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# A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

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DEAR ALUMNI AND FRIENDS:

“Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows.” James 1:17 NIV

Three feature stories in this issue of the Campbellsvillian show “good and perfect gifts.”

First, Kayla Miracle has those physical attributes most athletes yearn to possess. Kayla Hawkins, who has one arm, yet excels in the university’s phlebotomy technician program, shows that physical challenges can become perfect gifts.

And Darrell Locke, associate professor of social work, has shown love and the gift of a good home to four children he and his wife, Suesan, have adopted, in addition to their two biological children.

Our entire university community has mirrored the scripture by preparing the 550 May graduates (total of 760 for 2016-17) to share their gifts to the world. Educating students is a sincere labor of love for the university’s faculty, staff and coaches. We are celebrating these graduates from four ceremonies in this issue.

And there is more to come. Campbellsville University record spring enrollment of 5,035 will expand with the creation of the university’s first Ph.D., a Management program, set to begin in the fall 2017. Augmenting that news is adding “provost” to Dr. Donna Hedgepath’s title of vice president for academic affairs. Rusty Hollingsworth becomes vice president for athletics, handing athletic director duties to Jim Hardy.

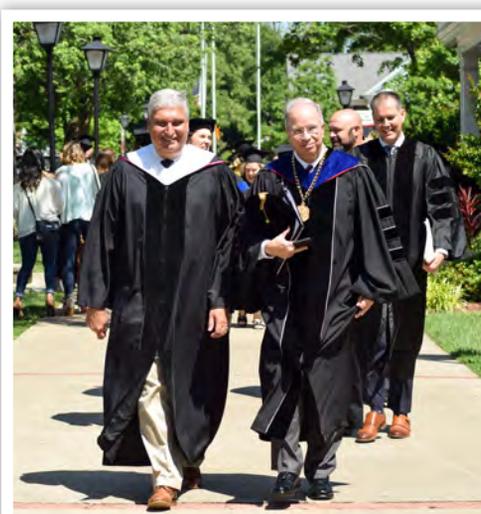
In the wings stand a legion of students, each with their own set of talents and gifts, reflecting the CU mission of Christian higher education. We need your help. I’m asking you to send us more students for a quality education — students who will eventually join the ranks of Alumni and of whom you can be proud.

You deserve and expect that of us to create true servant leaders, and we strive not to disappoint.

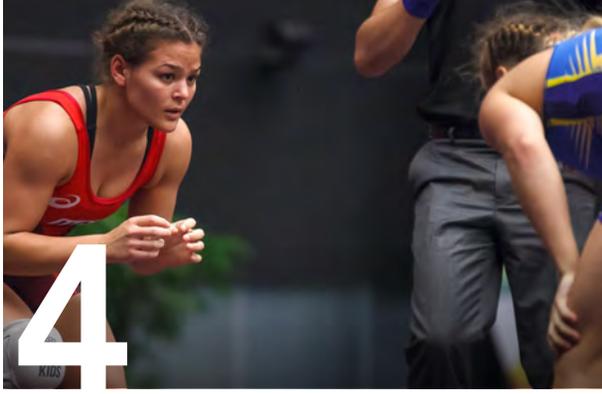
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Michael V. Carter, *President*



Dr. Michael V. Carter, right, and Henry Lee, chair of the CU Board of Trustees, lead one of the Senior Walks during commencement. (CU Photo by Kyrsten Hill)



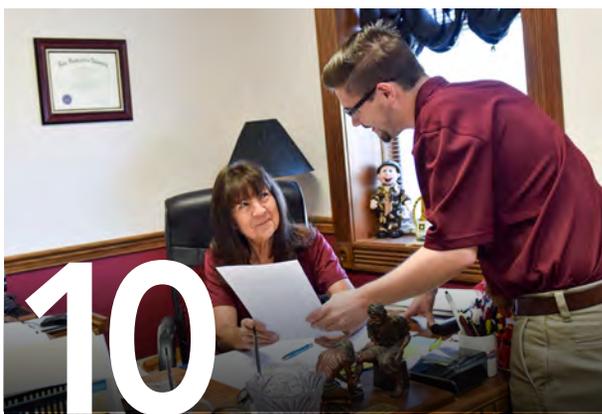
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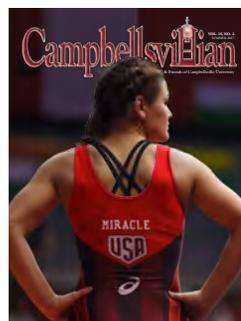
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Sporting her USA Wrestling singlet, Campbellsville University's Kayla Miracle is arguably the most decorated student-athlete to compete as a Lady Tiger. Miracle is a three-time national champion, three-time University National Champion, three-time Junior World Team Member, Senior Pan Am Medalist, Two-time Junior World Bronze Medalist, Senior World Team Member and finished fourth in the 2016 Rio Olympic Trials.



Kayla Miracle is shown with Ron Paven, Mid-South Conference Administrative Council chair; Lee Miracle, CU head coach; and Eric Ward, MSC commissioner.

# KAYLA MIRACLE

## EARNs MID-SOUTH CONFERENCE STUDENT-ATHLETE OF THE YEAR

By Jordan Alves, sports information director

To say Kayla Miracle is one of the most decorated student-athletes to ever don the maroon and gray is saying a lot for many have put together impressive resumés over the 111 years of athletics at Campbellsville University. But the resumé of Kayla Miracle is one that may not be touched and the best part... it is still ongoing.

The junior Lady Tiger wrestler isn't just a competitor on the mat, though. Miracle is someone who embodies what it means to be a true student-athlete and was honored recently at the annual Mid-South Conference Award Banquet as the Female Student-Athlete of the Year.

Women's wrestling is one of the up-and-coming sports in the NAIA and is being added as a Mid-South Conference sport next season. But Miracle got a head start on competing inside the conference when she earned the award, which is based on athletic performance, academic performance and evidence of leadership.

"I feel very honored and blessed to have been nominated for and win this prestigious award," said Miracle.

"I strive to be the very best that I can be in all aspects while maintaining a well-rounded, balanced life. It is important to me to not only apply this attitude toward bettering myself, but also in service to others.

"To have someone recognize these efforts by just nominating me for this award is really a reward in itself."

Miracle not only exemplifies the criteria but does so while competing on the national and international levels.

On the mat, Miracle has a 107-1 collegiate record the previous three seasons as a Lady Tiger. She not only competes at the Women's Collegiate Wrestling Association national level but also for Sunkist Kids, Team Nike and Team USA.

Miracle is a three-time WCWA National Champion, three-time University National Champion, three-time Junior World Team Member, Senior Pan Am Medalist, Two-time Junior World Bronze Medalist, Senior World Team Member and finished fourth in the 2016 Rio Olympic Trials.

"Kayla Miracle is the epitome of what a true student-athlete is all about," Rusty Hollingsworth, vice president for athletics, said. "Kayla has put together an

impressive career so far as a Lady Tiger, but she is also as humble as it gets. Her resumé and work ethic on the mat speaks for themselves but her kindness and smile are what make Kayla a special student-athlete. Congratulations to Kayla on this award.”

But Miracle isn't one who is stuck on her success on the mat. The junior grappler spends her mornings hitting the weight room, working drills on the mat and maintaining her nutrition before many even get out of bed. After a full day of classes, Miracle is also a resident assistant in the women's village, FIRST CLASS mentor, tutor and member of the CU Athletic Leadership team.

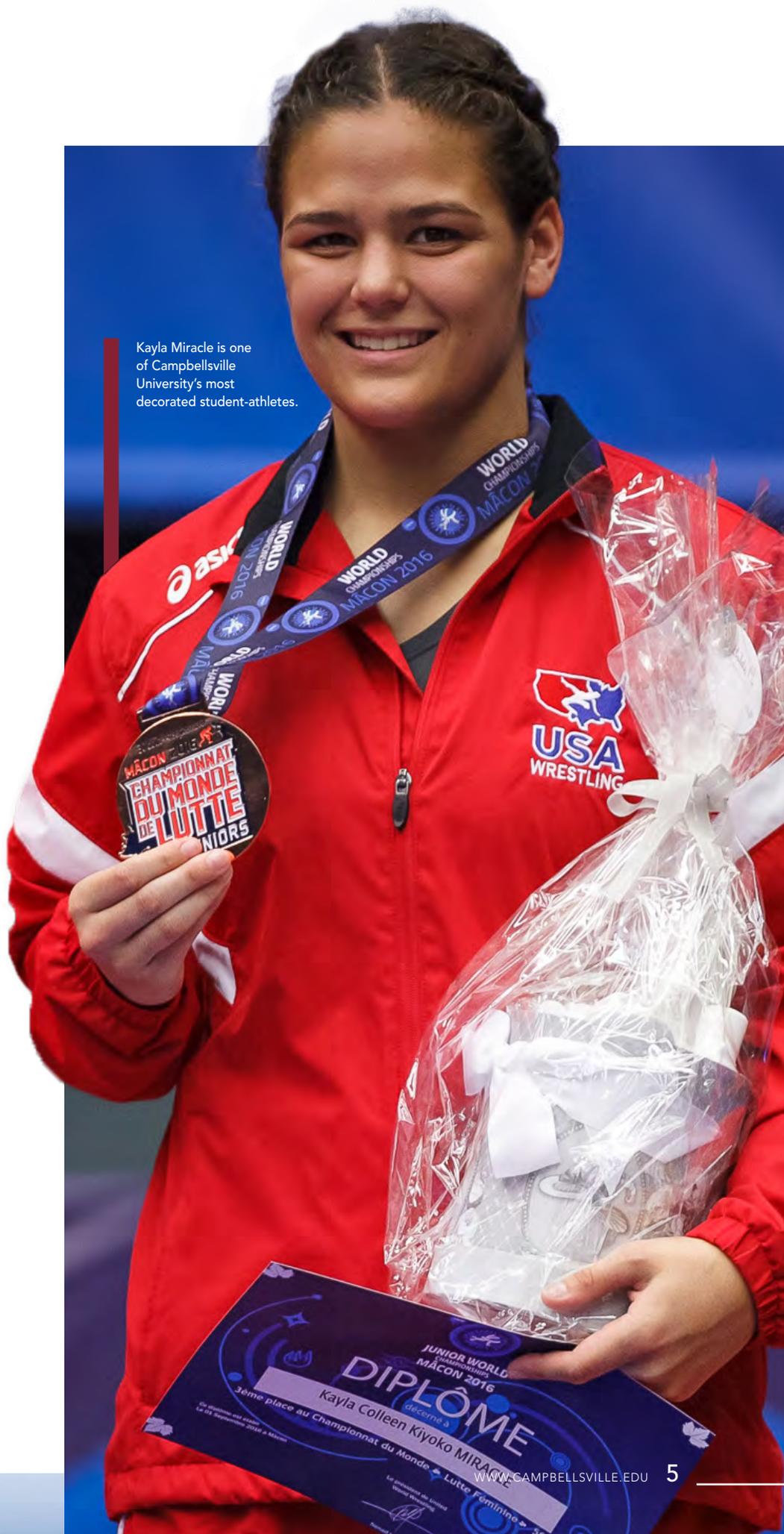
Miracle, who carries a 3.95 GPA and is a mathematics major at CU, hasn't used her crazy travel schedule as an excuse, and her professors take note.

