christian Church, Bloomington, IL	\$30,940	Central Christian Church, Mount Vernon, IL	13,250
West Side Christian Church, Springfield, IL	30,483	First Christian Church, Morris, IL	13,110
Lincoln Christian Church, Lincoln, IL	27,520	First Christian Church, Oblong, IL	12,900
First Christian Church, Fairfield, IL	20,460	Traders Point Christian Church, Indianapolis, IN	10,831
Jefferson Street Christian Church, Lincoln, IL	13,530	Central Church of Christ, Streator, IL	10,795

Same Foundation . . . New Generation CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Good news! By the time you read this it is projected that the initial goal of \$5,000,000 will be met. We are currently in the church and alumni emphasis of the campaign. Several churches have already made their five-year over-and-above pledges ranging from \$500 to \$100,000. The average pledge so far is \$17,797.

We are extremely proud of how our alumni have answered the call to help Lincoln Christian College and Seminary build on the same foundation for a new generation. Alumni's five-year over-and-

above pledges have ranged from \$25 to \$500,000, with an average pledge of \$11,218.

If you would like to know more about the capital campaign for Lincoln Christian College and Seminary, you can go to www.lccs.edu and click on "Stewardship". This will lead you to the capital campaign, Same Foundation . . . New Generation. You can now make your commitment and gift on-line and watch the Same Foundation . . . New Generation video.

As a result of the sacrifices made for Lincoln Christian College and Seminary's Same Foundation . . . New Generation we have been able to accomplish the following:

- Yellow bricks on buildings stained
- New hip roofs on most of the buildings
- Dorms remodeled
- Student apartments remodeled
- Construction of new maintenance building
- Old maintenance center remodeled and converted to student union and offices for student services
- New athletic facility – The Laughlin Center
- Long-term debt has been reduced from \$4.1 million to \$2.7 million

- Endowment has gone from \$1.6 million to \$4.1 million
- LincUp Degree Completion Program launched
- Teacher Education Program launched
- New major in Worship Leadership established in the Seminary
- Doctor of Ministry Program to soon be established
- Learning labs improved

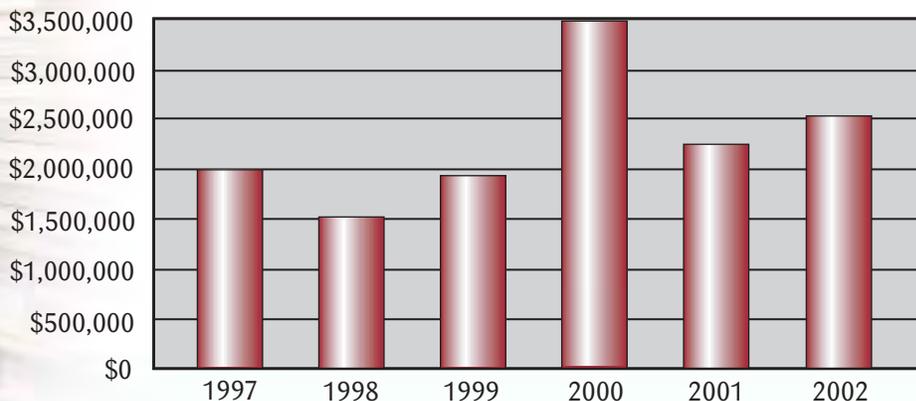
Projects yet to be funded:

- Refurbishing of the Earl C Hargrove Chapel
- Dr. Marion W. Henderson Chair of Bible
- Dr. Wayne E. Shaw Chair of Preaching
- Dr. James D. Strauss Chair of Worldview Studies
- Additional endowed scholarships

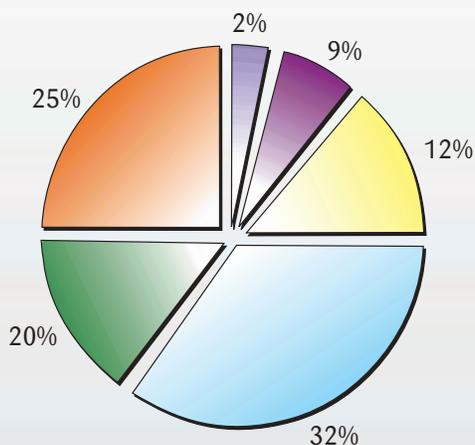


Gary Edwards, Vice President of Stewardship Development, finely tunes his calendar of activities with Administrative Assistant, Ann Edwards.

