

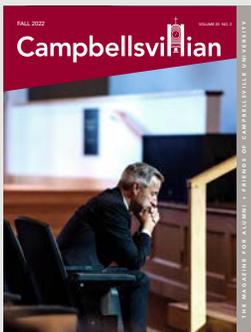
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Dr. Joseph Hopkins, president of Campbellsville University, prays before the start of a community worship service. The worship service was part of festivities surrounding Hopkins' inauguration as 12th president of Campbellsville University. (CU Photo by Bienvenu "Moe" Mugisha)

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Dr. Joseph Hopkins, center, first row, is surrounded by the vice presidents and chancellor of Campbellsville University. From left are: Front row - Dr. Donna Hedgepath, provost and vice president for academic affairs; Hopkins; and Dr. H. Keith Spears, chancellor. Back row - Dr. Benji Kelly, vice president for development; Rusty Hollingsworth, vice president for student services and athletics; Otto Tennant, senior vice president for operations and administration; Tim Judd, vice president for finance; and Dr. Jason Meriwether, vice president of enrollment management. (CU Photo by Alexandria D. Dalton)

What a gift! Becoming a part of the Campbellsville University family, being granted the opportunity to serve these students, and receiving the warm welcome of this community is nothing less than an incredible gift. We are humbled by your kindness and excited about what God has in store.

It has already been the journey of a lifetime to be a part of this family. This summer, we sent 1,700 graduates from our various campus locations to be salt and light. We successfully closed the strategic plan and capital campaigns we started in 2008 and have begun planning for the future as we seek God's leading. Then, this fall, we welcomed the largest freshman class in our history (685) and our largest number of resident students (1,286). Our campus sites are teeming with students and excitement.

In September, we celebrated the legacy and future of CU with a week of inauguration events that brought dear friends back to Campbellsville. We remembered the courage and resilience of previous generations, and we looked toward the years ahead with hope. The official investiture of the University humbled me, and your kind expressions of support only deepened my passion for this work. It only takes a moment to fall in love with CU, but the

longer you serve alongside these colleagues, the more you realize the power of God's calling in this mission. My family and I have planted ourselves in this hope, and we look forward to serving with you for many years.

Fall may be the best time of year at CU. Our students return to the classroom and the athletic arena. Our community returns to cheer, and our faculty and alumni inspire academic achievement. Here, on the pages of the Campbellsvillian, you will find stories about student accomplishments, exceptional programs, and our Athletic Hall of Fame inductees.

Be a part of the great things happening at CU. We see God's blessing as we work together toward ambitious goals, and we invite you to help us shape an even brighter future.

With Appreciation,

Dr. Joseph Hopkins, President

Hopkins pledges to guide Campbellsville University with 'Legacy of Hope' during inaugural address





Dr. H. Keith Spears, far right, chancellor for Campbellsville University System Advancement and 11th president of the university, announces Dr. Joseph Hopkins' family from left: sons, Vance and Joseph Hopkins, and his wife, Suzanne. Hopkins, center, smiles after being presented the presidential medallion by Henry Lee, chair of the Campbellsville University Board of Trustees. (CU Photo by Alexandria D. Dalton)

By Gerard Flanagan, Staff Writer and Photographer

Dr. Joseph Hopkins was in what he called his "dream job" as dean of the School of Arts at Samford University in Birmingham, Ala., when he was told about an opening for the presidency at Campbellsville University.

At first, the opening wasn't on Hopkins' radar, but as he talked with a search agent about the job, Hopkins said, "God began to work in my heart as I heard how CU was living out its bold mission."

Nearly a year later, Hopkins was officially inaugurated as the 12th president of Campbellsville University in Ransdell Chapel Sept. 16.

"To be a part of this university family is nothing less than an honor, and to be trusted with any level of leadership is a holy mantle," Hopkins said.

The theme for Hopkins' inauguration was "Legacy of Hope," a legacy that began "with a group of faithful saints in 1906," according to Hopkins.

Campbellsville University stands on a foundation of Jesus Christ and His Word, Hopkins said.

"You see, it is the tradition of this university in times of crisis and possibility to lean on God's wisdom rather than our own," he said.

At various times in its history, Campbellsville University has faced financial challenges and other difficulties.

"Devoted leaders, faculty, students and supporters saw us through those challenges," Hopkins said. "It is a legacy of a foundation rooted in prayer, sacrifice and steadfast faithfulness."

When Dr. Kenneth W. Winters became president

of Campbellsville College in the summer of 1988, retention was an acute problem.

"With purpose, faith and ingenuity, initiatives were created toward recruiting, retention, strategic planning and master campus planning," Hopkins said. "Significant improvements were made to buildings, freshman retention rose, and record enrollments were achieved.

"Together, the CU family found creative and innovative ways to accomplish God's commission and reach every deserving student," Hopkins said.

Hopkins said a legacy of hope yields joy today for the promise of tomorrow, with Psalm 30 declaring, "Joy comes in the morning."

"Friends, I believe this Scripture teaches us there is a joy as we anticipate what is yet to come, and most assuredly, this is Campbellsville University," Hopkins said. "For more than 116 years, we have lived in the joy of today for God's promise of tomorrow."

Hopkins said Campbellsville University will be built upon "the perfect, trustworthy and true Word of God."

Hopkins called Campbellsville University a "life-changing, world-shaping cause."

"It was the mission of CU that drew us to you," Hopkins said. "It is this same mission that makes our hearts want to serve as long as you will have us. And it is the Christ-centered, outward-focused mission of CU that continues to draw countless faculty, staff, students and friends to give their lives toward honoring God in this place.

"And through all this, God has promised He will be faithful."

The following individuals provided greetings at the ceremony: Dr. Larry Noe, chair of the presidential search committee and member of the Campbellsville University Board of Trustees; Kate Cecil, president of Campbellsville University's Student Government Association; Dr. Joe Owens, member of the Campbellsville University Board of Trustees and pastor of Shiloh Baptist Church; Leah Magers, president of the Campbellsville University Board of Alumni; and Dr. Twyla Hernandez, chair of the university's faculty forum and professor of Christian missions.

"After we had gone through an extensive process and interviewed a diverse group of candidates, it was the unanimous consent of the committee members that Dr. Joe Hopkins was God's man for Campbellsville University at this time," Noe said.

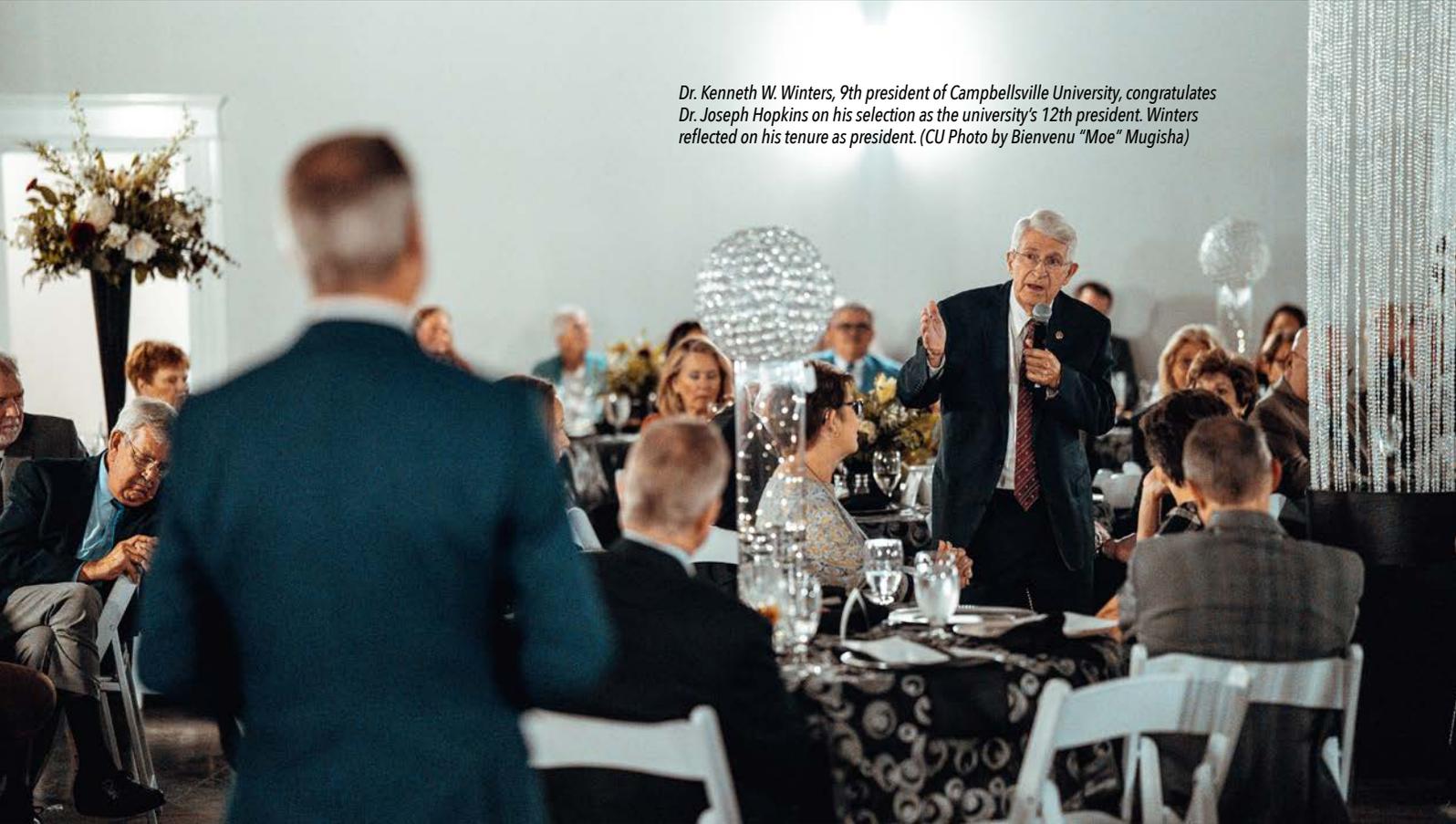
During her remarks, Cecil discussed Campbellsville University's motto, "Find your calling."

"Campbellsville is where you come to grow and take steps toward your desired future," Cecil said. "We want this hope to be true for Dr. Hopkins as well. We are so grateful you have been called here.

"I know his term as president will enrich our campus and lead Campbellsville University on the path that God has placed it."

Owens said Campbellsville University had been an integral part of church life in Kentucky throughout its history.

"Under your leadership, Dr. Hopkins, the churches



Dr. Kenneth W. Winters, 9th president of Campbellville University, congratulates Dr. Joseph Hopkins on his selection as the university's 12th president. Winters reflected on his tenure as president. (CU Photo by Bienvenu "Moe" Mugisha)



Dr. Wael Farouk, a faculty member at the Manhattan School of Music, performs in concert in The Gheens Recital Hall as part of festivities surrounding the inauguration of Dr. Joseph Hopkins.

of this Commonwealth are looking to your and this university's continued pledge to give our students strong Biblical truth while molding and shaping their spiritual, academic and civic lives," Owens said.

Magers, whose grandparents attended Campbellsville University when it was known as Russell Creek Academy and who has had multiple other family members attend Campbellsville University, discussed the importance of family bonds in her remarks.

"These bonds formed have and will continue to last a lifetime," Magers said. "Dr. Hopkins, we know these bonds will grow stronger through your leadership, and we look forward to you inspiring us with your guidance and legacy of hope."

Hernandez read from Isaiah 40:31: "But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary; they will walk and not be faint."

"These words from Isaiah 40:31 evidence the Christian hope we have this day," she said. "Under your leadership, this university will soar to new heights of Christian service, and we will run and not grow weary as we serve together in this historic institution."

Three pastors who served with the Hopkins family gave Dr. Hopkins a charge.

Dr. Joby Tricquet, pastor of Fairfax Baptist Church, Fairfax, Va., provided a charge of hope to Dr. Hopkins.

"I ask you, and I charge you to move forward in hope," Tricquet said, "knowing Biblical hope, hope we have in Christ Jesus, is not a wish, but a confidence that God is faithful to His Word, keeps His promise, and as you are faithful and march forward in hope, what great days lie ahead."

Dr. Jim Cooley, pastor of First Baptist Church in Birmingham, Ala., echoed the university's motto, "Find your calling," as he provided a charge of ministry to Hopkins.

"I know you are on this campus today because you believe serving as president of Campbellsville University is answering God's call," Cooley said. "Fulfill your calling every day. Be faithful to the Word. Let the Lord use you and do all in Jesus' name."

Dr. Charles T. Carter, pastor emeritus at Shades Mountain Baptist Church, Birmingham, Ala., gave a charge of legacy to Hopkins.

"Everyone leaves a legacy," he said. "People will remember you by something. I hope you will find through Him a legacy of faith."

Dr. Andrew Westmoreland, president emeritus of Samford University in Birmingham, recounted a story where the Samford University community grieved the death of a student.

"I watched as he comforted a grief-stricken mother and family," Westmoreland said. "There are moments when a presidency cannot be faked. I have seen inside the soul of Joe Hopkins, and lying securely within him is a moral compass that points true north and a heart that beats in solidarity with those he serves."

Henry Lee, chair of the Campbellsville University Board of Trustees, presented the presidential medallion to Hopkins. Hernandez and Dr. Donna Hedgepath, provost and vice president for academic affairs at Campbellsville University, presented the university's mace. Hedgepath also called the inauguration ceremony to order.

Dr. H. Keith Spears, chancellor for university system advancement and 11th president of Campbellsville University, presented the Hopkins family.

Dr. Tony Cunha, dean of the School of Music, led in the singing of songs and hymns.

Dr. Wayne Dickard, pastor and evangelist, provided the invocation. Dr. John Hurtgen, dean of the School of Theology, gave the benediction.

Hopkins and his wife, Suzanne, sang "Yours Is the Kingdom" as a song of testimony.

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Dr. Joseph Hopkins, left, and First Lady Suzanne Hopkins, arrive at an inaugural dinner the night before his inauguration as the 12th president of Campbellsville University. (CU Photo by Bienvenu "Moe" Mugisha)



Dr. Joseph Hopkins, far left, 12th president of Campbellsville University, receives the presidential medallion from Henry Lee, chair of the Campbellsville University Board of Trustees. (CU Photo by Gerard Flanagan)

Meriwether is Campbellsville University's new vice president of enrollment management



By Gerard Flanagan, Staff Writer and Photographer

For Dr. Jason Meriwether, home has always been close to his heart, and in July, he returned home to become Campbellsville University's vice president of enrollment management.

"It is my delight to join this dynamic community in order to collaboratively increase access and degree completion for families in Kentucky and beyond by offering a world-class Christian education," Meriwether, a Guthrie, Ky., native, said.