“Kayla always has her assignments on time and she never makes an excuse,” Linda Beal, instructor in mathematics, said. “Her work is excellent, and her attitude is exceptional. I would rate her academic performance as superior.”

“Although being a successful student-athlete can be very stressful, I have received so much help and support from teachers, faculty and classmates, and I cannot thank everyone enough for all the love they have shown me,” Miracle said.

“In return, I try to give back as much as I can to Campbellsville University, the community and the sport of wrestling in hopes that I can pay it forward to help others. Because of the opportunities that I have had through wrestling, I have been able to see the world and experience so many things that others my age normally do not have a chance to. I am extremely grateful for these experiences, as they have helped mold me into the person I am today.” 🐾

Kayla Miracle is one of Campbellsville University's most decorated student-athletes.





# TOP of the CLASS

## HAWKINS LEARNS TO DRAW BLOOD WITH ONE HAND

By Linda Ireland, contributing writer

“Learning the technique” is the most difficult part of the phlebotomy technician program at Campbellsville University, according to Kayla Hawkins, a student in the 10-week course.

The class has been studying the basics of drawing blood from a patient, proper disposal of needles and maintaining a sterile environment at the Brockman Center in Hodgenville.

There are several steps in a successful venipuncture: Verify patient information, assemble supplies, snap on latex gloves, manipulate a tourniquet around the patient’s arm, locate a suitable vein, gently insert a needle and collect the blood in a sample tube.

It requires a steady hand and manual dexterity.

Hawkins excelled in the program, despite having only one hand. Her instructor, Amanda Riley, said she has the top grade point average in the class.

Hawkins was born with a missing limb, a rare condition known as congenital amputation. A fibrous band from the amniotic sac formed around her left arm,

cutting it off just below the elbow, while she was in her mother’s womb.

“The doctors didn’t know (beforehand),” she said. “It never showed up in my mom’s ultrasounds.

“The doctors said, when I was born, to treat me like I had two arms and I would adapt.”

Her mother, Tanya Hawkins, followed their advice. And Hawkins certainly adapted. She passed childhood milestones at her home in Leitchfield, like learning to tie her shoes or button a shirt. As she grew older, she maintained a positive attitude while tackling more difficult tasks.

When she was 13, she became a volunteer at her mother’s workplace, Sunrise Manor Nursing Home, Signature Healthcare in Hodgenville, located less than a mile from the Brockman Center. Tanya, who is now the supply manager at the facility, began her career as a certified nursing assistant.

Kayla found she enjoyed the work.

“I liked helping the residents,” she said.

The experience prompted an interest in

the medical field, and Kayla began taking certified nursing assistant classes at Grayson County High School.

She now works as a CNA at Sunrise Manor and Hardin Memorial Hospital in Elizabethtown, scheduling hours around her classes at Campbellsville University. It’s a labor-intensive job, requiring hands-on care (feeding, bathing and dressing) of patients.

She said she enrolled in the phlebotomy technician program via CU’s Technology Training Center’s Allied Health.

Riley said she heard about Hawkins’ excellent work ethic before she entered the class.

“I had her co-worker (from Sunrise Manor) in a previous class,” said Riley. “She told me that (Hawkins) was born with one arm — and was planning to take the class.”

Riley, along with Christie Minor, allied health facilitator for the university, brainstormed ways of helping Hawkins adapt to the phlebotomy program.

Hawkins uses a butterfly needle to draw blood instead of a regular vacutainer

needle, said Riley. The butterfly needle is smaller, with plastic wings that provide a flat surface against the patient's arm.

"It allows her to switch test tubes – she takes them off and puts them on with one hand instead of requiring two."

Riley said she requires the students to "stick" on their first day of class to get rid of any fears they might have about the procedure. She saw that Hawkins, who admitted to being "very nervous" the first time she attempted a venipuncture on a fellow student, had the required skills. "I knew then that she would be fine," she said.

"I think having a medical background at Sunrise Manor helps," Riley said. "It's a building block."

Minor called Hawkins an "encouragement to others... not to limit themselves."

Once the six weeks of in-class instruction are complete, the students move to an off-campus medical site where they

complete 100 sticks and 100 clinical hours. Hawkins completed her clinical externship at Cool Springs Lab in Elizabethtown, Ky., July 11. She took her national certifying exam Aug. 4.

According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, employment of phlebotomists is projected to grow 25 percent through 2024, faster than the average for all occupations.

The Brockman Center is located at 813 Old Elizabethtown Road in Hodgenville. The 5,500-square-foot facility, named after Dr. Britt Brockman, opened in 2009.

Brockman, a managing partner of the John-Kenyon American Eye Institute, is a 1977 graduate of LaRue County High School and the 2009 LCHS Distinguished Alumni Award recipient.

The building was originally donated to Campbellsville University by Freddie Hilpp of Lebanon.

The Brockman Center also offers programs in cosmetology, state registered nurse aide, pharmacy technician and CPR.

The Phlebotomy Technician Program is one of several "work ready" certificate programs offered through the Virginia Ponsler Flanagan Technology Training Center. The very affordable technology training center programs are offered at each regional center. 🌸

For more information about Campbellsville University's Allied Health Programs, contact Christie Minor at (270) 789-5393 or [clminor@campbellsville.edu](mailto:clminor@campbellsville.edu), or Robin Kemp at (270) 358-0050 or [rakemp@campbellsville.edu](mailto:rakemp@campbellsville.edu).

Kayla Hawkins practices venipuncture on classmate Franchestka Smith at Campbellsville University's Brockman Center in Hodgenville. The two are enrolled in the 10-week phlebotomy technician program. (CU Photo by Linda Ireland)



# LOCKE SPREADS HIS FOSTER CARE EXPERIENCE TO WORKING WITH CHILDREN

By Linda Ireland, contributing writer



## DARRELL LOCKE,

associate professor of social work at the Carver School of Social Work at Campbellsville University, grew up in foster care.

Those were difficult years, sometimes tinged with despair and anger, but he was a resilient child who became a determined adult. Those early experiences led him to a career working with children much like himself.

“I always said I wouldn’t want to go through it again — but I wouldn’t change a thing,” Locke said. After he graduated from high school, he enrolled at Campbellsville University, while holding a job at Southern States in Hodgenville.

He earned a bachelor’s degree in social work in 2000 and accepted a post with the Kentucky Cabinet for

Health and Family Services. His duties included intervening in cases of child neglect or abuse and assisting with the foster care program.

Along the way, he met his wife, Suesan (’15). The young couple was disappointed when doctors told them they would be unable to have children. Both had wanted a large family.

“God said, ‘ha, you were wrong,’ to the doctors,” said Locke, with a laugh. They were delighted when Mrs. Locke’s pregnancies produced two children: a daughter, Laurel, and a son, Tristen.

When Laurel was five, they began considering adoption to enlarge their family. They wanted two children, neither older than Laurel. God again had other plans.

At an adoption event where potential parents could interact with more than 100 adoptable children,

the couple spotted a beautiful, dark-eyed 16-month-old baby named Ricky — and “fell in love.”

“They told me not to expect affection (from him),” said Locke. “The first thing, he reached for me.”

Ricky’s biological mother was a substance abuser, and the drugs affected the baby while in the womb. When the Lockes met him, he was socially delayed, just learning to walk, still drinking from a bottle and wouldn’t speak... although “he was really good at screaming.”

The second child they met was 6-year-old Isaiah, who turned out to be Ricky’s brother. He was followed by yet another sibling, 8-year-old Benjamin.

The children had been in foster care most of their lives and were accompanied by their foster parents at the event.

The Lockes were required to meet other children that day — and two



The Locke family, from left, includes: Front row — Isaiah Locke, Jeremiah Marcum and Ricky Locke. Back row — Tristen, Benjamin, Laurel, Darrell and Suesan Locke. (Photo by Melanie Wells Photography)

other couples were very interested in spending time with Ricky, Isaiah and Ben. However, the children kept finding ways of returning to Darrell and Suesan.

“Out of all the kids we met, we knew those were the ones we wanted,” Locke said.

The adoption was a long process and the couple faced numerous hurdles, including a more strenuous screening

because of Locke’s job as a social worker. On December 19, 2005, the adoption of the three boys was finalized. Six days later, the seven enjoyed their first Christmas together.

The very next night, the family lost their house — and all their Christmas presents — to a fire. The boys’ meager possessions were gone, and Locke lost the few childhood items he had kept from his years in foster care.

The only thing that survived — and was usable — was a cooking stone that was in the oven.

Locke described the ordeal as the “second most depressing event” of his life. The death of his “last foster mom” was the first.

He had no choice but to rebound quickly, “pick up the pieces and start life again.”

They purchased a house outside Hodgenville and began making more memories.

In 2008, Locke’s younger sister asked him to keep his infant nephew, Jeremiah, for a month. They bought more diapers, a crib and an eight-person van.

A year later, the Lockes were given permanent custody of Jeremiah. The couple who had been told they could not have children now had six.

Their lives became a blur of school assignments, sports, work and chores. Each child has been taught to pitch in, Locke said.

Their family bond has grown through arguments, laughter, prayer and love, he added. Jeremiah, the youngest, is now nine. He is a student at Abraham Lincoln Elementary School and loves soccer and baseball. Ricky likes history, baseball and cross-country and aspires to be an Olympic runner. Tristen loves math and is part of the Olympiad math team at LaRue County Middle School. Laurel is a senior at LaRue County High School and a choir member, and works part time. Isaiah plans to be a diesel mechanic. Ben, the oldest, is working on his bachelor’s degree in business administration at Campbellsville University.

Locke worked with the Cabinet 12 years and has taught full time at Campbellsville University for six years. He obtained his master’s degree from Western Kentucky University.

Mrs. Locke is a sixth-grade language arts teacher at LaRue County Middle School. 🐾

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“If you change one millisecond of your life, you change God’s plan for you. I’m not disappointed in my life. I’d be questioning someone who has much greater power than I have.” — DARRELL LOCKE

## Campbellsville University promotes Dr. Donna Hedgepath to provost

By Joan C. McKinney, editor



Dr. Donna Hedgepath

Campbellsville University President Michael V. Carter has announced the promotion of Dr. Donna Hedgepath, vice president for academic affairs, to the university's first provost and vice president for academic affairs position.

With this new title, Hedgepath assumes management responsibility for a range of university functions. She is the "first among equals" of Campbellsville University's vice

presidents and can make decisions in the absence of Carter.

She became vice president for academic affairs in January 2015.

Carter said, "Dr. Hedgepath has demonstrated her leadership in an excellent and comprehensive manner.

"She has shown exceptional people skills and garnered respect among her colleagues. She brings a strong Christian faith to her position and weaves it into the progress that she has fostered in both the academic and student services areas."

"I am honored and humbled to receive this new title and opportunity to serve at a greater capacity," Hedgepath said.