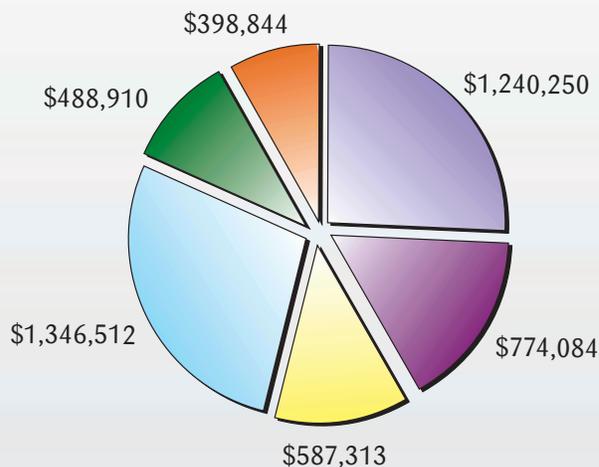
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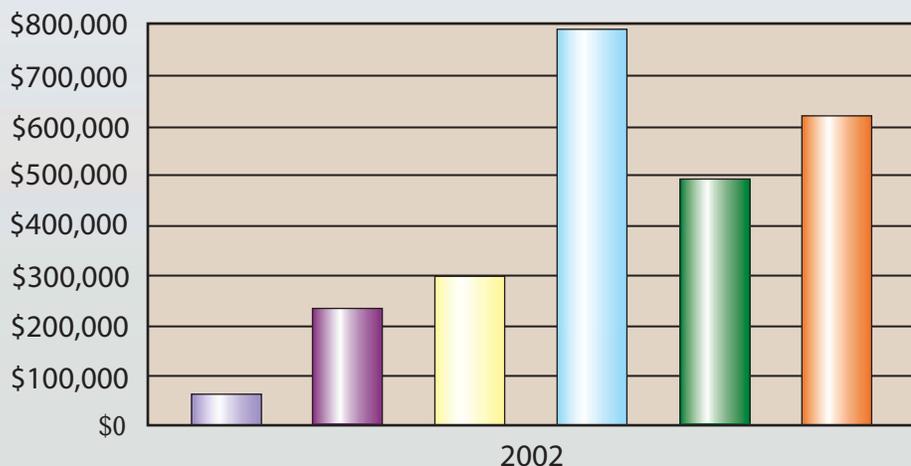
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Capital Campaign: \$5,000,000 Goal (with \$4,835,913 committed as of 11/15/02)



Giving by Group



FINANCE

Points of Distinction

A new roof was built on the second and third floors over our Library to replace the current roof, which was 39 years old.

Harmony Hall (residence hall for women) was renovated on the east end, changing about one half of the facility into six offices for faculty and staff, as well as providing a conference room and two new classrooms.

We received a \$50,000 gift-in-kind plus \$10,000 cash contribution to upgrade the student computer network.

General Obligation Bonds with Central Illinois Bank were refinanced, resulting in \$350,000 savings over the life of the loan.

We began new campus security program which includes regular patrols of our campus parking lots, buildings, and all other properties.

A new food service contract was negotiated which resulted in the food service provider also building an addition to

the existing cafeteria, providing additional seating for 90 in the student section, a private dining room that will seat 24, new office for the cafeteria manager, new ceramic tile floor in dining area, new flooring in the kitchen, a new dishwasher, and a new stove.

New campus security lighting was installed, which completes phase one of the overall security lighting plan.

Two sewer projects were completed for the Administration Building and Alumni Hall.

We purchased 60 new notebook computers for faculty and staff.