Dr. Michele Dickens, dean of Campbellsville University's School of Nursing, was chair of the university's selection committee.

"Dr. Meriwether's attributes and talents align not only with the mission and values of the university," Dickens said, "but he brings outstanding relational, communication and organizational skills, extensive knowledge of recruiting and marketing practices with demonstrated and documented success."

Meriwether most recently served at California State Polytechnic University - Humboldt in Arcata, Calif., as vice president for enrollment management.

In that position, Meriwether led a strategic campaign to attract new transfer students, which produced growth of more than 14.4% compared to the prior year during the COVID-19 pandemic. His strategic direction for recruiting new first-time, full-time undergraduate students led to over 14.7% growth over the prior year.

Meriwether also led the creation of a system and model for tracking registration for the upcoming semester. The system included a communication and registration campaign that utilized automated communication and direct interventions for targeted student populations. The system increased the persistence rate (percentage of students who continue their education) for all areas of the university.

"In his career, he has shown the ability not to just recruit students, but to retain students. Student persistence is the path to graduation. His prior achievements in this area speak to his heart for students and their long-term success," Dr. Donna Hedgepath, provost and vice president for academic affairs, said.

Meriwether has additional experience in similar roles in Rhode Island, Indiana and Tennessee. Meriwether has also taught graduate courses at the University of Louisville's College of Education and Human Development and undergraduate psychology courses at Fisk University.

Meriwether also has a strong commitment to Campbellsville University's Christian mission, according to Dr. Joseph Hopkins, president of Campbellsville University.

"Campbellsville University is committed to providing a great education that prepares deserving students to be salt and light to a world in need," Hopkins said. "He has a heart for students, our Christian mission and moving forward with excellence and integrity."

Meriwether received a Doctor of Philosophy in Educational Administration with Specialization in Higher Education Leadership from Indiana State University in 2016. He holds a Master of Arts in Psychology from Fisk University, which he received in 2007. He received a Bachelor of Arts in Communication from the University of Louisville in 2001.

Meriwether is a member of The Honorable Order of Kentucky Colonels, and the Louisville Business Journal named him as a Top Forty Under Forty and 20 People to Know in Education and Workforce Development in 2014.

Meriwether and his wife, LaTanya, have five children.

Roop shares hope of recovery from drug addiction

By Gerard Flanagan, Staff Writer and Photographer

For nearly two decades, Jason Roop stumbled through the chaos of addiction and had a front-row seat to its destructive effects.

Now Dr. Roop, executive director of the Virginia Ponsler Flanagan Technology Training Center at Campbellsville University, is helping others like himself who have also suffered from addiction.

Earlier this year, Kentucky Attorney General Daniel Cameron appointed Roop to the Kentucky Opioid Abatement Advisory Commission to represent victims of the opioid crisis.

"I've sat in countless funeral homes wondering how many more friends I would lose and if perhaps I'd lose my own life," Roop said. "Although

I can't explain why, God has used the prayers and efforts of those closest to me to lead me to recovery and an abundant life."

Roop, who has served at Campbellsville University since July 2019, said, "The work done through this commission will help bring healing to broken families that have suffered loss, renewal to the communities that have seen an entire generation succumb to this disease and hope for those that are still stuck in the grip of addiction."

The commission dispersed \$240 million awarded to the Commonwealth of Kentucky from a litigation settlement with opioid distributors. The funds covered treatment, prevention, education

and healthcare to combat the drug epidemic.

Roop also spoke at two conferences this summer on addiction. On Sept. 12, Roop gave a virtual presentation to the 11th World Congress on Addictive Disorders and Addiction Therapy. For the conference, Roop presented his research article, "Addiction and leadership: How authentic and transformative leaders are emerging from the adversity of substance use disorder."

It was the first time Roop delivered the presentation.

"It is an honor to be able to present this research on a global stage," Roop said. "The event brings together the top addiction scientists and will help advance the understanding of the dynamics of addiction and long-term recovery."

Roop also presented to Unshame Kentucky, a 12-month behavior change intervention program funded by Department for Behavioral Health, Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities' Kentucky Opioid Response Effort, during its webinar Sept. 29.

Roop presented the same research article.

"Unshame Kentucky is doing legacy work in terms of pushing back the stigma on addiction. To be able to partner with this organization and do my part to highlight the incredible value, worth and dignity of those in addiction is humbling."

Roop has served as pastor of Asbury United Methodist Church in Campbellsville since 2017.

Roop earned a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology and Chemistry from Tusculum University in 1999 and a Master of Arts in Theology from Campbellsville University in 2018. He also earned a Ph.D. in Management with a Specialization in Leadership from Campbellsville University in May 2022.

He is married to Amanda Roop, consultant and student liaison at the Virginia Ponsler Flanagan Technology Training Center.

"I believe sharing this research at these conferences help to remove the stigma associated with addiction by highlighting the positive traits found within it," Roop said. "I know that seems like a paradox, but identifying those positive qualities help lessen shame and increase commitment to recovery."



Campbellsville University employs Woods as new associate vice president

By Joan C. McKinney, Editor

Andy Woods, who has over 11 years of experience in operations and facilities construction, is the new associate vice president for operations at Campbellsville University.

Woods assumed his new role on Nov. 28.

Woods has spent the last 6 ½ years in management roles with Amazon. In his various roles, Woods launched twelve multimillion-dollar new sites and facilities across the country. While in operations leadership, he led projects that created \$1.6 million in savings in process improvement.

In his new role at Campbellsville University, Woods will oversee facility and auxiliary services for the institution, manage over 100 buildings across multiple campus sites throughout Kentucky, California and Canada, develop long-range campus master planning and facility maintenance planning and manage an operations budget in excess of \$9 million annually.

He will also collaborate strategically with senior leadership to cast vision, implement changes and advance the university's Christian mission.

Tim Judd, vice president for finance, said, "I am thrilled Andy is joining our leadership team and ready to cast a new vision for operations.

"His broad range of experience, creative thinking, work ethic and integrity are exactly what I was looking for in a new leader for operations. It is an exciting time for the operations team to have the support and encouragement I am confident they will receive."

Woods has served as senior manager of the Amazon Customer Excellence System (ACES), Lab126 and Amazon Devices. He led the ACES team in cross-functional global initiatives, Business Intelligence (BI), operations and finance.

He has worked closely with and managed third-party labor field leaders to identify opportunities to innovate new technology and scale productivity. He evaluated and designed global warehouse topology and facility floorplans and drove consistency in operations with clear process maps and process standardization.

"I am impressed with Andy Woods' work in construction management, his technical understanding and his remarkable leadership in facility implementation," Dr. Joseph Hopkins, president of Campbellsville University, said.

"However, the most exciting thing about Andy is his heart for people and his passion for CU and our mission. With Andy Woods, we have attracted someone who can lead us toward the very best in operational excellence and personal care."

As associate vice president for operations, Woods said his top priorities for the first 90 days will be to gain a strong understanding of performance objectives and responsibilities of the role and observe and learn current processes and systems.

Woods' additional priorities in the first 90 days include building strong relationships with his team members and the university's faculty, staff and students, visiting all Campbellsville University properties to learn about their condition and needs, studying the current campus master plan to understand the strategy behind its development and creating a tool using historical data to plan and predict building cost expenses for all university properties.

Woods is a 2002 graduate of Campbellsville University with a Bachelor of Science in Educational Ministries. He served on the Presidential Judicial Council and as president of the Baptist Student Union as a student. He was also director of broadcast services as an employee at Campbellsville University.

In addition to Amazon, Woods has been employed with Blevins Construction, Bluegrass Cellular, Pro Services Construction and Kentucky Heartland Outreach.

He has had senior pastor and interim roles with several churches, including South Campbellsville Baptist Church, Friendship Baptist Church and Asbury United Methodist Church, all in Campbellsville; Pleasant View Baptist Church in Waynesburg, Ky.; and First Baptist Church in Middlesboro, Ky.



Woods is interim pastor at South Campbellsville Baptist Church. He has also served at Friendship Baptist Church and Asbury United Methodist Church, both in Campbellsville, Pleasant View Baptist Church in Waynesburg, Ky. and First Baptist Church in Middlesboro, Ky.

Woods is married to Carrie Caldwell Woods, a 2001 graduate with a Bachelor of Science in Business Marketing, and they have just celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary. They have a daughter, Lauren, a sophomore at Taylor County High School who is the vice president of her class, and a son, Asher, who is in seventh grade at Taylor County Middle School.

Judd said, "Andy is an excellent manager of his team members, leading them with Christ-like character while motivating and challenging them in their roles. He is a strong mission fit for the university.

"I look forward to working alongside Andy to help move the operations of the university forward as we embark on a new strategic plan for the future."

Mlala grateful for life's struggles and lessons

By Gerard Flanagan, Staff Writer and Photographer

Kwibé Mlala, who will graduate from Campbellsville University in December, says he is thankful for the first 16 years of his life, spent in a Tanzanian refugee camp.

"It made me who I am," Mlala said. "It's an important part of me. I'm glad I had to go through those hardships. It really challenged my mindset. Hardships make a man."

With Mlala's home country, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, descending into civil war and a humanitarian crisis, Mlala's family fled before he was born. In October 2016, Mlala and his family moved to America as asylum seekers, eventually settling in Louisville, Ky. Mlala graduated from Fairdale High School in 2019.

Mlala enrolled at Campbellsville University, majoring in political science and international studies with a focus in international business.

"As someone who wants to pursue a career in public service, political science provided me with a lot of things," Mlala said. "Political science is challenging. I've been able to learn about political events that took place and find better ways to face them."

Mlala said he learned valuable leadership and communication skills at Campbellsville University and is grateful for his time there.

"I have a sense of who I am and who I'm going to be due to my experience at CU," Mlala said. "I'm very thankful beyond words. I pray for more goodness for this institution."

Mlala was an intern at the Kentucky State Capitol from January to May of 2022, where he prepared research material, drafted resolutions and reviewed and delivered bills and amendments for the transportation committee in the General Assembly.

"For me, it felt like it was where I was supposed to be," Mlala said. "It gave me so much knowledge of how the political process works."

Sheila Mason, coordinator for the internship program, said Mlala was indeed where he was supposed to be.

"His eagerness to learn and expand his knowledge and understanding of public policy making expressed during our initial interview with him won us over," Mason said.

Wanda Washington, assistant director of diversity, community and Bridge to Success at Campbellsville University, said Mlala's experiences as a refugee have instilled in him a determination to learn, grow and excel.

"Kwibé has a lot to offer to others and strives to gain knowledge that keeps him well-rounded," she said. "Kwibé has a passion to be a servant, and I have no doubt that whatever his aspirations are, he will conquer and exceed them."

Mlala plans to attend law school in the future. Afterward, he intends to work with international organizations to help the vulnerable and help provide solutions for humanitarian issues.

"If you don't suffer as a person, you don't get to appreciate what you have," Mlala said. "Even when I was going through that suffering, I knew there was a day I would look back and say, 'Yes. I did it.'"

Pam Tennant, second from left, and Otto Tennant, third from left, receive a proclamation declaring Nov. 9, 2022 as Otto and Pam Tennant Day in the City of Campbellsville during chapel Nov. 9. Making the presentation were Dr. Joseph Hopkins, far left, president of Campbellsville University, and Campbellsville Mayor Diane Ford-Benningfield. (CU Photo by Gerard Flanagan)



'An enjoyable ride'

Tennants retire after four decades of combined service to Campbellsville University

By Gerard Flanagan, Staff Writer and Photographer

Pam and Otto Tennant, who have both retired after more than two decades of service each to Campbellsville University, have become synonymous with hospitality, a trait Dr. Joseph Hopkins, president of Campbellsville University, saw from them early in his time at the university.

After driving back from Birmingham, Ala., a heavy snow hit Campbellsville. Hopkins received a call from the Tennants, who asked if he would like some chili. Mr. Tennant made his way through the snow to the Hopkins residence, delivering much more than chili.

"It was a whole meal with desserts to go with it," Hopkins said. "That first encounter pretty much sums up who they are. They are the people who go through the snow, who take the extra effort, who make more than you need, who give you more hospitality than you could find anywhere else.

"That's why we love them so much. That's why they've been so valuable to this university for so many years."

To honor the Tennants for their service to Campbellsville University, Campbellsville Mayor Diane Ford-Benningfield presented a proclamation at chapel Nov. 9 that declared Nov. 9, 2022 as Pam and Otto Tennant Day in the City of Campbellsville.

The university has also named a guest house the "Otto & Pam Tennant Guest House."

A hospitality fund started in their honor has

received donations from more than 100 people, according to Dr. Benji Kelly, vice president for development.

"That's a testimony to the influence and impact you have had on our campus community, not only on the main campus but also on other people who have come here," he said. "We're going to miss you all so much."

Marion Hall, who worked under Tennant overseeing special projects, said two words come to mind when he thinks of the Tennants: We will.

"When the question was asked, 'Who can help us through this?' whether it was a gala or tough business decisions, they always said, 'I will,'" Hall said. "That means so much to me to have worked with someone who could say those two words over and over again."

Mrs. Tennant retired Sept. 30 as student service coordinator, while Mr. Tennant retired Nov. 18 as senior vice president for operations and administration.

"It's flown by," Mr. Tennant said. "On one hand, you think 22 years is a long time, but the other way around, it just flew by because there were always things to do. We were glad to be a part of it and enjoyed it."

Mr. Tennant came to Campbellsville University in August 2000 after working at American Electric Power in Columbus, Ohio, for 27 years.

"I was interested in higher education and it seemed like that would be an enjoyable line of work," he said. "The timing was right. The electric companies were under a lot of pressure at the time. It was a good time to be moving on."

He said the move from American Electric Power, a large company with 50,000 employees, to Campbellsville University was a "big adjustment."

"When you work for a big company, you're kind of pigeonholed," he said. "You do a very specific task in a very specific department, and you're not out much around other departments and people.

"Here, your job covers so many activities. There's always something different we're involved in. That was interesting and exciting and the fun part of the job."

Mr. Tennant said the university's Christ-centered mission was another factor that drew him to Campbellsville.

"You could tell that in the people who work here and the students who come here," he said. "We enjoy that part, and it seemed like it was an important part of this community."

Before joining Campbellsville University in December 2001, Mrs. Tennant taught computer classes and worked as a school nurse in Grove City, Ohio.

When she came to Campbellsville, she volunteered at Taylor County Elementary School before



Pam Tennant, left, and Sean Sprowles share a hug during a reception for Tennant and her husband, Otto. Mrs. Tennant and Sprowles became close friends during their time at Campbellsville University. (CU Photo by Gerard Flanagan)

receiving a job as a special education assistant. After a short stay in that position, Mrs. Tennant took a job at the university in Dr. Frank Cheatham's office. She was in that position for about a year before moving to another position at the university as a switchboard operator.