"Campbellsville University is my alma mater, and I pledge to move her forward in a spirit of Christian servant leadership."

Hedgepath has served as dean of the School of Education. She was a member of the Administrative Council, CU's highest level of administration, for two years representing the faculty, prior

to her appointment as vice president for academic affairs.

Carter said, "As we move to a new level of university status, Dr. Donna Hedgepath will give us a sense of confidence and guidance that this institution needs. Campbellsville University is on an unprecedented growth pattern, and our students and alumni deserve the best — and she is!"

Hedgepath, a 1992 bachelor's and 1999 master's graduate of Campbellsville University, has recently been appointed by Kentucky Gov. Matt Bevin as vice chairperson of the Education Professional Standards Board, with her term ending June 30, 2020. She has participated in the national accreditation of the School of Education as well as gaining knowledge of the SACSCOC accreditation standards during her time as dean.

She is married to Pete Hedgepath, a bass fishing coach at Campbellsville University. They have three sons, Mitchell Tinnell and Nathan and Aaron Hedgepath. 🌱

## Campbellsville University offering first Ph.D. program in fall 2017

By Joan C. McKinney, editor

Campbellsville University is moving to a new level with the offering of a Ph.D. program in fall 2017, according to an announcement from Dr. Michael V. Carter, president.

Carter said the university's Ph.D. in Management will be the first doctoral program offered by Campbellsville University, and is an "exciting and historic moment for Campbellsville University and the mission of Christian higher education."

The university moves to a Level 5 Institution and was granted approval to begin offering the Ph.D. in Management

program as of the fall 2017 semester.

"This Ph.D. in Management is a comprehensive approach that will allow students to design a program that meets their needs," Dr. Donna Hedgepath, provost and vice president for academic affairs, said.

Specializations will be offered, including leadership/management, human resource management and cyber technology management.

Applications are now being accepted for the August 2017 cohort and the January 2018 cohort.

Dr. Pat Cowherd, dean of the School of Business, Economics and Technology, said, "The Ph.D. in Management will provide students an opportunity to earn a doctorate degree related to management, leadership or technology at a Christ-centered institution."

She said the School's members are very excited about offering the institution's first Ph.D. program at Campbellsville University.

For more information, contact Cowherd at [phcowherd@campbellsville.edu](mailto:phcowherd@campbellsville.edu) or (270) 789-5281. 🌱

## Campbellsville University sets record enrollment of over 5,000 students

By Joan C. McKinney, editor

Campbellsville University had the highest-ever enrollment in the history of the institution at 5,035 students for the spring 2017 semester, with more than 500 students enrolling in the new Master of Science in Information Technology Management (MSITM) in May.

This enrollment is the third consecutive semester of record-breaking enrollment, reaching the university's Vision 2025 enrollment goal of 5,000 students — eight years early.

Dr. Michael V. Carter, president of Campbellsville University, said, "The record-breaking enrollment is a milestone in the 111th year of CU's existence. It includes a 47 percent increase in one year. We are pleased to be serving and producing Christian servant leaders throughout the Commonwealth of Kentucky and the world."

Campbellsville University's Dual Credit Program increased by 77 percent, with nearly 1,400 students, and the Louisville Education Center saw a 165 percent increase in degree-seeking students.

Dr. Donna Hedgepath, provost and vice president for academic affairs, said, "We are excited about our record-breaking enrollment. Our faculty invest in the lives of our students, and we are



Dr. Eric Harter, professor of business and lead professor for the MSITM program, lectures in class to a group of Indian students. (CU Photo by Joshua Williams)

honored to serve 5,035 students."

CU's undergraduate programs experienced an increase of 27 percent, while the graduate program saw a 135 percent increase.

CU's student population represents 113 Kentucky counties, 43 states and 51 countries.

Another intake took place in July with 475 students for the MSITM program.

Dr. Shane Garrison, vice president for enrollment services, said, "Enrollment is a team effort. From our regional center staff to our online team, those working with international and dual credit students, to those behind the scenes

managing applications and transcripts, there is no doubt everyone is working very hard to move our university forward."

Campbellsville University has expanded her global footprint with educational centers in Louisville, Harrodsburg, Somerset and Hodgenville, with instructional sites in Summersville and Owensboro.

Carter said a record-breaking enrollment in spring is unusual, as fall semesters usually experience the highest enrollment of an academic year.

"We are investing in new academic and athletics programs and buildings, as well as an increase in Church Outreach, in order to give our students the best education experience possible," he said.

Campbellsville University has seen tremendous growth since the beginning of 2016, having the highest spring and summer semester enrollments in the history of the university until the spring 2017 enrollment. 🐾

For more information on enrollment at Campbellsville University, contact (270) 789-5220 or [admissions@campbellsville.edu](mailto:admissions@campbellsville.edu).



Nikitha Purushotham, left, and Vedasree Veerabomma listen as Dr. Keith Spears, vice president for communication and assistant to the president, asks students questions about the states from which they come. (CU Photo by Joan C. McKinney)

## *Derby Rose Gala raises \$25,000 at 9th annual April event; sponsor Advancement Board has raised over \$300,000 over nine years*



The Collingsworth Family performs in Ransdell Chapel following the Derby Rose Gala. (CU Photo by Joshua Williams)

Campbellsville University's 9th Annual Derby Rose Gala, sponsored by President and Mrs. Michael V. Carter and the Advancement Board, raised \$25,000 in scholarship funds for university students on the night of April 7, adding to the grand total of \$300,000 raised over the past nine years.

"The Derby Rose Gala is just a wonderful opportunity for people to get dressed up, come out and have a great evening, but know that they are helping the cause in student scholarships," Dr. H. Keith Spears, vice president for

communication and assistant to the president at CU, said.

According to Benji Kelly, vice president for development, the funds raised from the Derby Rose Gala help to keep education affordable for CU students, such as Breanne E. Ward, a CU junior from Otisco, Ind.

In speaking to the crowd of alumni, visitors, faculty and fellow students filling Winters Dining Hall, Ward indicated that half of her tuition has been covered by university scholarships.

Carter praised the event's organizers

for their efforts on behalf of CU students.

In addition to the gala supporting student scholarships, CU's mass communication students worked to cover the event, providing valuable hands-on opportunities for those studying mass communication.

Advancement Board member Gwinn Hahn, a 1970 Campbellsville College graduate, was chair of the gala, and Betty Hord, a 1968 alumna, was in charge of decorations. Sara Curry, also a student at the university in the late 1960s, is chair of the Advancement Board. 🐾



WLCU Television hosts Clark Tippet of Midway, Ky., and Amber Wright of Corydon, Ky., perform live at the Derby Rose Gala. (CU Photo by Joshua Williams)



Dr. Donna Hedgepath, center, vice president for academic affairs, is interviewed by students Christian Naylor of Russellville, Ky., left, and Jess McCandless of Elizabethtown, Ky., for WLCU-TV. (CU Photo by Joshua Williams)



Campbellsville University's Dean of the School of Business, Economics and Technology, Dr. Pat Cowherd, center, accepts a recognition award from Advancement Board Chair Sara Curry and Gala Chair Gwinn Hahn. (CU Photo by Joshua Williams)

## *Record number of students graduate; 558 in May, 760 for academic year*

By Joan C. McKinney, editor



Master of Science in Information Technology and Management (MSITM) graduates take photos with their professors after the commencement ceremony at Ransdell Chapel. From left are: Sai Kiran Gadde; Srilekha Allamsetty; Bruce Singleton, assistant professor of business; Dr. Sunny Onyiri, professor of business and accounting and director of the business program at Louisville Education Center; and Nikhita Pavani. (CU Photo by Joshua Williams)

“Through Christian education, lives are changed.”

Dr. Michael V. Carter, president of Campbellsville University, told a record number of graduates in four ceremonies as 558 students received their degrees Friday and Saturday, May 12 and 13.

For the 2016-17 academic year, 760 students will have graduated, upon completion of all academic requirements.

The number of graduates and actual number of commencement ceremonies are both record breaking.

The Honorable Max Wise, Kentucky State Senator, 16th Senatorial District, 1997 Campbellsville University graduate and former faculty member in political science at Campbellsville University, received an honorary doctorate of public service at the second ceremony on Saturday in Powell Athletic Center. Wise told the graduates Saturday to “go out and do great things. In whatever your pathway is in life, do good and treat everyone with respect.”

Wise, who received his bachelor degree on the same stage he spoke exactly 20 years earlier, said, “It isn’t your experiences that define your life; it

is your responses that make or break you.”

The Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award, which is given to one student and one adult member of the community, was presented to Aaron Nosich of Radcliff, Ky., who received a bachelor of science degree with a double major in political science and pastoral ministries.

Guy Montgomery, former 14-year associate member of Campbellsville University’s Board of Trustees, having served as vice chair for five years, received the adult community member’s Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award.

Montgomery is married to Elizabeth Kennedy Simon Montgomery, and they have five children and eight grandchildren.

Montgomery’s father, Edwin Montgomery, was also a member of the Board of Trustees at CU for 18 years and is whom the Montgomery Library is named after.

Carter, president of Campbellsville University since 1999, and Dr. Donna Hedgepath, vice president for academic affairs, presented the graduates.

Carter told the graduates that their commencement was a culmination of a “great deal of hard work” and sacrifice

by themselves, family and friends.

“Something happens when you are here,” Carter told the graduates. “Through Christian education, lives are changed.”

Darryl Peavler, a 2003 undergraduate and 2005 graduate student at Campbellsville University, who serves as director of alumni relations, welcomed the students into the Campbellsville University Alumni Association and urged the graduates to be proud to be a Tiger and to display their diplomas, help recruit students and support Campbellsville University financially.

Co-valedictorians for May 2017 were Courtney Elisabeth Hargis of Somerset, Ky.; Abby Nicole Harnack of Bowling Green, Ky.; Anna-Marie Hyatt of Lawrenceburg, Ky.; and Keysha Marez Martin of LaVergne, Tenn.

Caleb Norbert King of Stanford, Ky., was salutatorian for May 2017.

Co-valedictorians for the December 2016 ceremony were Ethan Wesley Boulter of Raymond, N.H., and Zachary Tanner Leftwich of Greensburg, Ky. Kacy Brooke Stinson of Scottsville, Ky., was salutatorian for December 2016. 🌱



Co-valedictorian Keysha Marez Martin, left, of La Vergne, Tenn., receives gifts after her commencement as she poses with her mother, Kwiona Martin. (CU Photo by Drew Tucker)



Jessica Blakeman of Campbellville, with her fellow graduates, participate in the senior walk before the commencement begins. (CU Photo by Drew Tucker)



Katy Lewis of North Augusta, S.C., and Katie Miller of Fayetteville, Ga., congratulate Patrick Sonsteng of Campbellville upon graduating with his master's degree. (CU Photo by Drew Tucker)



Clarinda Carothers of Louisville, Ky., and Janie Hewitt of Henryville, Ind., smile as they wait in line to receive their master's degrees. (CU Photo by Tomomi Sato)



Edward Garcia of Campbellville was one of four students who answered Dr. Michael V. Carter's charge during the commencement ceremonies. (CU Photo by Drew Tucker)



Four ceremonies were held to accommodate the large graduating class of 558 students. This was one of the ceremonies Saturday in Powell Athletic Center. (CU Photo by Kyrsten Hill)

## THE PATH TO A DIPLOMA

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## Elaine Akin includes CU in her estate plan and encourages others to do so

By Chuck Vaughn, assistant vice president for planned and annual giving

One important element Elaine Akin tries to bring to her prayer life is honesty.