We replaced the roof on Taylor Hall.

The Laughlin Center/Gaston Arena (new athletic facility) was completed and dedicated in February, 2002.



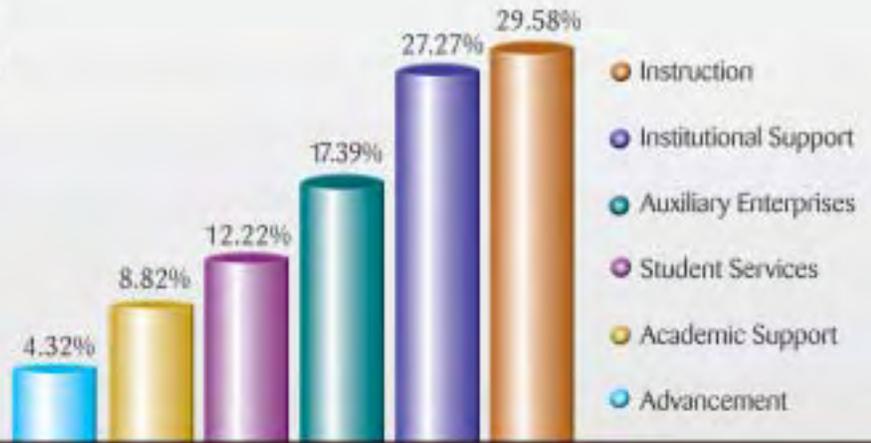
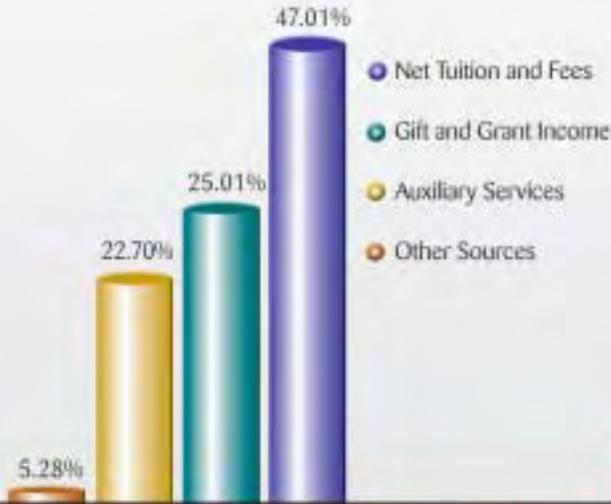
The Gaston Arena located in the Laughlin Center will seat 1,100 people in the bleachers.

REVENUE FOR 2001-02 FISCAL YEAR:

Net tuition and fees	\$4,494,320	47.01%
Gift and grant income	2,391,476	25.01%
Auxiliary services	2,170,444	22.70%
Other sources	505,157	5.28%
TOTAL REVENUE	\$9,561,397	100.00%

EXPENSES FOR 2001-02 FISCAL YEAR:

Instruction	\$2,676,679	29.58%
Student services	1,105,558	12.22%
Academic support	798,046	8.82%
Auxiliary enterprises	1,573,069	17.39%
General institutional and Administration	2,503,977	27.67%
Advancement	390,796	4.32%
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$9,048,125	100.00%
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	\$513,272	



The remodeled east end of Harmony Hall provides two new classrooms.



This globe and a multitude of others light the campus at night.

CHURCH DEVELOPMENT

Helping the Church Become What God Intends

TRAINING CENTERS FOR DISCIPLEMAKING CHURCHES

Recent research by George Barna and others reveals several startling statistics regarding the state of discipleship in America:

- There is no correlation between how long a person had been a Christian and his/her level of spiritual maturity.
- It takes a church of 85 church members to win one person to Christ within a year.
- Only 1 out of 5 believers have specific and measurable goals for spiritual growth.
- Only 1 out of 5 believers say the church really facilitates discipleship.