"I had done that as a high school student at a steel company," she said. "I would get out of school at 12 and run the switchboard."

For the Tennants, Columbus, Ohio, had always been home.

"Then Campbellsville became home, and it's funny how Campbellsville grows on you," Mrs. Tennant said. "We never dreamed of being outside of Columbus. But that wasn't in God's plan. We came here and came to love it."

Over the years, the Tennants have chaperoned nearly every dance on campus, worked university art exhibits and attended almost every concert and play.

"Some of the fun times were chaperoning dances, and I'd always get out and dance with the kids," Mrs. Tennant said. "Those were some great memories. Nobody was saying we had to be at these things. We went because we wanted to support the kids."

In their time at Campbellsville University, the Tennants grew very close to the students.

"It seemed, every year, you would have a handful of students you'd get super close to," Mrs. Tennants said. "One of the hardest parts about leaving here is leaving the students. That was always a great thing. The students became our family. It's hard to give that up."

The Tennants, who have moved to Knoxville, Tenn., plan on paying many future visits to Campbellsville University.

"It's been a real enjoyable ride here," Mr. Tennant said. "We've enjoyed our time. We're not done being here. We'll still come back to events, whether it be athletic events, tapestries or plays."



Joining for a ribbon cutting to dedicate the Otto and Pam Tennant Guest House include, from left: Front row—Maggie Mae Anderson, the Tennants' granddaughter; Back row—Paul Osborne, member of the Board of Trustees; Dr. Joseph Hopkins, president; Campbellsville Mayor Diane Ford-Benningfield; Marion Hall, who worked under Otto Tennant overseeing special projects; Pam Tennant; Otto Tennant; Todd Tennant, the Tennants' son; and Jill Tennant Anderson, the Tennants' daughter. (CU Photo by Gerard Flanagan)



The Otto and Pam Tennant Guest House was dedicated during a ribbon cutting Nov. 9. In front is Maggie Mae Anderson, the Tennants' granddaughter. Back row, from left, are Jill Tennant Anderson, the Tennants' daughter; Todd Tennant, the Tennants' son; Pam Tennant; and Otto Tennant. (CU Photo by Gerard Flanagan)

Gabe Clark overcomes challenges to graduate from Campbellsville University

Gabe Clark smiles for his family to take a picture as he receives his diploma from Campbellsville University President Dr. Joseph Hopkins. (CU Photo by Alexandria D. Dalton)



By Gerard Flanagan, Staff Writer and Photographer

When a student walks across the stage and receives their diploma is a proud moment for both the student and the family.

However, Gabe Clark's graduation from Campbellsville University in May brought a whirlwind of emotions for both Clark and his family.

Clark, who has Autism Spectrum Disorder, graduated with a Bachelor of Science in History with a minor in environmental sciences.

"I've always wanted to expand my horizons with history," Clark said. "Taking history courses allowed me to understand the world as a whole. I'm a big advocate, as well, for protecting the environment and for protecting the planet."

With Autism Spectrum Disorder, Clark said he hyper-focuses on specific topics, and social interactions can sometimes be difficult.

"I'm very much a sensitive person," Clark said. "The biggest things that make me mad are loud sounds and confined spaces."

Clark was diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder approximately five years ago.

"It opened my ways to how I handle things," Clark said. "I don't like being interrupted. It throws my whole motion off."

During his sophomore year at Campbellsville High School, his grandfather, Tommy Clark, whom he affectionally called "Papa," died. Clark was a professor of art at Campbellsville University from 1972 until his retirement in 2010.

"I haven't felt the same since," Clark said. "At times, it was difficult, but I would always think to do it for Papa."

When Clark walked across the stage at commencement, he wore a necktie depicting a dinosaur that belonged to his Papa.

"I wore it to honor him," he said. "I wanted to feel as though he were there. I felt a comforting, reassuring hand on my shoulder as I walked on stage."

Clark credits his professors Dr. Robert Street, Dr. Jim Moore, Dr. Milton Rogers, Dr. Damon Eubank and the late Dr. Bob Doty, with helping him get his degree.

"They genuinely cared about seeing me succeed, not just in class, but in college as a whole," Gabe said. "I trusted them, and, for me, it's hard to trust people."

Tommy's wife and Gabe's grandmother, Judy, worked in the Office of Student Records and taught history at Campbellsville University. She retired in June 2020. Judy also received her Master of Social Science from Campbellsville University in 2003.

"I cried all the way through the ceremony," she said. "It was exciting and sad and thrilling. So many emotions just wound up altogether."

His parents, Andrew and Jennifer Clark, 1996 and 2002 graduates of Campbellsville University, respectively, were also brought to tears watching their son walk across the stage.

"Just knowing all the struggles he went through to get there, we're extremely proud," Jennifer said.

Andrew said he and Jennifer knew Gabe would be taken care of at Campbellsville University—even when Gabe was reluctant to reach out for help.

"The first few semesters, he thought he could do it all by himself," he said. "It took him a bit to decide he needed help. It's a nice family feeling here."



Gabe Clark poses with a piece of artwork by his late grandfather Tommy Clark who taught at Campbellsville University from 1972 until 2010. (CU Photo by Gerard Flanagan)

Campbellsville University graduates hear president Hopkins ask ‘who’s on your journey?’

By Joan C. McKinney, Editor

Dr. Joseph Hopkins, the 12th president of Campbellsville University, presided over his first commencement asking the 1,593 students receiving their degrees, “Who’s on your journey?” May 6 and 7 in Powell Athletic Center.

Hopkins presented an address telling of his family’s experience fulfilling one of his bucket list items – traveling to the Sahara Desert where he and his wife, Suzanne, and sons, Joseph and Vance, camped and enjoyed “who” was on their 115-degree heated trip.

He told the graduates they were about to launch on their own journey. “Most often, the questions being asked at this stage are where, what, why and most especially, how?” he said, while he challenged them to add the who to their list of questions.

“Today, while you contemplate the when, where and how, I challenge you to think about the ‘who.’ When you come to the end of these journeys, it will be the who that mattered most.”

The capital Who is what he wanted students to recognize. He said he and his family invite Christ to travel with them on trips.

“God sent His only Son, Jesus, to demonstrate His love for us and to make it possible for us to have fellowship with Him,” Hopkins said.

“In other words, He wants to share the journey with you,” Hopkins said.

Hopkins said, “God is less concerned about my specific career, salary, title, job location, or even my promotion than whether I spent time with Him today. He wants to share in your journey!”

“When we come to the end of the pathway and look back, we will value our steps, not by the places we have been, the money made or the professional accomplishments, but by the lives we touched, the memories we shared and the sweet communion of fellowship with our Creator.”

Three students, Stephanie Michelle Baldwin, Milan Bailey and England Blye, responded to Hopkins’ charge.

Baldwin said about the capital Who: “He has bestowed us with gifts and talents that allow us to be sitting here. We should all be thankful for our ‘who,’ but as we consider Dr. Hopkins’ charge, I would ask each of you to think of ‘who’ is looking for us to be their ‘who.’ And as we do that, remember the opportunities the Lord has entrusted us all with. Whether we are in business or here in academia, we are someone’s ‘who’ and we should share the love and blessings the Lord can bestow on them, just as He bestows on all of us.”

Baldwin received the Doctor of Philosophy degree in Management with



Dr. Heather Wise, right, receives the Algernon Sydney Sullivan Adult Award from Dr. Joseph Hopkins, president of Campbellsville University. (CU Photo by Alexandria D. Dalton)



Madison Sheppard, right, receives the Algernon Sydney Sullivan Student Award from Dr. Joseph Hopkins, president of Campbellsville University. (CU Photo by Alexandria D. Dalton)



England Blye of Louisville, Ky, leads the procession in the noon commencement ceremony May 7. Blye received a Bachelor of Arts in English. Commencements were held May 6 and 7 in Powell Athletic Center. (CU Photo by Chosalin Morales)



Kaitlyn Overstreet, who graduated with a Master of Arts in School Counseling, sings along with one of the songs at commencement. (CU Photo by Gerard Flanagan)



A graduate's cap reads, "Where God guides, He provides," referencing Isaiah 58:11. (CU Photo by Gerard Flanagan)

Specialization in Leadership. She is from Demossville, Ky.

Bailey, from Louisville, Ky., earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Political Science. She discussed the challenges the class made through pandemic isolations, Zoom instruction and uncertain days week by week.

"Who we are is the class that kept going, that refused to quit," she said. "As we look into the future, who we will become are scientists, pharmacists, healthcare professionals, government officials, teachers, professors, husbands, wives, mothers and fathers. But above all, who we have is our God, the one who is always with us."

Blye, who also discussed the loss of family or friends to COVID-19 and those who battled personal and mental issues due to the tribulations that ensued, said, "You have made it. You have set sail on the wings of life. You have held on, despite raging winds and catastrophic seas."

Blye received a Bachelor of Arts degree in English and is from Louisville.

The second group of Doctor of Philosophy degree in Management with Specialization in Leadership graduates was: Stephanie Michelle Baldwin of Demossville, Ky.; Gwendolyn Durham Blue of Louisville, Ky.; Gabriel Alejandro De Freitas Forero of Louisville, Ky.; Mark David Mann of Mt. Washington, Ky.; Jason Glenn Roop of Campbellsville, Ky.; Micah Spicer of Owensboro, Ky.; and Rose Anne Carter of Campbellsville, Ky. received the Ph.D. in Management with Accounting Specialization.

The students receive their degrees on the recommendation of the faculty and the approval of the Board of Trustees.

Hopkins presented the Algernon Sydney Sullivan Adult Award to Dr. Heather Wise, a 2001 Campbellsville University graduate who opened

Wise Dentistry for Kids in Campbellsville in 2007.

Wise is heavily invested in her community, church and family. She has served as a Eucharistic Minister and Religious Education teacher at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church, a seven-year school board member at the KY Christian Academy, an eight-year Taylor County Middle and Taylor County High School Site-Based Decision Making Council member, a previous Campbellsville Chamber of Commerce Board Member, as well as an Advisory Board Member with Lake Cumberland Head Start.

She has also served on Kentucky Medicaid's Dental Technicality Advisory Council and is a Medicaid Avesis Advisory Council member. She also holds a volunteer faculty appointment with the University of Kentucky College of Dentistry.

Wise is married to Kentucky State Senator Max Wise, a 1997 Campbellsville University alumnus and former CU political science professor. They have four children: Grayson, Jackson, Carter and McLean.

The Algernon Sydney Sullivan Student Award winner was Madison Sheppard, who received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Chemistry and a minor in Business Administration. She's from London, Ky. and was a member of the Lady Tigers Basketball Team.

She is interested in international missions and plans to work in missions following her graduation.

Campbellsville University was selected in 2002 to participate in this prestigious awards program that honors the memory and legacy of the late Algernon Sydney Sullivan. Only 70 colleges and universities are approved by the Sullivan Foundation to annually present these awards to one graduating senior and to one community member.

Sullivan was a lawyer, devout Christian, mediator, powerful and appealing orator, a courageous citizen during perilous times, a noted philanthropist and a devoted family man.

In the words of a friend, Sullivan "reached out both hands in constant helpfulness to others."

Dr. Donna Hedgepath, provost and vice president for academic affairs, participated in the bestowing of the Algernon Sydney Sullivan Awards. She also read the names of the graduates, along with assistance from Nagamani Palla, instructor of computer science.

Co-valedictorians of the class, with their degrees listed, were the following: Allison Lurie Hill of Lawrenceburg, Ky., Bachelor of Science in Marriage and Family Ministry; Shelbi Nicole Morris of Cynthiana, Ky., Bachelor of Science in Liberal Arts and Science; and Jamie Renee Winstead of Slaughters, Ky., Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy Science.

Co-salutatorians of the class were: Collin Shane Allen of Liberty, Ky., Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice Administration; and Michele Lynann Gipson of Campbellsville, Ky., Bachelor of Science in General Business.

Of the 1,593 graduates, 1,266 received master's degrees, 303 bachelor's, 16 associates and eight doctorates. Hopkins conferred their degrees upon completion of the requirements for their degrees.

Ashley Fox, director of alumni relations, welcomed the graduates, on behalf of the Campbellsville University Alumni Association, to a "very proud, loyal and diverse family." She said they belong to a network of over 18,000 alumni that spans many states and countries.

"We are so proud of all you've accomplished and hope to be a resource today and in the years to come," she said.

"Your connection to your alma mater is important, and we hope you will continue to build this relationship with us. Take pride in how far you've come and have faith in how far you can go."



Angela Taylor records her daughter, Jemiah Brittnum of Chester, Va., walking across the stage at commencement. Brittnum received a Bachelor of Science in Sport Management. (CU Photo by Gerard Flanagan)



Hannah Kennedy smiles after receiving her diploma at commencement. Kennedy received a Bachelor of Science in Chemistry. (CU Photo by Chosalin Morales)



Zachary Hughes, left, and his sister, Elena Hughes, who graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in English, swapped hats following one of the commencement ceremonies. On the same day she graduated from Campbellsville University, Elena, a four-year women's wrestling team member, was commissioned a 2nd Lt. in the United States Marine Corps. Zachary also serves in the Marine Corps. (CU Photo by Gerard Flanagan)

Campbellsville University celebrates a Homecoming of milestones

By Joan C. McKinney, Editor

Homecoming 2022 at Campbellsville University celebrated milestones for the Tiger Marching Band, Fighting Tiger Football Team and the Homecoming Car Show.

Fighting Tiger Football, which debuted in 1987, celebrated its 35th anniversary. The Tiger Marching Band, which took the field in 1992, celebrated its 30th anniversary, and the Homecoming Car Show, which made its first appearance in 1992, also celebrated its 30th anniversary.

Maroon Medley was this year's Homecoming theme.

"Seeing everyone's smiling faces and enjoying all the festivities makes all the preparation and planning worth it," Ashley Fox, director of alumni relations, said.



Dr. Joseph Hopkins, left, president of Campbellsville University since February, and his wife, First Lady Suzanne Hopkins, ride with Al Hardin in his red 1955 Ford Fairlane convertible in the parade. Hopkins held the First Dog, Winston. (CU Photo by Alexandria D. Dalton)



Mike Cook of Campbellsville takes a moment to wipe down his 1973 Ford Mustang at the Homecoming Car Show Oct. 1. (CU Photo by Gerard Flanagan)

Before the Fighting Tiger Football game, Dr. David McCullough, the first director of the Tiger Marching Band, conducted the 2022 Tiger Marching Band and a group of Tiger Marching Band alumni. Former field commanders of the band were grand marshals of the annual Homecoming parade.