"It is an opportunity for soul searching, and I know I cannot kid God," she said. Her Christian faith has been tested many times, but she affirms that God is sovereign and said, "I'm going to love Him no matter what."

Akin is a poet, and her poems have won prizes and been published in poetry journals. She recently published her latest book, "Flute Player."

Having always had an interest in art, she works with a ministry of St. Matthews Baptist Church called God's Design. They use donated furniture to decorate homes for people who have successfully completed various rehabilitation programs. In charge of

the pictures, she felt especially gratified when an ex-prisoner walked over to a wall and said, "I have never lived in a place with pictures before."

Not a CU graduate, Akin and her mother became interested in the university through friends Mary Ellen Coker and her late husband, Dr. H.E. Coker. Dr. Coker had been the pastor of their church in Hodgenville but retired and was living in Campbellsville. He introduced them to the college and, after visiting the campus and getting to know then President Dr. Ken Winters and his wife, Shirley, they saw how God was working in the lives of students and how His love was so evident in those they met. So they became faithful members of the President's Club.

She is convinced that supporting Campbellsville University is an investment in the future. "If our leaders of tomorrow do not come from those imbued with the values taught by Jesus," she believes, "our Democracy will not survive."

Her desire is that others will join her and include Campbellsville University in their estate plans. 🐾



Elaine Akin

## Chuck Vaughn retires from Campbellsville University after 12 years of service

By Josh Christian, student news writer

Friday, June 9 was Chuck Vaughn's last day at work. On Saturday, June 10, Vaughn and his wife, Karen, left Campbellsville University in his rearview



Chuck Vaughn, right, and his wife, Karen, are shown with gifts Vaughn received at his retirement. (CU Photo by Joshua Williams)

mirror, the nose of his car pointed toward Florida, where he began his retirement.

Vaughn served at CU 12 years, his last position as the assistant vice president for planned and annual giving.

"We are definitely going to miss Chuck and his leadership in development," Benji Kelly, vice president for development at Campbellsville University, said.

"He took our athletic and planned giving fundraising to a new level. His leadership and friendship will be greatly missed," Kelly said.

Vaughn was superintendent of Campbellsville Independent Schools from 1997 until his employment at CU in 2005.

He graduated from Campbellsville High School in 1964.

Vaughn earned his Bachelor in Education from the University of Kentucky in 1968. Vaughn was drafted for service in the Vietnam War the following year, where he served until 1971. He completed a Master's Degree in Counseling from Western Michigan University in 1974.

He spent 10 years as a high school teacher, counselor and assistant principal before completing a certificate program in

public school administration at Portland State University.

Vaughn became principal of Campbellsville High School in 1990 and completed his Kentucky school superintendent certification at Western Kentucky University. He served as superintendent of the Campbellsville Independent School System from 1997 through 2005.

After 34 years in public school education, Vaughn retired in 2005 and accepted a position at CU as the director of the Big Maroon Club.

In January 2017, Vaughn was inducted into the 5th Region Athletic Director's Hall of Fame.

He and his wife have three children: Bryan Vaughn, Beth Stoner Shepherd and Ben Stoner, and one grandson, Will Vaughn. 🐾

## Sen. Max Wise awarded honorary doctorate degree

By Ariel C. Emberton, student news writer



State Sen. Max Wise receives the hood for his honorary Doctorate of Public Service at commencement May 13 from Dr. Donna Hedgepath, vice president for academic affairs, and Henry Lee, chair of the CU Board of Trustees. (CU Photo by Drew Tucker)

“As a distinguished Campbellsville University alumnus and former faculty member, Sen. Max Wise is the very essence of what it means to be a Campbellsville University Christian servant leader!” Dr. Michael V. Carter, president, said.

Wise was the commencement speaker for two ceremonies Saturday, May 13, where he was awarded the Honorary

Doctorate of Public Service degree.

Wise serves as a state senator and represents Kentucky’s 16th District. He is chair of the budget review subcommittee on transportation, the enrollment committee and the government nonprofit contracting task force. Wise also serves as the vice chair of the Senate Education Committee and the co-chair of the government contract review committee and serves as a member on various other committees and concerning economics and public affairs.

Wise is a professor at the University of Kentucky’s Patterson School of Diplomacy and International Commerce, and teaches graduate-level courses on terrorism studies and intelligence analysis.

He was previously a professor in the political science department at CU. Wise was the lead political science professor

while at CU and established the homeland security minor that is now offered. Before returning to CU to teach, he worked with the Federal Bureau of Investigation and specialized in terrorism threats.

Wise graduated from Campbellsville University in 1997 with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and History. He went on to obtain his Master of Arts Degree in International Politics and International Diplomacy from the Patterson School at the University of Kentucky.

He lives in Campbellsville and is married to Dr. Heather Wise (’01), a local dentist. They are the parents of four children: Grayson, Carter, Jackson and McLean. Wise is the son of George and Dr. Donna Wise, who is chair of the human performance department at CU and former Lady Tigers basketball coach. 🌸

## Montgomery awarded Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award

By Ariel C. Emberton, student news writer

“Mr. Montgomery is strong in his support of and advocacy for Christian education at Campbellsville University,” Dr. Michael V. Carter, president, said during Campbellsville University’s Honors and Awards Day as Guy Montgomery, an associate trustee for 14 years, received the adult Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award.

The Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award has been given for 15 consecutive years at Campbellsville University to one graduate and one adult. The award is presented at over 70 colleges and universities in the Southern U.S.; it honors the memory of the late Algernon Sydney Sullivan, who was a Christian, family man, lawyer and an outstanding citizen. He was also a respected philanthropist and orator during his life.

Montgomery is the owner of Montgomery Realtors in Louisville, Ky. Montgomery’s father, Ed Montgomery, was also a member of the Board of Trustees for Campbellsville University for 18 years and Montgomery Library is named in honor of him and his wife, Ovaleta.

Montgomery previously served as the president of the Greater Louisville Association of Realtors, Louisville Apartment Association and the Kentucky Chapter 59 Institute of Real Estate Management.

He also served on the boards of directors for the Publishers Printing Company and on the board of Campbellsville University, Farmington Historic Plantation, Louisville Orchestra and Saints Mary and Elizabeth Hospital/ Jewish Hospital Foundation.



Guy Montgomery, center, is awarded the Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award at Honors and Awards Day by Dr. Donna Hedgepath, vice president for academic affairs, and Dr. Michael V. Carter, president. (CU Photo by Joshua Williams)

Montgomery graduated from University of Louisville with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science in 1968 and a Master of Arts in Community Development in 1979. He is from Louisville and is married to Elizabeth Kennedy Simon Montgomery. They are the parents of five children and grandparents to eight grandchildren.

Montgomery dedicates his free time to his family, traveling, art, reading and historic preservation. 🌸

# TIGER AND LADY TIGER ATHLETICS FINISHES SEASON RANKED NO. 21 IN LEARFIELD DIRECTORS' CUP

By Jordan Alves, sports information director

After an impressive spring season, Campbellsville University athletics finished the 2016-17 season in 21st place in the Learfield Directors' Cup standings, officials announced on Thursday, June 8.

CU, which earned its highest ranking ever last season by finishing 13th, is picking up its second highest mention since the inception during the 1995-96 season.

The Learfield Sports Directors' Cup was developed as a joint effort between the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics (NACDA) and USA Today. Points are awarded based on each institution's finish in the NAIA Championships.

CU entered the spring season after compiling 487.5 points in the fall and

202 in the winter. Eight sports that were scored in the spring standings: baseball, softball, men's golf, women's golf, men's tennis, women's tennis, women's track and field and men's track and field.

This spring, seven of the eight teams competed in the NAIA Tournaments, with two earning championship bids for the first time in history.

Men's tennis received the most points in the spring with 83, after finishing in its first-ever semifinal at the NAIA Championship.

In addition, Tiger baseball compiled 57 points after reaching the championship round of the NAIA Opening Round Tournament in Oklahoma City.

Men's track and field earned its first-ever NAIA All-Americans at the national

championship this season and earned 48 points.

Lady Tiger softball hosted the Bowling Green Bracket and played in the Opening Round for the third straight season. LTS finished with 37.5 points.

Lady Tiger golf also competed in their first NAIA Team Championship and finished tied for 20th, earning 34 points.

Lastly, Lady Tiger tennis competed in their first NAIA Team Championship since the new format started in 2001. CU women's tennis earned 25 points.

Including Campbellsville, all eight Mid-South Conference institutions scored in the standings this season, and six finished in the top 100, following the final spring standings. 🐾

## MEN'S TENNIS WINS MSC, TIGERS AND LADY TIGERS COMPETE IN NAIA

By Jordan Alves, sports information director

The men's program made noise late in the season after knocking off Lindsey Wilson College in the Mid-South Conference Tournament Championship, stealing the conference's automatic bid. CU made even more noise throughout the final two weeks of the season, playing for its third NCCAA National Championship in four years and reaching the NAIA semifinal match for the first time in history.

Led by Brendon Aguilar and Chrys Castro, the Tigers defeated No. 12 Westmont, 5-2, in the first round of the championship to set up a match against former Tiger coach Phil Carlisle and the University of Northwestern Ohio. CU led 3-0 after doubles, but the Races raced

back to tie the match at four each. It came down to No. 6 singles, and Castro overcame heat and humidity to come from behind and knock off Ronnie Myburgh of UNOH.

The Tigers ended up falling to four-time NAIA champion Georgia Gwinnett in the semifinal and finished the year ranked No. 4 — their highest ranking in history.

Aguilar led the postseason awards by being named NAIA First-Team All-American. Victor Ahlbeck was not far behind by earning Honorable Mention.

On the women's side, the Lady Tigers competed in the NAIA Tournament for the first time since the new team format was implemented in 2001.

Mid-South Conference Freshman

of the Year Kaede Amano led CU to a No. 21 ranking and earned First-Team All-American honors. In addition, Bolor Enkhbayar was named Honorable Mention All-American. 🐾

Chrys Castro sealed the Tigers 5-4 victory over University of Northwestern Ohio to propel CU men's tennis into the semifinal for the first time in program history. (CU Photo by Jordan Alves)



## TIGER BASEBALL WINS EIGHTH MID-SOUTH CONFERENCE REGULAR SEASON CHAMPIONSHIP, FINISHES NCCAA RUNNER-UP

By Jordan Alves, sports information director



Head coach Beauford Sanders is emotional after the Tigers rallied to sweep University of the Cumberland in the final regular season series of the year to win its eighth Mid-South Conference Regular Season championship. (CU Photo by Jordan Alves)

Needing to win all three of its final regular season conference games against front-runner University of the Cumberland, Tiger baseball overcame all odds and pulled the upset of the year to claim its eighth MSC regular season title.