In explaining how the American church got in its present condition, Barna observes in his book, *Growing True Disciples*:

- Few churches or Christians have a clear and measurable definition of “spiritual success”
- We have defined “discipleship” as head knowledge rather than complete transformation
- We have chosen to teach people in random, rather than systematic ways
- There is virtually no accountability for what we say, think, do, or believe



Church leaders in discipleship training on the LCCS campus.

In order to address these issues and to make a long-term difference in the health of churches, LCCS is now a Training Center for T-Net International. T-Net is an international training organization whose mission is “to return the church to its discipling roots.” Ten churches are now at the half-way point in the 28-month transformational journey toward helping their congregations become more intentional in their discipling efforts. Nine more churches began the process in September 2002 and a third cohort of churches will be forming in the northern Illinois/ southern Wisconsin area next year. If you are interested in this training, an Intentional Discipling Workshop that will introduce you to the process is scheduled for March 1, 2003 at the Central Christian Church, Beloit, Wisconsin. Contact the Church Development Office for more details.

SERVICE! SERVICE! SERVICE!

LCCS exists to serve the local church. As an institution of higher Christian education this is done primarily through the training and preparation of leaders for churches and church-related ministries. But serving the local church also means faculty, staff, and students traveling hundreds of thousands of miles for week-end services. Last year, the Church Development Office

- conducted nine church assessments
- provided leadership training for 19 churches and Christian organizations
- provided consultation for 17 churches and Christian organizations
- scheduled 566 speakers for pulpit supply and special events
- sent 56 displays for missions emphases and conventions
- publicized 607 ministry opportunities
- provided 1,912 lists to various individuals and churches in our ministry referral service
- had 16,510 hits on the Church Development web page
- reorganized the Eunice Club program to enlist church groups in assisting our married students with benevolent needs
- Through the Media Services department we provided nearly 15,000 resources for 150 churches across the United States. For information on the Media Services Membership Plan contact Ann Spellman at extension 2284

CHURCH DEVELOPMENT RESOURCES ON-LINE

LCCS announces on-line resources which are now available at www.churchleader.net. At this website you can access the Church Development page where various ministry lists and forms are available for our church services. Among the links there is CFARMS (Center For American Rural Ministry Studies), a virtual institute for the study and development of the Church among the 65 million people of rural America. CFARMS, moderated by LCCS adjunct faculty member, Barney Wells (LCC '77 and LCS '82) is a joint partnership effort between LCCS and the Walnut Grove Christian Church in Arcola, IL, where Barney has served along with his wife Marcia (LCC '78) since 1981. Other features of this site include:

- CFARMS is a forum for rural and small town churches to exchange ideas and innovations, supporting each other through a network of rural churches committed to excellence in ministry.
- CFARMS seeks to overcome the isolation rural churches and ministers often experience by providing a point of fellowship and encouragement accessible from anywhere one can plug in a computer.
- CFARMS shares suggestions for youth and Sunday school programming ideas, outreach and evangelism strategies, community ministry projects, preaching, counseling, all the other aspects of ministry, but as it occurs in the rural community.
- CFARMS monitors and reports on changes in the sociology of rural America, and shares ideas on how to minister as ethnic, economic, generational, and other changes come to the rural community and church.
- CFARMS also hosts a "best practices" site for those who teach rural ministry in colleges and seminaries around North America to exchange ideas on classroom and field instruction resources. It also hopes to become a clearinghouse for graduate level research on rural church and ministry issues.
- CFARMS offers both online and on-site consultation assistance for rural churches.



About 950 church leaders gathered for the Elders' and Church Leaders' Conference in February to hear Dr. Gary McIntosh address the theme, "Leading Life-giving Churches."



Over 1,200 ladies participated in the Christian Women's Conference in April.

Future links at the Church Development website, www.churchleader.net, will include resources and forums for mentoring and coaching in New Church Leadership, Intentional Disciplemaking Church Leadership, and Turnaround Church Leadership. Check it out on a regular basis for up to date information.



Don Green, Vice President of Church Development, and John Stein, LCCS webmaster, design the Church Development website.