The Faulkner Eagles, however, spoiled Homecoming for the Fighting Tiger Football Team, winning 49-17.

Dr. Joseph Hopkins, president of Campbellsville University, and his wife, First Lady Suzanne Hopkins, celebrated their first Homecoming at Campbellsville University, attending numerous alumni events.

The Hopkinses rode in the parade in Al Hardin's 1955 red Ford Fairlane convertible with their Scottish terrier, Winston. Hopkins also crowned his first Homecoming queen, Brooke Anne Buckner, a senior criminal justice and psychology major from Louisville, Ky., who represented Psi Chi, the Psychology Honors Program.

First runner-up for Homecoming Queen was Hannah Kendall, a senior business accounting major from Benton, Ky., representing Residence Life. Bailey Pedigo, a senior 5-9 math education and P-12 health and physical education major from Glasgow, Ky., was second runner-up. Priya Latchayya of Camerata Picena, Italy, was freshman attendant.

At the Class of 1962 reunion dinner, Hopkins said the university is continually giving every student an exceptional education in a Christ-centered community as it did in the earlier years.

He said the university has students from 92

Rylie Meglis displays the tiger picture she colored in at the Coloring Booth during the Homecoming Festival. (CU Photo by Alexandria D. Dalton)



A Homecoming of Milestones



The International Student Association's float won first place in the float competition and won \$300. (CU Photo by Alexandria D. Dalton)



Members of the Class of 1997 gathering for a reunion at Homecoming Oct. 1 include, from left, Mitchell Gaddis of Glasgow, Ky.; Carrie Gaddis of Glasgow, Ky.; Leigh Anne Bourne of Mason, Ohio; Jennifer Clifford of Glasgow, Ky.; and Brian Clifford of Glasgow, Ky. (CU Photo by Gerard Flanagan)

countries out of the 195 in the world with 65 countries being represented on the main campus.

"This is a small part of the world, and we want our students to be the salt and light of the world," he said.

He said over 11,000 students attend Campbellsville University, regional education centers, educational sites and online programs, compared to an enrollment of 275 in 1953.

"We are doing great things around the world," Hopkins said. "We are thrilled to be part of what you started," he told those attending the dinner.

At the annual Golden Heritage Luncheon, honoring those who graduated from Campbellsville 50 years ago and earlier, Hopkins said God was moving in incredible ways at Campbellsville University. He said the university's mission is to reach every deserving student.

"We are breaking down barriers and walls. We are reaching students in so many ways, and we want to be encouragers in life," he said. "We are trying to reach every deserving student so we can prepare them to be the salt and light of the world."

David and Sue Hayes, 1970 and 1969 alumni, respectively, were named Distinguished Alumni at the annual Homecoming Alumni Reception. Hayes was chief financial officer in 1978 and later chief executive officer of Taylor County Hospital.

Mrs. Hayes worked in education in Marion and Taylor counties and worked closely with various departments of Campbellsville University including serving as an adjunct instructor for students doing student teaching. Since retiring, she has served the university as supervisor for many student teachers.

Honorary Alumni were Allen and Ann Case, who are big supporters of the university's Bridge to Success Program that offers free education for foster children. Case thanked Campbellsville University and said he and his wife pray for the university for giving foster children a chance in life.

"We are proud to be a part of the university," he said.

Allen Case has served as minister of music at several churches including serving 39 years as minister of music at Severns Valley Baptist Church in Elizabethtown, Ky. After retiring from there in 2010, he was hired the next morning at Cecilia Baptist Church for part-time music ministry and served there 9 1/2 years until his second retirement.

Ann Case also worked in music and was an educator. She became the church pianist at Calvary Missionary Baptist Church at age 15. She has also taught English.

Hopkins told of two alumni Paula Blaydes and Dr. Doug Strader, 1964 and 1962 alumni, respectively, who reconnected after their marriages of 56 and 58

years ended in death of their spouses. They married in July 2022 after six decades of not seeing each other.

"Their lives are evidence of the mission of Campbellsville University," he said.

The International Student Association was the winner of the float competition for the Homecoming Parade. They won \$300. Second place was Residence Life, and Online Education won third place.



Brooke Ann Buckner, third from left, was crowned the 2022 Homecoming Queen at Campbellsville University. From left are: Dr. Joseph Hopkins, president of Campbellsville University; Priya Latchayya, freshman attendant; Buckner; Morgan Stone, 2021 Homecoming Queen; Hannah Kendall, first runner-up; and Bailey Pedigo, second runner-up. (CU Photo by Brett Pierce)



Taliyah Hazelwood and her son, LaShaevion "Shae" VanCleave, paint mini pumpkins at the Campbellsville University Homecoming Festival on Stapp Lawn. (CU Photo by Alexandria D. Dalton)



Rozy Kuriger Snider, a 1988 alumna, looks at art by Christina Smith, a 2014 alumna of Campbellsville University, at The Pence-Chowning Art Gallery during Homecoming. (CU Photo by Gerard Flanagan)



Aubrey Crank, front row, center, a junior from Nicholasville, Ky. majoring in business administration, received a scholarship from Campbellsville College's Lebanon House at Homecoming Oct. 1. Members of the Lebanon House making the presentation include, from left: Front row—Yank Rigon ('68). Back row—ET Greer ('67), H.I. Stroth ('70), Phil Thompson ('69), Steve Small ('70), John Harbison, representing his father, David "Mouse" Harbison ('71), and Brenda Harbison, widow of David "Mouse" Harbison.



Dr. David McCullough, left, and his wife, Marlow, ride on the grand marshal float in the Campbellsville University Homecoming parade. McCullough was the first director of the Tiger Marching Band that took the field in 1992. Previous field commanders in the band were on the float with the McCulloughs. (CU Photo by Gerard Flanagan)

Campbellsville University awards David and Betty Hayes Distinguished Alumni Award



David Hayes, second from left, and his wife, Betty, receive the Distinguished Alumni Award at Campbellsville University's Homecoming from Ashley Fox, director of alumni relations, far left, and Dr. Joseph Hopkins, right, president. (CU Photo by Alexandria D. Dalton)

By Emily Roberts, Student News Writer

David Hayes, a 1970 graduate of Campbellsville College, and his wife, Betty Hayes, a 1969 graduate of Campbellsville College, were awarded the Distinguished Alumni Award at Campbellsville University's Homecoming 2022.

Ashley Fox, the university's director of alumni relations, said, "David and Betty Hayes are two wonderful alumni who embody everything that is Campbellsville University.

"I have gotten to know them both over the past years and cannot think of a more deserving couple for this year's Distinguished Alumni Award."

David and Betty Hayes, of Campbellsville, Ky., have been active supporters of Campbellsville University over the past 44 years.

Amy Lindroth, their daughter, said, "These two love giving back to their community and all the activities at CU."

The couple continues to keep a strong relationship with Campbellsville University after graduation and has contributed to the community in numerous ways.

Hayes is serving in a volunteer capacity on the university's Board of Alumni. Mrs. Hayes has served as a supervisor for many Campbellsville University student teachers and the Taylor County School District in Campbellsville.

Lindroth said her parents are an inspiration to herself and her family and friends.

"I am lucky enough to call them mom and dad," she said.

The couple first met when they were assigned adjacent seats in a chapel service during their freshman year. They eventually got married in their junior year at Campbellsville College.

Mrs. Hayes has supported her husband and his journey through every community in which he has planted roots.

After graduating from Campbellsville College, Hayes began his career as an auditor for The U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare in Richmond, Va. and Frankfort, Ky.

He served in this position for eight years before moving back to Campbellsville in the spring of 1978 to become the chief financial officer (CFO) and CEO of Taylor County Hospital.

In 2000, Hayes began work as a regional controller for Alliant Management Systems. In 2003, he left to become CFO of Breckenridge Memorial Hospital, also under Alliant Management Systems. He retired as CFO in 2011.

Mrs. Hayes has been regularly active in the Taylor County School District. After working as a teacher

in Marion County, she followed her husband to Richmond, Va., where she continued to serve in education.

After the couple moved back to Campbellsville in 1978, Mrs. Hayes taught at Taylor County Middle School until her retirement in 2012. She worked as a student teacher supervisor at Campbellsville University. She supported many departments at the university by providing high-quality programs to students, including drama, education, physical education and English as a Second Language (ESL).

Mr. and Mrs. Hayes have two children and five grandchildren, one of whom currently attends Campbellsville University.

The couple's daughter, Amy, said, "I am so glad to see them being honored at CU."

David and Betty Hayes continue to represent the values Campbellsville University strives to maintain through their hard work and dedication to campus life, quality and education.

Lindroth said, "I can never thank them enough for teaching me to be hardworking, kind, and most importantly, to love big."

Allen and Ann Case become Honorary Alumni at Homecoming



Ann and Allen Case, second from left, were awarded Honorary Alumni status during Homecoming's Alumni Reception. Dr. Joseph Hopkins, president, far left, and Dr. Benji Kelly, vice president for development, made the presentation. (CU Photo by Alexandria D. Dalton)

By Simon Baker, Student News Writer

Allen and Ann Case became part of the Campbellsville University family after receiving the Honorary Alumni Award at Homecoming Oct. 1.

Ashley Fox, director of alumni relations at Campbellsville University, said, "Allen and Ann Case are huge supporters of Campbellsville University. It is only fitting that we make them honorary alumni so they can officially be a part of the CU family."

Campbellsville University's Bridge to Success Program is of particular interest to the couple. Bridge to Success is a one-of-a-kind 4-year scholarship program offered at Campbellsville University to give students a second chance.

Initiated in 2019, the program was created to help students with no pathway to post-secondary education because of circumstances outside their control, including financial and other restricting factors. Bridge to Success creates an opportunity to give back to working students despite the odds stacked against them.

Allen and Ann Case have been involved in education and ministry throughout their lives.

Case was born Oct. 8, 1942, in Johnson City, Tenn., to the Rev. and Mrs. Russell Case. During his youth, he lived in Decatur, Ga., where he enjoyed playing basketball and baseball.

He attended Youth Harris Junior College in North Georgia and later graduated from the University of Georgia with a Bachelor of Arts in Piano

Performance.

In music school, he met and married his wife, Ann. The Cases were married on June 18, 1966, and three years later, they committed to serving the Lord through music.

They decided it would be necessary to move to Louisville, Ky., where they attended The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary (SBTS), where it would be best to serve the Lord.

Case was the minister of music at First Baptist Church in Scottsburg, Ind., where he worked until 1971, when he graduated with a Master's degree in Church Music.

Before graduating from SBTS, Case agreed to preach at Severns Valley Baptist Church, where he served as minister of music and directed the children's choir called "The Wonderful World of Wednesday."

Case was the director of the youth choir and adult choir, a church orchestra, the praise team, the praise band and the annual Christmas event, "The Living Christmas Tree Program," that has been held for 22 years.

He retired from Severns Valley in 2010 and was hired the following day at Cecilia Baptist Church as a part-time music minister, where he served for nine and a half years until his second retirement.

Mrs. Case was born March 21, 1946, in Albany, Ga., to Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Newell.

She is the oldest of five children and took piano lessons twice a week. Later, Mrs. Case attended Calvary Missionary Baptist Church, where she became their church pianist at 15.

Mrs. Case graduated from Albany High School in 1964 and the University of Georgia in 1968. After her sophomore year of college, she married Allen Case and taught English at Jefferson High School.

After the couple decided to move to Louisville, Ky., she taught at Jeffersontown High for two years, tutored at Kentucky Baptist Children's Home (Spring Meadows) and taught the GED English class at Seneca High School.

Once they moved to Elizabethtown, Ky., she became the church pianist and began to teach piano lessons. Teaching piano is an activity Mrs. Case continues to enjoy, and she still gives lessons to children and adults.

Mrs. Case taught at North Hardin High School for 19 years while earning her Master of Arts in Humanities in 1975 and her Rank 1 in Education/Counseling in 1991.

Mrs. Case also taught as an adjunct English teacher for 14 years at Elizabethtown Community and Technical College and ten more years at Western Kentucky University.

The couple has two daughters: Allison and Amanda, and three grandchildren: Carson, Caroline and Chase.

Campbellsville University-Harrodsburg Pioneers win first national championship



Austin Sparrow, head coach of the Campbellsville University-Harrodsburg Pioneers men's basketball team, presents a framed jersey to Gov. Andy Beshear at the Kentucky State Capitol March 25 along with members of the Campbellsville University-Harrodsburg men's basketball team and administration of Campbellsville University-Harrodsburg. The team was recognized at the capitol after winning their first national championship. (CU Photo by Alston Geers)

By Gerard Flanagan, Staff Writer and Photographer

The Campbellsville University-Harrodsburg Pioneers men's basketball team claimed its first national championship following an 89-79 win against Crown College (Minn.) March 12 in the NCCAA Division II championship game in Joplin, Mo.

Antoine Darby, the MVP of the national tournament, led the Pioneers with 26 points in the title game.

With the score tied at 39-all at halftime, Campbellsville University-Harrodsburg outscored Crown College 50-40 in the second half.

Darby added eight rebounds and shot 10-12 from the free-throw line.

Chris Rawlins scored 17, Tyon Duncan scored 14 and Kereion Douglas pulled down a team-leading nine rebounds.

Following the championship victory, the team held a celebration in Harrodsburg March 28. The team also traveled to the main campus to be recognized along with Campbellsville University's women's

wrestling team, which won the NAIA wrestling national championship, and Campbellsville University's men's soccer team, which won the NCCAA Division I national championship.

On March 25, the Pioneers also visited the Kentucky State Capitol and Gov. Andy Beshear, who congratulated the team on their championship.

State Rep. Kim King shared a celebratory announcement of the championship on March 14 with the Kentucky House of Representatives. King represents 55th District, which includes Mercer County.

Austin Sparrow, the Pioneers' head coach, presented a framed jersey to Beshear. The number 22 was selected for the gift to signify the 2022 National Championship.

"Presenting Gov. Beshear with a game-worn jersey from this season was one of the most exciting opportunities of my coaching career," Sparrow said. "To see our players, coaches and administrators celebrated at the state capitol

building makes all of the hard work and time put in throughout the season worth it."

After posing for a picture with Beshear, the Pioneers took a tour of the Capitol, where the team learned about several art pieces on display in the rotunda and also learned about state government.

"It's always a great opportunity to be invited to the capitol and to meet with our elected officials," Dalton Christopher, athletic director at Campbellsville University-Harrodsburg, said. "Harrodsburg has such a rich history, being the first permanent settlement in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

"Being able to represent our community not only with our first national championship, but also at our Capitol with Gov. Beshear, is a moment that our coaches and student-athletes will cherish."