NCCAA All-Americans Nick Przybylek and Indalecio Romo shut the Patriots down in the first two games, and the Tigers hung on late to win the third game of the series in late April. Przybylek and Romo both tossed complete games, while Romo shut out the Patriots in game two and Przybylek went the distance while striking out nine batters in game one.

In the third game, a one hour and 26-minute rain delay couldn't hold the Tigers down, as CU rallied in the eighth inning to come from behind and scratch two runs, pulling the upset and dogpiling at Doyle Buhl Stadium in Williamsburg.

That was the highlight of the year, as CU just could not get over the hump in three separate championship games during postseason play. The Patriots avenged the series loss and took down CU, 16-7, in the MSC Tournament championship just two weeks later to earn the conference's automatic bid to the NAIA Opening Round.

That put CU on the outside looking in, but coach Beauford Sanders' club earned the three-seed in the Oklahoma City Bracket for its eighth appearance in the Opening Round championship since the inception in 2009. Once again, though, the Tigers had another chance to make history and clinch a bid to the World Series for the second time in history but No. 1 Oklahoma City rallied from a 16-11 deficit in the 10th inning of the championship series to win, 17-16.

CU's season looked to be over until the NCCAA came calling, granting the Tigers an automatic bid to the NCCAA World Series in Mason, Ohio. The Tigers went 3-1 in pool play and rallied to defeat Southwestern Christian, 5-4, in the semifinal to set up a rematch with Oklahoma Baptist in the final. The Bison ended CU's season once again after a walk-off sacrifice fly in the ninth inning, winning 7-6.

Romello Carbuccia joined Przybylek and Romo as NCCAA All-Americans, while Clayton Carrico, Nick Johnston and Hunter Christensen all earned NAIA and NCCAA Scholar-Athlete honors. In addition, David Montoya (2B), Matt Valdez (SS) and Diego Reynoso (1B) earned MSC Gold Gloves for their respective positions. 🐾

# LADY TIGERS HAVE SECOND RUN AT FAB FOUR IN THREE YEARS

By Richard RoBards, contributing writer

Campbellsville women's basketball continued its success in the postseason, helping the Lady Tigers complete a 28-7 campaign and a berth in the Fab Four at this year's national tourney in Billings, Mont.

It was the second time in three years that CU has reached the Fab Four as Ginger Colvin's charges are 9-3 in the past three national tourneys.

Six of the seven losses came against Top 10 teams, losing twice to MSC foes Lindsey Wilson and Shawnee State in the regular season. The Lady Tigers also lost to Westmont College in the Champions Classic in Jackson, Tenn., and to Oklahoma City in the semifinals of the national tournament.

Campbellsville was not afraid to step outside its comfort zone, playing 15 games against Top 25 opponents.

"Our conference is strong and we played a very strong schedule," continued Colvin. "Things like that always add to a team's ability to do well in the national tourney."

In their run in Billings, the Lady Tigers called on a stingy defense and uncanny accuracy from the free throw and 3-point lines to subdue Talladega for the third time this season. They then took down No. 8 Baker College



Lexus Graham, left, celebrates with Madison Faulkner and teammates after the Lady Tigers upset previous undefeated and No. 1 Freed-Hardeman in the NAIA quarterfinal. (CU Photo by Richard RoBards)

and No. 1 Freed-Hardeman to reach the Fab Four.

"Exiting the first round of conference tournament may have been a blessing in disguise," offered Colvin. "That gave us time to rest and get well from some sickness."

"We have been in the conference tourney championship game almost every year, and not being there gave us a wake-up call and a new focus that was much needed."

CU hit only 13 percent of its 3-point shots and 61 percent of its free throws in a subpar effort in a 62-59 Mid-South Conference Tournament loss to unranked University of the Cumberlands.

But then the Lady Tigers caught fire. In four national tournament games, Campbellsville shot 83 percent (60 of 72) from the free

throw line and 33 percent (25 of 75) from 3.

The team also averaged nearly 10 steals and 19 assists per game during tournament action.

It was the 25th appearance in the national tournament for the Lady Tigers, a record among active NAIA teams.

Along the way, senior Emily Fox was named First-Team All-MSC. Junior Madison Clements and sophomore Madison Stewart were Second-Team selections. Fox and Stewart were named to the NAIA All-Tournament team and Fox, who hit 253 3-pointers in her 2½-year CU career and averaged 13.2 points per games, was named Second-Team NAIA All-American. 🐾

## TIGER WRESTLING FINISHED WITH FIVE ALL-AMERICANS AND PLACED THIRD AT NAIA CHAMPIONSHIP

By Jordan Alves, sports information director

Qualifying only six wrestlers for the NAIA Championship this past season, coach Franky James' club overcame many obstacles to tie its best finish at the tournament. The Tigers made their noise to have five student-athletes finish in the Top 8 in their respective weight classes and earn All-American honors.

Leading the charge were seniors Adrian Camposano and junior Chuck Sharon. Both were ranked No. 1 in their respective weight classes throughout the season, and both wrestled on ESPN for a chance at a national title.

Coming into the tournament this season, all of Campbellville's national champions have come in the lower weight classes, and Sharon was looking to end that streak at 184lbs. But Ben Stroh, from Montana State-Northern, held on in the final seconds to claim the title.

Camposano, a senior transfer from Fresno, Calif., is the first 125-pounder who wrestled for a national title since Johnny Papesch in 2011. He lost to Troy Lakin from Menlo College, 15-6.

Both Sharon (27-2) and Camposano (19-2) finished the season with two losses.

In addition to the third-place finish and No. 3 ranking in the final coaches' poll, Campbellville has finished in the Top 5 of the National Wrestling Coaches Association National Duals for seven years in a row after placing fifth this past season.

Coach Franky James has now totaled 52 NAIA All-Americans and 12 national finalist, in his 13 seasons leading the Tigers. 🐾



Adrian Camposano celebrates his semifinal victory propelling him into the NAIA Championship match at 125 lbs. (CU Photo by Maggie Calvert)



Chuck Sharon points to the Tiger faithful after his semifinal match win over rival Matt Walker from Lindsey Wilson College. He finished the year with a 27-2 record and NAIA runner-up. (CU Photo by Maggie Calvert)

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# HOLLINGSWORTH ASSUMES ROLE AS VICE PRESIDENT FOR ATHLETICS HARDY MOVES TO DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS

By Jordan Alves, sports information director

President Dr. Michael V. Carter announced there would be changes inside the athletics department starting in the 2017-18 season as Rusty Hollingsworth and Jim Hardy were both promoted earlier in the summer.



Rusty Hollingsworth

Hollingsworth, who has served as director of athletics the previous 16 years, is moving to a new position as vice president for athletics. He will be the sixth vice president at Campbellsville University.

With the new promotion, Hollingsworth will now head the athletics fundraising to bring more facilities, teams and programs to CU alongside Director of the Big Maroon Club Jason England.

With the move, assistant AD Jim Hardy is moving to the director of athletics position. In addition, head baseball coach and Associate AD Beauford Sanders will have a bigger role in the daily operations of the department.

Campbellsville's athletic teams have also seen unparalleled success under Hollingsworth's guidance. This past season, Campbellsville finished with four national champions, five Mid-South Conference titles, 119 Academic All-Conference performers and 22 NAIA All-

American honors. During Hollingsworth's tenure, 23 of the Tigers' 27 NAIA, NCCAA or WCWA national championships have been won.

In 2015-16, the Tigers and Lady Tigers had their best seasons to date. CU brought home a total of eight Mid-South Conference Championships, seven student-athletes were named Player of the Year, six coaches named Coach of the Year and three freshmen were named Freshman of the Year.

In April 2011, Hollingsworth was named the Under Armour NAIA Southeast Athletic Director of the Year by the National Association of College Directors of Athletics (NACDA). He has three times been named the Mid-South Conference Athletic Director of the Year, in 2004, 2010 and 2015.

Hardy has spent the previous four years as the assistant AD under the leadership of Hollingsworth. A 1985 graduate of Campbellsville University, Hardy spent 10 seasons as an assistant on the CU Fighting Tigers football coaching staff. He has also served as the NCCAA Mid-East Regional Chair the past two years and is a member of the NCCAA National Football Committee the previous four.

Away from the field, Hardy has led numerous Spring Break mission trips with Sports Reach Ministries, which often includes Tiger football players going along to minister while playing sports. He also took over the football program's community service projects during 2010 and 2011. He and the team were recognized in December 2010 by receiving the NAIA Champion

of Character Team Award.

Hardy also spearheaded the 2014 Coaches to Costa Rica Mission Trip for the entire athletics department. In the summer of 2016, he developed another mission opportunity as the coaches and staff traveled to the Dominican Republic to run sports camps and share the love of Jesus Christ.

"We are very fortunate to have someone the caliber as Jim Hardy to assume the role of director of athletics," Carter said. "Campbellsville is experiencing tremendous growth in our student-athlete population, facilities and the success of the entire department. Jim's previous experience as an athletic administrator will help move us forward as our growth continues." 🐾

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Jim Hardy

## JORDAN ALVES NAMED MID-SOUTH CONFERENCE SPORTS INFORMATION DIRECTOR OF THE YEAR

By Richard RoBards, contributing writer

Campbellsville University's Jordan Alves was honored during the Mid-South Conference Summer Meetings Banquet as the conference's Sports Information Director of the Year.

"Congratulations to Jordan on winning the MSC Sports Information Director of the Year award," said Rusty Hollingsworth, CU director of athletics. "He has worked very hard and moved our sports information office forward in a very short time. He works long hours and is always concerned that each of our teams and athletes is getting the coverage they deserve. He has developed into a fine young professional in his field."

Alves, in his second year at the helm of all that is sports information at CU, has built a public relations footprint for CU athletics by championing an expanded social media presence as well as improving the [www.CampbellsvilleTigers.com](http://www.CampbellsvilleTigers.com) website.

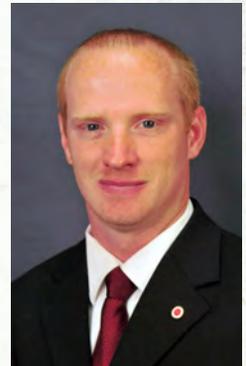
In 2016-17, Campbellsville teams won five Mid-South Conference regular season and tournament titles while participating in 21 team national championships. The award is named after former University of the Cumberlands sports information director Bill Sergent, who served as the university's SID for 24 years.

Alves also helps coordinate special video, radio and TV productions for the athletic department, including being the host of "Inside CU Sports" and the "Tiger Tailgate Show," getting fans ready for football kickoff on Saturdays on 88.7 The Tiger FM and WLCU-TV Comcast Channel 10. In his career, Alves has covered 23 Mid-South Conference championships in the previous four years, more than 60 NAIA or NCCAA national tournaments and six national championships.

In addition to his role as sports information director, Alves is a member

of the Collegiate Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA). The CU sports information department earned 10 awards in Alves' first year as sports information director. Also in his first season as SID, Alves oversaw a website redesign of [www.CampbellsvilleTigers.com](http://www.CampbellsvilleTigers.com) in the summer of 2016.