REPORT ON THE STATE OF CHRISTIAN CHURCHES AND CHURCHES OF CHRIST IN AMERICA

It was recently reported in the *New York Times* that "Conservative Churches Grew Fastest in 1990's." Reporting on a study entitled "Religious Congregations and Membership 2000" the September 18, 2002 article noted that "social conservative churches that demand high commitment from their members grew faster than other religious denominations in the last decade." The study further revealed that the second fastest growing religious group in America during the 1990's "were the conservative Christian Churches and Churches of Christ, with 18.6%" growth rate (the fastest growing group was the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints which boosted its membership by 19.3 %). Don Green, Vice President of Church Development, is available for church consultations, assessment, and seminars that will help your church become a healthy, high-commitment church in a low-commitment culture. For more information, contact the Church Development Office.

ALUMNI DEVELOPMENT



Alumni Highlights:

- The alumni reunion at the North American Christian Convention in Columbus, Ohio, brought together 500 alumni for fellowship and a “spirit” rally for their alma mater.
- Restoration Awards presented at the NACC this last summer went to:
 - Mark Scott, LCS '83, Academic Dean of Ozark Christian College;
 - Dr. Les White, LCC '71, LCS '83, '88, preaching minister at Painesville, OH, First Church of Christ; and
 - Dr. Keith H. Ray, LCC '80, LCS '85, President of Lincoln Christian College and Seminary
- At the National Missionary Convention in Tulsa, 2001, two alumni couples were honored for their commendable missions ministry (one state-side mission and one foreign): Dean and Ruth Schrumph for their years of service with Cookson Hills Christian School, and George and Vera Bajenski for their work in Poland.
- At the National Missionary Convention in Wichita, 2002, Zidon Nutt of Joplin, MO, was recognized for his media ministry with Good News Productions; and Wayne and Greta Meece were recognized for their missions work in Liberia, the Ivory Coast, and most recently with Team Expansion, Louisville, Kentucky.
- Alumni 50th class reunions continue to be a meaningful campus event. The Class of 1952 spent the weekend on campus during commencement weekend in May.
- More than 5,500 Alumni units were prayed for by name during March, 2002.
- The 10-year L. H. Appel Alumni and Visitors' Center mortgage was paid in full three years early. A note burning ceremony took place October 1, with special focus on the life and influence of Dr. Leon Appel, the building's namesake.
- Alumni increased (from \$130,000 to \$150,000), met, and even exceeded their annual gift commitment goal to the school.
- Alumni “Ambassadors” are being strategically recruited to help in the ministry to alumni across the country. This new program will multiply our ability to provide a “two-way ministry” in a more “rapid response” manner.
- Gordon and Estelle Nelson were recognized at the Florida Christian Convention Alumni Luncheon for more than 30 years of missions ministry in Africa and South Africa, plus nearly 20 years of ministry stateside, including their most recent new church plant in Ocala, Florida.
- The engraved brick walkway continues to be filled with new bricks representing our alumni around the world.



Gordon and Estelle Nelson are recognized for 50 years of ministry at the Florida Christian Convention Alumni Luncheon.