The Pioneers finished the 2021-22 season with a 23-9 record.

Campbellsville University adds four new inductees to the Athletic Hall of Fame



Inducted into Campbellsville University's Athletic Hall of Fame were from left: Bailey Dillender ('12, M '14), Zach Flake ('10), Christi Thomas McGuire ('97) and Beauford Sanders. Making the presentation were Rusty Hollingsworth, far left, vice president for student services and athletics, and Dr. Joseph Hopkins, far right, president. (CU Photo by Brett Pierce)

By Gerard Flanagan, Staff Writer and Photographer

Beauford Sanders, Bailey Dillender, Zach Flake and Christi Thomas McGuire were inducted into Campbellsville University's Athletic Hall of Fame during halftime of the Fighting Tiger Football Homecoming game against Faulkner University Oct. 1.

Sanders, Campbellsville University's head baseball coach for 33 years, is the active all-time wins leader in the Commonwealth of Kentucky with 985 wins at Campbellsville. He has 1,253 career wins.

In 2009, Tiger baseball advanced to the NAIA World Series and finished the season with a record of 39-12 (.765). Campbellsville won the NCCAA World Series title in 2018. Sanders was named NCCAA Coach of the Year that season.

Sanders has led the Tigers to 16 seasons of 30 wins or more.

Under Sanders, Campbellsville has 13 MSC regular season championships and 11 MSC Tournament titles, including seven straight from 2005 to 2011.

In 2022, Sanders received the Robert E. "Ish" Smith Achievement Award.

Sanders is also an assistant athletic director for Campbellsville University.

Dillender is the first Lady Tiger Softball player inducted into the Hall of Fame.

Dillender is first in batting average (.510 in 2009), slugging percentage (.959 in 2009) and tied for first in home runs (17 in 2009).

In the Lady Tigers' record book, she is first in RBIs (215), at-bats (719), assists (581), hits (269) and tied for first in home runs (48).

Dillender, the first Lady Tiger to repeat as Mid-South Conference Player of the Year (2010 and 2011), would join the Lady Tiger coaching staff as an assistant coach. Dillender was also an assistant coach at Tennessee Tech University three years.

Dillender, now the head coach of University of the Cumberlands softball team, graduated from Campbellsville University with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration in 2012 and a Master of Business Administration in 2014.

Flake, the first men's wrestling alumnus to join the Hall of Fame, was the first individual NAIA National Champion for Tiger wrestling in the 2006-07 season in the 141 lbs. weight class. He finished with a 20-2 record during that sophomore season and won in a 7-6 decision over University of the

Cumberlands' Brad Cooper in the championship bout.

Flake, a three-time All-American, earned another trip to the championship his senior year, where he was the NAIA National Runner-Up. He earned a sixth place finish as a junior.

Since graduating from Campbellsville University in 2010 with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration area/Marketing, Flake has started his own youth wrestling camp and program in Colorado, where he lives.

McGuire was a four-year basketball player under legendary coach Donna Wise from 1993 until 1997. She ranks seventh in program history with a 53.1% career field goal percentage.

As a senior in 1997, McGuire was named the WBCA Robin Roberts Award Winner.

McGuire is the host for countdown to kickoff and the BBN Gameday for the UK Sports Network. McGuire also serves as a color analyst for the Southeastern Conference (SEC) Network and was the first female pregame radio host in the conference's history.



Brett Pierce runs in the Amsterdam Marathon Oct. 16. Despite suffering two injuries in August 2021, Pierce finished 123rd among more than 20,000 racers from 136 countries who ran the full 26.2 miles of the marathon.

Pierce excels in Amsterdam Marathon despite suffering two injuries

By Gerard Flanagan, Staff Writer and Photographer

For Brett Pierce, the Amsterdam Marathon was an uphill battle well before he stepped on the course Oct. 16.

In August 2021, he suffered injuries to both his femur and foot, which put him in a seven-month recovery period and gave him much less time to prepare for the 26.2-mile run.

This was no problem for Pierce, who finished 123rd among more than 20,000 racers from 136 countries who ran the full 26.2 miles.

"We didn't begin the training cycle until late July," Pierce said. "We only had about two months of marathon experience. The first four months were making sure my body could take it. Usually, a marathon training is four months.

"You have to be careful with how you approach it. We were 100 percent ready, but only about 75-80 percent in shape because of how serious the injuries were."

His time in the marathon bested his previous personal record by six minutes.

"I'll be looking to build off that," Pierce said.

Discipline was crucial in the preparation, according to Pierce.

"Every day is a new challenge," he said. "Some days when you have a long run, that 5:15 a.m. alarm is not your friend."

Pierce and his coach for the marathon, Corbin Harris, head men's and women's cross-country coach, had a detailed plan for Pierce's preparation.

"We broke it down month by month, day by day," Pierce said, "to where each day, it was never the same miles you're running, and it's never the same workout. It was all about building up as much quality on the runs."

Pierce also hit the weight room during his race preparation.

"The weight room is one of the key parts of being able to perform," Pierce said. "It's what makes you a better racer. The weight room and small stuff, such as therapy, ice baths, stretching, the small details, is what can push you to the next level."

Pierce also stuck to a strict diet.

"You take in quality calories," Pierce said. "The final two weeks, your diet gets really strict. You're hammering down on complex carbs and gradually filtering out high fiber. The week of race day, you're hammering the water and Gatorade and a lot of bread, bagels, pasta and chicken."

During the race, which started and finished at Olympic Stadium in Amsterdam, the crowd chanted Pierce's name.

"The crowd brings you along," Pierce said. "Being embraced by the country was a cool experience."

His racing bib displayed his name.

The entrance into Olympic Stadium following the marathon was also a moment Pierce said he "soaked in."

"When they said 'from the United States, Brett Pierce,' you just take that in," he said.

Pierce has a goal of finishing the "World Six" marathons in Berlin, London, New York City, Tokyo, Boston and Chicago.

Pierce said he received enormous support from the Campbellsville University community.

"Some people have a whole country, but I'll take these student-athletes and Campbellsville University any day of the week," Pierce said. "I'm so humbled and excited I get to share this experience with everyone here."



Derek Port awarded Above and Beyond Award; staff is MSC staff of the year

By Brett Pierce, Assistant Director of Athletics Communications and Multimedia

The Mid-South Conference has announced Derek Port has been awarded their Above and Beyond Award for Outstanding Service in Athletic Training, while the entire Campbellsville University athletic training staff has been honored as the 2021-22 MSC Athletic Training Staff of the Year.

Port has won the Above & Beyond Award in four different years (2014-15, 2015-16, 2018-19 and 2021-22).

The athletic training staff at Campbellsville now handles 19 different sports and 32 total teams.

"It is an honor to be recognized within the Mid-South Conference," Port said. "I lean on the athletic trainers from each institution to learn new tricks of the trade and to help manage the athletic training room at Campbellsville. We are lifelong friends."

Port said, "Each one of them helps me be a better athletic trainer and to provide improved healthcare to the student-athletes at Campbellsville each year. Mr. Jim Hardy, athletic director, Mr. Rusty Hollingsworth, vice president for athletics

and student services, and President Joseph Hopkins continue to support the athletic training department and the health and wellness of our student-athletes unconditionally, and that makes my job enjoyable and fulfilling.

"Hopefully, I can continue to improve myself each year and help bring athletic healthcare to a new level."

Port said he "cannot say enough about how much this recognition means to me and my staff." He said, "I push them relentlessly to recognize that we are working for our student-athletes and to be the professionals that can separate the health and wellness of each student-athlete from their competitive habits."

"Student-athletes are currently struggling trying to balance the student and the athlete portion of their lives. Over the last two-three years, it has been more important than ever that these young adults have someone that can help them navigate through that transition.

"My staff, along with every other athletic training staff in the country, have put a priority on recognizing this and making sure that the entire student-athlete is being cared for, not just the athlete. My staff has completely bought into this, and as we strive to make improvements."

The Above and Beyond Award is presented annually to an athletic trainer who serves as head or assistant athletic trainer, graduate assistant or intern athletic trainer at a Mid-South Conference (full-member) institution. It is selected by the Mid-South Conference Athletic Trainers and is presented to an athletic trainer for exceptional care and performance in athletic training or non-athletic training activities occurring in the past year. Nominees may have administered life-saving measures, developed major programs or initiatives at their institution or led service projects that have had a lasting impact on their school, conference or community.

Michaela Jarman is Campbellville's new athletic alumni coordinator

By Brett Pierce, Assistant Director of Athletic Communications and Multimedia

Michaela Jarman ('19, M '22) has been employed as Campbellville University's new athletic alumni coordinator.

"This new role as athletic alumni coordinator is such an exciting opportunity," Jarman said.

"It is an honor to be able to work firsthand with our Tiger and Lady Tiger alumni to help them tell their CU story and reconnect them with their alma mater."

As athletic alumni coordinator, Jarman will be a member of the development team whose overall responsibility is managing, planning and executing a comprehensive program for athletic alumni gifts.

Dr. Benji Kelly, vice president for development, said, "I am excited that Michaela is joining the development team as the athletic alumni coordinator. Over the past three years, we have seen her growth as a leader in the athletic area. Her skill set is a perfect fit for development, and I look forward to seeing what she can accomplish in this new role."

Jarman will see her duties as assistant athletic director of game operations/ facilities continue as well. She graduated in 2019 from Campbellville University with a Bachelor of Science in Sport Management and 2022 with a Master of Arts in Sport Management.



Eighth Annual Campbellville University Athletics / Forcht Bank Fall Festival



Lauren Willis, chair of human performance and associate professor of health and physical education, and her husband, Michael "Cody" Willis, left, attend the annual Athletics Fall Festival with their twin daughters, Ellie Beth Willis, left, and Emma Kate Willis. (CU Photo by Donovan Matthews)



Lorri Hardy, administrative assistant for athletics, left, and her husband, Jim, director of athletics, pose before heading into the annual Athletics/ Forcht Bank Fall Festival. (CU Photo by Donovan Matthews)



Joshua Meglis, a senior football player, talks with Head Football Coach Perry Thomas, left, at the Annual Campbellville University Athletics/ Forcht Bank Fall Festival. (CU Photo by Donovan Matthews)

Ashley Fox



Alumni and friends,

As director of alumni relations, I have learned that behind every Tiger is a story, and behind every story is another reason to love Campbellsville University. This family means many different things to many other people, and it's beautiful to watch that love grow as alumni step back onto campus to see all the wonderful, life-changing things happening here.

In October, we had another triumphant Homecoming! This year's theme of Maroon Melody was well fitting to celebrate our new president and many different milestones, such as the Tiger Marching Band's 30th anniversary, Fighting Tiger Football's 35th anniversary and the Car Show's 30th anniversary. It was a beautiful day filled with many smiling faces and stories shared throughout the weekend. If you didn't get the chance to come back this year, we hope to see you at one soon!

When I talk to 100 alumni, I hear 100 personal reasons for loving our university. Connecting with so many of you is one of my greatest joys. As you read this issue of the Campbellsvillian, I encourage you to consider why you love CU. Whatever the reason may be, your reason is unique and essential to our community.

Ashley

Ashley Fox (M '17)
Director of Alumni Relations

Written By Joan C. McKinney, Editor

Editor's Note: Years of graduation or attendance at Campbellsville University are determined by the last year of attendance. For example, ('95) is a 1995 bachelor's graduate; (a '95) is someone who attended their last year in 1995; and ('95, M '20) is someone who graduated with a bachelor's or associate degree in 1995 and a master's degree in 2020; and (Ph.D. '22) is someone who received a Ph.D. degree.

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1970s



GWINN THOMPSON ('70), chair of Campbellsville University's Advancement Board, was a featured author at the Kentucky Book Festival, a program of the Kentucky Humanities, at Joseph-Beth Booksellers in Lexington Oct.

29. She was selling her new book, *The Lincoln Family: It's Lost & Hidden History*, written with Jerry Coleman, who also was co-author of her *The Red Book of Poetry*.



KENN "DOMER" DOMERESE ('72) is retiring after 48 years as the cross country and track coach at Carman-Ainsworth High School. He has served as cross country coach since 1974 and became the track coach the following year. He

is leaving the institution to become a volunteer assistant at Fenton, where he lives, and his seven grandchildren run on the various track teams. He coached his daughters Kerece, LaDena and McKenzie at Carman-Ainsworth. He is considered one of the Carman-Ainsworth district's most successful track/cross country coaches in Flint-area history. He began his coaching career while a student at Campbellsville College when the track coach quit shortly before the season started. Domereze is a member of five Halls of Fame. He retired as a teacher in 2005.



DR. BEVERLY ENNIS ('72), right, retired dean of the School of Education, has published two photography books, along with her husband, **DR. LARRY ENNIS ('66)**. Her first book is *Just Us and the Pandemic*; the second

is *Just Us Birding in South Florida*. She and her husband both shot the photos. Mrs. Ennis said she had been fascinated with birds for a long time. The

couple researched how to bring birds to their home. They rode through Kentucky in their 2008 Toyota Tacoma truck and visited lakes they had previously fished and other places they had visited over the years. They were looking at the places with "new eyes." In addition to the birds, they found animals, flowers and trees to take pictures of. She said, "We are amateurs that found a way to survive the isolation of the pandemic by taking pictures of nature! The photos are from Adair, Green, LaRue and Taylor counties in Kentucky. The books are available on amazon.com. and JustUs@gmail.com. The couple has served as teachers and administrators in public school systems and higher education. They both earned their doctorate degrees from the University of Louisville. Address: 402 E. Columbia Ave., Greensburg, KY 42743.

FRANK M. STARR ('74) retired in September 2021 and moved to sunny Florida and the beach in December 2021. He and his wife, Linda Kay, attend First Baptist Church, Pensacola, Fla. Address: 11108 Pine Hill Drive, Pensacola, FL 32506. Email: frankstarrinsurance@aol.com.

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MARGARET (PEGGY) NICKLESS ('76) is employed with Master's Academy Vero Beach in Florida. She has been in Christian education for 46 years and teaches children with specific learning differences. She attends Calvary Chapel Vero Beach. Address: 2475 6th St., Vero Beach, FL 32962. Email: deerpegg@bellsouth.net.

TIM DAVIS ('79) has been recognized as Kentucky High School Athletic Director of the Year for the Commonwealth. He was recognized for his dedication and commitment to Campbellsville High School athletics; his peers selected him. Davis has been serving CHS Athletics for 12 years. Before his time as the athletic director, Davis was a long-time teacher, having retired in 2012 and more recently retired from being head boys' basketball coach. He is married to **JONI DAVIS ('78)**. Address: 306 Hoops Lane, Campbellsville, KY 42718.