In addition to his role as SID, he is a member of the CU Booster Club, Big Maroon Club, Homecoming Committee and Campbellsvillian Editorial Board. Alves also serves as an adjunct instructor in the human performance department. 🐾



Jordan Alves



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# BRIANNA SCOTT AND MATT FARTHING SWEEP MID-SOUTH CONFERENCE CHARACTER FIRST AWARDS

By Jordan Alves, sports information director

For the first time since the award started, Campbellsville University athletics had a pair of student-athletes sweep the Mid-South Conference's Character First Awards, officials announced at the annual summer meetings at the National Corvette Museum.

Brianna Scott continues to show why she is not only an All-Conference performer on the field but also off. The junior from Greensburg, Ky., also is a two-time winner of the MSC Softball Champions of Character Award.

Matt Farthing, from Hopkinsville, Ky., also earned the 2016 MSC Men's Soccer Champions of Character award.

The award is presented annually to one male and one female student-athlete participating in a championship varsity sport at an MSC full-member institution. The honoree is chosen by the MSC athletics directors and displays integrity, respect, responsibility, sportsmanship and servant leadership. Through consistently demonstrating these character traits in word and action, the student-athlete has made a profound impact on their team, their institution and their community.

"Those who find happiness in serving others will never live an unhappy life," Scott said in her personal statement attached to this year's nomination form. "At a young age I heard this statement and it has stuck with me to this day."

The two-time MSC Champions of Character award winner has a servant spirit that infects everyone she is around. Scott joined the CU athletics department last summer on a mission

trip to the Dominican Republic. But she wasn't only teaching the game of softball to the locals, Scott was working in their hearts, as well in Morgan Gailor's. Scott led her teammate to accepting Jesus Christ into her heart, and there is no greater story or win than that.

That wraps up Brianna Scott in a nutshell. She not only carries herself like a Godly student-athlete off the field, but she does so on the field as well.

Farthing's story isn't one that lights up the room right away, but it will definitely tug at your heart.

The summer before his senior year of high school, the Hopkinsville, Ky., native's world was flipped upside down. He was home alone with his dad on a Sunday morning — awaiting church, something they always did together.

"He was running late, so I went ahead of him," said Farthing. "We went to church and Sunday School at different times, so when I finished with church I went back to ask him what we were doing for lunch. His Sunday School teaching assistant informed me that he never showed up.

"My stomach dropped, and I knew something was wrong. I returned home to find my father had killed himself."

Charles R. Swindoll once said, "I am convinced that life is 10 percent what happens to me and 90 percent how I react to it."

Life threw Farthing a curveball, and he knew he would be defined by how he reacted.

"My life path could have gone two directions following my father's suicide. I could have dealt with this situation

by running from one worldly thing after another trying to avoid the pain of the event, or I could face this situation head on with God at my side," said Farthing.

Since then he has been able to use this experience to share his faith and serve others. He has done his best to live a life of integrity and respect — allocating time to speak publicly on suicide prevention.

Bri Scott and Matt Farthing, you both are true Champions of Character! 🐾



Matt Farthing



Brianna Scott

# REMEMBER WHEN?

By Joan C. McKinney, editor



Virginia Graves sent us the picture above and the photo of Dee Wade Harmon, right, from her grandfather's negatives. She is the granddaughter of Dennis G. Vaughn Sr., who attended Russell Creek Academy.

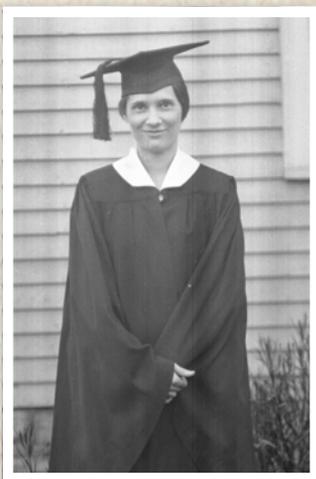
The Administration Building picture was taken between 1907 and 1939, as the Administration Building was destroyed by fire April 14, 1939. Is this an historic group shot of all the students and faculty and staff?

The picture of Dee Wade Harmon was taken at the Vaughn home on North Columbia, which was located where the university gazebo now sits.

Thanks to Virginia Graves, daughter of the late Jimmie and Mary Jewell Graves, who gave these photos for Campbellsville University's archives.

Don Hamlin sent this picture of two women taken in 1969 at the college. The women worked in the college kitchen. The one on the left is Hamlin's grandmother, Beulah Pearl Gumm. She is also the grandmother of Amy Whitener, who lives in Kearney, Mo. The woman in the white dress is unidentified. If you know her, please let us know.

Thanks to both for sending these pictures to the university. 🐾



# GUESS WHO?

By Joan C. McKinney, editor

Last spring's magazine Guess Who? was Tom Pound, who was performing in "The Nerd" in 1992.

Mitch Gaddis correctly guessed the name and received a Campbellsville University T-shirt.

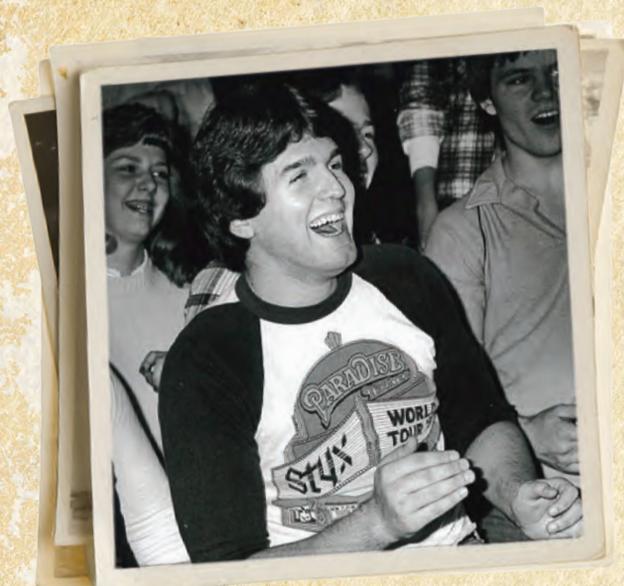
Others guessing correctly were Brian and Jennifer Clifford, Amy England and David Grider.

This issue's Guess Who? is of a student who looks like he was at a fun student event. Can you name the student to win a Campbellsville University T-shirt? If you guess the names of the other two students shown, you can win another T-shirt!

Contact Joan McKinney with your guesses at [jcmckinney@campbellsville.edu](mailto:jcmckinney@campbellsville.edu), (270) 789-5214 or Campbellsville University, #787, 1 University Drive, Campbellsville, KY 42718.

We will announce the winner 10 days after we receive the Campbellsvillian in the mail.

• Good luck! 🐾



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# TIGER TRACKS

**COMPILED AND WRITTEN BY JOAN C. MCKINNEY, EDITOR, AND JOSHUA WILLIAMS, ASSISTANT EDITOR**

Editor's note: Years of graduation or attendance at Campbellsville University are determined by the last year of attendance. For example, ('65) is a 1965 grad; (a '65) is someone who attended his or her last year in 1965; and ('65, M '69) is someone who graduated with a bachelor's or associate degree in 1965 and a master's degree in 1969.

## '70s

**PATRICIA WIESSNER MYERS ('76)** has been working as a pharmacy technician at Walmart on Outer Loop across from Jefferson Mall in Louisville, Ky. She moved to Louisville a year ago and decided to come out of retirement to do the job. Address: 200 Chariot Court, Louisville, KY 40219.

## '80s

**THE REV. GARY WAYNE MOUNCE ('85)** will have been married to **NINA JUANITA CLARKSON MOUNCE ('84)** for 35 years in November. They have two children: Crystal Nicole Mounce, who is a clinical pharmacist at Jewish Hospital in Louisville, Ky., and Noah Christian Mounce, a junior at Whitefield Academy in Louisville. Rev. Mounce has worked in both public education and private Christian education 32 years as a teacher and administrator. He is completing his fourth year as head of school at Whitefield Academy. Mrs. Mounce is an adult education site coordinator for Jefferson County Public Schools. Address: 12107 Dixon Park Blvd., Louisville, KY 40299. Email: gmounce@twc.com.

**DANA HIGGINS WHITE ('85)** has completed her first year as school counselor at Clyde Riggs Elementary School in Portland, Tenn. She moved to the area to be closer to her parents, who have had health issues in the past few years, but who are presently doing well. When she is not teaching, she enjoys working in her flower garden and spending time with her grandchildren. Address: 316 Lone Oak Drive, White House, TN 37188. Email: danawhite226@yahoo.com.

## '90s



**KIRBY SMITH ('94)** is the new superintendent of the Campbellsville Independent School System.

He took over the position July 1. Smith completed master's degrees at Asbury College and Eastern Kentucky University, and later superintendent certification. Smith worked for Spencer County Schools from 1994 to 2004. He began working for Campbellsville Independent Schools in 2004 as a special education teacher at CHS. In 2008, he became assistant principal, under then - CHS Principal Mike Deaton. A year later, Smith became CHS principal. In addition to being



Darryl Peavler ('03, '05)

## Greetings, Alumni!

It's difficult to imagine 2017 is drawing to a close already. While the year is winding down, there's still so much to do. Homecoming 2017, scheduled for Oct. 27-28, is gearing up, and we need you!

We want Homecoming 2017 to be the biggest and best yet. In order for this to happen, we are calling all alumni. Come home and celebrate your time at Campbellsville University. Homecoming is a wonderful time to reunite and

reminisce of good times and great friends. The Homecoming Festival on Stapp Lawn will have activities and attractions for all ages.

Fighting Tiger Football will celebrate 30 years during Homecoming 2017. All members of the football family are invited to return to campus and cheer on our Tigers as they face off against Georgetown College.

The heritage and history of the Fighting Tiger program are rich. Let's gather to celebrate and grow the heritage even more for future generations of Fighting Tigers. Watch your mailbox for more information.

The Class of 1967 will be celebrating its 50th class reunion on Friday, Oct. 27. We will begin with a reunion (for all Golden Heritage Club members) and lunch at 11 a.m. After lunch we will have the very special Golden Heritage Club induction ceremony at 1:30 p.m. If you are a member of the Class of 1967, please join us as we celebrate your special moment! More detailed information will be mailed to you soon.

The students and full-time employees who have worked in the Office of University Communications will also have a reunion from noon until 2 p.m. in the Turner Log Cabin. Email Joan McKinney, director, at [jcmckinney@campbellsville.edu](mailto:jcmckinney@campbellsville.edu) for further details.

If you are interested in hosting a reunion on campus during Homecoming, please contact me at (270) 789-5216 or [dgpeavler@campbellsville.edu](mailto:dgpeavler@campbellsville.edu). We would love to have you on campus and celebrate our alma mater.

Please mark Oct. 27-28 on your calendars. This will be a very special two days in the history of Campbellsville University. On Saturday, Oct. 28, of Homecoming week, Campbellsville University will host its first Give Day. This is an opportunity for Alumni and Friends to show their Tiger Pride as we support CU. This day will be about the number of alumni and friends who participate. Be ready. More details will be coming soon. As always, I would love to hear your "CU Story!" Please contact me any time at (270) 789-5216 or [dgpeavler@campbellsville.edu](mailto:dgpeavler@campbellsville.edu).