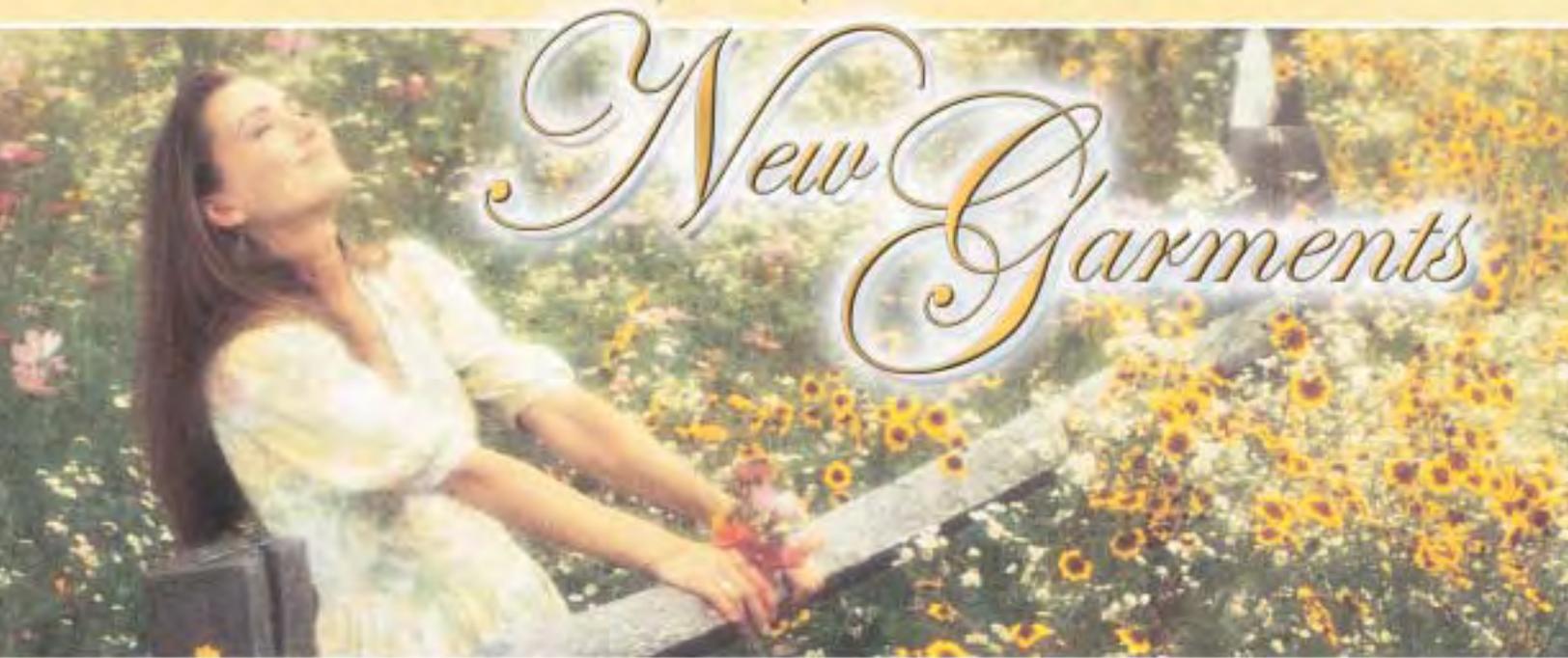
Lynn Laughlin presents an engraved brick to Veva Appel during the note burning ceremony for the L. H. Appel Alumni and Visitors' Center. The brick will be placed next to former LCCS President, Dr. L. H. Appel's engraved brick.



Alumni Association President Tracy Thomas lights the flame to burn the mortgage note on the L. H. Appel Alumni and Visitors' Center, as former Alumni Association President Tom Van Meter assists. Vice President of Alumni Development Lynn Laughlin enjoys the moment.

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Wednesday, April 30, 2003



“... I have taken away your sin and I will put rich garments on you.” —Zechariah 3:4-6

Key Messages and Messengers



Carol Kent on “Spiritual Authenticity”

Transform your life from acting like the person you want to be to authentically living the life to which you are called. In an age in which public facades are the norm, the courage to be genuine is highly prized. Carol's message will reflect what she has written in one of her best sellers, *Six Essentials of Spiritual Authenticity*.



Chonda Pierce on “Afraid to Change?”

Chonda will speak to us on the topic of her most recent book and her most recent tour, *Be Afraid, Be Very Afraid*. The thrust of her message is addressing our fears, being afraid to change, and running from the truth. She'll show us how to look to God for truth, purpose, and wholeness.



Jean Driscoll on “God Is My Designer”

Jean has said, “God did not pick on me, but rather He picked me out.” Jean knows what she is talking about, and fits right into the theme of this conference by sharing her challenges as a victim of spina bifida, a crippling disease of the spine which left her unable to walk.



Kay Moll on “Clothed in Righteousness”

This veteran and nationally known speaker will take us on a journey of putting on God's virtues and will help us see ourselves as a new creation and the recipient of God's most remarkable gift—His righteousness.