DR. KENNY L. SKINNER ('79) is president of Think LifeChange Institute of Biblical Counseling. He is married to Elaine Skinner, who served as secretary to the registrar at Campbellsville College in the late 1970s. They have a son, Jason. Address: 50 Yates Drive, Hampton, GA 30228. Email: kerry@thinklifechange.com.

1980s

KELLY LYNN CAPPS LINDSEY ('81) is employed with the Fayette County Public Schools in Lexington, Ky. While a student at Campbellsville College, she belonged to the Kentucky Music Educators Association, Sigma Theta, Campbellsville Singers and Baptist Student Union. She has two children: Shivaun and Allison Lindsey. She attends Calvary Baptist Church. Address: 440 Squires Road, #3209, Lexington, KY 40515. Email: k.l.lindsey13@gmail.com.



Dr. Susan Harris Howell ('82), professor of psychology and lead professor of the Department of Psychology at Campbellsville University, welcomed those attending the Author's Reception at the

Kentucky Book Festival Oct. 28. Campbellsville University sponsored the reception for the festival that is a program of the Kentucky Humanities. Howell was also a first-time author who was one of the authors who displayed and sold their books on Oct. 29. Her book is *Buried Talents: Overcoming Gendered Socialization to Answer God's Call*. She is married to **THE REV. DWAYNE HOWELL ('82)**, who taught in the School of Theology at the university for 18 years. Dr. Howell has taught at Campbellsville University for 27 years.



JO ANN KESSLER HARRIS ('85, M '16) is the new 2022 Kentucky Art Education Association Middle School Art Educator of the Year. She teaches middle and high school visual art at Campbellsville Independent

Schools; she has been teaching for eight years. The Kentucky Art Education Association Executive Board announced, and the winners were honored at an Awards Gala Oct. 21 at Northern Kentucky University. Each year, the KyAEA members, associates/affiliates and community members nominate the candidates they feel most deserving of the Art Educator of the year awards sponsored by the organization by providing specific reasoning for every nomination written. It is a tremendous honor to be considered and nominated. These individuals' nominations help build a more robust arts focus among schools, districts and communities across Kentucky.

Nominees and winners should be recognized, honored and celebrated for their impact on students, teachers and communities as they continue to pursue making the world brighter through art. Harris has a 1985 Bachelor of Science degree with an art area, teacher's certification to teach art, preschool through 12 in 2012 and her Teacher Leader Master's in Special Education in 2016, all from Campbellsville University. Harris has two sons, Randy, a senior computer major at Northern Kentucky University, and Zeke, a sophomore at Campbellsville High School. Email: joann.harris@cville.kyschools.us.

GARY MOUNCE ('85) has started a new role as director of operations with his current employer, Portland Christian School. He was a high school/middle school principal with Portland Christian School. Mounce played tennis, belonged to Student Government Association and the Baptist Student Union, and was a resident assistant at South Hall while at Campbellsville College. He is married to **NINA JUANITA CLARKSON MOUNCE ('84)**. They have two children: Crystal Nicole and Noah Christian Mounce. They attend Southeast Christian Church. Address: 12107 Dixon Park Blvd., Louisville, KY 40299. Email: mouncefamily@outlook.com.

DEBORAH MICHELLE RAKESTRAW ('89) has been promoted to division director for the Developmental Services Division at Seven Counties Services, the CMHC/Community Mental Health Center in the Louisville area. She oversees the programs of Family Support Services, Crisis, PASRR, PASRR Specialized, Occupational Therapy and Speech Therapy. She has worked for Seven Counties for 25 years, beginning with First Steps, Michelle P. Waiver and now division director. She is the board chair of Beargrass Christian Church, where she will lead and serve alongside the church's elders, deacons and ministry teams. She and her husband, Chris, have been members of Beargrass for 24 years. They have a daughter, **EMMALYNN RAKESTRAW ('22)**, who received her Master in Justice Studies from Campbellsville University. The Rakestraws have a family connection to **DR. JOSEPH HOPKINS**, the new president of Campbellsville University, and were thrilled to know they would be moving to Campbellsville. First Lady **SUZANNE HOPKINS'** sister is married to Chris Rakestraw's brother. Address: 3314 Breckenridge Lane, Louisville, KY 40220. Email: deb.rakestraw@yahoo.com.

1990s

TAMMY FORD WILSON ('92) is a teacher with the Campbellsville Independent School System in Campbellsville, Ky. As a student at Campbellsville College, Wilson played basketball, softball and tennis. She is married to **RICK WILSON ('72)**. They have two children: Connor and Aidan Wilson. She attends Holy Name of Mary Catholic Church in Calvary, Ky. Address: 349 Eagle Drive, Campbellsville, KY 42718. Email: tammy.wilson@cvillekyschools.us.

RAMONT SMITH ('94) is the Indy/Louisville Regional business manager for AMARIN Pharmacy. He is married to **JULIE MAY-SMITH ('92)**; they have a son, Bryce. Address: 508 Selkirk Lane, Louisville, KY 40243. Email: Ramontsmith@yahoo.com.

LEIGH ANNE BOURNE ('97) is employed at Amazon. She attends Lakota Hills Baptist Church in West Chester, Ohio. She was involved in Baptist Student Union and Creative Ministries at Campbellsville University. Address: 5626 Baywatch Way, Unit 202, Mason, OH 45040. Email: labourne75@gmail.com.



DR. BEN MARTIN ('99) is the pastor at Columbia United Methodist Church in Columbia, Ky. He teaches in the School of Religion at Lindsey Wilson College and serves as the college's ADA officer. He received his

Bachelor of Music with an emphasis in church music. His master's is from Lindsey Wilson College, where he received a Master's of Education in Human Services and Counseling. He received a Doctorate of Ministry from the United Theological Seminary in Dayton, Ohio. He and his wife, **JULIE WOLLMANN ('03)**, have a blended family of three boys, Jackson, Nicholas and Benjamin, and two girls, Kaleigh and Ryley. He and his wife served as worship leaders, and he was interim pastor at Columbia United Methodist Church. Address: 532 Cambridge Way, Campbellsville, KY 42718. Email: martinb@lindsey.edu.

BONNIE ALLISON MOORE McCARTY ('99) was recently named manager of the adaptive technology center, a service of Middle Tennessee State University's Disability & Access Center. She has worked at MTSU for 18 years, first as the head of the scholarship department and then as an academic advisor. She is married to **SETH McCARTY ('00)**, a senior network administrator at System Integrations in Lebanon, Tenn. They have two children: Sam, who works in food service at MTSU, and Bradie, who is studying live audio engineering at Tennessee Tech University in Cookeville, Tenn. Address: 6717 Scenic Drive, Murfreesboro, TN 37129. Email: bmccarty@mtsu.edu.

2000s



DANIEL LONDON ('00) is the new executive director of the Lincoln Trail Area Development District. The Lincoln Trail office in Elizabethtown, Ky., serves Breckinridge, Grayson, LaRue, Marion, Meade,

Nelson, Washington and Hardin counties. The area development district, formed in 1968, serves an advisory role and coordinates federal, state and local government programs. It is one of 15 regional planning and development organizations. London served as the deputy judge-executive for Hardin County, an appointed position he has held since late 2017. He has worked for U.S. Rep. Ron Lewis; he began as an intern and eventually served as his chief of staff. He was a congressional affairs and corporate communications officer for the U.S. Army Recruiting Command in Fort Knox. He also served as director of strategic business with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Address: 90 W. Anjou Court, Elizabethtown, KY 42701.



CHRIS BRADY ('01) is the new superintendent of the Marion County Public Schools in Lebanon, Ky. He began his teaching career in 2001, teaching Washington County mathematics and computer science classes. He

served as an adjunct instructor at Campbellsville University, teaching computer technology courses to graduate students earning their master's in education and initial teaching certification in special education. He taught mathematics from 2005 to 2007 at Marion County Public Schools and became assistant principal at North Washington Elementary School in Washington County in 2007. He served as interim principal at Marion County High School in 2010. He also taught part-time at Midway University from 2006 to 2015 and served as assistant principal at Lebanon Middle School from 2008 to 2012. He was the principal of Washington County Elementary School from 2012 to 2015. Brady earned a bachelor's degree in mathematics, computer science and secondary education from Campbellsville University. He holds a Master's in Instructional Leadership, as well as a Rank I in Instructional

Leadership from Eastern Kentucky University. He also earned his education specialist degree from the University of Missouri-Columbia, with a focus on educational technology, and completed superintendent coursework at the University of Louisville and ECU. He has also achieved his superintendent, director of pupil personnel Level II, supervisor of instruction Level II and P-12 principal Level II certifications. His wife, **JADA TENELL ('16)**, is an oncology-certified nurse at Ephraim McDowell Commonwealth Cancer Center. They have a daughter, Sierra. Address: 131 E. Erskine Drive, Danville, KY 40422.

SHERRY GRIDER SELBY ('01) is employed with DUO Broadband, where she is a business account manager for Russell Springs, Jamestown, Columbia, Campbellsville, Burkesville, Albany and Liberty, Ky. She has worked for DUO Broadband for 17 years and said she loves having the opportunity to work back in Campbellsville again. While at Campbellsville University, she was a Student Ambassador and worked as a student employee in the Office of Admissions. She was also a cheerleader. She attends Church at the Springs in Russell Springs, Ky. She and her husband, Brandon, have three children: Ella Robertson, Emery-Kate Robertson and Grider Selby. Address: 3316 Colson Drive, Russell Springs, KY 42642. Email: sselby@duobroadband.com.

THE REV. CHRIS THORNSBERRY ('02) was ordained as a provisional member of the Indiana Conference of the United Methodist Church. He was appointed as the associate pastor at Epworth UMC in Indianapolis, Ind., where he had previously served as director of family ministries.

TOMMY SANTIAGO ('03) has been employed as an assistant coach for the University of Michigan Softball Team. He has coached at Homewood-Flossmoor High School, Diamond Sports Academy, South Suburban Junior College, South Florida, Jacksonville University and St. John's. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Exercise Science and Sport Medicine from Campbellsville University. He played a year of professional baseball for the River City Rascals of the Frontier League after his college career. He garnered Second Team All-Conference recognition at Campbellsville University.

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HEATHER CAMPBELL HENSLEY ('07) is serving as the director of development for Alpha Pregnancy Care Center in Hopkinsville, Ky. Her husband, **JOSH HENSLEY ('08, M '10)**, just celebrated his seventh year on staff as worship pastor at New Work Fellowship in Hopkinsville. They have three children: Aaron, Benjamin and Jovie. Address: 685 Billy Goat Hill Road, Hopkinsville, KY 42240. Email: Heather – heatherhensley31@gmail.com. Josh – josh@newworkfellowship.com.



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EDDIE GROVES ('09) is an Ohio County School System teacher. He is married to Amanda Groves. Address: 206 Raines Ave., Beaver Dam, KY 42320. Email: eddie.groves@ohio.kyschools.us.

MICHAEL THOMAS ('09) has been promoted to superintendent over McEver Probation Detention Center in Perry, Ga. He oversees the daily operation of 230 probation offenders and 67 employees and ensures the mission of the Georgia Department of Corrections is carried out. He holds a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice from Campbellsville University and is pursuing a Master's degree in Public Administration. He has completed Basic Correctional Officer Training, Basic Counselor Training, SART Training, Basic Management Training, Deputy Warden Academy, Executive Basic Correctional Officer Training and Warden's Pre-Command. Thomas began his career with the department in 2010 as a correctional officer at Macon State Prison. Later the same year, he was promoted to the role of counselor, where he worked with the general population and administrative segregation. In 2012, Thomas was named acting chief counselor at Mason State. In 2013, he was promoted to chief counselor at Central State Prison. In that role, he served on several process action

teams and initiated several pilot programs for the department. In 2015, he was promoted to deputy warden of care and treatment at Central State Prison. He oversaw the daily operation of medical, mental health, education, recreation, chaplaincy and counseling services of more than 1,153 male offenders. While at Campbellsville University, he played football. He and his wife, Alyssa, have been married for nine years, and they have a daughter, Mikayla Thomas. Address: 106 Trickum Court, Warner Robins, GA 31088. Email: Mthomas09.mt@gmail.com.

2010s



ANDREA UNDERWOOD ('12, M '16), a two-time graduate of Campbellsville University, has been promoted to director of undergraduate admissions at the university. Underwood served as interim director of undergraduate admissions, where she implemented efficiencies in recruitment planning, including coordinating across all Campbellsville University centers and reducing recent issues of turnover among admission recruiters through training and staff development. She led this year's increase in new student enrollment. Underwood earned her Bachelor of Arts in Organizational Management in 2012, followed by a Master of Business Administration in 2016. Before returning to Campbellsville University in 2017, Underwood served as a victim advocate in the Taylor County Attorney's Office. She returned to the university as a dual credit counselor in 2017 before implementing and leading the CU Rise program for nontraditional and adult students. In 2022, she began serving as assistant director of on-campus enrollment before being appointed interim director later this year. Underwood serves as a volunteer dance coach at Taylor County Middle and High Schools. She married Derek Underwood, an in-school suspension teacher and assistant softball coach at Taylor County High School. They have two daughters, Makayla, who is in the band at Taylor County High School, and **SAVANNA COWHERD ('20)**, who is married to **JORDAN COWHERD ('20)**. Address: 1998 W. Saloma Road, Campbellsville, KY 42718. Email: adunderwood@campbellsville.edu.

JORDAN ALVES ('13, M '15) is an associate director of broadcast operations for the SEC Network at the University of Missouri. He is married to **MORGAN GAILOR ALVES ('19)**, a Neighborhood Long Term Care (LTC) pharmacy technician. Address: 5905 Geyster Blvd., Columbia, MO 65202.

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KASSIE LITTLE ('17, M '20) is a program manager in the Office of Global Services at Northeastern University in Boston, Mass. In September 2022, she sold everything she owned, except for what she could fit in her Honda Civic, and moved to Boston with her dog, Mia! She worked at Campbellsville University for over four years. She received her Bachelor of Science in History in 2017 and her Master of Arts in Teaching English as a Second Language in 2020. Email: K.little@northeastern.edu.

DR. LAUREN MAYTON ('17) recently graduated from Samford University McWhorter School of Pharmacy in Birmingham, Ala. and has moved to Kentucky to begin her career in pharmacy. She was Sigma Zeta's president and treasurer while at Campbellsville University. Address: 22 Southern Magnolia Road, Corbin, KY 40701. Email: l.mayton@live.com.