Always my best,

Darryl Peavler (BS '03, MBA '05)  
Director of Alumni Relations

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principal, Smith was the head CHS baseball coach. Smith is married to **ANDREA DEATON SMITH ('95, '08)**, and they have three children, Kameron, Kaylyn and Karsyn Smith. Mrs. Smith works as an occupational therapist for the Green County School System. Address: 1525 Newton Lane, Campbellsville, KY 42718-9287.

**TODD AKRIDGE ('98)** has joined J.P. King Auction Company as an auction marketing specialist with almost 20 years of experience in land auctions. He has sold land, farms, estates and recreational properties throughout the midwest. He is also a master cattleman and resides on his family's 325-acre beef cattle farm, Akridge Farms, in Hardinsburg, Ky. Address: 830 Skillman Monarch Lane, Hardinsburg, KY 40143. Email: takridge@jpkking.com.

'00s



**BRITTNEY BASHMAN CARL ('04)**, left, was named LaRue County Mother of the Year by Patsy Thomas with

the LaRue County Extension Homemakers. Carl teaches at Hodgenville Elementary School. She and her husband, Jonathan, have three daughters: Sophira, Lydia and Alia. They also support a teenager through the foster parent program. Carl is also a graduate of Nova Southeastern University. Address: 111 Terri Rose Court, Hodgenville, KY 42748-9774.



**NICOLE SHEPHERD ('05)** has been promoted to assistant vice president-sales/

marketing director for First Commonwealth Bank in Prestonsburg, Ky. Shepherd began working at First Commonwealth Bank on Sept. 12, 2005, as marketing assistant/teller and became the full-time sales/marketing director on March 1, 2007. In addition to marketing responsibilities, Shepherd serves as the bank's community reinvestment officer and manages the bank's call center. Shepherd is involved in many civic organizations, including the Floyd County Chamber of Commerce, where she has served on the Board of Directors. Shepherd earned

her Bachelor's in Marketing and Communications from Campbellsville University in 2005 and her Master's in Business Administration from Morehead State University in 2012. She is a member of Fitzpatrick Baptist Church. Shepherd resides in Prestonsburg with her husband, Kyle, and their two children, Peyton and Coulson. Address: 81 Taylor Loop Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653-7760. Email: nshepherd@myfcbank.com.



**BEN JAMES ('08)** was promoted to E6 in the United States Navy while also being

awarded the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal. Making the presentation above to James, left, is his commanding officer, Jason Kettleon. James is stationed at the Navy Operational Support Center in West Palm Beach, Fla. His wife, Summer, is a graphic designer for Breakers. They have three sons: Weston, and twins Lawson and Lyle. Address: 17798 30th LN N., Loxahatchee, FL 33470. Email: bingermancu10@hotmail.com.

**KIM DAVIS ('11)** is the new mental health therapist at One Cross Medical Center with Kim McKenna, APRN, who will accept practicum students from Campbellsville University. Mrs. Davis will serve as field supervisor for CU there. She is also working in Columbia, Ky., at TJ Health Columbia in its Behavioral Health Unit as a social worker/mental health therapist. She has served as the social work director at Green River Ministries Homeless Shelter in Campbellsville for the past three years. She was field supervisor for Campbellsville University's Carver School of Social Work and counseling social work students at the shelter. She served as an alumni representative as well, and was in the Social Workers Can Help (SWITCH) Club and Phi Alpha. She says, "I will always remember my time as a student at CU fondly." She is married to Gordon Davis. Address: 336 Spears Road, Campbellsville, KY 42718. Email: kimberly1965@hotmail.com.

## *It's Homecoming Reunion Time; attention all former and current student employees in the Office of University Communications!*

We're having a reunion Saturday, Oct. 28 during Homecoming!

All you writers, photographers, office assistants and anyone who has volunteered in the office, plus full-time staff — you are invited.

We're planning on noon to 2 p.m. in the Turner Log Cabin at 505 N. Columbia Ave., Campbellsville, behind our current office on Hoskins Avenue.

We hope you can attend! Let Joan McKinney at [jcmckinney@campbellsville.edu](mailto:jcmckinney@campbellsville.edu) know if you are attending, so we will know how much food to prepare. Bring your family too! 🍀



## *Trent Argo, former director of admissions, who put interests of students above his own, dies at 55*



Trent Argo

Trent Argo, a Campbellsville University two-time graduate who served as director of admissions in the 1980s, died April 24, 2017. He was 55.

At the time of his death, he was serving as vice president for enrollment management at Bluefield College in Virginia. At Bluefield, he led the school to its second largest overall student population in school history and its highest ever number of new traditional students.

Argo was a veteran of the United States Air Force.

After the service, he earned a bachelor's degree in music from CU, where he also served as president of the Student

Government Association, a member of various music organizations, and was named Mr. Campbellsville University.

After earning his bachelor's degree in 1988, Argo became the director of admissions at Campbellsville, growing the school's enrollment from 500 to 2,000 students during his 14-year tenure and beginning what would be a nearly 30-year career in higher education.

While serving at Campbellsville, he also earned a master's degree in music conducting in 1999. After Campbellsville, he served six years from 2003 to 2009 as the dean of enrollment management at Oklahoma Baptist University in Shawnee, Okla.

Dr. Bob Gaddis, former dean of the Campbellsville University School of Music, said, "Trent was a great friend in multiple roles since his arrival on the campus of Campbellsville College in the early '80s as an undergraduate student after his stint in the Air Force.

He was a charter member of Carpenters Apprentice, a contemporary Christian singing group. He continued his studies as a graduate student as he became a member of the staff in the recruitment area.

I will truly miss Trent. I will always remember his unique, big laugh and his dedicated friendship to me and to Campbellsville University."

Survivors include his wife, Sandra Patricia Sousa de Lima Argo, and seven children – Emilio Cesar Weba Filho, Chelsea Nicole Argo, Lucas Trent Argo and wife Rebecca Argo, Lais de Lima Weba, William Alexander Argo, Rachel Lynn Argo and Bruno Cesar de Lima Weba and other relatives.

Burial was in Southwest Virginia Veterans Cemetery in Dublin, Va. Mrs. Argo can be reached at 200 Forest Hill Drive, Bluefield, VA 24605-9442. 🐾

## *'Beautiful soul' Dr. Japheth Jaoko, social work professor, dies at 46*

"Dr. J, as his students often called him, was a holy man who was dearly loved by his colleagues, students and God," Dr. Darlene Eastridge, a colleague of Jaoko at Campbellsville University, said.

Jaoko, who was to have received a 10-year service award May 3, died May 8, 2017, at Baptist Health in Lexington, Ky. He was 46.

Jaoko was an associate professor of social work at CU. Eastridge said many students referred to Dr. J as "the best instructor they ever had."

Eastridge, who served as Jaoko's dean and then as his colleague in social work, said, "He lived his testimony, always exuding compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience."

"Dr. J." was a man who didn't speak much, and Eastridge said, when he did, "his comments were considerate,

accurate and sometimes profound."

"Dr. Jaoko loved his students, Campbellsville University and the Carver School," Dr. Helen Mudd, dean of the Carver School of Social Work, said.

"In his quiet, humble way, he was a servant Christian leader. Dr. Jaoko, with his extensive list of publications, multiple degrees and international expertise, could have taught at any social work program in the United States. We were blessed that he chose the Carver School."

Mudd said he already had two master's degrees and a Ph.D., but when he learned it would be best for the Carver School's accreditation for him to have an MSW, he went back to school and earned an MSW.

He attended Pan Africa Christian University, Asbury Theological

Seminary and earned his Ph.D. from the University of Texas at Arlington in 2005. Among his survivors are his wife of 15 years, Marcela Adikiny

Jaoko née Odindo and his children, Jabali Osia Jaoko and Zawadi Adikiny Jaoko.

A graveside service and burial was held May 13 at Ridgeway Memorial Gardens Cemetery, 2525 in Allen, Texas.

His wife can be reached at 120 Brampton Place, Versailles, KY 40383. 🐾



Japheth Jaoko

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**JACQUELINE NELSON GRAVES ('14)** graduated from the University of

Kentucky College of Law in May. She is the daughter of Leon Nelson and his wife, **DEBBIE ('00)**. She is married to **DUSTIN GRAVES (M '16)**. After the bar, Mrs. Graves will join the firm of Walters Meadows Richardson in Lexington as an insurance defense attorney. Graves is a special education teacher at Anne Mason Elementary School for K-2 grades. He is also on the side-based decision-making board. He just finished his KTIP and is now a fully certified teacher. Address: 3312 Commodore Drive, Apt. 485, Lexington, KY 40502. Email: Jacqueline.c.nelson@hotmail.com.



**KENDALL RIDDLE ('17)** is working with AutoSmart Arctic Cat of

Campbellsville, running their marketing and BDC department that manages the sales department's leads and handles customer service. She also manages everything the dealership places online, including its two websites and social media. Address: 9115 Brandywyne Drive, Louisville, KY 40291. Email: keridd27@students.campbellsville.edu.

## Weddings



**DANIELLE SEXTON (a '07)** and Douglas-Dell Ponder

were married on Saturday, April 22, 2017, at Faith Independent Church in Hardyville, Ky., with Brother H.L. Sexton, grandfather of the bride, officiating. Mrs. Ponder is employed by Hardin Memorial Hospital in Elizabethtown, Ky., where she is an occupational therapist in pediatrics. Ponder is employed by The LaRue County Herald-News in Hodgenville, Ky., where he is the editor. Address: 5680 Hardyville Road, Hardyville, KY 42746.



**LAINAY McCORVEY (a '11)**, daughter of **BECKY DANIEL SALSBU**

**RWOOD (a '03)**, son of Judy and Paul Underwood, were married Nov. 12, 2016, at Beech Grove Baptist Church. The couple lives in Somerset, where Underwood works for the Department of Fish and Wildlife, and Mrs. Underwood works at Mira Bella Salon in Campbellsville. Mrs. Underwood is the grand-daughter of **DR. ELAINE DAVID**, a former professor at Campbellsville University, and the late Henry David. Address: 385 Parker's Mill Way, Apt. 34, Somerset, KY 42503. Email: lainey\_underwood@yahoo.com.



**DAWN DUDA ('15)** and **CHRIS HUMFLEET (a '17)** were married

June 25, 2016, at Northside Baptist Church in Elizabethtown, Ky. Mrs. Humfleet is a health and physical education teacher at North Hardin High School in Radcliff, Ky., and is also the assistant coach for the girl's volleyball team for John Hardin High School. Humfleet works as a Samsung warranty technician in Louisville, Ky. He is also pursuing a degree in criminal justice at Campbellsville University's Louisville Education Center. **CASEY HUNT ('16)** and **TIFFANY BROWNING ('17)** were bridesmaids in their wedding. Address: 243 Thomas Glen Drive, Unit 5305, Shepherdsville, KY 40165. Email: Dawn — dqdancer11@comcast.net. Chris — chrishumfleet502@gmail.com.