Schedule

8:00 a.m.	- 9:00 a.m.	Registration/Coffee Hour
9:00 a.m.	- 10:15 a.m.	Session I
10:30 a.m.	- 11:45 a.m.	Session II
12:00 noon	- 1:00 p.m.	Session III Lunch and elective sessions.
1:15 p.m.	- 2:15 p.m.	Session IV
2:30 p.m.	- 3:45 p.m.	Session V

Noon hour electives

Julie McClarey, Piano Artist

Enjoy the *Unforgettable* artistry of Julie McClarey, in a noon-hour concert. Julie is an award-winning pianist, piano teacher, and concert performer.

Hot Topics Panel

Here is your chance to “grill” the experts on hot topics that challenge the church and the home today. Meet **Dr. Karen Estep**, who will field questions regarding secular and private education. **Don Green** will address leadership issues facing the church today. **Dr. John Castelein** will be ready to respond to your concerns regarding pornography, the media, and its influences. **Dr. Keith Ray** will speak to the issues of integrity and morality, especially as they impact the Church today.

REGISTRATION: Registrations may be mailed to Christian Women's Conference, Lincoln Christian College and Seminary, 100 Campus View Drive, Lincoln, IL 62656 or by phoning 217-732-3168. Registrations received by Wednesday, April 23, are \$25.00. Registrations after that date are \$30.00. The registration fee includes a continental breakfast, lunch, and all sessions.



ELDERS/CHURCH LEADERS' CONFERENCE

(Held in conjunction with the Young Preacher's Seminar)

LEADING YOUR CHURCH FROM GOOD TO GREAT

FEBRUARY 15, 2003, 9:00AM TO 3:30PM

GUEST SPEAKERS:



Allan Dunbar

Executive Director of the North American Christian Convention, Cincinnati, OH

Allan has applied his leadership skills to varied ministry settings—for 22 years as the Senior Minister of Canada's largest Christian Church, as the founder and host of a national television ministry, as President of Puget Sound Christian College, and currently in his role with the North American convention of Christian Churches and Churches of Christ. From 35 years of pastoral ministry Allan has developed the art of developing effective leaders and teams.



Dr. Don Wilson

Senior Minister of Christ's Church of the Valley, Phoenix, AZ

Don has been the Senior Minister of Christ's Church of the Valley since its beginning in 1982. He is a passionate evangelist who also serves as the Executive Director of the Arizona Evangelistic Association. Don is an effective communicator, an exceptional leader, and an equipper of leaders

Schedule:

- 8:00-9:00 a.m. Registration (coffee, juice, and donuts)—Chapel Foyer
- 9:00-10:20 a.m. Opening session with Allan Dunbar
- 10:30 a.m.-1:50 p.m. Leadership Sessions for Ministers and Church Leaders
- 2:00-3:30 p.m. Closing session with Don Wilson

Workshop Tracks:

For Ministers—three hours of hand-on training with Allan Dunbar and Don Wilson

For Church Leaders—three hours of hands-on training with Keith Ray, Don Green, and other LCCS faculty in the principles of leading your church from being a good church to becoming a great church. Adapted from the research-based principles in Jim Collins bestselling book, *Good to Great*, you will find tools and strategies for: Assessing the Level of Personal and Congregational Leadership ("Level 5 Leadership"), Clarifying Leadership Roles and Responsibilities ("First Who... Then What"), Being Honest about Where Your Church Is ("Confronting the Brutal Facts Yet Never Losing Heart"), Keeping the Main Thing the Main Thing ("The Hedgehog Concept"), Becoming A High Commitment Church in a Low Commitment World ("A Culture of Discipline").

Registration: Registration fee of \$25 (received prior to February 8) covers the cost of speakers, notebook of training materials, refreshments, and lunch.

Offering Goal: \$10,000 will provide scholarship assistance for two Restoration Scholars preparing for Leadership Ministry at Lincoln Christian Seminary.

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