KENDALL RIDDLE ('17, a M '22) is a data specialist in the Registrar's Office on Campbellsville University's main campus. She works with all athletes and coaches on eligibility and certifications for the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA). She previously worked for the Louisville Education Center from 2018 to April 2022. She is pursuing her Master of Arts in Sport Management with an emphasis in Administration at Campbellsville University. She received her Bachelor of Science in Mass Communication in 2017. Address: 800 West Main St., Campbellsville, KY 42718. Email: keriddle@campbellsville.edu.

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2020s

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CECILIA GARRETT ('21) owns Lightening the Load Counseling PLLC. She recently published a free downloadable resource for adult children with parents who hoard, the first resource available to assist adult children in planning and considering how to intervene (or when it may not be feasible) in parental hoarding. The link is at <https://cecigarrett.com/free-workbook/>. She attends Moses Lake Alliance Church. Address: 6064 Murray Way NE, Moses Lake, WA 98837. Email: ceci@cecigarrett.com.

HANNAH GLADHILL ('21) teaches four-year-olds at Bright Start Childcare and Preschool. Address: 500 Snyder Way, Apt. 170, Radcliff, KY 40160. Email: hdeforrest@yahoo.com.

HALEY F. LYNN ('21) is a park ranger at Green River Lake. She previously served as a security officer on the main Campbellsville University campus. She received her Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice Administration Dec. 11, 2021. Address: 432 Scherrer Road, Liberty, KY 42539.



MICAH PRICE ('21) is an associate producer at WPSD Local 6 in Paducah, Ky. He received a Bachelor of Science in Mass Communication with an emphasis in broadcasting and digital media with a minor in history from Campbellsville University. While at Campbellsville, he worked with the university's broadcasting network, WLCU/88.7 FM The Tiger. He enjoys video editing.

BRIAHANNA NICKOLE ALLEN ('22) is employed at Adair Youth Development Center. She has a daughter, Juliet. Address: 906 Plainview Drive, Campbellsville, KY 42718. Email: brinallen99@outlook.com.



MACKENZIE CARNEY ('22) is a physical education assistant at Taylor County Primary Center and Intermediate School in Campbellsville, Ky. She received a Bachelor's in Health and Physical Education with a minor in P-12 education.

DARREL SHANE DICK ('22) lives in Russell Springs. Address: 7069 E. Hwy. 80, Russell Springs, KY 42642. Email: Darrel-shane10@gmail.com.

MADISON EADS ('22) works as a NICU nurse at TJ Samson Hospital in Glasgow, Ky. She received her Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Campbellsville University in 2022.

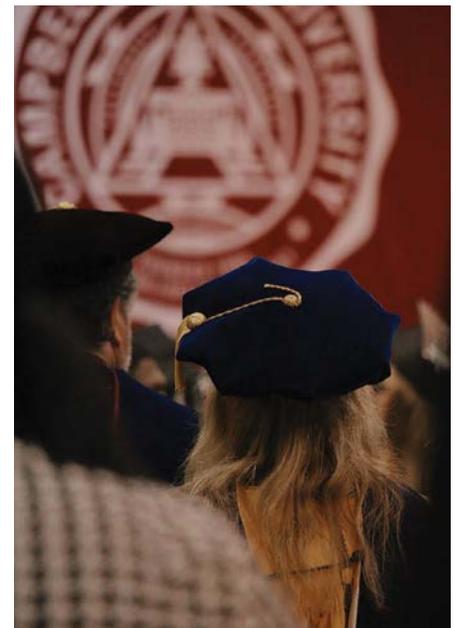
ALEXANDRIA DAMRIELLE GOWER EPPERSON ('22) is a government contractor for Sature. She is married to Jared Cole Epperson. They have two children: Aleyah Gracelee and Liam Greyson Epperson. Address: 128 May Vanhoosier Road, Nancy, KY 42544. Email: aliepperson1@gmail.com.

BRYAN KEITH LITTON ('22) is the senior pastor of Greater Israel Baptist Church. He and his wife, Madison, have seven children: Cierra Lin, Tasheana Vonne Nicole, Talaya Dezhahane, Bryan Keith Jr.,

Brooklyn Keyari, Ryan Lamar and RaeLyn Legacy Litton. Address: 1509 Magazine St., Louisville, KY 40203. Email: Bryanlitton778@yahoo.com.

DAWN MUDD ('22) and her husband, Mike, are associate pastors of Evangel Church in Shepherdsville, Ky. Mrs. Mudd works for the CASA Program for Bullitt County; they advocate for children involved in the court system due to abuse or neglect. Her long-term goal is to offer counseling for families with a loved one suffering from substance abuse disorder. She wants to provide an approach that affects the family unit instead of just the individual with the substance abuse disorder. Mudd has a Bachelor's degree in Social Work from Campbellsville University. In addition to serving as associate pastor with his wife, her husband is the executive director of The Corner of Hope, a faith-based drug and alcohol restoration home. The couple is a blended family with the following children: Brooklyn Williams, Brianna Weird, Makayla Mudd, Makenzie Mudd, Cameron Mudd, Alaya Weird, Diggy Mudd and Victoria Mudd. Address: 2880 Knob Creek Road, Shepherdsville, KY 40165.

ALISA ANN PITTMAN ('22) has been a notary public since 1982. She is also a Kentucky Colonel. Address: 412 Tucker Station Road, Louisville, KY 40243. Email: lpittman0915@outlook.com.



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Weddings



AUDREY KATHERINE WUNDERLICH ('14) married Tyler Rees on June 3, 2022, in Atlanta, Ga. at a venue called Upstairs Atlanta by Pastor Steven Giddens of North Point Community Church in Alpharetta, Ga. She is the digital marketing and social media director of North Point Community Church and Andy Stanley's Social Media. Her husband works in ministry as well as the vice president of marketing and communications for Orange (The ReThink Group). As a student at Campbellsville University, Mrs. Rees was involved in the Public Relations Student Society of America, Student Government Association, Campus Times, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Baptist Campus Ministry, Admissions Office and Residence Life. They attend North Point Community Church. Address: 11201 Lexington Farms Drive, Alpharetta, GA 30004. Email: audreykwunder@gmail.com.



MOLLY CHRISTINE VEST ('18) and Mitchell Robert Lemker were married June 25, 2022, at Good Shephard Catholic Church in Frankfort, Ky. Mrs. Lemker is a preschool teacher and serves as the preschool team lead for the Owen County Preschool Department. She earned a Bachelor's in Elementary Education from Campbellsville University and a Master's in Early Childhood Education/IECE in May 2022 from Eastern Kentucky University. Lemker is a policy analyst for the Kentucky State Senate and graduated from Georgetown College in 2017 with a double major in political science and history. Address: 1755 Galbraith Road, Apt. #526, Frankfort, KY 40601. Email: Molly - molly.christine15@yahoo.com. Mitchell - lemkerm@gmail.com.



WHITLEY HOWLETT ('22) and Josh Truman were married Oct. 1, 2022, at Jefferson Memorial Park in Louisville, Ky. Mrs. Truman works full-time at Hobby Lobby and is starting a tattoo apprenticeship. She received a Bachelor of Fine Arts with an emphasis in graphic design from Campbellsville University. Truman is starting at Spectrum as tech support and working on a band called Alia Discord. Address: 874 Breckenridge Lane, Louisville, KY 40207. Email: howlettwhitley@gmail.com.



CHRISTY RENAE GRAVES NENTWICK ('03) and her husband, Steven, officially adopted their son, Damien Ryan, Sept. 14, 2021, after his being in the foster care system for 1,289 days. She is the project coordinator for

the Lexington-Fayette County Health Department. While a student at Campbellsville University, Mrs. Nentwick was involved in the Student Government Association as senator, parliamentarian, vice president and class president her sophomore, junior and senior years, Society of Professional Journalists, Campus Times and Baptist Student Union. Mrs. Nentwick is the daughter of **ERIC GRAVES ('94, M '16)**, head coach for men's and women's bowling and all sport game manager at Campbellsville University, and his wife, **TAMMI GRAVES ('04)**, a kindergarten teacher at Kentucky Christian Academy in Campbellsville, Ky. Address: 309 Devonshire Drive, Winchester, KY 40391. Email: Christinanentwick@gmail.com.



TIMOTHY RYAN HOWE ('11) and his wife, **LYNDESEY McCLAIN HOWE ('13)**, announce the birth of their second child, a son named Easton Campbell Howe. He was born March 14, 2021, at 1:26 a.m. at

Baptist Health in Lexington, Ky. He weighed 6 pounds and 13 ounces and was 19 inches long. Howe is the lead maintenance technician for the City of Hopkinsville, Ky., and Mrs. Howe is a principal telecommunications software engineer.



SPENCER ADAMS ('12, M '13) and his wife, **BRANDIE COX ('13)**, announce the birth of a daughter, Ila Shirley Rose Adams, July 13, 2022, at 4:41 a.m. at home in Campbellsville, Ky. She was 7 pounds and 2

ounces and was 20.5 inches. They have three sons: Elijah, Owen and Abel. Adams is the career counseling specialist for the Taylor County School District and head wrestling coach at Taylor County High School. Mrs. Adams is an allied health instructor for the Taylor County School District. Address: 350 Black Gnat Road, Campbellsville, KY 42718. Email: Brandie5461@gmail.com.



ZACH SMITH ('14, M '18) and his wife, Kelsey, announce the birth of their first child, a daughter, Logan Elyse Smith, Sept. 29, 2022, at Saint Joseph London in London, Ky. She was 9

pounds and 4 ounces and was 20 ¼ inches long. Smith is the school counselor at Pulaski Elementary School in Somerset, Ky. Mrs. Smith is a labor and delivery nurse at Saint Joseph London. They live in Russell Springs, Ky.



AMBER MEADE ('18) and her husband, **ALEX MEADE ('18)**, announce the birth of their first baby, a boy, JT was born Friday, Aug. 19, 2022, at 7:47 a.m. at Taylor Regional Hospital in

Campbellsville, Ky. He weighed 8 pounds and 12 ounces and was 20 ½ inches long. Mrs. Meade is the communications operations manager in the Office of University Communications, and Meade is the television programming and production director at WLCU-TV and an instructor of mass communication at Campbellsville University.



RAQUEL VALDERRAMA (a '19) and Wesley Honadel announce the birth of a son, Samuel Walker Honadel, May 30, 2,022, at 5:02 p.m. in Glasgow, Ky. He weighed 7 pounds and

was 19 ½ inches long. Valderrama does permanent makeup at Brows and Beauty Company in Campbellsville. Honadel is a lineman for Eastern Kentucky Power. Address: 1978 White Rose Road, Campbellsville, KY 42718. Email: rvalder51@gmail.com.

1930s

MYRTLE MARIE ELAM ('39) June 14, 2022, Louisville, Ky.

1940s

MARGARET PHILLIPS McDONALD ('40) August 15, 2022, Campbellsville, Ky.

1950s

PAUL WILLIAM CLUBB ('50) August 28, 2022, Tampa, Fla.

GARLAND CECIL COTTRELL ('50) October 26, 2022, Bonnieville, Ky.

BERNICE LOREN HALTER ('50) August 17, 2022, Aurora, Colo.

HAYWARD F. SPINKS ('51) October 16, 2022, Hartford, Ky.

MARY PATRIA LEE RUSSELL ('52) July 4, 2022, Liberty, Ky.

J.C. WILSON ('53) September 27, 2022, Lexington, Ky.

JO ANN RUDDER (a '55) February 19, 2022, Etowah, Tenn.

SUE CRAVENS STIVERS ('55) August 1, 2022, Columbia, Ky.

ERNEST "SONNY" ANDERSON ('56) September 22, 2022, Simpsonville, Ky.

DOROTHY GARDENIA ANTLE JEFFRIES (a '56) May 28, 2022, Zellwood, Fla.

MARTIN EUGENE ELDER ('56) November 4, 2021, Aztec, New Mexico

ELIZABETH MAE SHELTON GRUBBS (a '56) April 20, 2022, Richmond, Ky.

LILLIAN ANN LAWSON BECKHAM ('58) June 6, 2022, Lebanon, Ky.

FRANCES MASDEN LLOYD ('59) August 8, 2022, Louisville, Ky.

1960s

LINDA FRANCES CALVERT WHITE ('61) May 27, 2022, Pensacola, Fla.

EVELYN LAKE SINCLAIR ('63) April 30, 2022, Lexington, Ky.

RONALD REESE BENNETT ('64) August 30, 2022, Jackson, Mich.

RONALD HAMILTON WASH ('65) September 20, 2022, Lawrenceburg, Ky.

PAUL EDWARD "MR. D" DAILY ('66) March 15, 2022, Churubusco, Ind.

SARA BLEVINS CURRY (a '68) February 5, 2022, Campbellsville, Ky.

MARGARET B. CONDER ('69) June 9, 2022, Louisville, Ky.

DANNY K. DOYLE ('69) July 12, 2022, Louisville, Ky.

1970s

MARY ELLEN CARSON COKER ('70) February 26, 2022, Campbellsville, Ky.

FRED ALVIN PURVIS, JR. ('71) Campbellsville, Ky.

JACQUELIN MARIE WARD BENNETT ('71) March 23, 2022, Campbellsville, Ky.

LINDA RAY CORBIN ('72) October 24, 2022, Bowling Green, Ky.

EMERY KINSLOW ('72) September 26, 2022, Glasgow, Ky.

OTHA QUISENBERRY ('75) April 20, 2022, Richmond, Ky.

CHARLES FREDERICK TATE ('75) July 27, 2022, Quality, Ky.

LARRY MARSHALL TROXELL ('72) October 4, 2022, Tateville, Ky.

JAMES "SONNY" WITHERS ('75) September 19, 2022, Three Springs, Ky.

RICHARD A. BLOYD ('76) February 15, 2022, Lexington, Ky.

REV. HARRY A. DOOLEY ('77) July 3, 2022, Falls of Rough, Ky.

MICHAEL D. NOEL ('77) June 2, 2022, Louisville, Ky.

1980s

DONALD (DON) JOSEPH WHITE ('80) August 9, 2022, Loyall, Ky.

1990s

JENNIFER LEIGH TINNELL ('93, M '01) July 8, 2022, Campbellsville, Ky.

CATHY SUE ELDER ('94) January 17, 2022, Springfield, Ky.

GALE MITCHELL PERRY ('97) March 2, 2022, Orlando, Fla.

2000s

DEBBIE S. BURDON ('07) April 20, 2022, Connersville, IN

DORIS KAY (DRUIN) JUDD ('07) March 6, 2022, Campbellsville, Ky.

2010s

DANIEL RYAN WIMSATT ('12) June 2, 2022, Campbellsville, Ky.

TYLER "BO" RICHARD ELLIOTT ('18), September 5, 2022, Louisville, Ky.