**BETH McCONNELL ('15)** and Cory Cross were married on May

21, 2016, at Southern Grace Barn in Hestand, Ky. Mrs. Cross teaches social studies at Monroe County Middle School, and Cross is a fork lift operator at Roy Anderson Lumber in Tompkinsville, Ky. They live in Tompkinsville Ky. Email: beth.cross@monroe.kyschools.



**MARIANA SANDERS ('15)** married Joe Epperson

March 10, 2017, at The Grand in New Albany, Ind. Mrs. Epperson works as a client service specialist at Ameriprise Financial, and Epperson works in fiberglass at Vanaire. Address: 1723 Somerset Place, Apt. #10, Louisville, KY 40220. Email: mariana.epperson@yahoo.com.



**ARON NEAL ('16)** and Rebekah Henderson were married on May

27, 2017, at First Vineyard in Nicholasville, Ky. Neal works with Church Outreach at Campbellsville University, and Mrs. Neal works at Integrated Security Services in Nicholasville, Ky. Mr. and Mrs. Neal are student pastors at Calvary Hill Baptist Church in Stanford, Ky. Address: 611 Ben Ali Dr., Apt. 203, Danville, KY 40422. Email: aaneal@campbellsville.edu.



**AMANDA HAMILTON ('17)** and **CHRISTIAN THURMAN (a '17)** were

married on May 20, 2017, at Ransdell Chapel at Campbellsville University. Thurman is majoring in pastoral ministries, and Mrs. Thurman will start teaching next year. Address: 210 Risen Ave., Campbellsville, KY 42718. Email: mandakaris@gmail.com.

## Births



**JOSH MYERS (a '09)** and his wife, Vanessa,

announce the birth of their second son, Cameron David Myers, March 12, 2017, at Norton's Women and Children's Hospital in Louisville, Ky. He was born at 5:34 a.m., weighed 6 pounds and was 19 inches long. They have an older son, Matthew. Myers is an officer

with the Louisville Metro Government, and his wife is a homemaker. Email: Themyersfamily2011@att.net.



**WHITNEY BALLINGER HOOPER ('11)** and **CLAY HOOPER ('14)** announce the

birth of their first child, a son, Jaxson Garrett Hooper, on Thursday, May 25, 2017. Jaxson weighed 6 pounds, 15 ounces and was 19 inches long. Hooper is a special education instructor and assistant football coach at North Hardin High School. Mrs. Hooper is the new head girls' basketball coach and math teacher at North Hardin High School. Address: 667 Hillcrest Drive, Brandenburg, KY 40108. Email: Clay — clay.hooper@hardin.kyschools.us.



**MARSHA KESSLER ATWOOD ('13)** and her husband, **RHYAN**

**ATWOOD ('05)**, announce the birth of their second child, Maddox Rhyan Atwood, June 5, 2017. He was born at Hardin Memorial Hospital in Elizabethtown, Ky. He weighed 8 pounds, 2 ounces and was 20 inches long. Maddox Rhyan was born on his grandparents' 30th wedding anniversary. He has a sister, Anna Kate Atwood. His grandparents are **JULIE KESSLER**, accounts payable manager at CU, and her husband, John. Atwood is a substitute driver for UPS, and Mrs. Atwood is a right-of-way agent for the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Address: 4321 Saloma Road, Campbellsville, KY 42718. Email: marsha@kesslerauction.com.

**MICHAEL BENJAMIN McKINLEY ('13)** and Jasmine McKinley announce the birth of a daughter, Olivia Ann McKinley, who was born March 23, 2017, and was 17 inches long and weighed 4 pounds and 5 ounces. She is the grandchild of **ELIZABETH ANN McKINLEY (a '84)**.

## In Memoriam



**LOUIS "LOUIE" BURDEN ('60)**, a member of the Campbellsville University Advancement

Board, died March 25, 2017. He was 84. He was a retired employee for Brown & Williamson, a longtime member of Shively Baptist Church, an Army veteran and an active member of the Alumni Association of Campbellsville University. He was preceded in death by his wife of 53 years, Peggy Jo Burden. Survivors include his daughter, Allison Burden Workman, and her husband, Gregory and a granddaughter, Grace Renee Workman. Burial was in Bethany Cemetery.



**SUZANNE SIMS DENNIS ('78)** died March 13, 2017, of an apparent heart attack, while

driving to Lakewood Elementary School, where she taught first grade. She was 64. Dennis had taught for Hardin County Schools since 1993 and was in her 37th year of teaching. She was a member of White Mills Christian Church, where she taught Sunday School and played the piano. She was a graduate of Lindsey Wilson College, Johnson Bible College, Campbellsville College and earned a master's degree from Western Kentucky University. She was a member of the Heartland Dulcimer Club and played the piano for different churches for more than 47 years. She taught school for 37 years, having taught at Hodgenville Elementary, Lynnvale Elementary and first grade at Lakewood Elementary. Survivors include her husband, Tim Dennis; two daughters, **LAURA BETH HAYES ('03)** and her husband, **JASON HAYES ('02, M '06)**; Sarah Lynn (Tyler) Wells of Bloomington, Ind.; a sister, Mary Beth (Richard) Phelps of Columbia, Ky.; and three grandchildren, Alexis and Jaxson Hayes and Lincoln Wells. Burial was in Union Church Cemetery adjacent to White Mills Christian Church. ♣

## *Billy B Smith, one of first inductees into Campbellsville's Athletic Hall of Fame, dies at 84*



Billy B Smith

Billy B Smith of Campbellsville, a 1953 graduate of Campbellsville Junior College, who received the 1980 Distinguished Alumnus Award from Campbellsville and was in the first class

of inductees into the university's Athletic Hall of Fame, died July 11, 2017, in Campbellsville. He was 84.

"Billy B Smith was not only my friend, he was one of my high school teachers and a mentor. He always had time to talk with his students about any issues. He will be missed," Dr. Frank D Cheatham, former CU senior vice president for academic affairs, said.

"Billy B Smith was an avid supporter of Tiger athletics for many years and will certainly be missed by those of us who had the opportunity to associate with him through Campbellsville University athletics," Rusty Hollingsworth, vice president for athletics, said.

"As a charter member of the CU Booster Club, he was instrumental in helping raise the funds to bring football back to CU in 1987, and continued his strong support for many years. Billy B was fun to be around at athletic events and meetings due to his great sense of humor and knowledge of sports."

Smith was a 1951 graduate of Campbellsville High School, 1955 graduate of Union University, where he excelled as a student and athlete, and held a master's degree from the University of Kentucky.

In 1985, he retired after 30 years of teaching at Taylor County High School and 17 years of coaching basketball and eight of baseball. He served as full-time athletic director for five years.

He was past president of the Kentucky High School Coaches Association in 1975, served as president of the Southern Kentucky Athletic Conference for 10 years, member of the Fifth Region Athletic Directors Hall of Fame and member of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association Hall of Fame.

At Campbellsville Junior College, he was on the basketball team that went to the national tourney in Kansas. He set a two-year scoring record in the Kentucky Junior College Conference.

Smith served the City of Campbellsville and Taylor County, including the Campbellsville-Taylor County Chamber of Commerce and Taylor County Hospital Board of Directors.

He was also Campbellsville-Taylor County Citizen of the Year runner-up in 1975.

Smith was a member of the Advisory Board and the historical committee of Campbellsville University.

He was a member of numerous farm and livestock organizations.

He owned and operated the Taylor County Stockyards in partnership with family for many years and had worked there 50 years before his departure in 1998.

Besides his wife, Vonda Smith of Campbellsville, he is survived by one son and one daughter: Ron Smith and wife, Joyce, of Louisville and Michelle Norris and husband, Timothy, of Cincinnati, Ohio; one stepson, Bob Wilson of Campbellsville; three grandchildren: Joshua Smith of Louisville, Katherine Norris and Christopher Norris of Cincinnati; one step-sister, Betty Jane Gorin-Smith and husband, Gordon, of Campbellsville; and other relatives and friends.

He was a member of Campbellsville Baptist Church.

Burial was in Brookside Cemetery. Mrs. Smith can be reached at 205 Skyline Drive, Campbellsville, KY 42718. ♣

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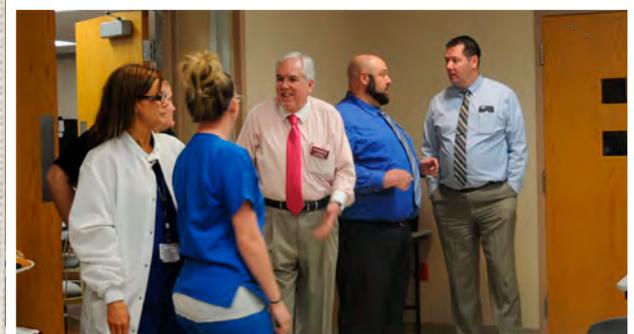
By Joan C. McKinney, editor



Dr. Jay Conner, first row, at far left, a member of the CU Board of Trustees, led an important first Enrollment Task Force that focused on student satisfaction and different processes to make the student experience at CU better. Participating from left were: Front row — Conner, Jonathan Pufal, Chris Mapes, Gean Wright, Kay Bell, Rita Creason, Joan C. McKinney, Sheila Douglas, Susie Wilson and Dr. Michael V. Carter. Second row — Raphael Cunha, Dr. Shane Garrison, Anna Marie Pavy, Paula Caldwell, Leanne Weddle, Connie Wilson, Tracy Bruns, Terry VanMeter and Dr. H. Keith Spears. Third row — Scott Necessary, Dr. G. Ted Taylor, Trevor McWhorter, Josh Fuqua, Cody Pigman, Dr. Mego Haralu, Wes Carter, Marcus Rodgers and Mariah Akridge. (CU Photo by Joshua Williams)



Hannah Sadler, second from left, was named Miss Campbellsville University at Honors and Awards Day and Aaron Nosich was named Mr. Campbellsville University. At far left is Dr. Michael V. Carter, president, and Dr. Donna Hedgepath, vice president for academic affairs, who presented the awards. (CU Photo by Shelby Hall)



Second from right, Darryl Peavler, director of alumni relations, talks with Benji Kelly, vice president for development, at a CU alumni reception at Taylor Regional Hospital in April. Tim Heilman, third from left, talks with CU alumnae Rhonda Cook, in white jacket, and Whitney Ewing, in blue scrubs. (CU Photo by Lauren Stevens)



Jennifer Graham, ('10, M '11), right, with her husband, Frankie, wore a purple hat at the Derby Rose Gala in April. (CU Photo by Tomomi Sato)



CU alumni at a reception at Taylor Regional Hospital include, from left: Shelly Turner, Pam Glasscock, Cassandra Pike, Geneva Curry and Michelle Jeffries. (CU Photo by Lauren Stevens)

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Broadway star Mark McVey performs at Ransdell Chapel in the first "Pop" Concert performed at Campbellsville University. McVey played Jean Valjean in "Les Misérables" for over 3,000 performances. (CU Photo by Joshua Williams)