2020s

DALTON BEASLEY (a '22) September 17, 2022, Anderson County, Ky.

JOSEPH MONTGOMERY MORRIS (a '22) July 29, 2022, Louisville, Ky.

JOSHUA LEIGH NEUBERT ('22), February 12th, 2022, Susanville, Calif.

Faculty/Staff

MARY ELIZABETH BALDOCK August 18, 2022, Winchester, Ky.

LEIGH E. CONVER June 8, 2022, Louisville, Ky.

LAWRENCE HALL March 2, 2022, Elizabethtown, Ky.

PAUL HARMON ('83, M '15) August 22, 2022, Campbellsville, Ky.

JAMES KENNETH MARTIN July 15, 2022, Springfield, Virginia

JAMES L. "JIM" MOSELEY June 16, 2022, Harrodsburg, Ky.

BRANTLEY HAMILTON PARSLEY, SR. May 3, 2022, Mobile, Ala.

MARK V. PELINI October 2, 2022, Youngstown, Ohio

REV. JOE MILTON THOMAS April 20, 2022, Owensboro, Ky.

REV. LEON WILSON April 18, 2022, Oklahoma City, Okla.

in memoriam

By Gerard Flanagan, Staff Writer and Photographer

Parsley, former librarian at Campbellsville College, dies at 94



Brantley Parsley, a former librarian at Campbellsville College, died May 3, 2022 at age 94.

Early in his career as Campbellsville's senior vice president for academic affairs, Dr. Frank Cheatham worked with Parsley.

"He was dedicated to improvement in the library holdings," Cheatham said. "The one thing I remember fondly about Brantley was his long but thoughtful prayers when called on to lead a devotion."

Parsley's extensive work career took him all over the United States. He retired from the University of Mobile as the university's librarian in 1993.

Parsley received an Associate of Arts from Baltimore Junior College and a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Maryland. At New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, Parsley received another Bachelor of Arts and a Master of Religious Education. He received a Master of Legal Studies from Emory University.

According to his obituary, Parsley was a devoted volunteer, participating in the following activities: volunteer chaplain, Alabama Hospice, Habitat for Humanity, Help Line Crisis Telephone Service, Sonshine Builders, Senior Bowlers at Florida Lanes, Sunday School teacher at Springhill Baptist Church, RSVP, Blood Donor, Widowed Persons Service and Brotherhood Emmanuel Baptist Church.

"Brantley was a fine example of how to be a Christian in our current times. He was an inspiration to all," his obituary said.

Spinks, former Campbellsville trustee and alumnus, dies at 90



Hayward Spinks, who served as a member of the Board of Trustees at Campbellsville University, died Oct. 16, 2022 at the age of 90.

Spinks was born in Horse Branch, Ky. He graduated valedictorian from Beaver Dam High School in 1950 and

attended what was then Campbellsville College on an academic and basketball scholarship.

He then graduated from the University of Kentucky

College of Pharmacy, later opening Spinks' Pharmacy, Medical Center Pharmacy and Beaver Dam Drugs. He worked as a pharmacist until 1997.

"He was a long-serving and valued member of the Campbellsville University Board of Trustees in addition to his many professional achievements, community engagement, church involvement and leadership in many sectors," Dr. John Chowning, former chair and member of Campbellsville's Board of Trustees, said.

"He was known for his warm spirit and was known and respected by many people across Kentucky and beyond."

Additionally, Spinks owned and operated WLLS AM/FM in Ohio County and WGKY in Muhlenberg County. He developed Spinks Shopping Center in Hartford and Midtown Plaza in Beaver Dam.

He was a director of Kentucky Trust Bank and The Hartford Bank.

In 2015, Spinks earned the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Ohio County Chamber of Commerce. He was mayor of Hartford from 1973 to 1985.

"He always had a kind word to share and keen insight into the issues of the day and appreciation for the historic Christian mission of CU," Chowning said.

Martin, former music teacher, dies at 75



Dr. Ken Martin, professor of music, died July 15, 2022 at age 75 following a year-long battle with complications of heart disease.

"Ken Martin was an excellent University Chorale director," Dr. Frank Cheatham, former senior vice president for

academic affairs, said. "He spent much time taking the Chorale on international trips. Students appreciated his leadership and friendship."

Born in Washington, D.C., Martin grew up in Hillcrest Heights, Md.

He earned a bachelor's degree from Wake Forest University, studied at Vanderbilt University, and gained master's and doctoral degrees from The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

In addition to teaching at Campbellsville University, Martin taught classes in Russia and Brazil.

Martin served as a staff member or on an interim basis at numerous churches, culminating in a seven-year stint as director of music at Fairfax Presbyterian Church before his retirement.

Martin organized an annual family reunion for 40 years. For 30 years, he joined various groups of friends camping and canoeing at Lake Kishkutena in Canada, sometimes taking two trips in one summer. According to his obituary, he was known as a gifted musician and an encouraging teacher.

He is survived by his wife of 53 years, Nancy Martin, sisters Christine and Karen Martin, daughters Sara Martin and Susie Yancey, sons-in-law Upshur Whittock and Joe Yancey, and beloved grandchildren Ella and Rose Whittock and Rachel and Benjamin Yancey.

Jen Tinnell, former band director, dies at 52



Campbellsville University's former award-winning Director of Bands, Jennifer Tinnell, died July 8, 2022 at 52. The loss to family, friends and the many students she mentored was great.

After graduating from Metcalfe County High School, "Jen"

became part of the Campbellsville University family, earning first a Bachelor's degree in Music Education in 1993 and her Master's in Music Education in 2001.

She worked her way up through the ranks, sharing her musical gifts in her work with education peers and through her church.

She followed in the footsteps of former Campbellsville University Director of Bands David McCullough, who said of Jen, "Upon joining the music faculty at CU, her impact was profound and immediate. For the marching band, she brought fresh and innovative ideas to music selection, drill design, and recruitment strategies."

She is remembered as a true Christian servant leader, leaving many to comment that simply hearing Jen sing was a blessing.

Cyndi Crowder Chadwick, a close friend of Jen's for 20 years, wrote from her heart, "Jen, you were the light of Jesus, and I am so thankful and blessed by your friendship. We have laughed... we have cried... we have prayed... we have sung... we have celebrated... we have lived life... until we see each other again in Heaven."

Lawrence Hall, former trustee, dies at 87



Lawrence Hall, former chair of the Board of Trustees at Campbellsville College from 1988 to 1989, died March 2, 2022, at age 87.

Hall served on the board from 1981 to 2012.

Dr. John Chowning, executive assistant to the president

for government, community and constituent relations at Campbellsville University, served on the Board of Trustees with Hall.

"Lawrence's legacy of Christian servant leadership and his strong support of CU and many other organizations will long be felt," Chowning said.

Dr. Kenneth W. Winters, former president of Campbellsville University, said, "My life has been richer because of the many years that I worked with Lawrence, Sharon (his wife) and other members of his family."

Dr. Donnie Gosser, former trustee and trustee emeritus at Campbellsville University, said, "Lawrence was a fine Christian man. They didn't come any better than him. If someone needed help, he was there."

Preceding Lawrence in death were his parents, Hewlett and Mary Hall, and brother, Kenneth Hall. Survivors include his wife of 63 years, Sharon M. Hall; daughter, Holly Sue (Keith) Rogers; son, Judge M. Brent (Tammy) Hall; grandchildren, Linsey (John) Stiles; Emily (Mason) Neltner; Madison Elizabeth "Maddie" Hall; and Matthew "Ryan" Hall; three great-grandchildren; his twin brother, Robert L. Hall; sister, Joyce Gilke; his sisters-in-law, Lina Sue Hess and Dean Hall of Alton, IL; and many nieces and nephews.

Harmon, former office assistant in the School of Education, dies at 55



Paul Harmon, former office assistant in the School of Education and a 1983 and 2015 graduate, died Aug. 22, 2022 at the age of 55.

Harmon served at Campbellsville University from June 2013 until June 2015.

"Paul was very kind and thoughtful," Bettye MacFarland, former assistant to the dean of the School of Education and current assistant to the dean of the School of Business, Economics and Technology, said. "He was

always ready to help with the many education events. He was also quite talented."

Harmon was also the finance director for Heritage Children Services.

In 2015, Harmon received his Master of Business Administration from Campbellsville University.

"I just remember his kindness and humor as he worked with all of us in our data collection process for our accreditation," Dr. Dottie Davis, assistant professor of education, said. "He was always pleasant to be around and enjoyed our soup luncheon and fellowship."

Survivors include his wife, Jennifer Frazier Harmon; his parents, Gerald and Mary Harmon and Peggy Crabtree; his children: Andreana Frazier, Will Harmon and Ashtyn Harmon; a brother, Jody (Vickie) Harmon; brothers-in-law Neal (Brenda) Frazier, Tim Frazier; and his father-in-law and mother-in-law, Roger and Eileen Frazier; two nephews; one niece and numerous friends.

Wilson, former trustee, dies at 87



The Rev. Leon Wilson, a former trustee of Campbellsville College, died April 18, 2022 at age 87.

Wilson served as trustee from 2000 to 2020.

"Leon loved CU," Dr. John Chowning, executive assistant

to the president for government, community and constituent relations, former vice president for church and external relations and former chair and member of the Board of Trustees, said. "He was always a very positive and upbeat person about CU, his family, life in general and the Lord."

Wilson began his career in ministry in 1952 and was active in spreading the Gospel until his death. He owned a successful trucking company and collected antique cars.

Dr. Frank Cheatham, former senior vice president for academic affairs, described Wilson as a "kind, considerate and caring individual."

"He wanted only the best for Campbellsville University," Cheatham said. "I always enjoyed seeing which of his antique cars he would drive from Oklahoma to Campbellsville for a trustee meeting."

Survivors include his wife of 68 years, Sharolyn; a son Edwin Wilson and his wife, Nancy; daughters Sharol

Cottingham and her husband, David, and Anita Pease and her husband, Damon; four grandchildren: Valerie Wilson, Brett Shaw and his wife Dahrenda, Aimee Walther and her husband Kyle and Shalyn Cottingham; brother Larry Wilson and his wife Sharon and sister Janice Haswell.

Curry, former chair of Advancement Board, dies at 75



Sara Curry, former chair of the Advancement Board at Campbellsville University, died Feb. 5, 2022, in Bellevue, Washington, at the age of 75.

"Sarah was a funny, interesting person who greatly loved this community," Stan

McKinney, former chair of the

Department of Mass Communication, associate professor of journalism and adviser to the Campus Times, said.

"She was very active with the annual Fourth of July celebration.

"I worked with her in that and other events. She was always willing to work for a community cause."

Curry attended Campbellsville College from 1964 to 1968. Curry was also instrumental in starting the Derby Rose Gala, an annual scholarship fundraising event at the university.

"Sara was really the most pleasant Southern lady, always smiling with a story to share," Natalie Burdette, director of annual giving, said.

Dr. Benji Kelly, vice president for development, said, "Sara had the gift of hospitality. She loved her alma mater and loved leading the Advancement Board and helping raise scholarship dollars."

Curry grew up in Campbellsville. She was a retired owner of multiple beloved community restaurants, including the Cumberland House Family Restaurant, where throughout the 1980s and 1990s, families shared many meals and special moments with her.

Curry is survived by her daughter, Leigh Anne (David) Clark, and two grandchildren, Hudson and Gavin Clark of Dallas, Texas. She is also survived by many other relatives and friends. She was preceded in death by her husband, James Freeman Curry, August 3, 2014, and brother, Phillip Blevins, March 24, 1995.

See a more detailed obituary at Campbellsville.edu/Alumni/Campbellsvillian.



2020 Retirees



Debra W. Carter
(08/1999 - 12/2020)



Dr. Michael V. Carter
(08/1999 - 12/2020)



Dr. Carolyn Garrison
(08/1973 - 12/2020)



Mrs. Chris Y. Mapes
(03/2000 - 05/2020)



Dr. James Moore
(08/1980 - 06/2020)



Rev. Edwin C. Pavy, Sr.
(05/1994 - 06/2020)



Mrs. Peggy C. Richardson
(01/2017 - 06/2020)

2021 Retirees



Mrs. Susan M. Blevins
(08/2010 - 05/2021)



Mrs. Debra I. Murray
(07/2001 - 06/2021)



Dr. Michael R. Page
(08/2005 - 06/2021)



Dr. Billy H. Stout
(08/2006 - 05/2021)



Dr. Robert Street
(08/1976 - 06/2021)



Dr. G. Ted Taylor
(08/1994 - 06/2021)



Mrs. Nancy L. Walters
(08/1994 - 06/2003)(01/2017 - 07/2021)

2022 Retirees



Dr. Christopher C. Conver
(07/2010 - 01/2022)



Dr. Darlene F. Eastridge
(08/1994 - 05/2022)



Mr. Stan O. McKinney
(08/2000 - 06/2022)



Dr. M. Wesley Roberts
(08/1982 - 06/2022)



Dr. Beverly D. Rowland
(08/2007 - 06/2022)



Dr. Donna Wise
(08/1975 - 05/2022)

We honor the years of excellent service and celebrate the legacy of hard work and commitment you leave behind.



Guess Who?

This issue's Guess Who? is of two men who were celebrating the groundbreaking for a new Campbellsville College men's residence hall March 20, 1995. Joan C. McKinney took the photo.

If you guess correctly, your name will be placed in a drawing to win a Campbellsville University T-shirt. The winner will be chosen 10 days after we receive the Campbellsillian in the mail. Good luck!

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



No one attempted to guess last issue's Guess Who? This was disappointing because these students formerly worked in the Office of University Communications in 1994! From left, at far left, with one of Stan McKinney's Mustangs, were: Rebecca Ballard Colvin, Marc C. Whitt and Allen Courington. From left: Front row - Grant Miller, Kelly McWilliams and Jamie Mings. From left: Back row - Jamie Tester, Tamara Marsteller, T. Kemp, Jennifer Zammert, Beth Foster, Carl Willoughby, Lynne Pendygraft and Luther Bramblett with Joan C. McKinney. (CC Photo by Stan McKinney).



Dr. Damon Eubank, center, was honored on his 63rd birthday Nov. 8, 2022 with a car drive-by at Bluegrass Way Senior Living in Campbellsville, where Eubank and his wife, Lori, are living. The car drive-by was arranged by Joan C. McKinney, left, director of university communications; her husband, Stan, retired associate professor of journalism and former chair of the Department of Mass Communication; and Dr. Wendy Wood, right, professor of history. Eubank is a fan of old cars, especially muscle cars. He retired Oct. 15, 2022 from teaching at Campbellsville College/University since 1989.

(CU Photo by Gerard Flanagan)